

# The Cliffside News

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### DEPLORE DEATH OF MR. J. F. ALEXANDER

We were distressed to hear of the passing of another of Rutherford county's leading and best citizens in the death of Mr. J. F. Alexander. He was a great man and loved by all who knew him. One friend in speaking of him said that it is hard for us to understand God's dealing sometimes. He stated that apparently Mr. Alexander was just beginning to do great things that would mean much to humanity and the Kingdom of the Lord he served.

### THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Once again the Christmas holidays are here; the season when good will and cheer seems to be nearer the surface of our lives than at any other time of the year. In the midst of our preparations, whether they be pretentious or of the simplest, how many of us stop to think of the true significance of Christmas; of all that it implies to the Christian world. May we take time to think of those who are less fortunate and plan some gift or some act of kindness to bring joy and the Christmas spirit to some longing heart. This is, after all, the true secret of happiness: to bring happiness to others and what better time than at this season. At this time of the year the unfortunate feel their plight more poignantly than at any other time and perhaps will appreciate your kind act more than at any other time.

When we contrast the manner of celebrating Christmas now and when we were children we cannot agree with those who would have us believe that prohibition is a failure. The writer can remember when a child he was afraid to be on the public highway alone, not only at Christmas time, but most any season of the year, especially on Saturday afternoons and evenings when men coming from a certain place where liquors were dispensed would be yelling, cursing and disgracing themselves generally. How different today. It is very seldom that we see one unable to walk from the influence of this curse we call whiskey. Thanks to prohibition!

### BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

Last Thursday night at the Teachers meeting a re-study of the entire Teacher Training Course was started. It is planned to take all the studies in turn thus giving some who have missed some of the books a chance to take them. The first chapter in the Sunday School Manual was studied and as there will be no meeting of the teachers this week this chapter will be reviewed in addition to the study of the second chapter on the 31st. It is an important step towards building up the Sunday School and each teacher and officer as well as others interested and desiring to take the course are urged to attend.

On Friday night of last week, Rev. H. C. Whitener of Hickory preached at the Baptist church, bringing a great message which seemed to be appreciated by all who heard him. His text was the last two words in the 15th verse of the 14th chapter of Exodus, "Go forward." His subject was "The Progressive Church."

On last Sunday Rev. C. M. Rollins of Boiling Springs preached at both the morning and evening services. Rev. Rollins has preached here twice before and has a large number of friends here who are always glad to welcome him. He is a young preacher who is making rapid strides to the forefront. He brought two splendid sermons which were delivered in an impressive spirit and manner. His subject for the morning was "Following Jesus." The text for the evening was Gen. 22:22 and the subject, "The Idol of your heart."

On account of the epidemic of mumps and whooping-cough the attendance at Sunday School and church services were off last Sunday, only 336 present in Sunday school.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mr. J. S. Rudisill and family visited in Forest City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Chas. H. Haynes has been away on business for several days.

Mr. Cordie Freeman spent Sunday at Spindale.

Messrs. L. H. Campbell and A. T. Humphries spent Sunday afternoon with the latter's parents at Gaffney.

Mr. Theo. Roberts who is a student at Wake Forest spent Sunday night here with friends.

Messrs. J. F. Duncan, G. C. Dobbins and Martin Black visited near Ellenboro with friends Sunday.

Rev. Jeff Sparks, student at Wake Forest, spent the week-end here with his sister, Mrs. Docia Abrams.

Mr. J. R. Shull and children, of Charlotte spent the week-end here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Caldwell.

Mr. W. H. Haynes and family left Monday to spend the holidays in Fla. They were accompanied by Mr. Clarence Campbell.

Mr. M. W. Martin and family attended a birthday dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. Martin's father, Mr. G. G. Martin of Shelby, Route No. 6.

Glenn, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watkins is ill with pneumonia. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. L. H. Campbell left last week to visit a few days with Mrs. G. K. Moore at St. Petersburg, Fla. After a few days there she will spend several days with her sister, Mrs. B. J. Davidson at Avon Park, Fla.

Mr. Broadus Simmons, a Junior student at Wake Forest is home for the holidays. Also Rev. Marion D. Bianton who is a senior this year is spending the holidays here with his foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Blanton.

Miss Willie Carpenter entertained her Sunday School class of young ladies last Friday night. They met at the Memorial Building at 7:15 and went in a body to the church where they heard Rev. H. C. Whitener of Hickory preach returning to the Memorial Building after the service. Miss Carpenter had prepared an interesting program of an informal nature and just before time to leave she presented each of her large class with a gift. It seemed that the trick was turned though for then Miss Carpenter was in turn presented with lovely gifts from her class.

### CAROLEEN NEWS

Caroleen, Dec. 21.—Miss Inez Allen, the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. K. Allen, was married at the bride's home last Thursday night at 7:00 o'clock to Mr. Sam Melton.

The bride is well known here. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Melton.

We join in with their many friends and relatives in extending congratulations and best wishes.

The elementary school of Caroleen closed last Friday for a two-weeks vacation for Christmas. And also the Henrietta-Caroleen High school is closed for a two weeks vacation.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Caroleen Baptist church next Thursday, Dec. 24th and also a play. Every one is cordially invited.

Miss Pearl Neal who is a student at Asheville Normal came home Friday for a two weeks vacation, also Misses Mary and Ruth Lynch.

### Mr. C. Murray Dead.

The community was saddened and shocked to learn of the death of Mr. C. Murray which occurred at his home here Monday morning at 2:00. He had only been sick for about two weeks. He will be buried at Race Path Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 2:00 o'clock. Our sincere sympathy is with the bereaved family.

### Christmas Everywhere

Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!  
Christmas in lands of the fir tree and pine,  
Christmas in lands of the palm tree and vine,  
Christmas where snow peaks stand solemn and white,  
Christmas where cornfields stand sunny and bright,  
Christmas where children are hopeful and gay,  
Christmas where old men are patient and gray,  
Christmas where peace, like a dove in his flight,  
Broods o'er brave men in the thick of the fight;  
Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!

For the Christ-child who comes is the Master of all;  
No palace too great, no cottage too small.

## SCHOOL NOTES

School closed at Cliffside on December 18, 1925 and will open for the spring term on January 4, 1926. With the closing of school for the glad Christmas holidays and the closing of the calendar year the editors of the Cliffside School News want to take this opportunity of expressing to the Editor and the force of the Forest City Courier our sincere appreciation for their co-operation in publishing the Cliffside School News. It has been a real pleasure to write for such a fine paper. The entire school and faculty joins the school editors in wishing the Editor and force of the Forest City Courier a very merry Christmas and a happy new year. May all the glad tidings of this happy season be theirs.

William Allhands, Editor.  
Mary Sue Edwards,  
Assistant Editor.

Last week was a very busy week and a very short week in school. Besides closing for the holidays it was the end of the month and that meant tests and examinations. It was a familiar sound around the superintendent's office to hear "Mr. Erwin, are you busy?" So many passed in and out one day that they pulled the door knob off. But Mr. Erwin is always ready to see everybody and patient and popular with the students.

The election passed off fine and the civics class got some valuable experience. William Allhands was elected with a big majority. Any one wanting to know anything see William—he knows.

Santa Claus was very much in evidence Friday afternoon. Christmas trees in every room were bending with their loads of presents and many happy children left the school grounds amid the sound of horns and shouts of the boys. Santa must have read the letters written to him and published in The Courier with the school news.

### Chapel Programs

Monday the chapel period was given to the candidates running for the office of walking Dictionary of Cliffside High School. This was done in order that the whole school might hear their speeches. The chairman was Mary Jenkins and the time-keeper Virgie Padgett. The first speaker was Glenn Calhoun who introduced the Federalist candidate, Albert Thomas. Owen Padgett introduced William Allhands, the national candidate. Craig Watkins introduced Kathleen Roach, the independent candidate and Charite Carpenter introduced the last speaker, Irma Bridges, the candidate for the people's party.

Tuesday the tenth grade, under the direction of Miss Jenkins, gave the chapel program. Paul Nanney read the scripture which was the birth of Christ. He paused in certain places

and the grade sang appropriate songs. Next was a pantomime by three girls. A reading by Aileen Gold and a song by the grade.

Wednesday Miss Players' room rendered the following program:

Cradle song by the grade. Two plays, one Uncle Sim's Visit and the other The Accommodating Christmas Tree and last a recitation, Santa Claus' Champion.

Thursday Miss Biggerstaff's grade gave the chapel program which consisted of two songs by the grade, a play, The New Fangled Christmas Tree, dramatization of Silent Night and Christmas songs by the grade.

Friday Misses Hord, Morris and Mintz gave the following program:

Several recitations, two songs by the children, a visit to Santa Claus, a story and a drill, The Snow Fairies.

### HARRIS NEWS

Harris, Dec. 21.—The Woman's Club entertained the faculty and community of the Harris school and County Supt. Erwin with a six o'clock dinner last Thursday evening. The dinner was served in one of the domestic science rooms which was attractively decorated with the season's colors, the table decoration being a miniature Christmas tree.

After a delightful four course dinner had been served Mr. Erwin made a short address on the organization of the Parent-Teachers' Association for the Harris school. This address was followed by a short talk by Mrs. M. M. Young. Due to the smallness of attendance an organization was not attempted that evening, but the teachers and patrons hope to do work

for the Parent-Teacher's Association in the near future.

Misses Minnie Dexter Long, Bess Long, Elizabeth Tanner and Mr. Ed McFarland motored to Spartanburg last Friday afternoon where they did some Christmas shopping.

Mrs. D. C. Stewart spent Monday in Rutherfordton.

Miss Elizabeth Tanner was unable to return to her work on Monday morning. She is quite ill and will not be in school again until after the holidays.

The pastor of Wesley Chapel is to hold a series of revival meetings at the chapel beginning on the Sunday night after Christmas and continuing through the following week.

Mr. Jack McKinney made a business trip to Spartanburg last Tuesday.

Mr. Clayton Harris who holds a position with the Harris Supply Co., spent the week-end at his home.

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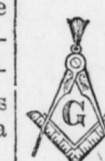
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