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CURB REPORTER

Santa Claus comes tonight in all homes where there are little children; and unless we adults become as little children we cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. We must be as hopeful, believing and trusting in the Great Santa Claus who created us all and looks to us to respond to His love of our own free will. Our only way to show it is by spreading the Spirit of Christmas, especially to all unfortunates; for whatever we do for them and to strangers is the same as doing it to Him.

Greetings From the Tryon Postal Employees

It is our sincere wish and hope that each piece of mail delivered to you during the past year has brought some degree of satisfaction, joy, peace or hope.

For each message of sorrow we hope you have received a hundred that gave some degree of pleasure.

We are so grateful to so many people for so much, that it behooves us to attempt to express our appreciation. We hope each of you will take this message as a personal "Thank You" from each of us. Your patience, kindness and expressions of appreciation for our efforts will not soon be forgotten.

May this Christmas season bring joy into the hearts of all and a greater appreciation of the One Who Gave His Son that we of the twentieth century might have freedom of thought, action and above all freedom to worship the Babe of Bethlehem.

Isham Henderson,
Postmaster.

D. L. BALLEW PASSES

David Lawrence Ballew, 93, Landrum's oldest retired merchant and father of the late T. W. Ballew of Tryon, passed away Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 at his home in Landrum.

Funeral services will be held Christmas Day at 2 p. m., at Oak Grove Baptist Church of which he was a deacon for 64 years. Burial will be in the family plot at the church.

Mr. Ballew was born in upper Greenville County, S. C., son of the late David and Ellender Lindsay Ballew. He had made his home in Landrum for 40 years and was in the mercantile business there for 24 years until his retirement. He and Mrs. Ballew, the former Mary Catherine Gosnell who survives him, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on November 29.

Besides his widow he is survived by three sons and three daughters, J. E. Ballew of Landrum; Wortha and Bryson Ballew of Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. J. M. Barnette, and Mrs. Connie Howard, Landrum; Mrs. David McDaniel, Paterson, N. J. Also 39 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren.

Services will be conducted by the Revs. A. A. Scoggins, A. T. Howard, W. B. Belue and Henry Anderson.

Grandsons who will serve as pallbearers are H. D. Jr., and Alfred McDaniel, Julian Barnette, Hubert and Merle Ballew, and Olan Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Erskine Jr., of Philadelphia arrive in Tryon today for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Erskine.