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SPARTA, NORTH CAROLINA TUESDAY, DEC. 23, 1947

Sincere Christmas Greetings To Everyone . . . Everywhere!

Township Quotas For VFW Building **Fund Announced**

Needy People To Be Remembered This Christmas

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Lions Club Is Distributing A Large Number Of Special Packages

Most all of the packages for the needy families of Alleghany have been distributed and others will be distributed today, it was learnde yesterday. Christmas gift packages are made available through the Sparta Lions club.

through the county welfare department.

Gift boxes have also been made up for those in the county who that the drive can get underway receive State Blind benefits. Al- not later than January 1.

Students Here

Many College

Spending Christmas Holidays

Friends In County

With Parents And

number of Alleghany county

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Quota Of \$6,000 Is Needed; Distributed Among Townships

In order to raise the \$6,000.00 necessary for the completion of the VFW building, the total has been broken down and distributed among the various townships, W. Carl Irwin, county chairman, announced yesterday. Quotas as announced by the chairman for the townships are Gap Civil, \$2,000; Glade Creek, \$1,000; Piney Creek, \$800; Pra-ther's Creek, \$700; Cherry Lane, \$600; Cranberry, \$500 and White-head, \$400. It was pointed out by Mr. Ir-

Families who receive packages It was pointed out by Mr. Ir-are chosen after recommendations win that he hoped all township committeemen would complete their selection of township chair-men and workers at once in order

receive State Blind benefits. Al-though it is impossible to remem-ber all needy families, it was pointed out that the most worthy cases have been sent gifts. Named on the committee to prepare the gift boxes were Kern Wagoner, Homer Edwards, Bob Allison, Bill Sprinkle, Albert Richardson, Joe Dougaton and well as smaller contributions.

Richardson, Joe Dougaton and well as smaller contributions. R. J. Randolph. In addition to the Lions club, there are several church groups do so through any member of and individuals who are also re-a township committee or by mail-



\$2.00 a Year in Alleghany County

Begin In County

Time Of Listing Publish-**Children** Can Aid In Giving To Needy

Should Be Told The Advan-tage Of Living In America

> By STAFF WRITER eason is h

nome to spend the holder at a special parents and friends. Most of the form in the spirit of giving the mean of the spirit of giving to children are on holdsy. The spirit of a spire in the world. But there is a shadow across are saivy, and few of us can est to be the newspaper of the University of North Carolina are H. R. Reed, Billy Carol Choate and Pat Burgiss. Among the students from Appalachian State Teachers College are Lucille Mitchell, George Roe, Naomi Douglas, Norma Fender, and Mary Auth Milles and home from the University of North Carolina are that thousands—indeed millions are that thousands—indeed millions are huddled in chilly with and the plane index are cowded into the students from Appalachian State Teachers College are Lucille Mitchell, George Roe, Naomi Douglas, Norma Fender, and the student Reba Edwards, and I are having a meager. The cooperation of all property is the same alides were given by Rev. W. H. Yokeley.

Alleghany county citizens are Alleghany county churches of reminded again this week that all denominations joined the retax listing for 1948 will get un- mainder of the world in celebraderway in the county next Thurs- ting Christmas by presenting day, January 1. Listers have been plays, pageants and delivering

announced and listing will begin in Glade Creek, January 1, in Gap Civil, Cranberry, Whitehead and In Piney Creek on January 5 and in Piney Creek on January 5 . Ernest E. Edwards, tax su-merriser strated their in service to the service. At the eve-

Next Thursday

ed This Week

The cooperation of all property owners is asked by the listers.

Full Schedule Of Places And Churches Commemorating Birth Of Christ With **Many Observances**

Christmas Is

Being Observed

With Services

Record Christmas Business Reported By Stores; Santa Expected To Be Generous Tobacco Coming

Expect To Sell Another Mil-lion Pounds Before The Season Ends

(West Jefferson) Special The Tri-State Warehouse, which approximately hit the million approximately hit the million pound mark with an average of around forty cents before they sales closed for the holidays is now receiving tobacco for the opening sales on January 5. Officials of the warehouse sta-ted that the house would be open throughout the holidays, every loss around Christmas, to receive

\$2.50 a Year Out of County **Quiet** Christmas

Expected To Be **Observed** Here

Stores And Bank To Be Closed For Two Days; Offices Closed Until Monday

Alleghany is expected to observe a merry Christmas on Thursday, with the cessation of business and the reunion of many family groups. And according to the amount of gifts purchased, this Yuletide should be a gener-ous one ous one.

The section has enjoyed unu-sually beautiful winter weather and unless the weather man has a sudden change of heart, Christmas is expected to be a typical fair and clear winter day. Those wanting a white Christmas will probably be disappointed unless there is a last-minute change, weather experts declare.

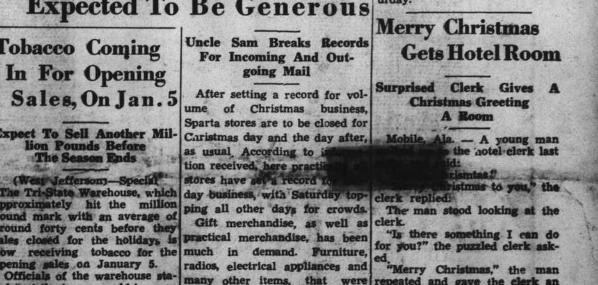
Retail stores, as well as the Northwestern bank will be clos-ed on Christmas day as well as the day after, but will be open as usual on Saturday.

All county offices will close Caristmas day and remain closed until Saturday morning. Offices closed will include the sheriff's, register of deeds,' and the clerk of the court.

The AAA office will be closed Christmas day until Monday morning.

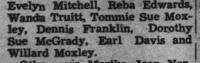
Schools are closed for the entire week and will re-open again on Monday, December 29, Miss Clyde Fields, superintendent of schools announced.

The Auto Sales Company will be closed Taursday through Saturday.

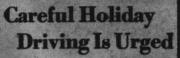


many other items, that were repeated and gave the clerk an inquisitive look. once hard to get, have been sold inquisitive look. Vernon Weldy, the clerk, said

bice and to get, have been going by except Christmas, to receive boacco. Officials also said they were pleased with the response of the farmers as well as the service to be service of the first Christmas the supply of this had been plentiful for of the situation was getting out of hand when the man explained that he wanted a bridal suite, re-served a week before. Said he: "My name is Charles Merry



Naomi Douglas, Norma Fender, Evelyn Mitchell, Reba Edwards, Wanda Truitt, Tommie Sue Mox-ley, Dennis Franklin, Dorothy Sue McGrady, Earl Davis and Willard Moxley. Others are Martha Jean Nor-man, Mars Hill; Helen Walker, Meredith; Ellen Hardin, Greens-boro College, Mabelline Richard-son, Radford; Harold Absher and Roy Fender, Draughon's Business College.



Raleigh. — Colonel. L. C. Resser, commissioner of motor vehicles, has called on all North Carolina motorists to receive special care in their holiday driving. Ile said that in November, 78 persons were in kiled in 65 fatal traffic accidents, as com-pared with 96 killed in 84 fa-ial accidents during Novem-ber, 1946. 2, 1946

1946. Innel Rossier added that Inclumes - New Year holi-mason is the most hazard-dingle period of the year. add that "heavier travel the festive spirit of the in increase the normal or hazards, such as bad her, slippery roads, and hours of darkness. ring December of last 103 mersons that their

and the welcome ge crowd. . The huge reception in the Pari station, led by the famous Re-publican Guard. was only the first of geveral welcoming cere

Mrs. J. R. Richardson, and daughter, Miss Una Lee Richard-son, left Friday for Maryland, to attend Mrs. Richardson's sis-ter's wedding and visit her par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Moxley. **New Year's Day** U.S. Santa Visits Paris As

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fair, serving a delicious Christ- Highways 18 and 221 at the cor-

'Friendship Train' Arrives

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church Monday night. The slides and illustrations were given by Rev. W. H. Yokeley.

A service was also held Sun-day night at the Osborne Mem-orial Baptist church with Rev. E. V. Barton, pastor in charge.

Sparta Now Has Caution Light

Sparta now has a caution light, which was erected yesterday be-tween the intersection of U. S.

ner near the Northwestern Bank. There has long been the need of a traffic signal there and it was purchased by the town samewas purchased by the town same-time ago. However, it could not be erected without first getting permission from the State High-way Commission. The permission was granted and the town officials now have the traffic light in op-arction eration

NEWS TO BE CLOSED THURS., FRIDAY, SAT.

The office of the Alleghany News will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday in obser-vance of the Christmas holi-days. The paper is published on Tuesday this week, but will follow the regular sche-dule next week. The News takes this occas-tion to again wish all of the readers a "Merry Christ-mas."

mas." This is also the mesange of the advertisers in this insue. Throughout this paper will be found many greetings sent to the readers as a personal mes-sage from merohants, other firms and individuals. These greetings are being sent to around 11,500 readers. To all of them, along with merchants, we again say, "Herry Christians."

they had been able to render them. The market here at West Jef-one wanted something sweet. The market here at West Jef-

ferson, which was one of the two established in the Burley belt this considering the amount of inyear has made an exceptional gredients sold. record since it was opened, agri-Judging from

Students Make

ar has made an exceptional cord since it was opened, agri-(Continued on page 8) tudents Make ASTC Honor Roll greatents sold. Judging from the amount of merchandise sold, Santa should be very generous. Uncle Sam has also helped him out. The mails have been far heavier than ever before, postal employees report. The increase in mails has neces-

sitated two trips daily during the rush period from North Wilkes-boro. This is the first time in his-The list of students at Appal-icnian State Teachers college, who made the honor roll for the first quarter of the current year, has just been released from the office of H. R. Eggers, registrar. Honor roll rating is equivalent to a grade of B or above. Among the 143 students on the honor roll were Earl Davis, of Sparta; and Dorothy Sue Mc-Grady, of Sparta. tory that this has been necessary.

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Senator Proposes **Replies By Santa**

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Merry

Washington — A plan where-by each child writing to Santa Claus would receive a personal reply was outlined last week by Senator Langer (R- ND.) The plan, if adopted, would go into effect for Christmas, 1948. Langer said in a statement that

go into effect for Christmas, 1948. Langer said in a statement that he will discuss with the Post Of-fice Department after the first of the year, a plan for enacting legislation which will permit the department to send all letters addressed to "Santa Claup" to the post office at Santa Claus, Ind.

He proposes to have a special "Santa Claus" signature authori-zed. Employees at the Santa Claus, Ind., office would mail a and bearing it to every boy and girl who sits down and writes a etter to the old yuletide gentle-

Alleghany Jail

All the beds are on there is no fire in the a and no food on the table and story to hear at Cl mas time but when on speaking of the Allog county jail, that is good a According to the jail m from Sheriff Glenn D. I ardson's office, no sho

Is Now Empty

Record Price On Xmas Mart Alleghany farmers, who sold arkeys on the Christmas market his year, received more than during the Thanksgiving season

Alleghany Turkeys Bring

during the Thanksgiving season and the prices, which ranged from forty to forty-tree cents per pound are believed to have been i record high paid for these top-flight holiday turkeys since. World War L **Sparta Ball Teams**

Divide Honors The Sparta high school basket-ball teams again split honors on the local court last Friday night when the home town girls were victorious and the Miller's Creek

aced the number sold at around at year. The turkeys weighed in average of fifteen pounds and brought to the growers ap-rominately \$7,740.00. Buyers reported that the qual-ty of the turkeys was unusually by of the turkeys was unusually this year. Many of these

While prices were much higher han usual, the turkey crop was horter. Unofficial estimate laced the number sold at around