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Courier Contest Closes Tomorrow

Three Judges Have Been Appointed To Count The Votes Friday Evening.

The Courier Contest is nearing the end. Who will the winners be? Who will drive the Hudson away? These questions are the topic of interest in Asheboro and vicinity. Only two more days and these questions will be answered.

Scores of predictions have been offered, but the final result is as much as ever in doubt.

The leaders in the race for the cars are so closely matched that it behooves every one of them to use every minute they can in taking subscriptions during the next two days. As a matter of fact, the competition for each of the ten prizes will be very close, and it is likely that a very few subscriptions may decide the outcome.

Many of those that apparently have no chance, if judged by their present standing, promise to spring such big surprises at the end as to send the too confident ones down to defeat.

The only way to be sure of winning is to spend every minute of your spare time getting subscriptions and selling job printing cards. Perseverance is the winning quality. And there is at the top for the lucky ones —Two new automobiles, two suites of furniture and several hundred dollars worth of other valuable awards that should make the winners start the New Year with a happy smile.

A Sealed Box

A sealed box has been placed in the Bank of Randolph in Asheboro, where all contestants will seal their reports in special envelopes provided for them and deposit same. The Courier will not receive any reports or money, only those that come through the mail and they will be deposited in the box for safe keeping pending the final count to be made by the judges, at 6 P. M., Friday, December 31. The sealed box will thereafter hold the secret as to who the winners will be.

The Judges

The folowing judges have been appointed and very kindly consented to count the votes and award the prizes:

Mr. W. J. Armfield, of The Bank of Randolph.

Mr. J. M. Neely, of The First National Bank.

Mr. E. H. Morris of The Asheboro Bank and Trust Company.

Warning

Don forget, that all reports must be made out in full and deposited along with the money in the sealed box at The Bank of Randolph not later than 6 P. M., Friday, December 31.

This method prevents anyone from knowing how many subscriptions are being placed in the box and offers the fairest and squarest way of bringing the campaign to a close that experience and careful thought can give. No one connected with The Courier or the Campaign Department will have access to the box.

Contestants who are hopeful of winning a prize should make every hour count. Will you step up or slide back? What you win depends on you and what advantage you take of this last opportunity. Don't let someone step ahead of you. Work will win this campaign.

Death Comes To Mrs. Mary Euliss, Age 81

Mrs. Mary Euliss, aged 81 years, wife of John Euliss, died at her home in the eastern part of Randolph county Saturday morning. The funeral was held by Rev. W. M. Pike at Pleasant Hill church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Euliss is survived by three sons, William H., Charles and Bates Euliss; and four daughters, Mrs. Mary Fogleman, of Snow Camp, Mrs. Ida Pike, of Indianapolis, Ind., Mrs. Fannie Owen, of Liberty, and Miss Bonnie Euliss, of Randolph county.

J. F. Burkhead Candidate For Sergeant-At-Arms Job

Randolph county has an aspirant for the job of sergeant-at-arms in the next State Senate in the person of J. F. Burkhead. In announcing his candidacy for the job, Mr. Burkhead cites his past service in the general assembly of North Carolina, beginning in 1919 and extending through last session when he was sergeant-at-arms in the House. Mr. Burkhead states that in his general communications to his candidacy from Democratic members elected to sit in the next Senate, but not enough to assure his election. He is confident, however, that he will be named to the place on the first ballot.

Mr. Burkhead will be an claimant for election to the place until after the action of the Democratic caucus.

Creamery Directors To Decide On Marketing

A meeting of the board of directors of the Asheboro Creamery, Inc., will be held tonight to decide on the type of machinery to be purchased for the plant. Washington will furnish the cups and machine upon arrival. The brick building to house the plant, Salisbury advises, has been completed and is ready for the machinery. H. A. Kennedy is president of the creamery, Ernest Hoover is secretary and treasurer and Dr. Houghton Superintendent of the creamery.

Double Output Of Cranford Factory

Beginning Monday Will Have Capacity of 1,000 Rockers Daily—New Hosiery Mill.

Beginning next Monday the output of the Cranford Chair Company will be one thousand porch rockers daily, or double the present output of the plant. This doubling of the plant's capacity has been made possible by the removal of the machinery from the Randolph Chair Company to the Cranford plant.

In the Randolph Chair Company's plant are being installed knitting machines of the latest type for the making of ladies hosiery. This industry will be known as the Cranford Hosiery Mill. Operation of the hosiery mill will be started in a short while. Approximately 100 girls and women will be employed in this new knitting mill.

Two Randolph Men Have Narrow Escape From Death

Rufus Snider and David Snider, of the western part of Randolph county, had a narrow escape from death Wednesday morning of last week in Thomasville. Their car, a Ford touring, went dead on the tracks of the Southern railway at the main crossing in the chair town while a string of box cars behind a shifting engine was approaching. The Sniders jumped just before their car was hit. The machine was dragged a distance of fifty feet before the freight could be stopped.

Good Christmas Programs Rendered At M. E. Church

A splendid program was rendered Wednesday evening of last week by the children and young people of the Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal church. Each and every number on the program was well carried out and the program greatly enjoyed by a packed church.

Services at the church Sunday were marked by special music by the choir. The usual evening service was dispensed with Sunday and a vesper service held at 5 o'clock. The program at this service was largely musical. There was an anthem by the junior choir and also one by the senior choir. An organ solo, "Holy Night," was rendered by Miss Ethel Johnson. Another selection was a solo and two part chorus, "Flocks in the Field," with Mrs. J. A. Spence soloist. The sermon for the service preached by the pastor, Rev. B. C. Reavis, was on the subject "What If There Were No Christ?" A large congregation was present for the service.

Churches of Cedar Falls To Hold Union Service

All of the churches at Cedar Falls will join in a union service next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Cedar Falls Baptist church. Rev. Brown, pastor of the M. E. church, will have charge of the service. The purpose of the cooperative services is to get everybody in that section started to attend church during the new year.

MARRIED

Miss Ethel Allred and Mr. M. H. Johnson, both of Millboro, were married December 18 at the home of Mr. L. R. Hughes, at Randleman, the officiating justice of the peace.

Watch Night Service To Be At Local M. P. Church

The Christian Endeavor society of the local Methodist Protestant church will conduct a Watch Night service on New Year's eve. The regular meeting of the society will be held at 9:30 o'clock and this will be followed by a social hour until time for the appropriate exercise of ushering in the new year. These services have become an annual affair of this society and the people look forward to it with pleasure. The public is cordially invited to the service.

Sam Lineberry In Toils Of Law

Captured In Greensboro and Identified As Man Wanted In Randolph County.

Eight months ago Sam Lineberry and another man robbed the Randleman Drug Store, at Randleman. The other man was caught, but Lineberry escaped to Texas. He returned to North Carolina for Christmas and stopped over in Greensboro to "pull off" a drunk. He did, but it got him in the toils of the law. For he had planned his Christmas without taking Greensboro police officers into the reckoning. He was arrested on charges of being drunk and gave his name as Sanford. But the identification officer of the police force got to looking through the photographs of wanted men which he had filed away for ready reference.

If Sanford and Sam Lineberry were not one and the same man, then the eyes of the identification officer were fooling him. After some time, Lineberry admitted that he was Sam Lineberry and the man wanted in Randolph. Sheriff Craven went to Greensboro and brought his prisoner back to Randolph county where he will face the music of the law for his Christmas escapade.

Liberty Churches Observe Christmas

Various Sunday Schools Have Programs Appropriate For The Holiday Season.

Liberty, Dec. 27.—The various churches of the town observed the Christmas season here with appropriate exercises. The Sunday school of the Christian church enjoyed a Christmas tree with gifts to each student Thursday night at the church.

The Sunday school students of the Methodist church rendered a most enjoyable Christmas pageant Thursday night. A tree, bearing gifts for each member, was also enjoyed.

On Sunday night the Sunday school of the M. P. church rendered a pageant which was enjoyed by all, and had a Christmas tree also to delight its members.

The Baptist Sunday school held its exercises Friday night and enjoyed a Christmas tree.

Dr. J. W. Phillips, of Lillington, has located in Liberty for the practice of medicine. He will take up the practice of the late Dr. Shepard. His wife, who was a Miss Groome, of Guilford county, and small daughter have arrived to make their home here also.

Miss Dorothy Curtis, who is in school at the Durham Conservatory of Music, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Curtis.

Miss Ora Scott, of the school faculty, is spending the holidays with relatives in Greensboro.

Misses Juanita Gregg, Dixie Coward, Octavia Hatch, Claria Stroud, Elberta Smith and Helen Long Hanner, of Greensboro College, are spending the holidays with homefolks.

Miss Thelma Martin, of Meredith College, is spending the holidays at home.

A marriage uniting two popular young people was that of Miss Eva Coward and Clifford Pickard Wednesday evening. They will make their home in Liberty.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Kent, of Sanford, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Kent's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Waller.

The Boy Scouts held a joint Christmas tree with the Girl Scouts Tuesday evening in the scout rooms in the school building. Many interesting contests were enjoyed, after which Dr. J. D. Gregg was called on for a short talk, followed by J. A. Martin. Each scout drew the name of another scout for which he or she had placed a small gift on the tree as a token of Christmas remembrance. At the close of a most enjoyable evening sandwiches and punch were served.

BENNETT NEWS LETTER

Miss Annie Murray Is Bride of Mr. Charlie Lambert.

Bennett, Dec. 27.—Splendid Christmas services were rendered at both Christian and Baptist churches.

Dr. Walter Gilmore, of Raleigh, preached on "Stewardship" at the Baptist church Sunday morning. He preached at Fall Creek church in the afternoon.

Mr. Charlie Lambert and Miss Annie Murray were happily married one day last week. Mrs. Lambert is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Murray. Mr. Lambert is a successful farmer of near Bennett. He came here from Greensboro two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hammer, of Sanford, Fla., came home for the Christmas holidays and will remain several days.

The merchants of the town report having had an excellent Christmas trade.

Mrs. Sarah A. Hinshaw Died At Her Home, 16th

Sarah Alice Hinshaw, wife of Elwood Hinshaw and daughter of the late Milton Glasgow, died at her home near Central Falls on December 16 at the age of 53 years, nine months and six days. She had been in failing health for almost a year but was seriously ill only a few days. Mrs. Hinshaw was a good, quiet Christian woman, one who practiced her religion in the home and in every walk of life. The funeral was conducted at Giles' Chapel Methodist Protestant church on December 17 at eleven o'clock, Rev. J. E. Pritchard, the pastor of the Asheboro M. P. church, conducting the service.

Mrs. Hinshaw is survived by her husband and five children. The children are, Mrs. Walter Craven, of Cedar Falls, Mrs. Turner Smith, of High Point, Velma, Robert E. and Robah Hinshaw.

Find Body of Infant

Two boys out hunting Wednesday afternoon found the body of a dead infant in a brush pile near Deep River church, in Davidson county. Indications were that the child had been dead two or three days. There are no clues at to who placed the body of the child in the brush.

REUNION OF 1925 CLASS OF ASHEBORO HIGH SCHOOL

The class of 1925 of the Asheboro high school had a reunion with Miss Hortha Underwood at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Underwood yesterday evening. An interesting program was enjoyed, after which refreshments were served. Bonbonieres, cakes and homemade candy were served.

Large Crowd In Asheboro Friday

End of "Trade at Home" Campaign Finds Thousands Here In Spite of Rain.

One of the largest crowds assembled in Asheboro in some time braved the inclement weather last Friday for the closing exercises of the "Trade at Home" campaign put on by Asheboro merchants back in October. The crowd, numbering more than two thousand persons from all parts of the county, stood for more than a half hour in the falling rain to witness the exercises.

The "Trade at Home" drive was successful in every respect. This holiday season brought thousands of dollars into Asheboro for Christmas merchandise. Thousands of dollars were spent in Asheboro and with the merchants in other places in the county that would have gone out of Randolph had it not been for the concerted drive for business staged by the Asheboro merchants. As it stands, local merchants, citizens and the community have profited by the drive.

Christmas business was good throughout the county during the holiday season. It was a rival of the boom business back in 1919 and 1920.

Large Hog Butchered By Cons Hill, Of Randleman

Mr. Cons Hull, of Randleman, Route 2, recently butchered a hog which weighed 648 pounds, the largest so far in the county this year, according to information at hand. Mr. Hull offered prizes for the persons guessing the correct weight of the hog. Mr. C. A. Eads guessed the weight to the pound, while Mrs. Hill's guess was only 6 pounds off the exact weight. After the hog was killed and dressed, Mr. and Mrs. Hill furnished an old-time country dinner to those present at the guessing contest.

John Duncan Ringstaff Died At Age of 72 Yrs.

John Duncan Ringstaff, aged 72 years, died at the county home last Saturday following a long illness from asthma. Funeral was conducted Sunday at White Hall by Rev. John Dosier and interment made in the church cemetery. Mr. Ringstaff was born in Chatham county in 1854, and was a son of the late William H. Ringstaff and his wife Betsy Ann Ringstaff. He was married to Martitia Doby, who preceded him to the grave several years ago. Ringstaff lived at Randleman for several years before coming to the county home near Asheboro.

Store Robbed

Thieves entered the store of J. W. Wolff, in Asheboro, Friday night and took goods valued at several hundred dollars. No clue has been obtained as to the identity of the robbers.

SERVICES AT M. E. CHURCH

Rev. B. C. Reavis, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., Mr. Hugh Parks, supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by pastor.

Morning subject: "The Vanishing Road."

Evening subject: "Put On Your Shoes."

The Epworth Leagues will meet at 6:15 p. m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

Burley Albertson Killed By Train

Former Trinity Citizen Met Tragic Death In Chattanooga, Tenn., December 20th.

Burley C. Albertson, aged 36 years, native of Trinity township, Randolph county, was killed by a shifting engine on the railroad yards in Chattanooga, Tenn., Monday, December 20th, according to information received. His body was badly mangled. Mr. Albertson had been in the employ of the railroad company only a few months, having been employed previously for eight years by the Mamis undertaking establishment.

Mr. Albertson was a son of the late J. William Albertson, of Trinity, whose death was caused some time ago by injuries received when his team ran away with him. His mother, Mrs. Josie Albertson, survives. Surviving Mr. Albertson besides his mother are his widow, who before her marriage was Miss Elsie Sink, and two children, Doris, aged 5, and Catheline, aged 3; and the following brothers and sisters: W. L. Albertson, High Point; Vernie and Glenn Albertson, of Trinity; Mrs. J. W. Reddick, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. J. D. Pease, High Point; Mrs. J. M. Cameron, Caraway; Mrs. P. H. Griffin, Rural Hall; Mrs. B. I. Gordon, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. W. D. Manner, High Point; Mrs. John Kennedy and Mrs. Thoburn Wagger, Trinity.

Mr. Albertson served in the world war with distinction. He was in the famous drive on the Germans which resulted in the breaking of the Hindenburg line. He was a member of the Masons, who had charge of the services at the grave in High Point, where his body was brought for burial.

Sheriff Asked To Make Settlement

Commissioners Want Tax Money Turned In Saturday—To Study Road Work.

The board of commissioners for the county in session last Thursday called Sheriff J. F. Cranford before it and asked that he make settlement of 1925 taxes on Saturday, January 1st. The board as another item of business appointed a committee from its members composed of Messrs. W. L. Ward, E. B. Leach and W. C. Grimes, to investigate the matter of handling road work in the county. The system used in Alamance county will come in for special observation by order of the commissioners at this meeting.

Road work in the county for some time past has been handled by a county supervisor working under the direction of the board of commissioners. In turn, there have been some township supervisors responsible to the county supervisor. Whether this will be changed and another system put in force in Randolph remains to be seen. At present the system outlined is in force, save that the matter is in the hands of the county supervisor, there being no township supervisors.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Play Well Rendered By Members —Raised More Than $500 For The Church.

The play that was given at the Baptist church on Wednesday evening before Christmas is reported to have been a pleasing success. It was one of that series of the White Gifts for the King. Miss Rilla Spoon gave the story introducing the play and she did it well. Miss Annie Lee Spoon and Mrs. Dempsey Barnes played the part of Joseph and Mary respectively. The success in the presentation of the play hinged on the portrayal of these two Oriental characters. Miss Spoon and Mrs. Barnes did it with precision and adaptability. Mr. Chas. Reeder played the part of the inn keeper, and since the play was celebrating the birth of Christ he refused to permit Joseph and Mary, saying "there is no more room in the inn." The Scripture was read by the pastor and other parts were given by the young people of the Sunday school.

The music was indeed attractive and it was a great asset to the service. Appropriate Christmas carols as are arranged in the play were used and they were so well rendered that the solemnity of the little service was deepened and the occasion made more impressive.

The objective of the play was to discourage the display of gifts on each other and to direct them on the cause of the Christ child. This was the greatest phase of success in the whole service. Previously the Sunday school decided to make no gifts this year in the way of a treat or a tree, save to the Beginners and Primaries. The giving was to be for a building fund and each class was to make its offering separate. The goal was made five hundred dollars. When the time came in the presentation of the play for the gifts to be made, each class in its own characteristic way presented its gifts in money. Some came with their gifts in little stockings and baskets and small tin banks. One small class presented their gifts, hanging on a miniature Christmas tree. Others came with checks and the hard cash. The most attractive method of presentation was made by the Ladies Aid. A darkened wire was extended from the rear of the church down which a dove was sent with a delightful message. The dove lighted in a small tree used for decoration and was removed by the receiver who found the message to be a seventy-five dollar check. The Boethian Bible class led the Sunday school classes with a gift of sixty dollars. The treasurer received more than the five hundred dollar goal. "It was indeed an impressive service," was the comment made at the close of the exercise.

Mr. Bill Fox Opens Up An Athletic Club In Greensboro

Mr. Bill Fox left yesterday for Greensboro where he went to make arrangements for a boxing bout and wrestling match at Neese's Hall Tuesday night, January 4. Mr. Fox has leased Neese's Hall, in Greensboro, for an indefinite period for performances of this kind. He went to Charlotte Tuesday where he arranged for some athlete contestants. Mr. Fox was connected with this kind of work while at Detroit for the past two years and decided to open an athletic club in Greensboro.

Mrs. Mary Ann Hedgecock Dead

Mrs. Mary Ann Hedgecock, aged 29 years, died at the State hospital, Morganton, December 25. Funeral was held at Shady Grove church, near Thomasville, by Rev. D. C. Cox, December 27th. Mrs. Hedgecock was a daughter of Mrs. C. D. Hedgecock, of near Asheboro.

Dr. J. L. Miller, right-of-way engineer of the Southern Power Company, is conferring with land owners on the power line which is being built from High Rock by Denton to Thomasville and High Point. The line when completed will extend a distance of 25 miles.

General Rain In North Carolina

Was Accompanied By Swollen Streams—Water Shortage Is Relieved.

A steady rain was general throughout North Carolina Monday and Tuesday. The rain was accompanied by swollen streams in practically every part of the State. Rivers around Durham and Asheville approached the flood stage. Streams in other parts of the State showed no tendency to approach the flood stage but were the fullest in many months. In various sections the water shortage which was growing acute has been relieved.

Wells and springs in Randolph have been relieved by the rain which has been falling for the past several days. The ground is apparently wet to a depth not reached by the light rains of the past months. In many parts of the county wells were either dry or approaching the dry stage. Many springs had not recuperated from the drought.

Man Killed In An Auto Accident On Highway 70

R. H. Merritt, of White Lake, died in a High Point hospital Friday as the result of injuries received Thursday evening when the car in which he was riding turned over near White Hall filling station on Route 70, six miles north of Asheboro. Merritt's brother and another man by the name of Mote were in the car at the same time, but were not seriously injured.

BAPTIST NEWS LETTER

Scores of greetings have come to the pastor's family through the mail. These are appreciated.

Thanks to our neighbors for their palatable trays. Our neighbors are good and they "say it with flowers."

We were delighted with a substantial pantry gift "from the Spoons." Thank you.

Our services last Sunday were deflated. The ranks broke file and our organizations went flat. The report frightened those who were not blown away.

See elsewhere in this week's paper a report of our special Christmas exercise.

Recently the writer had the good privilege of speaking to an attentive congregation at Concord church, Farmer, on the subject: "Building an Adult Bible Class." The trip was made pleasant by Mr. Lee Kearns, who delightfully gave the transportation.

We are happy to report that Mrs. Morris is recuperating. The mastoid trouble is subsiding. Thanks for neighborly calls and attention.

The writer and Frances and Virginia Morris were out for dinner Christmas day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott. We returned with a heavy laden tray of dainties for Mrs. Morris.

Gifts from former parishioners, both in N. C. and Kentucky, have come to our hands. Thanks to these good old time friends.

Our morning services in January will be taken up with the following general theme: Jesus and His Principles of Social Life. The first Sunday morning we will discuss: "How Jesus Values All Human Life." At the evening service we will consider this sort of a theme: "How to Begin a New Task."

Are you making new resolutions for the year 1927? Come to church, Jesus' blood bought institutions, and let's begin and carry through with God.

Erastus Kearns Is Dead

Erastus Kearns, aged 54, of Denton, died recently in a Salisbury hospital. He leaves his widow, four brothers, C. D. Kearns, of Goods, Ga., B. M. Kearns, of Denton, W. H. Kearns, of Candor, and Thomas Kearns, of near Denton; three sisters, Mrs. John Koonts, Lexington, Mrs. J. N. Kearns, Farmer, and Mrs. Wade Burkhead, Candor.

Aged Citizen Of Ramseur Is Dead

W. D. Thornburg Passed Away Monday In Greensboro Hospital—Funeral Tuesday.

W. D. Thornburg, aged 70, prominent citizen of Ramseur, died in a Greensboro hospital Monday following an illness of two months. He was a consistent member of Ramseur Christian church, having been an active member of the congregation for many years.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. H. W. Brady, of Bennett. His wife died about three months ago.

The funeral was held at Holly Springs church Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock by Rev. T. E. White, former pastor of the deceased, assisted by Rev. W. A. Elam, of Ramseur.

School Will Begin January 4th

The Asheboro school closed for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday before Christmas and it will open January fourth. Mr. and Mrs. Hilker and the out of town teachers have been out of town but all will be ready for the opening of school Tuesday morning.

Students Held A Banquet At Hotel

Forty-Seven College Students Present—Various Colleges Of State Represented.

One of the delightful social functions of the holidays was a four course banquet on the evening of December 23rd at the Ashlyn Hotel for the Randolph County College Folks Association. Mr. W. C. Hammond, Jr., University student, has served as president of the organization for the past year and had charge of the program and the details in preparation for the occasion.

Places were laid for fifty guests and forty-seven were in attendance. Christmas decorations were used in profusion and a delectable menu was served. As has been the custom upon similar occasions, a student representatives of the various colleges gave a three-minute talk. Those representing the various colleges were: Joseph Fox, Franklinville, University of N. C.; R. D. Patterson, Liberty, Wake Forest; Henrietta Underwood, Asheboro, Salem College; Pauline Burkhead, Asheboro, N. C. C. W.; John T. Humble, N. C. State; Juanita Gregg, Liberty, Greensboro College; Siebert Lynch, Asheboro, Route 1, University of Pittsburg, Pa.; John Redding, Asheboro, Duke University; Elizabeth Parks, Asheboro, Wellesley; Margaret Moffitt, Asheboro, Hollins; Hal Johnson, Asheboro, Davidson College. Each of the representatives told briefly of the most important step their respective colleges had taken during 1926 and a number gave a historical sketch of the college or university of which he or she was a representative. Impromptu talks were made by Messrs. Dan Burns, H. M. Robins and W. C. Hammond, Sr. Misses Virginia Redding and Ethel Johnson gave vocal and instrumental musical selections interspersing the program. Lawrence Hammond also delighted the visitors with violin selections. Both Miss Redding and Mr. Hammond were accompanied by Miss Nannie Bulla.

Congressman Wm. C. Hammer, President of the Randolph County University Association, was introduced as the guest of honor of the occasion, and made a short talk in which he traced the educational progress of North Carolina beginning with the one room school building and coming up through the years to the modern and model school system in the State today. He also besought the college students to make a study of municipal, county, state and national government, urging caution in excessive taxation which would keep new enterprises and industries from locating in North Carolina.

Mr. Hal Johnson was elected President for 1927.

Funeral For John Cooper At Old Union Friday

Funeral was held Friday morning from Old Union church, five miles west of Asheboro, by Mrs. Irvin Cox, of Marston, for John Cooper, aged 57 years, 8 months and 27 days, who died at his home in Cedar Grove township, Randolph county, Wednesday. Mr. Cooper was well known in Randolph county where he had lived the greater part of his life engaged in carpentry work. He was associated in his profession with his brother, Clell Cooper. He leaves two other brothers, Bradshaw Cooper, of Cedar Grove township, and Frank Cooper, of Steeds; and one sister, Mrs. Jim Bright, of Rachel.

M. P. CHURCH NEWS

9:45 A. M. Sunday school, Mr. W. L. Ward, Supt.

11:00 A. M. Sermon appropriate for the new year by the pastor.

6:15 P. M. Christian Endeavor.

7:00 P. M. Preaching by the pastor.

Our church has passed through a very enjoyable Christmas time. On Friday afternoon of last week quite a large number of parents came with the little folks to the social room where an interesting short program was rendered and the little folks were given a treat. Then on Sunday morning a fairly good sized congregation was present for the Christmas sermon by the pastor, Mr. Millikan, of Archdale, and Mrs. Darby, of Troy, each rendered a beautiful solo. The choir rendered a splendid anthem. At 7:00 o'clock Sunday evening a pageant, "Gifts for the King", was rendered. The pageant consisted largely of Christmas hymns by the choir, readings by the pastor while the representatives of the various organizations of the church brought their gifts to the altar. During the pageant, characters representing the angels and the shepherds came to pay homage to the Christ Child.

MRS. HENRY HENSON DIES AT HOME NORTH OF ASHEBORO

Mrs. Henry Hinson, aged 53 years, died at her home three miles North East of Asheboro December 22 from pneumonia. Mrs. Hinson was the daughter of the late and much beloved veteran school teacher, Mr. William Stevenson. She is survived by her husband and five children. Mrs. Hinson was a thorough-going, consuming Christian woman and was beloved in her community. The funeral was conducted by Revs. George Laughlin, of Cedar Falls, and J. E. Pritchard, of Asheboro, at Giles Chapel church, of which the deceased was a faithful and consecrated member.