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IEWS OF OUR NEWS

By CHICAGOAN

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 29.—To each and every member of The Courier's family of readers, A Happy New Year

To Editor Alcock, whose efforts to serve his community will continue through 1932 with the same vigor that characterized them in the past: A Happy New Year. May his diligent subscribers shake with remorse when they realize their lack of appreciation, and may the merchants and other business men continue to accord him the advertising and job printing patronage that his modern establishment deserves.

To The Courier's printers, to its reporters and to its printer's devil: A Happy New Year. May the printers never upset an "n" and the reporters never miss an important news item. Still careful as they may be, there'll be the devil to pay each Saturday night of 1932. As for the devil, may he never "pi" a form nor be late for his schedule a single morning of the new year.

To the many good advertisers of past weeks: A Happy New Year. You have served the people of your community well by keeping them informed of the trend of prices. You have helped establish the reputation of Forest City as a town in which business men are ever alive to their opportunities and never lag in the steady march of progress.

To our good correspondents from the various localities, church and school news reporters and to our society editor: A Happy New Year. Your contributions are one of the main reasons why each issue of The Courier is so eagerly awaited. May your interesting reports continue and may you find as much enjoyment making them as we do reading the paper after your letters are published.

To Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Gold, who have moved from Cliffside to Alexander: A Happy New Year. May you find congeniality and interest in your new surroundings and may your new neighbors ever remember 1932 as the New Year which brought to their midst new acquaintances that soon ripened into everlasting friendships.

To the young man who so recently took up residence with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Hardin of Golden Valley: A Happy New Year. Little boy, you will never know I made this wish, unless maybe your parents clip this paragraph to remind you in later years that you were but a little babe on the New Year's day of 1932.

To Rudolph and John Blanton and the other college students home for holiday vacations when the last Courier was printed: A Happy New Year. May the remaining months of the present school year bring you honors and knowledge but most of all, may it bring a realization of the fact that when your present course is ended, you shall have only prepared yourself for the lessons to be learned as you proceed year by year through the great College of Life.

Holiday cheer was present in the A. Brandle home in Providence last Thursday when it held as guests Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Harrill. Happy was the day of the gathering and happy were the wishes expressed by hosts and guests at the reluctant leave taking. The greetings are wafted to me by The Courier. In echo, I return them: A Happy New Year!

Because the rest of The Courier must be devoted to other things more important than my ramblings, I must say no more for this week, but before I lay aside the paper, let me wish that the countless others whom I have come to know through this paper have just as Happy a New Year as those whose names I have mentioned.

Mr. Wesley Williams, of Georgia Tech, Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Margaret Williams, of Greensboro college, Greensboro, spent the holidays here with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Williams.

SAVING MONEY ON COSTLY DIRECT MAILING

Rutherford county store owners will be interested in the fact that a great New York establishment controlled by John S. Burke in November and December, 1931, passed the 1930 record in number of sales and gross receipts.

Mr. Burke states that improved conditions, in spite of depression, are attributed largely to aggressive newspaper advertising. Mr. Burke says that hereafter he will save money spent on costly circulars, and other store literature distributed through the mails, and add the amount saved—hundreds of thousands a year—to productive advertising in newspapers.

Here is an authentic "check-up" by one of the country's most successful merchants, who has proved to his own satisfaction that newspaper advertising is the best and cheapest method to be used in successful merchandising.

Your advertising in The Courier goes directly into the homes of the prospective buyers of Rutherford county, where it is a welcome visitor, and never cast aside without a glance. The wide-awake merchant knows it is the cheapest and best method of advertising. Our local rate is only 25¢ per inch. And we know numbers of newspapers in the state, with only half the circulation of The Courier, who get 35¢ and 40¢ per inch. Ponder these facts before making up your 1932 advertising budget.

OAK GROVE NEWS

Ellenboro, R-2, Dec. 29.—A Christmas program and tree was given at Oak Grove Wednesday night. The following program was given. Songs "Silent Night" by choir and "Holy, Holy, Holy" by congregation, Scripture reading, Edith Biggerstaff, prayer Mr. A. G. Randall, welcome, Edith Biggerstaff. "The Christmas Candles" by four girls. "What it takes to make Christmas," a number of children, "Light of the world," Dorothy Carter and Ruby Wilson, "The Star of Bethlehem" by eight girls and a sacred play "Christmas Hearts are Humble" was given last, after which the gifts were taken from the tree. Rev. J. N. Snow made a short talk and pronounced the benediction.

Next Sunday is regular preaching day at Oak Grove, Everybody come.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Magness and children, Earnest Jr., and Sara Martha, of Marion, spent the week end at Mr. C. O. Magness'.

Miss Kathryn Randall spent Sunday with Miss Olliere Randall.

Mrs. Iva Biggerstaff and Messrs Nollie and Dwight and Misses Edith and Hazel Biggerstaff spent Sunday at Mr. Cleat Hardin's near Gilkey.

Misses Reba Hamrick, Kathryn and Olliere Randall and Mozelle Jolly and Messrs Jack Jolley and Ewert Burns visited Miss Etta and Mr. Roy Blanton, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Edith Biggerstaff spent Friday night with Miss Maebeth Scruggs near Cliffside.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Hawkins and daughter, Marjorie and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hawkins and little daughter, Bernice, of Avondale, were visitors at Mr. M. E. Hawkins, Christmas.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Elmore, Dec. 25, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Tate and Messrs Clarence and Odell Tate are visiting relatives in Maiden, Belmont and Cherryville.

Mrs. Mary Blanton, Misses Etta Blanton and Ila Hamrick and Roy Blanton and Maynard Hamrick were visitors at Mrs. J. M. Randall's, Saturday night.

Mrs. Connie Duncan of Spruce Pine, Mr. Claude Jolley and family of Polk county and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Warlick and little daughter Doris, of Fallston, were visitors at Mr. W. A. Jolley's, Sunday.

Misses Ettie Bailey and Susan Biggerstaff spent Sunday with Miss Eugenia Randall.

Mrs. J. M. Randall and Misses

Change Poultry School Dates

A change in dates from January 5, 6, 7 and 8, to January 26, 27, 28 and 29 in our county-wide poultry school to be held in Forest City has been made. Dr. Kaupp suggested this change so as to give more an opportunity to attend and to allow him to finish up some work started in Florida.

This school will be absolutely free and all are urged to attend, especially those interested in poultry. Don't forget the dates have been changed from January 5, 6, 7 and 8 to January 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1932.

PLAN REVIVAL OF MONAZITE MINING

Company Opening Mining Village Near Bostic—Begin Operations Soon.

Rutherfordton, Dec. 28.—The monazite industry is now underway. Frank R. Porter of the Porter Placer Mining company of Los Angeles, California, has been in this county some time working on the project. He has headquarters here at the Isothermal hotel, though the plant will be located near Bostic. J. T. McGregor, secretary of the local chamber of commerce and manager of the hotel, who has been interested in the mining industry for some time, was instrumental in securing the industry for this county.

Mr. Porter has had 35 years' experience in the mining business. He plans to erect a large and modern monazite plant on Broad river near Bostic at the junction of the Seaboard and Clinchfield railroads. Mr. Porter has contracted with B. Bryan Harrill of Forest City for five acres of land at the site. There will be a good highway, two railroads, telephone and electric lights accessible for the plant. Mr. Porter plans to have the plant in operation not later than April 1st. The plant will pay the farmers \$25 per ton for monazite sands to start with.

Basketball Game Thursday Night

The all stars, that is the star high school graduates and other players that have represented the high school in former years, will play the high school team. This will be one of the best games and the last one of the old year. The admission for this game will be men, 15c, women and school children, 10c.

After the holidays the admission price for the high school games will be ten cents for women and students and twenty-five cents for men. The men usually have to pay the admission for the wives and children. For this reason most of the men will feel the effects of the low admission fees. It is regretted that it is necessary to change the admission price.

The proceeds of the game Thursday night of this week will be used to buy new uniforms for the high school team. The old uniforms are about worn out. The fans want to see the local team dressed in good uniforms. See a good game and help make your team look better.

Olliere Randall and Evelyn Grayson spent Friday at Mr. C. B. Harrill's. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kennedy visited at Mr. Webb Kennedy's near Forest City, Friday.

The Epworth League met Sunday night and elected new officers for the coming year. Mrs. Connie Jolley Duncan of Spruce Pine made a talk which was enjoyed. The Epworth Leagues closed a contest Sunday night Groups one, two, three and four have been in a contest for attendance, collection and Bible reading two and four won.

Mr. W. T. Harrill's, Mr. T. A. Biggerstaff, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harrill and Mr. Coren Bailey and family were visitors at Mr. H. Harrill's Friday.

Mr. Forest Matheny and family and Mr. Miller Martin and family spent Friday at Mr. A. B. Bailey's.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Harrill and children Billy and Rebecca of Henrietta, were visitors at Mr. C. B. Harrill's, Saturday.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING JAN. 3

Sandy Run Sunday School Association to Convene With Alexander Church.

The Sandy Run Baptist Sunday School Association will meet in the Alexander Baptist church Sunday afternoon, January 3rd, at 2:30 o'clock. All Sunday school workers and others are urged to attend and start the New Year right. The following program will be given:

2:30-2:45 Songs: Devotion, Rev. C. C. Matheny, Alexander Baptist church; Special music, Spindale quartet.

2:45-2:50 Meaning of Church control: Supt. Vance Price, Mt. Pleasant, (R).

2:50-3:00 Discussion of enrollment, Supt. G. C. Harrill, Caroleen.

3:00-3:10 Advantages of grading, Mrs. Chas. Ford, Forest City First.

3:10-3:20 Use of Baptist Literature, Supt. G. M. Cole, Holly Springs.

3:20-3:30 Meaning of Bibles used, Supt. T. J. Bagwell, Henrietta.

3:30-4:00 Checking reports, announcements, counting delegates present, adjournment.

The last meeting was most encouraging. The weather was very bad, yet 20 Sunday schools sent representatives. There were 55 officers and teachers present. Reports were sent in from 25 Sunday schools. If your school did not send a report last month, join this 25 and let's make it at least 35 this month. I read out the list of those sending reports this month. Fill out these reports immediately after the fourth Sunday so that we may fill out chart and give your school full credit before the meeting on the First Sunday afternoon.

FLORENCE MILL NEWS

Prayer meeting Saturday evening at 7 o'clock at the home of Mr. Clarence James, with Mr. M. L. Lynch in charge.

Mr. N. B. Reid will preach at the Florence church Thursday evening at 7:15 o'clock.

Mrs. Joan Toney spent Christmas at Mr. Howard Whisnants.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Toney spent the Christmas holidays in the Sunshine community visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Laxton Harden, of Newton, are spending a few days here with his mother, Mrs. Horace Harden.

Miss Mary Johnson and Mr. Alonzo Putman were visitors in Shelby, Sunday.

At the morning service at the Florence Baptist Sunday, Supt. J. W. Webb presented 18 pins to those who attended every Sunday in year "31".

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Doggett and children are spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Doggett's father, Mr. J. A. Mode.

Mr. J. W. Towery and family were visitors in Ellenboro Sunday at Mrs. Towery's mother, Mrs. Sallie Dobbin.

Miss Ruth Towery is spending the Christmas holidays at Mr. Rufus Towery's in Sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fant and children of Valley Falls spent the Christmas holidays here at the home of Mr. Charlie Green.

Mr. C. R. Hudlow and family spent Christmas at home of his parents, Mr. A. C. Hudlow.

Miss Pauline Erwin, of Charlotte Sanatorium, is spending the Christmas holidays at home.

Miss Mary Padgett, of Pacolet, S. C., spent Christmas at Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hudlow's.

Messrs Roand Padgett and Eddie Padgett and two daughters Mary and Bessie, Miss Minnie Bright of Pacolet, S. C., were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hudlow Christmas day.

Among those who attended the pound party at Mrs. Roland Smith's Saturday night were, Misses Carrie, Pearl and Nellie Burgan, Edna Erwin, Emma Crawley, Janine, Pauline and Moree Hudlow and their house guest, Miss Mary Padgett. Messrs Earnest Coffey and Everett Toney.

Mrs. Broadus Crawley and children are spending this week with her

Cliffside Mill Gets Tax Refund

Washington, Dec. 28.—Tax refunds aggregating several hundred thousands dollars were granted North Carolina taxpayers last year by the federal government, the bureau of internal revenue revealed yesterday in a voluminous report filed with the house committee on expenditures in the executive departments.

Among those receiving tax refunds up to or more than \$1,000 were: Eastside Manufacturing company, Shelby, \$1,743.65; Cliffside Mills, Cliffside, \$12,998.84.

BUSY DAYS FOR OFFICER EDWARDS

County Traffic Officer Makes Number of Arrests on Highways During Holidays.

Traffic officer Garrett Edwards made a very thrilling ride last Wednesday, which resulted in the capture of two men and five gallons of whiskey. Officer Edwards chased the automobile twenty-two miles over a slippery, wet dirt road before capturing the men. He first noticed the car near Rutherfordton, and gave chase which carried him out Route No. 181 via Indian Lake, through McDowell county and finally overtaking them in Burke county. The entire ride was made at a great disadvantage to Mr. Edwards, as his motorcycle threatened every second to skid on the slippery mud road. The men were brought to Rutherfordton and lodged in jail to await a hearing in Recorder's court.

On the day before Mr. Edwards arrested two men in an automobile near Spindale, and took two gallons of liquor. He also captured an automobile, one man and one-half gallon of liquor on Route 19 between Rutherfordton and Columbus, and on Wednesday arrested another man between Forest City and Rutherfordton, who had some whiskey in the car.

On Christmas Eve Mr. Edwards took an automobile in Colfax township. The driver was arrested. Some liquor was found in the car, but most of it had been broken in the chase.

Mr. Edwards made a number of other arrests during the holidays, most of the parties being charged with operating vehicles while under the influence of whiskey. Several drunks were also arrested by him.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT FLOYD'S CREEK SCHOOL

Forest City, R-1, Dec. 28.—A large crowd attended the Christmas program, which was given at the Floyd's Creek school, on last Wednesday evening. The program consisting of songs, dialogues, short plays and recitations, was well given and enjoyed by the people.

At the close of the program, Santa Claus delivered to each child in school a present from the large Christmas tree, which was beautifully decorated and weighed down with presents. Miss Georgia Wells, the assistant teacher, presented a number of gifts to those who have been neither absent nor tardy since school opened. The presents and gifts gave the children much joy and made Christmas seem real to them.

At the close of the evening exercise, the principal, M. L. Johnson gave to each pupil a treat.

The evening was well spent bringing to the children joy and to the older ones, memories of the past.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baldwin had as their guests for the holidays, the latter's mother and sister, Mrs. Aba B. Taylor and Miss Flora Taylor, of Greensboro and Mr. Sidney Glinn, of Goldsboro.

Master Edward Marks, of Burlington, arrived at Forest City, R-3, to spend the holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Baber.

Sister, Mrs. Bronson Bennick's at Cliffside.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Goode and children spent Christmas at Mr. Walter Downey's at Alexander.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilkins and children are spending this week with Mr. Wilkins parents, near Harris.

COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT AIDS MANY CHRISTMAS

Co-operation of Clubs and Societies Over County Brought Happiness and Cheer to Many Children.

Rutherfordton, Dec. 28.—The county department of Public Welfare extends thanks and appreciation for the kind interest shown and helpful donations given at Christmas time by citizens and clubs, Sunday school classes and various organizations of the county.

Christmas was a happy event to many poor and neglected children. There were as many as 300 little girls hugging dollies and 300 little boys happily blowing horns, eating candies, nuts and fruits who would have been sorrowfully neglected had it not been for the kind-heartedness and generous gifts from the public. The County Welfare Departments received checks and cash gifts from many which bought shoes and comfortable clothing for sick and unfortunate grown-ups as well as children and there were helpful donations of foods and second-hand clothing sent, all of which contributed largely toward making comfort, peace and happiness for the needy and those who would have been forced to have gone without.

The Rutherfordton firemen gave Christmas trees at which about 160 children of Rutherfordton, Ruth and Spindale received generous treats. Bright colored mesh stockings, bagging by weighted gifts, were distributed at this gala occasion by Old Santa himself, at the City Hall on Wednesday afternoon. Little children of disappointed parents, some orphaned and many with sick fathers and mothers, came with bright, beaming smiles, clean faces and hands; a lot of them dressed neatly in nice checked Spindale gingham, made by students of sewing classes of High schools in the county. Spectators attending the festivity happily observed expressions of delight as names were called and small girls hugged pretty new dolls and boys puffed out round cheeks as they blew bright horns. The children thrilled over fresh juicy oranges and apples as much as at candies and nuts and the occasion was a joyful success.

Children in remote sections of the county received colored mesh stockings which had been filled by volunteers and these were distributed by various committees of clubs and interested and dependable citizens. Active welfare community clubs were liberal and worked diligently to see that no child failed to receive gifts at Cliffside, Caroleen, Henrietta, Avondale, Lake Lure and other well organized towns of the county. The Forest City Family Welfare Association took care of numberless poor and made happy hearts and comfortable appetites.

Many unfortunate families were listed and locations described by the Welfare Departments which the Kiwanis clubs of the county "pounded" with palatable foods; many hungry and disappointed hearts sat at Christmas dinner experiencing delight of having big fat hens, cakes and good things which were furnished by members of clubs—men who have big hearts that reach out to his less fortunate brother.

Depression is considered a curse but proof is given at this holiday season that generosity still holds reign and that he who sacrifices reaps the rapturous joys of giving in a far greater degree than does the man with the full purse.

The annual meeting of the Piedmont Council, Boy Scouts of America will be held at the Masonic Temple, Gastonia, Tuesday night, Jan. 12th. The Silver Beaver award has been conferred upon four members of the Council and will be awarded at this time. Those receiving the award will be: President, J. W. Atkins and Fred L. Smyre, of Gastonia; Rev. W. J. Roach, of Lowell and Dr. Allen J. Jervey, of Tryon.

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