

# SOCIETY NEWS

## WOODLAND THANKSGIVING PRAYER

**Kadra Mays.**  
We are Thy quiet folk who haunt the wood  
And only ask sufficiency and peace.  
Save for defense or food, we shed no blood.  
Were we tribunal, war and hate would cease.

Give us again this year the fruit of tree  
And bush and vine which Thou in love hast made.  
We ask no more than that the harvest be  
For us to reap with hunger's busy blade.

We are content in our lowly life...  
Count it for us, Lord of the Fruit and Grain.  
That bird and beast are innocent of strife  
Which mars Thy handiwork with blood and pain.

**Return From Florida**  
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Sneed have returned from Miami, Florida, where they have been spending a week.

**Visits Mother**  
Arthur Crocker, of Watsonville, Calif., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. J. G. Crocker, in North Henderson.

**Goes to Leaksville**  
Robert Bunn has returned to Leaksville, after spending the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. J. Harry Bunn.

**Goes to Augusta**  
Miss Annie M. Page, who for the past ten days has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. R. Gooch, left yesterday for Augusta, Ga.

**Club to Meet**  
The Woman's Tuesday Club will meet with Mrs. Henry Perry Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at her home on Chestnut street.

**Postpones Meeting**  
The Students club, scheduled to meet Thursday, January 9, has been postponed until the following Thursday, January 16. Mrs. L. J. Rux and Mrs. L. R. Gooch will be hostesses, at the Gooch home.

**Return to Salem**  
Misses Anne Hyman Bunn and Ruth Goodrich Thomas returned to Salem college, Winston-Salem, yesterday, to continue their courses there, after spending the Christmas holidays here with their families.

**Mrs. Poir Arrives**  
After spending the fall months in Raleigh, Mrs. Edward W. Poir, of Smithfield and Washington, D. C., arrived today to spend some time with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fuller Parham.

**Miss Oliver Returns**  
Miss Lela Oliver, Vance county public health nurse, returned to her duties here this morning after an absence of several weeks during which she was with her sister who has been critically ill in a New Bern hospital.

**Resume Program**  
The adult education program, sponsored by the Vance county council of parent and teachers, will be resumed here, under the instruction of Mrs. Winnie Aycock. The class is held twice a week at the adult education center. Contacts have been made to urge the members to attend regularly.

## Miss Crocker Has Party for Brother

Saturday evening, Miss Virginia Crocker entertained at her home for her brother, Arthur Crocker of Watsonville, Calif., who was here on a visit. Many games were played, followed by dancing. Light refreshments were served during the evening.

Those attending were Mollie Renn, James Crocker, Shirley Wortham, Kenneth Clark, Blanche Adams, Clement Newman, Ethel Anderson, Raymond Newman, Dorothy Lester, Vernon Watkins, Helen Rogers, Furman Watkins, Elizabeth Jenkins, W. C. Watkins, Dorothy Miller, D. A. Duke, Ellen Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Duke, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Robertson, and William Thomas, of Mocksville.

## Marian Martin Pattern



PATTERN 9591

Be dramatic this season, in a stunning frock that shows the new print-and-panel combination! Pattern 9591 is a Marian Martin design that's so delightful you'll wear it for every important event through the remainder of winter and on into the spring. The soft bodice panel and center skirt panel may be of flower-sprinkled print contrast, though the dress is equally smart made all in one fabric. That wide, beautifully shaped waist-girdle divides the panels in two, and gives your waistline the illusion of being unbelievably slim! Your sleeves are either short or in gathered three-quarter length. You will find this frock simple to make under the Sew Chart's directions.

Pattern 9591 may be ordered only in misses' and women's sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30. Size 16 requires 2 1/2 yds 39 inch fabric and 7-8 yards contrast.

Send FIFTEEN CENTS in coins for this MARIAN MARTIN pattern. Be sure to write plainly your SIZE, NAME, ADDRESS, and STYLE NUMBER.  
Here's a clever idea! Women who haven't "perfect figures" (and not many of us have), may now be sure of having their smart MARIAN MARTIN frocks fit perfectly! The secret? Just order our SUR-FIT FOUNDATION PATTERN 9306 in your size, adjust it to your own figure measurements in tissue, cut it out in muslin and you have a permanent guide to use when making all your frocks. You pin your dress patterns right to it to make necessary changes. Send for Pattern 9306 today! Designed for sizes 14 to 20 and 22 to 30. Size 16 requires 3 3/8 yards 36 inch fabric. Price 15c.

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**Return to Canada**  
Mrs. H. H. Evans and Miss Georgie Spencer, who have been spending several days with Mrs. Alex Faulkner on the Raleigh Road, have returned to their home in Canada.

**Circle to Meet**  
Missionary Circle No. 2 of the First Congregational Christian church will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. J. Lee Lassiter, with Miss Lizzie Roberts as joint hostess.

**Returns to Stuart Hall**  
Miss Peggy Moran returned on Saturday to Staunton, Virginia, to resume her studies at Stuart Hall, after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Fuller Parham.

## Boyd's Crossroads

**By ALLENE E. CAREY.**  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Proctor and family spent Monday with Mrs. Proctor's sister, Mrs. G. H. Hayes, and family, near Clarksville, Virginia.

Miss Indie Kimball is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. R. Kimball.

Miss Rosa Hope was a recent visitor of Miss Betty Matthews, of Bullock.

Miss Mamie Kimball spent Friday night with Miss Allene Carey.

Friends are glad to know that Miss Ellen Moss is able to be back home after undergoing an operation at Maria Parham hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Carey visited Mrs. Albert Moss and family Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Proctor, Henry,

## Egypt News

**By MISS THELMA HEDGEPEATH.**  
Members of this community have suffered the loss of two of their oldest friends and relatives, Mrs. Julia Blackley and Ira Pulley.

Miss Thelma Hedgepeath is spending several days with her brother, Aubrey Hedgepeath, and Mrs. Hedgepeath.

Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Hedgepeath, Mrs. J. W. Hedgepeath and Mrs. Ha Mastian were Tuesday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. U. Hedgepeath and family.

Misses Josephine and Marie Pulley and Thelma Hedgepeath were Tuesday afternoon guests of Misses Christine and Dorothy Dickerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allford and Mrs. Edwards were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Pat Allford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hedgepeath and family and Mrs. P. H. Allford were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tippet, of Oxford.

Mrs. Lester Hicks spent several days of last week with her sister, Mrs. M. B. Pulley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hedgepeath and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hedgepeath were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey Williamson of family, of Henderson.

**Mrs. Gardner Very Ill**  
Mrs. E. Norfleet Gardner, wife of the pastor of the First Baptist church, who has been critically ill with a heart ailment for several weeks, was reported today to be not so well as on Sunday. She is at her home at the parsonage on Winder street.

**Mr. Powell Ill**  
Rev. R. E. Powell, recently of Burnsville but now residing in Spencer, is seriously ill in Baptist hospital, Winston-Salem. Mrs. Powell is the former Miss Lillian Dean, of Henderson.

**Scout Course Is To Be Offered At Church Tonight**

A course for fathers and friends of Boy Scouts of Henderson is to be offered three evenings this month, sessions to be held in the Baracca room in the basement of the First Baptist church, and the first of which is to be held tonight. The others will follow at intervals of a week each, on Monday evenings, January 13 and 20. C. M. Calhoun, Scout executive of Oconee County, of Raleigh, is to be present at all of the meetings and instruct in elaters and friends in attendance.

## Intolerance Meet In Durham March 1

A regional conference on "Tolerance through Education" will be held at Durham, at the Washington-Duke Hotel, on March 1 under the auspices of The Council Against Intolerance in America. Educators of North Carolina public schools and universities and leaders from nearby states will sponsor and take part in the conference. The conference will be held for the purpose of developing specific help to teachers in fostering the principles of tolerance in the classroom and of furnishing inspiration to teachers for this task.

This is the third regional conference held by Council Against Intolerance. One was conducted in New York City last spring, one in Chicago in November and the Durham meeting will be the first to be held in the South. One is also planned for Los Angeles in March, and in San Francisco in April.

## Rotary Meeting

The weekly meeting of the Rotary club will be held Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the Vance hotel. This is the first meeting of the New Year.

## DEED IS FILED

A really deed was filed Saturday at the Vance Registry office in which Al. B. Wester and wife sold Joe Williams, lots in Thomas street for \$50, according to records at that office.

## Drum Bugle Corps to Meet

The Kiwanis Drum and Bugle Corps of the Junior high school will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the high school for the purpose of reorganization for the remainder of the year. Uniforms are to be secured shortly for the group.

## Vanguard Of British Army Near Tobruk

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surprising if General Sir Archibald Wavell decided to strike quickly again before the Italians can recover from the Bardia defeat.

(Reports in London said British mechanized forces were operating 20 miles south of Tobruk and that a "close blockade" had been tightened around the port to guard against any attempt at a last counter attack against Britain's wedge in eastern Libya.)

British bombers made concentrated attacks on Tobruk throughout Saturday night and all day yesterday, the RAF command announced, adding that one fire started there was visible all the way to Bardia.

Eleven Italian planes were shot down in yesterday's air fighting with the loss of a single British plane, an RAF communiqué said.

## Many Problems Await Legislature

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It will go through like greased lightning, as it was kept in last time only through the desperate efforts of Governor Clyde R. Hoey.

Other budget questions are so closely bound up with other issues that they enter into practically every one coming up for consideration.

## Retirement

The new governor and practically everybody else is committed to setting up a retirement system for state employees; so the only question here appears to be what kind and how much will it cost?

The commission named to study the matter has recommended a single fund for all employees (including teachers) on a five per cent contribution basis. It would cost about \$1,300,000 a year.

Reduction of the contribution base to four per cent would decrease the cost to the State to about \$1,250,000 a year.

## Vocational Education

The existing setup is sure to be expanded, as there is clear evidence that legislators are attaching more and more importance to this phase of the educational program.

## Roads

This issue is tied up with diversion, which is a fight all in itself. There will, in addition, be efforts to allocate a larger percentage of highway revenues to the so-called "secondary roads" and the cry "get the farmer out of the mud" will be raised as usual. There seems no reason to expect anything startling, however, and there is no prospect of any sizeable bond issue for highway purposes.

## Public Libraries

Four years ago the legislature made it possible for the State to aid in development of public libraries, but appropriated no money to carry out its own statute. Two years ago an appropriation of \$50,000 was approved by the Senate, but failed in the House. This time it appears probable that some money will be voted.

## Reapportionment

Here's a whole story in itself on what many think is certain to be the bitterest battle of the Assembly. The Constitution has been ignored for a decade. This time the Democratic platform calls for a redrawing of representation in House and Senate, and some sort of bill will almost surely be passed, but it will be only after as desperate a mixture of political maneuvering as can be imagined.

In the windup, Guilford, Mecklenburg, Buncombe and Cabarrus should get their extra House seats; but there is no more than a Chinaman's chance that the Senatorial redistricting will be other than a scrambled hodge-podge of unsatisfactory compromise with local politics and partisan phronology.

## Consolidation

Proposals to consolidate, revamp, or otherwise reorganize the highway Commission, Utility Commission and ABC board have been heard; most of them based on the theory that Governor Bragg would there find it easier to take care of his political friends with juicy appointments. There is a strong likelihood that he will seek no such advantage; but that he will advocate a thorough study of State agencies looking toward a really worthwhile overhauling of the machinery when the second legislature of his administration meets in 1943. The sort of "consolidation and reorganization" so far talked would lead to nothing except increased expense in order to provide pure political pap for the governor.

## Schools

Always a source of lively legislative jockeying, the schools will be in the limelight again this time. Educational leaders from P. T. A., N. C. Educational Association, State Grange and other organizations have presented a five-point program calling for retirement, continuing contracts for teachers, increased salaries, an "extension of school program," and submission of a constitutional amendment they claim will "avoid the duplication and over-lapping of authority now existing in the administration of the school system of North Carolina."

They'll get retirement; adoption of "tenure" statute is ticklish business and very doubtful; higher salaries have always been sought and only sometimes realized, and the so-called "extension of school program" will come in for a lot of discussion, particularly as to desirability of a ninth-month as opposed to a twelfth grade.

The proposed constitutional amendment is nothing more or less than a revival of the long-standing effort to abolish the School Commission and put financial authority, as well as curricular control, in the hands of the professional educators. This has been steadily opposed as an attempt to share off the financial guidance of hard-headed business men and put impractical and political minded pedagogues in charge of handling the \$30,000,000 annual school budget now sought.

Unless there has been a vast change in the viewpoint of a big majority of Tar Heel legislators, this proposal will go into the ash can.

## Conservation and Development

Increased appropriations for forestry service and a wider program for development of the state's natural resources will be the main objectives of conservationists; with added emphasis on the protection and propagation of wild life.

## Labor

Emphasis here is on a proposed state wage and hour law along the lines of the Federal Fair Labor Standards act. A commission has been studying the matter and is expected to recommend something far less drastic than the Federal statute—perhaps a 48 hour week and 25 cent hourly minimum.

Even this will be opposed with determination by employer groups—principally retailers, hotels and laundries.

Two years ago the agit were in complete control. Unless Governor Broughton does a little missionary work, they're likely to be again. There will probably be some effort to enact some kind of statute setting

## Legal Machinery for Labor Conciliation

The Drys will threaten tremendous activity for a statewide referendum. They won't get it, if most unofficial surveys of legislative opinion are correct.

Fortified wines will either be put under ABC control (thereby banning them from sale in the theoretically dry counties), or tight restrictions will be placed around their sale.

## Social Security

Unemployment compensation benefits will be increased in view of the tremendous surplus that has accumulated. Minimum weekly payments will be doubled and there will be a stepping up all along the line.

## Courts

Balked last time, the state's leading bar associations will try again for a statute giving the Supreme court rule-making powers over the State's courts—will probably succeed this time. There will also be another drive against the Jaycee system which will run into all sorts of political opposition and which may be smothered by it.

## "Fair Trade" Acts

Nothing has been noised abroad about this type legislation—noting ever is. In 1937, organized merchant support put through a so-called fair trade act prohibiting some forms of price cutting, but in 1939 a proposal to enact an extension of the principle failed despite the persistent efforts of former Lieutenant Governor Sandy Graham in its behalf.

The "fair traders" are quite likely to be back again this time.

## Small Loans

Another hardy perennial, heretofore quashed every time it comes up. Slightly amended, perhaps, there will be renewed efforts to put through something permitting small loans at better than present "legal" interest rates.

## Regulation of Commissions

Efforts to tighten rules for regulatory commissions are probable. There is evident a strong reaction against the multitude of boards controlling trades and professions and who shall engage in them.

## Agriculture

There are no indications so far as to where the personal State College Department of Agriculture now will break out in the Assembly, but it doesn't break out, oldtimers will think the millennium has come.

## National Defense

The legislators will probably adopt a series of "uniform" statutes including anti-sabotage, firearms registration, secret organization registration, defense police, anti-foreign uniform, and explosives acts.

Labor is likely to seek some changes, if not to oppose in toto, some feature of the anti-sabotage act it believes are aimed so much at promoting national defense as at strangling labor's right to strike.

## Homestead Exemptions

In 1936 Tar Heel voters adopted a constitutional amendment permitting exemption of owner-occupied homes valued up to \$1,000 from ad valorem taxes; but the last two legislatures have refused to enact any such exemption, or any part of it.

Headed by the North Carolina Grange, advocates of the exemptions will try again.

They have lost out to the opposition of county officials who contend the exemption would reduce valuations as to make operation of local governments more difficult.

## State Encroachment

Local government units will fight with their usual vigor against the State's taking over any form of taxes still left exclusively to the locals.

## Local Laws

Still another "everlasting" problem. More than half the bills introduced in the legislature are always purely local. There is a strong and growing opinion that something ought to be done toward eliminating the practice, but so far nobody has been able to work out any satisfactory solution.

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# Edward R. Mangum, Jr., Is The First Born Of 1941

## Fourteen Lovely Gifts From Henderson Merchants To Be Awarded Youngster; Seven Pound Baby Born at 11:43 A. M. New Year's Day.

Edward Roland Mangum, Jr., seven pound son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Mangum, Jr., 159 Pine street, South Henderson, has been officially designated as the first born of the New Year, and, as such, is to receive fourteen lovely gifts from Henderson merchants.

Edward Mangum, Jr., arrived at 11:43 a. m. at Maria Parham hospital, and Dr. Charles D. Rollins is the certifying physician.

For the past several years, Henderson merchants, through the Daily Dispatch, have offered lovely gifts to the first born of the new year, and considerable interest has been manifested each year.

Edward's father will be furnished a letter of identification by the Daily Dispatch, and he, in turn, will present the letter to the cooperating merchants. The merchants will award the prizes to the proud father of the first born of 1941.

Little Edward will begin life with fourteen lovely gifts. They are to be given by Henderson merchants.

The Industrial Bank of Henderson has \$1 on deposit and a bank book awaiting the name of the new youngster; Eard's Department Store is to present the youngster with a knitted suit; the parents will receive a \$2 book of theatre tickets to the Stevenson, State or Embassy theatre; Dickson and Co., has 48 cans of Pet milk upon which to feed the first born of 41; A rock-a-bye swing is at Hughes Furniture Co., awaiting the arrival of the baby; Christian-Harvard Furniture Co. is to present a handsome high chair; Brookside Dairy is offering 10 quarts of Brookside milk; a sterling silver spoon is the gift of Long-Goodwyn Jewellers; a baby gift box for the youngster is at Woodard's, and a nice warm baby Peppercorn blanket is at Rose's 5-10 and 25c Store.

M. G. Evans is giving one dozen cans of Heinz baby foods; a baby comfort is the gift of Leggett's Department Store; and a Taylor-Tot stroller, walker and play combination is at the Henderson Furniture Co.; J. C. Penney Co., is to present the youngster with an all wool and satin bound baby blanket.

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## Temperature Low Fourteen Degrees In Early Morning

A low temperature of fourteen degrees above zero was experienced here early today as a result of the sharp drop of the week-end. It was one of the coldest nights of the winter so far, but on one other occasion, December 1, a reading of eleven above was reported.

The mercury began to skid Saturday night and continued on the toboggan Sunday, accompanied by a brisk north wind. By dusk the temperature was below freezing, and the drop continued until the minimum was hit early today. There were many reports of frozen and burst water pipes in various parts of town.

## Commissioners To Make Selection Of Recorder Protem

Other than closing out of costs and matters pertaining to the quadrennial property revaluation, today's monthly meeting of the Vance Board of County Commissioners was largely one of routine. Naming of a recorder protem was on the program of business, together with receiving and filing of the usual monthly reports of various county departments and activities.

Just before noon the commissioners drew an additional jury to supplement those drawn for regular service of this week's term of superior court. The number excused from duty and the necessity for drawing a grand jury so depleted the list of forty selected by the commissioners early in December that Judge Luther Hamilton asked that others be chosen for service.

## ROY LANE REPORTS TO FLYING SERVICE

Roy Lane, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lane, who was a senior at N. C. State College, Raleigh, this year, has been called by the U. S. Army Air service as a flying cadet, and has reported to Ft. Jackson, Miss., for flight training.

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## Epidemic Of Cold Symptoms

666 Liquid or 666 Tablets with 666 Salve or 666 Nose Drops generally relieves cold symptoms the first day. —Adv.