

FOX HUNTERS MEET HERE IN ANNUAL BANQUET

Second Annual Dinner At Kiwanis Hall Friday Night a Delightful Event.

The second annual banquet of the Blue Ridge Fox Hunters' Club was given at the Kiwanis Hall last Friday night. The dinner was served by Mrs. R. R. Blanton and Miss Robbie Biggerstaff in their usual splendid style and hugely enjoyed by everyone present. Plates were served for about sixty guests.

The program was opened by Mr. C. C. Moore, vice-president, who made a short talk outlining some of the accomplishments of the club for the past year. He also mentioned the fact that the club had lost only one member by death since the first annual dinner one year ago. In the tragic death of Mr. Clyde Morrow the club lost one of its most faithful members. President Y. L. McCardwell, who was so seriously injured and unable to attend the first banquet, was present on this occasion and received a warm applause. Regret was expressed at the illness of Mr. J. F. Alexander and a telegram of condolence sent to him by the club.

Mr. R. R. Blanton created much merriment when he charged certain members—names not given—with hunting rabbits on Sunday. The question devolved mostly upon the matter of just when Sunday begins and ends, but it seems that some of the "boys" had been a bit delinquent on this point. But who could expect a "fellow" to drop the fox chase at the stroke of twelve on a Saturday night.

Next on the program was an excellent reading by young Gerard Davidson, son of Mr. Barney Davidson, of the Sandy Mush section. The subject will be given at the conclusion of this article.

Ex-Gov. Alf. Taylor, of Tennessee, had been invited to be present, but was unable to get here, much to the regret of all present.

Dr. W. A. Ayers was called upon and made a splendid short talk. He warmly complimented Gerard Davidson upon his splendid reading and expressed his pleasure of being present, saying that upon this occasion one year ago was his first attendance at a fox hunters' banquet. Dr. Ayers then launched into an animated discussion of the virtue of recreation for the tired business man and clearly demonstrated that in order to be successful and happy diversion is necessary. He very eloquently described the pleasure of the chase and told of the warm friendships formed in the realm of sport.

Following Dr. Ayers, Mr. C. C. Moore told of the interest in the chase displayed by the late lamented Sheriff Biggerstaff and of his excellent memory in relating incidents of the hunt in his earlier days.

President Y. L. McCardwell very feelingly expressed thanks to the ladies for the splendid supper; for the program and the attendance and asked that the club remember Mr. Alexander with a telegram, expressing sorrow that he could not be present. He was very appreciative of the attentions given him by the club last year, when he was lying on a bed of affliction. He closed with a brief history of the growth of the club for the past year.

At this point the waitresses gave public approval of the liberality of Messrs. "Pete" Reinhardt and Harry Camnitz for their generous tips—a neat joke that "went over" well.

The program was concluded by Dr. W. R. Ware in a neat speech that touched upon many points of interest.

Largest Club in State.
It will no doubt be surprising to learners that the Blue Ridge Fox Hunters' Club is the largest in the state, possibly in the entire United States. The club was organized in May, 1924, with a membership of 15. In this short length of time it has grown to 73.

Officers of the club are:
President—Y. L. McCardwell.
Vice-President—C. C. Moore.
Secretary-Treasurer—R. R. Blanton.

"The Hunter's Horn."
The reading by young Gerard Davidson (Continued on Page Four)

PRESBYTERIANS CLOSE MEETINGS

Thirty Professions In Great Revival Conducted By Dr. Wm. Black.

The series of evangelistic services which closed at the Forest City Presbyterian church Sunday night were productive of much good to the churches and the community. For several reasons they were great services. First, great in the spirit of co-operation manifested by the pastors and people of all the churches in Forest City, especially was this true of the First Baptist and First Methodist churches, who responded so cheerfully, attended, prayed and helped with the music so faithfully. Second, great in the fact that Forest City has never heard greater sermons than were preached by Dr. William Black and notwithstanding the fact that he has been in evangelistic work for more than 30 years, is rapidly advancing in years, and almost blind, he retains all his old-time fervor and consecration with a pure, simple, plain Gospel that the youngest easily grasp and understand, and that bring conviction of sin and confession of Christ. Third, great in the fruit for the Kingdom of God and the church with 30 conversions, 31 pledges for the erection of family altars and 200 or more pledges to individual prayer.

Of the 30 who made professions, 9 preferred the Methodist church, 5 the Baptist church and 16 united with the Presbyterian church Sunday morning. A few of these counted conversions were renewals of vows of church members who wanted to live closer to God.

Mr. Andrew Burr used wise judgment in directing the Junior and Adult Choirs in that the personnels changed with almost every service. His duets with Dr. Black and many choruses will be long remembered by all who heard them. These two Godly men surely brought a blessing to our city and have left a benediction that will be an influence through the coming years.

PROMPT WORK SAVES THE SPURGEON MOSS RESIDENCE

Fire broke out in the residence of Mr. Spurgeon Moss, occupied by Mr. Carl Huntley, located on West Main street, this city, at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The handsome residence would have been a total loss had it not been for prompt work by the city fire department.

The fire is said to have originated from laths that had been placed too close to the brick work in the chimney. The house is heated by an Arcola Heater and the chimney became hot enough to ignite the laths. Cutting in through the outside wall, the firemen soon had the flames under control by using their chemical fire extinguishers.

The loss was small and very likely covered by insurance.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

Regular services will be conducted by the pastor at the Forest City Presbyterian church next Sunday as follows:

Sunday school meets at 10 a. m.
Morning worship at 11 a. m.
Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship at 7 p. m.
At the morning worship the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated and the subject of the sermon will be "He That Is Surety For a Stranger Shall Smart For It." A congregational meeting will be held after the morning service.

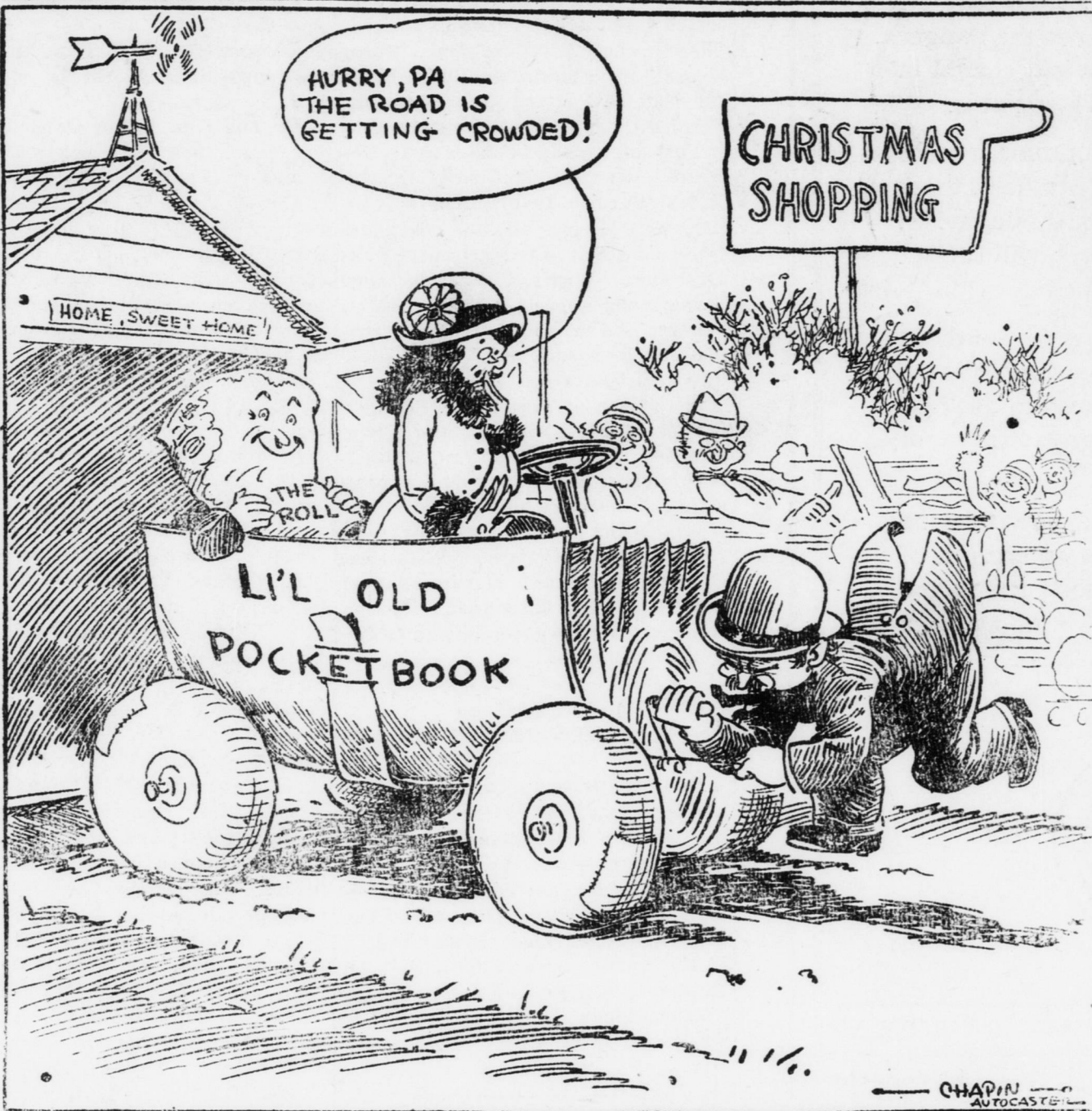
The subject of the sermon at night will be, "Traveling a New Way." The public cordially invited.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

William A. Ayers, Pastor.
Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.
Sunday school 9:45 a. m., Chas. Flack, Supt.
Senior B. Y. P. U. Tuesday night 7:30.
Mid-Week Service Wednesday night 7:00 o'clock.
Strangers and visitors welcomed.

CRANKING UP

By A. B. CHAPIN



RUTHERFORDTON NEWS OF INTEREST

Two Small Fires Within a Week—Personal Notes.

Rutherfordton, Dec. 1.—Twice within the past week the citizens have been alarmed by the shrill and clear call of the fire siren. On Tuesday evening of last week the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tanner on Hickorynut street came near being destroyed by the explosion of gasoline in the hands of their son who attempted to make a fire in the kitchen range and not being aware of the fact that Mrs. Tanner had already lighted the fire he poured gasoline from a bottle with the result that in a moment the whole room was in flames. Fortunately the boy succeeded in escaping, without injury, and gave the alarm. The fire was apparently quickly extinguished, almost before the fire company arrived, but they found the ceiling had ignited and would probably have caused serious trouble but for the arrival of the fire truck.

On Saturday evening the company was again called to the Iso-Thermal Hotel where the interior of the old building was burning, having caught from an electric iron. This makes three times within the past few years that this same building has been set on fire by an electric iron left attached to the socket. Considerable damage was done to the furniture and walls of the room before the fire was under control.

Dr. and Mrs. D. R. Schenck, Mrs. H. E. Paul and son, Theodore Marrs, spent Thanksgiving with R. W. Schenck at Greenville, S. C.

Miss Annie Belle Sloan, Miss Sarah Carson who were popular High School teachers here last session spent the week-end in Rutherfordton, guests of Miss Nell Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Erwin, accompanied by Miss Alice McDaniel, visited their daughter, Miss Ada, who is a student at Queens College, on Thursday.

PLAY AT BOSTIC

A play, "The Old Maids Club," will be given at the Bostic School by the Parent-Teachers Association, Saturday, December 5, at 7:30. Admission 15c and 25c.

COTTON GINNED

The number 10 bales of cotton ginned in the county up to Nov. 14 was 11,338, as compared with 10,374 ginned at the same date last year. Final ginnings in 1924 were 14,788.

BOSTIC R-3 NEWS

Bostic, R-3, Dec. 1.—We are very sorry to learn at this writing that Miss Bertie Lee Kendrick is right sick at this writing, hope she will be well again soon.

Miss Minnie Elliott spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. W. C. Harris.

Miss Esther Bailey spent Sunday with Miss Ethel Daves.

Mr. Robert Carson, of Piedmont High School, spent Thanksgiving at home.

Messrs. Farris Bailey, Claude Harrill, Chivous Padgett spent Thanksgiving at home and returned to Boiling Springs Monday.

Mrs. Delia Thompson and son spent the week-end in South Carolina visiting friends and attended a big birthday dinner at Gaffney Sunday.

Misses Ethel and Elizabeth Daves spent Monday afternoon with Miss Bertie Lee Kendrick.

The B. Y. P. U. of Concord met at the home of Mr. Floyd Harrill one night last week and had a good social together and all enjoyed a good time and left wishing for many more socials.

Master R. E. Thompson is right sick at this writing, hope he will soon be able to go back to his school.

REV. JAKE RUPPE DEAD

Rev. Jake Ruppe died at his home in Polk county last Thursday, Nov. 26. His death was caused from double pneumonia. He was about 60 years old and for a number of years was a resident of this county. His wife and several children survive.

MAGNESS SELLS FINE PIANO

W. G. Magness, the piano man, this week sold to Mr. J. H. Thomas one of the finest pianos ever shipped to the county. Mr. Thomas' choice was a fine Baldwin Grand, the kind especially endorsed by Bauehaus, the great musician.

Mr. Magness has just received a solid carload of pianos, advertised in this paper, and he says he may be forced to make another order, as they are going so fast.

Literary Division No. 1 of the Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Chas. Flack at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Flack and Miss Margaret Young will be joint hostesses.

The lucky men are those who get the choice pick of those \$2.00 shirts we are going to sell at \$1.55. Dalton Bros. December sale.

WAKE FOREST GLEE CLUB HERE DEC. 9

Famous Musical Organization to Give Concert in New High School Building.

The coming of the Wake Forest College Glee Club and Orchestra to Forest City will be welcomed as one of the most highly interesting and entertaining features of the season. The club is composed of three officers and twenty-four members. They won the championship of the state last year and are now entering on their western tour of North Carolina. Our town is indeed fortunate in securing this high class entertainment.

The entire club will arrive in Forest City on Wednesday, Dec. 9th and will give their performance that evening at the new high school building at eight o'clock. Our people will be glad to know that Joe Hamrick, of Forest City, is included in the personnel of the club, and of course Joe will "do his stuff" in his home town. Tickets are now on sale at all local drug stores and a large attendance is expected from all parts of the county.

Another county boy who is a member of the club is C. L. Gillespie, of Ellenboro.

MR. P. H. HARRILL DEAD

Mr. Patrick H. Harrill, aged 43 years, died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Julia Harrill, Wednesday, Nov. 25. He had been ill and confined to his home for about two months.

He is survived by his wife and one son, thirteen years old; his mother and five brothers and two sisters. Mr. Harrill was widely known and had a wide circle of friends. He was a member of the Baptist church.

The funeral was conducted at the home of his mother at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, the services being in charge of Rev. Chas. H. Stevens, of Cliffside, while the Junior Order, of which he was a member, had charge of the rites at the grave.

Deepest sympathy goes out to the bereaved ones in their loss.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Baptist church will hold their Christmas Bazaar in the Kiwanis Hall on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 4th and 5th.

All are invited to come and see the many pretty gifts you may obtain for Christmas, also there will be lots of good things to eat on sale.

MISS NELL PADGETT IS MARRIED TO HER ACCOMPANIST

Phone Message Comes When Parents Not At Home and All Details Are Lacking.

A telephone message reached the home of her parents here Tuesday, announcing the marriage of Miss Nell Padgett. Mr. and Mrs. Padgett were not at home when the telephone call came, the message being received by one of the younger children.

When questioned by a reporter yesterday, Mrs. Padgett stated that all the information she could get from the child, upon her arrival home, was that Miss Nell had been married to her accompanist, Mr. Norris. As she had received no further message, Mrs. Padgett could not state the time and place of the wedding, but presumed they were married Tuesday. The Courier hopes to furnish full details next week.

The bride is one of Forest City's most prominent young girls. She is the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Padgett. She is a vocal soloist of national reputation and at present is filling an engagement with Laurel Park Estate, Hendersonville. Mr. Norris is her accompanist. His home is in Savannah, Ga., and he is a musician of exceptional merit.

The bride was a student at Limestone College, afterwards of Richard T. Piercy, New York City and a member of Mozart Choral Society of that city. She was later a student at the Boston Dramatic School and a soloist in the interim with the White & Brown Chautauqua out of Boston. She later served an engagement with the Autram Chautauqua, out of Philadelphia.

BAZAAR AT ELLENBORO

Ellenboro, Dec. 1.—The ladies of the W. M. U. will hold a bazaar on Saturday, December 12, in the Martin building, opposite the Piedmont House. Fancy work, butter, eggs, etc., will be sold. Oysters and fried chicken also will be sold at reasonable prices. Come all.

MR. CRAWFORD GREEN DEAD

Mr. Crawford Green, aged 79, died at the home of his son, Mr. Robert Green, near Mooresboro, Friday, Nov. 27, of cancer and paralysis.

Mr. Green was a member of a prominent family and was widely and favorably known throughout this section of the state. He was a retired farmer. A member of the Baptist church for 60 years, his death brought to a close a long and useful life. He had made his home with his son, Robt. Green, since the death of his wife about two years ago.

Mr. Green was twice married, his first wife being Miss Clementine Lovelace, who died about 38 years ago. Two sons, Mr. Memory Green, of Gastonia, and Mr. W. C. Green, of Round Oak, Ga., were born to this union.

Mr. Green's second marriage was to Miss Becky McSwain, who died about two years ago. To this union were born three sons and one daughter, Columbus Green, Gaffney; Robt. Green, of near Mooresboro; Cliff Greene, Mooresboro; Mrs. Everett Bridges, of near Mooresboro.

Mr. Green was an uncle of Mrs. J. L. Butler, of Forest City.

Burial took place at Trinity church, Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m. Services were in charge of Rev. Abe Erwin, Shelby; Rev. Zach Harrill, Ellenboro and Rev. Monroe Bridges, Mooresboro. A large crowd was present and the floral offerings were beautiful.

ANOTHER MILLION FOR LAKE LURE DEVELOPMENT

Chimney, Rock, Dec. 1.—At an enthusiastic meeting of the stockholders of the Chimney Rock Mountains, Inc., held at Chimney Rock Saturday afternoon, authority for issuing \$1,000,000 in bonds to complete financing of Lake Lure developments was given. The bonds bear six per cent interest, and are retireable in five years. They compromise a first mortgage upon the property of the company but as the stock certificates are converted into lands of the company from the general mortgage.