

HICKORY GETS AIRPORT LAND IN BURKE COUNTY

Approximately \$18,500 Believed Involved In Transaction Recorded Here.

A deed covering the transfer of land adjacent to the Hickory Municipal airport from Walter P. Winkler and his wife, Artis Winkler, has been recorded in Burke county, W. Alvin Berry, register of deeds, has revealed.

The property is situated in Burke county.

Although the deed fails to specify the amount of money which changed hands, it is believed that approximately \$18,500 is involved in the transaction. The City of Hickory acquires title to certain acreage and is given perpetual easements over other areas. It is understood that the agreement meets the terms of the Civil Aeronautical Administration for airport use involving heights of structures and types of crops which may be grown within a specified area, now and in the future.

The Walter Winklers also release the City of Hickory from all damages and claims for damages by reason of non-negligent operation of aircraft to, from and about the Hickory Municipal airport.

This action is believed to have cleared the way for the City of Hickory to proceed with plans for the development of its airport. Mr. Winkler is given one year to remove timber from the land involved in order to comply with those terms of the agreement which restricted the height of trees within a specified distance of the runways.

Still to be acquired before the airport can be fully developed in accordance with CAA's requirements is certain property from William Winkler. This additional land is needed in order for the city to remove certain land elevations and buildings which are considered hazardous to aviation by government experts.

Mayor R. H. McComb and City Manager H. L. Burdette acted for the City of Hickory in the case, and it is reported that authorization for them to do so came on a resolution approved unanimously by the Hickory City council at a recent session.

"QUACK" REMEDIES FAIL TO MAKE FARM HENS LAY

"Quack remedies" to make hens lay—such as feeding red pepper and strong herbs—are rapidly becoming a thing of the past among Negro farm families in Halifax county, says D. J. Knight, Negro county agent for the State College Extension Service.

Instead, Knight says, housewives are resorting to more scientific methods to increase the egg production of their flocks.

The county agent says many farm women who attended neighborhood meetings this fall showed great interest in improving their poultry management practices. They asked questions about feeding practices, age of birds, and use of oyster shells, water, and grazing crops.

USE SAME ANTENNA
Engineers have worked it out so that two television stations operating on separate channels can use the same antenna tower.



SANTA HELPS EASE PAIN—Little Junior Fowler age 3, weathered the storm of having his broken leg set with hardly so much as a tear as Santa Claus stood by to lend his support. This was young Fowler's first glimpse of Santa, who came out to Grace Hospital Saturday to spread gifts and good cheer in the children's ward. Shown in the picture, from left to right: Nurse Lucy Saunders, Junior Fowler, Will Fowler, the boy's father, and Santa Claus.—(News-Herald Photo).

St. Nick Turns Doctor's Helper . . .

Boy Breaks Leg, Gets First Look At Santa

By JIM GRIFFITH

Saturday a lot of things happened to Junior Fowler, age three, of Route four, Morganton.

But there are two things he will never forget:

1. He broke his leg.
2. He saw Santa Claus for the first time.

THE EVENTS happened in that order, but it doesn't take a mind reader to figure out which one gave him the most pleasure.

It's a little difficult for Junior, at his age, to figure out what happened to his leg. His father, Will Fowler, said he was running through the house Saturday morning, fell down and broke his leg. It happened so quickly that it was all over in a fleeting second and there was nothing left but the pain. But seeing Santa Claus wasn't like that, at all.

HE GOT to see Santa a long time and the pleasure lasted a long time.

After he was taken to Grace Hospital early in the afternoon and Dr. B. D. Hairfield was summoned to set his leg, Junior didn't exactly know what was happening.

The place and the people, except for his father, were strange to him. Nurses closed in around him. Dr. Hairfield started to work, and everything looked pretty dark. But then it happened.

SANTA CLAUS came in on his annual visit to the Children's Ward at Grace Hospital and things perked up, including Junior.

Oh, he whimpered once or twice broken leg leg being set and his right leg in traction hanging from the ceiling like a piece of loose plaster.

But he didn't cry. Santa Claus was standing by and few fellows cry when Santa is around, not even if the fellow is just three years old.

BESIDES, MR. Claus was new to Junior. He had never seen him

before. Only in a picture. Never in the flesh.

Santa stayed with Junior and Junior's eyes stayed with Santa. It was a neat arrangement and a pleasant one. Junior all but forgot the pain in his leg and the doctor who stood over him, working quietly and efficiently.

With balloons and candy that Santa had given him clutched tightly in his hands, Junior was ready for anything.

NURSES CAN'T hold a candle to Santa as far as easing the pains and fears of little boys. Not when Santa Claus has a bag full of toys and candy and a heart full of the Christmas spirit that all little boys and girls believe in more than anything else.

DREXEL CHURCH OF GOD SETS CHRISTMAS PLAYS

The Drexel Church of God will present three very interesting Christmas plays this week. These plays, all centered around the Christ, will help to reveal the true spirit of Christmas.

On Wednesday evening, 7:30 p. m., the play, "Four Christmas Notes", will be presented. On Thursday, 7:30 p. m., the Contata, "The Gift Supreme" will be rendered by the Church Choir, and the play, "A Child Shall Lead Them", will follow on the same evening.

On Friday, 7:30 p. m. the play, "The Shepherd Who Came Late", will be presented. All of the plays and the contata are under the direction of Mrs. Sadie Burns. The public is cordially invited to attend.

When Christmas Was Not Merry

Merry Christmas has not always been merry in American history. Unmerry times started very early. The Pilgrims landed at Plymouth four days before Christmas 1620. Christmas day found them between the Mayflower and the cold, hostile shore. Most of them were still living on the ship. And they didn't believe in celebrating Christmas anyway.

Washington's ragged troops were crossing the icy Delaware in the dark early morning hours of Christmas 1776. They defeated the Hessians at Trenton next day. Christmas 1786 found unrest in New England. Shay's rebellion flared that day. The rebels had a rough time.

In 1837, Col. Zachary Taylor and his troops were down in Florida fighting the Seminole War. Christmas day found them fighting and defeating the Indians at Lake Okechobee.

The Mexican war also saw Christmas day action when Col. Doniphan and 450 volunteers defeated 1,100 Mexicans at Brazito in 1846.

The national Capital had trouble the Christmas 1851 when the Library of Congress and part of the Capitol burned.

Nine years later on Christmas, 1860, South Carolina issued its declaration of independence, the spark that made the Civil War inevitable.

One of the early railroad strikes, that of 1887, started Christmas day. Some 20,000 employees of the Reading Railroad walked out.

The surrender of Hong Kong on Christmas 1941 was not part of American history, but Americans, watched the event anxiously. It was one step in the advance of the Japanese which came after the Pearl Harbor attack in 1941. One of the Classic Christmases of the unumery type will long be remembered by the men defending Bastogne in 1944. The Battle of the Bulge and the fight for the defense of the little town were at a climax. It was just two days later that the isolated Bastogne garrison was relieved. That Christmas day found the boys deep in the fighting.

SANTA TO VISIT STATE'S PRISONS

Raleigh.—Santa Claus is coming to the prisons, too.

On Christmas eve, at least three of the State's penal institutions—Central Prison, Woman's Prison and the Butner Youth Colony—will be decked out to greet him.

On Christmas day, all prisoners are scheduled to get turkey dinners. The prison department hasn't said yet what will be served to men in solitary confinement.

Central Prison, Woman's Prison and Butner Youth Colony will have trees, decorations and brief religious services as well as the dinner. Central Prison's menu is representative of the coming big meal.

For breakfast, the prisoners will have omelet, brown gravy, rice, hot biscuits and loaf bread, jam and jelly, syrup and coffee.

For dinner, they'll get roast turkey with dressing, creamed potatoes, early June peas, giblet gravy, candied yams, cranberry sauce, sweet pickles, celery and lettuce salad, fruit, coconut, chocolate and orange cake, loaf bread and coffee.

For supper, like hundreds of North Carolinians outside, they'll have leftovers.

KEEP FOOT ON GAS WHEN YOU START TO SKID

Madison, Mis.—(AP)—Don't stop feeding the gas too quickly when you start to skid. That's almost as bad as slamming the brakes on full in an instant, says Archie H. Easton, of the University of Wisconsin college in engineering.

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Thursday and Friday—

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Also - Color Cartoon

Saturday, Christmas Eve—

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VALDESE, NORTH CAROLINA

COLONIAL THEATRE . . . VALDESE

BEGINNING DECEMBER 22ND
THRU DECEMBER 27TH

Thursday—
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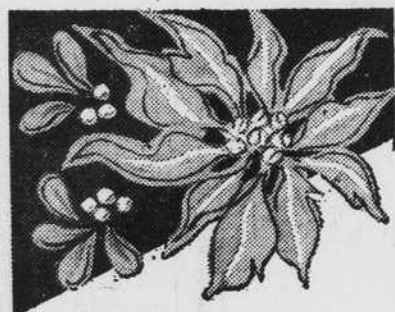
Friday—
Ray Milland in
IT HAPPENS EVERY SPRING

Saturday—Double Feature—
Allan Rocky Lane in
RENEGADES OF SONORA

also—
Johnny Weissmuller in
JUNGLE JIM

Saturday—Late Show—
Glenn Ford in
UNDERCOVER MAN
CHRISTMAS NIGHT LATE SHOW
12:01 A. M.
Evelyn Keyes—Glenn Ford in
MR. SOFT TOUCH

Monday and Tuesday—
Shirley Temple—Barry Fitzgerald
in
THE STORY OF SEABISCUIT



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and the
New Year be
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for you.



COLONIAL THEATRE . . . VALDESE

BEGINNING DECEMBER 28TH
THRU JANUARY 4TH

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Thursday and Friday—
Alan Ladd—Donna Reed in
CHICAGO DEADLINE

Saturday—Double Feature—
Tim Holt in
THE RUSTLERS

also—
Roy Acuff in
HOME IN SANTONE

Saturday—Late Show—
William Bendix in
THE LIFE OF RILEY

Monday and Tuesday—
Marie Wilson - John Lund -
Diana Lynn in
MY FRIEND IRMA

Wednesday—
Bill Williams - Barbara in
CLAY PIGEONS