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CHRISTMAS, 1917

What does the Christmas season
of 1917 mean to Record readers? It
can not be the same as last Christ-
mas and next Christmas will not be
the same as this.

For one thing the United States
has joined the free peoples of the
world in a death struggle with the
last of the robber bands which seized
power in the feudal ages and by
their might clung to it in spite of
the currents that swept away the
autocrats of every principal power
in the world.

We realize by this time that there
can be no peace on earth and good
will to men as long as a few bu-
reaucrats preach the doctrine that
they were appointed by God to rule
over their inferiors and that they are
above moral and written laws.

Americans also realize that what
happened to the poor people of
France, Belgium, Serbia, Poland
and Rumania would happen to them
if the black beast could attack them.

NOT ALARMING

The alleged secret treaty between
Russia and Japan in July of last
year should give no concern to the
people of the United States. In
the first place the power that made
that agreement binding Russia no
longer exists and the first provision-
al government renounced all ter-
ritorial or annexationist designs.

It should be remembered that
Russia and Japan are both Asiatic
countries and that their interests in
the far east are greater than the
interests of other powers. If they
could reach an agreement whereby
they would not come to blows
again, so much the better for the two
nations directly concerned.

The cunning German arm probab-
ly is back of the clumsy bolshevik
hand. We shall see later.

For the governor's action in grant-
ing a pardon to Matthew Mebane of
Wilson county, convicted of carrying
a concealed weapon, for an assault
with a deadly weapon and robbery,
the people of the state will have
only praise. The man had served
five years of an 11 year-sentence,
and his chief fault seemed to be in
the company he kept. Mebane
wrote the governor a letter in which
he said he was a changed man and
pleaded for deliverance by Christ-
mas. He was indeed punished en-
ough, considering the leniency ex-
tended to real culprits.

In other words, the Chicago pack-
ers seem to have been a drove of
hogs.

The Statesville Landmark has
enlarged the size of its pages from
six columns to seven and gives its
readers eight pages of good stuff,
as Colonel Fairbrothers would say,
every Tuesday and Friday. The
Landmark is the best semi-weekly
we ever knew, and we are not over-
looking the Newberry, S. C. Observ-
er, which also is in the class with
our Statesville contemporary.

Samuel G. Blythe has done the
country a real service by localizing
in Kansas and New York states the
German treatment of French and
Belgians. His story, taken from
authenticated records, appears in the
Saturday Evening Post, and makes
the blood run cold.

And so Germany expected Ar-
gentina to start a little war in South
America against the United States.
Donner and Blitzen, isn't that all?

The president of Argentina will
have some difficulties in convincing
his outraged countrymen that he
has acted on the square with them.

A good friend of the Record came
in this morning and had the paper
sent to two addresses out of the
city. She knows she has our love.

FUNERAL OF MR. SUTTLEMYRE

Mr. Allen Suttlemyre, whose
home was at Newton, died at a
Statesville hospital Tuesday and was
buried at St. Paul's near Newton
Thursday morning, Rev. J. E. Barb
conducting the funeral services. Mr.
Suttlemyre was well known in the
county, having lived his entire life
in the vicinity of Newton. He had
reached the age of 72 years, 11 mo.
and 2 days. Mr. Suttlemyre was
twice married. His first wife was
Mary Jane Cline. To this union
three children were born. His sec-
ond wife was Sarah Elizabeth
Propst, daughter of "Uncle" Wallace
Propst. This marriage was
blessed with eight children. Mrs.
John Eckard who lives on Eighth
street is one of the daughters. The
deceased leaves to mourn their loss
eight children, 22 grand children
and three great grand children.
Mr. Suttlemyre was a gallant sol-
dier in the War Between the
States.

NOTICE!

The annual meeting of the
shareholders of the First Nat-
tional Bank of Hickory N. C.
will be held in its Banking
House on Tuesday January 8th
3 p. m. for the purpose of elect-
ing directors for the ensuing
year and the transaction of such
other business as may arise
K. C. Menzies, Cashier

Sweet
Oranges for
Christmas

Manatee River
oranges are the
sweetest.

Buy some from
your grocer and
be convinced.

Gold and Silver
OPPORTUNITIES
in Umbrellas

Select a Christmas present out of our com-
plete line. Umbrellas to go at and below
cost to close out large stock.
Reliable jewelry of all descriptions at good
values. See our line now.

A. J. ESSEX
Jeweler and Graduate Optometrist.

A Few Words to
Xmas Shoppers

Why pay more money
when you can get it at THE
UNDERSELLING STORE
for less?

We carry a full line of up-to-
date merchandise for men, ladies
and children. Anything you buy at
our store will be useful.

Useful Christmas Presents Must be
Given This Year by All Means.

Zerden's
Underselling Store
HICKORY, N. C.

Xmas Presents
LET US SUGGEST THE
FOLLOWING FOR YOUR
XMAS WANTS
Perfumes, Toilet Water, Station-
ery in blue, white and pink.
Correspondence cards in blue, yel-
low, white and pink.
Card cases, Thermos bottles, Saf-
ety Razors.
Tobacco in Xmas jars.
Cigars in boxes of 25 and 50.
Nunnally's and Wileys Candy.
Fresh by express. Let us order
your flowers. We are agents for
Scholtz, the florist and Salisbury
Green house.

Hickory Drug Company
The REXALL Store Telephone 46

SANTA!
SANTA!!
SANTA!!!
Has Almost Arrived

We have just received a lot of men and boys Corduroy
Suits and pants. If you want something service-
able try them?

Shoes, Hats, Caps and Dry Goods. Just received a
nice lot of striped goods for waists and shirts.

Expecting by fast express a fine lot of beautiful
Schoenhunt Dolls with hair. Do your shopping at
once as Santa is liable to be short in very useful gifts.

J. S. Setzer & Son
Hickory, N. C.

Buy a Sellers
Cabinet for Xmas

It's a Practical Gift for the
Home and a Lasting Gift

See our line of rockers, dressers,
parlor suits, wall hat racks, wagons,
tricycles. Any of these will make A
LASTING GIFT AND BE RE-
MEMBERED FOR YEARS.



Sellers "Special" "The
best servant in your house"
You can prepare a meal
without moving out of your
steps, and prevent lot of
waste in foods by using a
Sellers cabinet.

\$5 Down and \$1 a Week
Will put this
Sellers Cabinet
in your kitchen.
-What better terms
would you want?
-Also 25 lbs of flour
FREE with this Cabinet
THIS WEEK.

Be sure and see our ENTIRE LINE
OF FURNITURE before making
your purchases for Christmas.
Fulmer Furniture Comp'y

War Saving
Stamps
for sale at the
First National Bank
If you did not feel able to buy a bond, and still wanted
to help the government, these
Thrift Stamps are just what you want.
They come in denominations of 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$5.00 and
up to \$80.00 They make the very best kind of a Christmas
gift, and may be the means of starting the person on the
road to saving. They earn a good rate of interest, and are
Small Government Bonds. We will be glad to explain the many
advantages and furnish the cards etc to keep them on.
We make no profit nor commission. Get in line today and
make some little sacrifice to help the government and make a
good investment for your self.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK
Capital and Surplus \$300,000.00 Hickory, N.C.
Four Per Cent Interest On Savings Accounts.
Pounded Quarterly.
Money to Loan at All Times.

SAVE FOR
A HOME
Start your
savings HERE
OUR
DREAM
WILL SOON
COME TRUE

Every healthy minded man
longs for a home of his own.

The first step to the ownership of that home is to start a
savings account and add to it each week or month as you can
spare from your earnings.

It Is Easy To Save
when you once cultivate the habit, and you will be surprised
to see how soon the purchase price is reached.

4% INTEREST ON SAVINGS AND TIME DEPOSITS
CONSOLIDATED
TRUST CO.
CAPITAL \$60,000.00
HICKORY, N.C.

Xmas Gifts
Fancy stationery, in all colors with gilt and colored borders.
Our prices cannot be beaten.
Also have a large assortment of Ivory goods, and manicure
sets.
We have just received a large shipment of Jacobs Candles.
There's none better.
GRIMES AND MURPHY, Druggists
"On the Corner" - Opposite Post Office
"IN BUSINESS FOR YOUR HEALTH"

GET THE XMAS
SPIRIT

OUR Stock is full of useful, ser-
viceably gifts for Christmas, not
only for the childred but for the
grown-ups as well.

WHEN you are in doubt as to
what to get come in and get
your inspiration here.

Xmas Sguggestions Abound Here
Abernethys
THE BUSY HARDWARE