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THE NEW YEAR

Another year has come and gone, another milestone passed, and we again take up the pilgrimage, trudging forward, onward along life's highway, weary at times and footsore, but ever drawing nearer to the end of the journey where we hope to find perfect peace and happiness in "that home eternal in the heavens." Yet ere we have traveled too far upon our way, should we not as professed Christians at this significant point in our journey, pause and reflect and look back over the way we have come? It is only too true that we cannot retrace our steps, that we can not go back and do the many things we might have done, to have lightened the burden of some fellow traveler, to have assisted some stumbling mortal over rough places, to have pointed out the right way to those who were groping in the darkness, and to have kept the weary in good heart during the long journey. It is too late for this. But in our reflections, tinged with sorrow or regret as they may be, let us determine to take up the journey again at the beginning of this new year with a strong heart and sincere purpose to brighten life's highway as we pass along, to assist the weak and weary to reclaim the straying brother, and to bring him into the path that leads to happiness, and to do the thousand and one things during the year we can for the benefit of mankind, with the trust and hope that ere another milestone is reached we shall have come to a greater realization of those underlying principles that distinguish the true Christian.—The Lay Preacher.

ANOTHER PHILANTHROPIST.

Up about Forest City, to a ripe old age lived Jake F. Alexander, who died within the last few days and who, in that community, was regarded as "the rich man," one who had amassed a fortune that made him one of the wealthiest citizens of North Carolina. Interested in various business projects, he was one of the few men who had the God-given gift of multiplying his money, of putting it today where it would be added greatly unto by tomorrow, and who, thus, through the years, was able to pile up a fortune because of his thrift and diligence and good personal habits. When he came to face the inevitable, he so arranged his estate that it would continue to do what he had sought in his life to achieve—to bless mankind with his good works. He bequeathed a good share of it for educational opportunities to boys and girls who might otherwise be deprived of the great blessing of a college career and otherwise dealt out his fortune that humanity might be enriched in "the inner man." Thus North Carolina adds to her list of immortal dead the name of Jake F. Alexander.—Charlotte News.

HIS SACRED REQUEST.

"Thou Shalt Not Take the Name of the Lord Thy God in Vain." Surely this is a commandment that all of us might properly resolve to observe as one of our fixed determinations for the coming year. The growing use of profanity, particularly among our boys, and even some of our girls, has reached a point that commands attention and should receive immediate correction. Were we to reflect, not one of us would dream of using the name of our father in the loose and offensive manner in which we hear bandied about the name of Him who is father to each one of us. The thought that profanity adds strength to expression is one of the fallacies. Great men, great women, great writers, great speakers have come to see that strength and power lie in simplicity, and that even the use of adjectives should be avoided when possible. That man is strongest who holds his anger in reserve. Righteous indignation carries point only when

sion of mature and deliberate conviction set forth with firmness and regret. How terribly shocking to one of any refinement to hear from almost childish lips the oath that should be reserved for solemn and sacred occasions. How disgusting to hear mature men and women set such an example to their children. The careless use of the name of God has reached that pass where it has become almost a part of ordinary conversation. It makes the slipping away of all reverence for the divinity and of respect for the constituted authorities; it becomes at once as distasteful as it is obnoxious. Let our first and fixed resolution be to end this thoughtless and unpleasant practice.

OAK GROVE NEWS

Bostic, R-3, Dec. 29.—Miss Flossie Harrill and Mr. Paul Harrill surprised their many friends by going to Gaffney Thursday and getting married.

Mr. Willard Randall and family of Rock Hill, S. C., spent a few days last week in this community.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Beam Dec. 20th, a fine girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Salie Hamrick and children, Pauline and Robert, of Matthews, N. C., spent Thursday at Mr. M. S. Beam's.

The quarterly meeting will be held at Oak Grove next Sunday by the presiding elder, Rev. E. O. Cole.

Little Miss Ethelene Randall has been right sick for the past week but is improving fast we are glad to note.

Mr. Bunyan Hawkins and family, Mr. Davie Hawkins and family spent Thursday at Mr. M. E. Hawkins'.

Miss Nellie Vassie spent Saturday night with Miss Lucile Webb.

Miss Belle Wilkie is spending this week at her brother's, Mr. W. P. Wilkie, of near Melvin Hill.

Mrs. Hester Carpenter and Miss Coda Carpenter, of Cliffside, visited at Mr. W. T. Harrill's Thursday.

Mr. Alston Bedford and family, of Elgin, S. C., spent Christmas at his father's, Mr. Seth Bedford's.

Miss Eva Hawkins, of Mt. Holly, has been visiting in this community.

Little Miss Gladys Randall spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. L. D. Wilkie.

Rev. J. N. Randall and family, of Plateau, spent last week in this community.

Miss Viola Anderson is spending the holidays at her home at Richburg, S. C.

Miss Lenith Randall of Brevard Institute, is spending Christmas with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Biggerstaff spent Sunday night at Mrs. Esther Matheny's of near Race Path.

Mrs. Mollie Crawley of near Lattimore, spent the week-end in this community.

Misses Mae and Leigh Harrill are on the sick list this week.

Mr. Hubert Randall, of Rutherford College, is spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Magness and children, Earnest, Jr., and Sarah Martha, of Marion, are spending this week at his mother's, Mrs. Hester Magness.

The children of Oak Grove gave a Christmas entertainment last Tuesday night.

Misses Mary and Clara Randall and Mr. Hubert Randall spent one evening last week at Rev. Harris' of near Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Than Tate and children are visiting at her father's, Mr. Justice at Ednaville.

Mr. Jack Magness spent the week-end at Mrs. Hester Magness.

ANNUAL STUDENTS DAY AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

For the past few years the First Baptist church has been holding an "Annual Students Day" which has proven itself to be of great benefit and pleasure both to the students who attend and also to the church. The time set apart for the service is the first Sunday in January, just before the students return to school and college. Therefore, next Sunday is the day for this service. The teachers and students of Forest City and the college students at home for the holidays are invited to be the guests of the church next Sunday morning. The pastor will preach a special sermon and a most cordial welcome is extended to the public generally.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Minnie V. Spratt announces the engagement of her daughter, Clara Mae, to Mr. John Craton Mills, of Rutherfordton, the wedding to take place the latter part of January.

The bride-elect is the second daughter of the late Edward Spratt and Mrs. Minnie V. Spratt.

Miss Spratt was educated at Flora Macdonald college, being a pretty and talented young woman, with a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Mills is the son of the late Colonel John Craton Mills, and Mrs. Leonora Mills, of Rutherfordton. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, being a member of the Delta Sigma Phi, and Kappa Psi fraternities. Mr. Mills is a pharmacist, being connected with the Thompson-Watkins company of Rutherfordton.—Charlotte Observer.

EAVES-SMITH

On the ninth of December, Mr. R. L. Smith, Jr., and Miss Rose Eaves, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Eaves, were happily united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The beautiful ring ceremony was used in the vows. The bride and groom were becomingly attired. The vows were pronounced by Rev. J. C. Gentry, pastor of the bride and groom. At the request of Mr. and Mrs. Smith the announcement was withheld until they could be at home. They are now keeping house in "The House by the Road," and would be pleased for their friends to come.

We wish for this popular couple a long, happy and useful life.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

Notice is hereby given to all persons who are not registered who desire to vote upon the question of the establishment of a municipal Recorder's Court in said town that the registration books will be open at the Mayor's Office in said town each day from the hours of 9 o'clock a. m., until 5 o'clock p. m., on and from Jan. 1st until Jan. 8th, 1926.

J. E. CALDWELL, Registrar.
12-2t

ORDER OF APPOINTMENT

At a meeting of the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the town of Forest City held in the Mayor's office in said town on the 30th day of December, 1925 the following resolution of appointment was duly passed: That the following citizens and qualified voters of the town of Forest City are hereby constituted and appointed judges of the municipal election to be held in said town for the purpose of establishing a municipal Recorder's Court: R. K. Hollifield, C. M. Roberson and J. L. McFarland as judges and J. E. Caldwell as Registrar.

This the 30th day of December, 1925.
L. C. LOWRANCE, Mayor.
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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from his earthly labors our fellow Kiwanian, Mr. J. F. Alexander, be it resolved by the Kiwanis Club of Forest City:

We note with genuine sorrow that this friend and brother has gone to his eternal home.

He was truly possessed of the true Kiwanian spirit and nobly exemplified its teachings in his every day life, carrying out most nobly the precept, "We Build." He builded best and most nobly for God and Christianity, spending freely of his means for the church and the schools—for the upbuilding of humanity and the teaching and training of young men and young women.

He was truly a friend of mankind,

radiating a spirit of brotherly kindness and love that touched the lives of all with whom he came in contact.

He was one of God's noblemen—ever striving for the uplift of humanity. His first great concern was for spiritual needs of his friends and brothers and next in order came his desire to place within the reach of the young men and women the chance for an education, never stinting his gifts to church or school.

It was a pleasure for him to help the needy and to relieve distress. He exemplified the life of a Christian gentleman. He was loyal to the Great Master, loved Him, served Him and trusted Him.

We extend to his family our sincerest sympathy and commend them to the loving care of the Heavenly

Father he loved and served so well. Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be furnished his family, and be published in The Forest City Courier and Carolina Kiwanian.

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F. I. Barber,
T. G. Stone,
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The Forest City Courier

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Happy New Year

We want to thank you and all the other fellow citizens of this community for your generous patronage, for your confidence in our integrity and in our ability to serve you.

That the New Year be a most happy one, that it may contain for you all that you desire and much more that we may continue to merit your valued and appreciated patronage—are our sincere hopes for 1926.

National Bank of Forest City



New Year Greetings

To our friends and customers we take this opportunity to thank you for the splendid business you have given us for the past year. It shall be our highest purpose to serve you more faithfully and efficiently for the coming year than ever before. Again we thank you and wish you a most prosperous New Year.

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