

Personals

Mrs. Floyd Crouse and Mrs. Edwin Duncan were in Wytheville one day this week.

Messrs. J. R. and C. B. Taylor were in Charleston, S. C., this week visiting Mrs. J. K. Taylor who underwent an operation in the hospital there.

Mr. S. C. Richardson, who has been in the Elkin hospital for sometime, is expected to return to his home this week. His condition is reported to be somewhat better.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy and children, Jamie and Eleanor, recently moved from Kennett Square, Pa., to Piney Creek where they have purchased the farm formerly owned by W. T. Landreth.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Osborne had as their guests for dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoppers, Dewey and Hassell Hoppers, Mrs. Rosa Hoppers, W. T. Rector and Jean Hoppers.

Those recently visiting Mr. J. A. Fender and Mr. and Mrs. Will J. Pugh, of Erwin, Tenn., were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoppers, Hassell and Dewey Hoppers, Jean Hoppers and Jack Reeves.

Mrs. Bert R. Edwards returned home from Wilkesboro hospital Saturday after having undergone an operation, there. Those who visited her were Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. Bertie R. Crouse, Mrs. Joe Sparks, Mrs. Jess Todd, Mrs. Coy Wolfe, Mrs. George Sparks and children.

Jesse G. Cox has returned from Germany and has received his discharge from the army.

Mrs. Edwin Duncan and daughter, Jane, have returned after spending the week end in Greenville, S. C.

Mrs. Roy Burgess and Mrs. Reeves spent Tuesday in Winston-Salem.

Mr. Staten McIver, of North Wilkesboro, was a business visitor here, Tuesday.

Miss Mable Haddock returned to her home in Hollywood, California, Tuesday after spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. Wade Choate. She was accom-

panied to Charlotte, Tuesday by Messrs. Wade Choate and Amos Wagoner.

Sunday dinner guests of Elder and Mrs. C. B. Kilby were Elder S. P. Roberts, of Independence, Va.; Elder A. L. Presnell, Fayette Hackler, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Mac Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Smith and son, Glenn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Osborne returned home Sunday from a few days visit with relatives at Siloam.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Brinegar visited Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Brinegar Saturday.

Mrs. M. A. Goodman has returned from Wilkes hospital, where she has been receiving treatment.

Miss Ruby Woodruff was in town, Saturday.

Elder E. A. Long is in the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Eleanor Curtis and children, of near Lenoir, were guests of her sister, Mrs. Walter Johnson and Mr. Johnson, Sunday.

Miss Margaret Fuller, of Raleigh, was a visitor here Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. N. D. Fox and sons visited at Union Grove, Sunday.

Royal-Easter Vows Are Spoken

Miss Lois Easter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Easter, of Winston-Salem, became the bride of Raymond Royal, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Royal, of Roaring Gap, on Saturday, January 25, at the First Baptist church, Winston-Salem, with Dr. Ralph Her-ring officiating.

Immediately after the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride.

Mrs. Royal is a graduate of Hanes high school and was employed by Dr. H. L. Keel and Dr. Jackson.

Mr. Royal attended Sparta high school and is now stationed at Greensboro with the U. S. Army Air Force.

Murphy-Anders Vows Are Spoken

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Murphy, of Ennice, announce the marriage of their daughter, Jeanette, to Wesley Anders, of Hanes, on December 28.

Mrs. Anders is a graduate of Sparta high school and of Draughton's Business college, of Winston-Salem. At present she is a member of the faculty of the Glendale consolidated school of near Galax.

Mr. Anders, son of Rev. and Mrs. Coy Anders, is now employed in Hanes where he and Mrs. Anders plan to make their home.

Mrs. Choate Is Hostess To Group

The January meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Sparta Methodist church was held at the home of Mrs. B. O. Choate.

Mrs. Inskeep led the devotional exercises, following which there was an open discussion of plans for the coming year.

The special feature of the meeting was a handkerchief shower in honor of Mrs. Granville Lyles, who is leaving Sparta to make her home in Asheville.

Much regret was expressed at losing Mrs. Lyles, who has been an active and inspiring member of the society during her stay in the community.

Mrs. Anderson To Speak At Club

The Sparta Woman's Club will hold its meeting Thursday, February 6, at which time Mrs. Ed M. Anderson will be guest speaker.

The meeting will be held at the community building and will begin at 3:30. Mrs. R. Floyd Crouse, president, stated.

Hostesses for the afternoon will be Mrs. Ralph Cheek, Mrs. F. G. Walker, Mrs. Hugh Choate, Mrs. N. D. Fox and Mrs. Glenn Richardson.

All members are urged to be present at this meeting.

WMU Conference To Be Held Feb. 8

The Leadership Conference of the Alleghany Association W. M. U. will be held at the Sparta Baptist church Saturday, February 8 at two o'clock. Mrs. R. E. Richardson, associational superintendent, announced this week.

All associational officers and chairmen and local W. M. U. leaders in all the churches are urged to be present. All other persons interested in the work of the W. M. U. are invited to attend.

BIRTHS ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hodges announce the arrival of a seven pound daughter on December 25. This is Mr. and Mrs. Hodges' tenth child. They have five girls and five boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Brinegar are the proud parents of a daughter, Mary Lee, born on January 20.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Caudill announce the birth of a daughter, Patricia Maxine, on January 19.

The annual State Veterinary Conference was held January 28 to 30 at State College.

RECENT BRIDE



Mrs. Wesley Anders, who was before her marriage December 28, the former Miss Jeanette Murphy, of Ennice.

WILDLIFE BILL IS BEFORE LEGISLATURE

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Senator Weathers of Cleveland would allow the manufacture and sale of fireworks out of the state but written permission would have to be obtained from county commissioners for their sale, instead of sheriffs and chiefs of police as the original bill provided.

Fireworks still could be exhibited at fairs and carnivals under the supervision of "an expert" who would obtain a permit from the county commissioners. The measure would not ban the use of dynamite for industrial purposes or shooting of cartridges or shells. It merely relates to the shooting of pyrotechnics.

Transport Legislation

The Assembly received a special commission report recommending the rewriting of laws regulating the truck transportation industry. The commission, authorized by the 1945 Legislature, made a special study of the State's truck laws. The study resulted from a controversy caused by a request of nonfranchise carriers that they be granted franchises en masse under terms of the so-called "grandfather clause." That request was opposed by truckers operating under terms of the franchise permits.

The nonfranchise operators, numbering close to 2,000, would be granted certificates by the State Utilities commission on the basis of operations they were performing January 1, 1945, and since.

Farm Census

Legislation providing for a corps of census-takers in every county to handle North Carolina's annual farm census was introduced in the General Assembly Tuesday.

County commissioners would have responsibility for appointing and paying a county farm census supervisor and a census-taker in every township. The counties would receive ten cents per abstract from a \$35,000 State fund to partially reimburse them.

When farmers list taxes every year, they provide the detailed information on the past year's operations—the acreage devoted to various crops, timber acreage, idle land, number and types of livestock and other information. No crop price information is included.

The census has been under the supervision of the tax assessors and tax listers. Agriculture officials indicate that the legislation was suggested by county boards, which were willing to take responsibility for the census if they



WHO'S TAKING WHOM FOR A WALK? Show dogs, who do not have the liberty to romp on their own like the mutts of many ancestors, must be exercised under supervision. Supervisor in this case is John Mahomed, 4, who has a man-size job handling a pair of king-size canines in Melbourne.

could handle it in their own way and lift the burden off the tax assessor at such a busy period.

Veterans, Unemployment

Mrs. Norton Pearl, national president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion, spoke briefly before both houses Tuesday in support of veterans' rehabilitation legislation.

Three bills of fireworks had been previously introduced in the Senate: One by Senator Weathers providing for the State-wide ban on "sale, transportation, purchase, sale, possession and advertisement of pyrotechnics;" a second by Senator Roper of Lincoln outlawing everything, including manufacture for out-of-state sales; and a third by Senator George Penny of Guilford, leaving the matter in the hands of the county commissioners.

The subcommittee, composed of those three and Senator Lennon of New Hanover and Senator Chaffin of Harnett, unanimously approved Weather's bill, amending it slightly.

Expansion of the unemployment compensation law of North Carolina to include maritime workers operating from offices in the State was provided for in amendments submitted to the Senate by the Unemployment Compensation commission.

Timely Hints

By RUTH CURRENT

Holiday Records: To make next Christmas easier, save and file away this year's list of gifts, and add to it any ideas you may want to remember, suggest extension specialists in the U. S. Department of Agriculture. For example, keep a record of any magazine subscriptions sent this year and the date when they expire. Jot down ideas for homemade gifts that may be useful next year, and keep a record of types of wrappings or seals which you found especially useful or attractive this year. Before putting away Christmas cards, bring your address book up to date with new or changed addresses.

Instead of discarding Christmas cards, put them into a scrap book which the youngsters of the family can enjoy the year around, or save them for a shut-in day and let the children paste them in the book.

Many a new year's landscape

is blemished by old Christmas trees dumped forlornly in backyards. Foresters of the U. S. D. A. suggest that a few minutes' work with a sharp hatchet can convert the old tree to a neat bundle of kindling for winter hearth fires. Or the tree can be set into the ground outdoors as a winter shelter and feeding center for birds. Birds will enjoy bits of suet, raisins and bread crusts attached to the branches and will repay the kindness next spring by helping to destroy insect pests and weed seeds around the grounds and gardens.

Oranges and grapefruit are the buys in fresh fruit this winter. Prices of both are lower than in many years, according to U.S.D. A. marketing specialists. Both the orange and grapefruit crops for the 1946-47 season promise to be the largest on record. The orange crop is 20 percent larger than last year and 53 percent above average.



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