

Clyde R. Hoey Is Given Reception By His Neighbors

Shelby, Dec. 25.—One thousand more gave Senator-elect Clyde R. Hoey a voluminous valedictory tonight preliminary to his early trip to Washington where he will be sworn in as United States senator beginning with the new Congress.

The tables set in the big assembly were filled with honorables with a very limited number on the outside, none of whom had to be subpoenaed. The Clevelanders issued no invitations and headed nobody for this last roundup. It was strictly a "testimonial dinner to their own Christian statesman and friend", as they put it, and the testimony was all voluntary. It ran the range all the way from new Governor Gregg Cherry's estimate of Hoey as the man of unparalleled popularity to a mock court in which federal Judge E. Yates Webb presided and the neighbors gave evidence. They accused the new senator of abandonment of his native community and the punishment naturally enough was banishment from Shelby to servitude in Washington. Twin counts of friendship and statesmanship were also offered against him, these accusations apparently being the worst that could be brought.

Former Governor Max Gardner presided as toastmaster and Governor Cherry was concluding his address when Sheriff J. R. Cline crashed the company and arrested the senator on the abandonment charge. Judge Webb demanded a speedy trial and appointed Ex-Senator D. Z. Newton as prosecutor and John F. Schenck, Jr., as defense counsel. Judge Webb

AMONG THE COLORED FOLKS

Church — Society — Personal

The funeral of Elizabeth Redmond, who died recently, was held at Damascus Baptist church. Rev. R. W. Barber conducted the services.

Flight Instructor Russell Harris, of Tuskegee, Alabama, and Miss Mildred Little, of Monroe, were married Saturday, Dec. 23, at Monroe. Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Harris and other members of the family attended the wedding. The bride and groom spent a few days here with the groom's parents before going back to Tuskegee where Mr. Harris holds a position as instructor at the Tuskegee Flying Institute.

Rev. William Turner, of North Wilkesboro, delivered the 11 a. m. message at Damascus Baptist church Sunday morning. Rev. Turner preached from the subject "The Church's Message to the World Today".

A very impressive Christmas program was given Sunday night under the direction of Miss Florence Blackburn. After the program gifts were distributed from the Christmas tree.

Pvt. John Blackburn, of the U. S. Army, is spending the holidays here with his father, Mr. R. C. Blackburn and family. Pvt. Blackburn is stationed at Hampton Field, Cal.

Mr. Ed Suddith, of Tharpe, W. Va., and Mr. Henry Barber, of Columbus, Ohio, are spending the holidays here with relatives.

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The weather for Christmas day was more favorable than we hoped for, and many of our people took advantage of the nice day to visit their friends and relatives.

S.Sgt. Wayne C. Church, who is stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark., was home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Church. This family has three sons in the service: Capt. Lass Church, with the Q. M. Corps, in France, and T.Sgt. Raleigh Church who is somewhere in the European theatre of war. Sgt. Wayne Church spoke very complimentary of Dr. B. B. Ferguson, who is a native of Reidsville, pastor of the First Baptist church of Chaffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bryan and little daughter, Anita, of Portsmouth, Va., were guests in the home of Mrs. Bryan's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Jas. T. Nichols.

Miss Doris Nichols, of Winston-Salem, visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Miller and little daughter, Sherry, of Jefferson, visited relatives here Christmas day.

It did seem that the customary salute "Merry Christmas" was out of order, since our boys overseas were deprived of Christmas joys. Yet, we have great cause to be thankful that we can celebrate in our own way while our boys stand guard and make the supreme sacrifice that this privilege of ours may continue.

Argentina recently lauded three foreign workers in local packing houses who invested their life savings, totaling \$10,000, in government bonds.

took sides slightly but no liquor counts were leveled at Senator Hoey and his honor had to be merciful. The upshot of the court was the presentation of a handsome tooled leather book with illuminated hand lettering, executed by F. Seidenstecker, Chicago artist. This contained the thousand signatures of the neighbors who had brought witnesses to the senator.

Other charges against Senator Hoey were that he wears long coats all the time and long drawers in the good old summertime. Holt McPherson, whose flair for the dramatic bobs upon all occasions, presided. Hoey will leave here Sunday for Washington.

The main speech was made by Governor Cherry, who related Hoey to all the history which the new Governor hopes to employ in his own term. The senator, elected to the legislature of 1899, before he was 21, introduced the bill creating the labor department, then responsible for the state's printing. The senator served in several legislatures, among them the one which wrote the new constitutional amendment and sent the state on its path of universal education.

Concluding his address, Governor Cherry turned to Senator Hoey and said: "North Carolina and her people are placing their hopes and aspirations in you, for we believe you will exert your energies and influence in leading this great nation to a peace which will last longer than a generation. The faith of our people is that you will sponsor and work for a definite and permanent program; and knowing the accomplishments of your past, and with faith in your ability and your ideals, we feel sure that you will not fail this great state which honors you and which, we are sure, you will honor in serving".



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This 5th day of December, 1944. **JESSE ANDERSON**, Administrator of Osborne Anderson, dec'd. 1-22-66Mc F. J. McDuffie, Attorney.

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