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UNIQUE SERVICE FOR SUNDAY NIGHT

A very beautiful and inspiring service called "The Feast of Lights" service is being arranged for next Sunday night at All Saints' Episcopal Church. Since the sixth of January and all through this month the Church is commemorating the manifestation of Christ to the child and the story of the journey of the Wise Men from the East to Bethlehem and the incidents which tell us of Christ's manifestation as God are told and practical lessons learned. It is the Epiphany Season, the time when the duty of the Church as a missionary force is particularly stressed.

The Feast of Lights service begins with a procession through the front door of the Church, headed by Three Wise Men, dressed in the costume of the East. One carries a gold crown on a tray, another a box supposed to contain frankincense, and third, a goblet supposed to contain myrrh. These are followed by the vested choir. The service starts with the singing of the first verse of the beautiful ancient carol, "We Three Kings of Orient Are." The choir and congregation join in the refrain. On reaching the chancel the first wise man, presents his gift of gold and sings a verse of the same carol, and the people again sing the refrain, each of the other two wise men present their gifts and sing the verse which describes the symbolism of the gift. Following this is a short address explaining the meaning of the Epiphany and the symbolism of the service, during this time all the lights in the Church are turned off except the electric star in the chancel, immediately after the address, the star is turned off and only one light is burning in the whole church, a small candle on the altar. This represents the Holy Infant Light in Bethlehem, which is carried into all the world, by the Wise Men and later those to whom they gave it, until it has spread over much of the world and light up many a dark corner.

Returning to the chancel the Wise Men start the recession down the center aisle, again followed by the choir, singing the hymn "From the Eastern Mountains" etc. When they reach the door they divide and the congregation beginning at the front of the Church, pass between the lines singing. If the father permits it will be a beautiful sight to see the long lines of lights going off in the distance as the people carry them in their hands and in their hearts trust they shall carry some of the hope and faith the lights suggest to enable them to be stronger spiritual minded people. The service will begin promptly 8:00, the public is most cordially invited.

The wise men will come down in the congregation and a gift to the first person in each row, this one in turn to those behind him, until every taper is lit. This typifies the way the Infant Light in Bethlehem is carried into all the world, by the Wise Men and later those to whom they gave it, until it has spread over much of the world and light up many a dark corner.

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FOOD SALE BENEFIT OF OXFORD ORPHANAGE

A food sale will be held Saturday at the Roanoke Pharmacy under the auspices of the local Eastern Star. A large variety of goods will be offered. The sale is being held to help raise the remainder of the \$500.00 sent to Oxford Orphanage just before Christmas, which amounts to some \$41.00.

The liberal co-operation of the public will be greatly appreciated.

ROSEMARY PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Miss Vick of Seaboard is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Vick.

Miss Carlon has returned from a visit to relatives in Richmond.

Miss Sue Watkins has returned from a visit to relatives at Manson and Middleburg.

Miss Annie Rowe spent the holidays at Newton and returned to Rosemary this week.

Francis Wyehe left Tuesday for Raleigh to act as page during the meeting of the Legislature. He will live with the Hon. and Mrs. W. L. Long.

Miss Cora Wilkins after spending the holidays at her home near Cape Charles, Va., has returned to Rosemary.

Rev. and Mrs. Chas. M. Lince arrived Saturday afternoon after visiting relatives in Clinton.

Rev. A. G. Carter, former pastor of the Baptist Church, now a Y. M. C. A. Secretary is the guest of friends here.

Mrs. Ruth Ferrell, died at her home in Rosemary Sunday night at 10:30 aged thirty years. She had been suffering from pneumonia following influenza. Funeral services were held by Rev. R. L. Topping Tuesday afternoon and the interment was made in the Roanoke Rapids Cemetery.

Mrs. Martha Horne age 33 years died at the local hospital Tuesday afternoon after an illness of a few days with pneumonia. Her husband J. M. Horne survives her.

Mrs. Annie Starks died at her residence in Rosemary Tuesday afternoon at 2 P. M. age 41 years of pneumonia following influenza was the cause of her death. She is survived by a devoted husband. She was buried in Roanoke Rapids Cemetery Wednesday, Rev. Chas. M. Lince officiating.

Mr. W. E. Waters, of Plymouth has accepted a position with the Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

Private Evans, is spending a five day furlough with his mother. He is carrying on his person a watch which he took from the body of a German Captain in No Man's Land.

Mrs. H. G. Coleman and little son spent the Holidays with relatives in Boykins, Va., and returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Allegood and family, of Woodland, are newcomers to our town.

Mr. Clyde Taylor formerly with the Rosemary Drug Company, who has been working in Weldon for several months has resumed his old position.

Mr. J. P. Grizzard, U. S. N., spent the first of the week with his mother Mrs. J. M. Grizzard.

The Boys Club of the All Saints Church held a very interesting meeting Wednesday night.

Dr. R. P. Beckwith, of the U. S. Army, is spending a few days with his family.

Mrs. Newton and family, of Plymouth, have recently moved to Rosemary and have accepted positions with Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

Mr. C. F. Ogletree is on a visit to Baltimore and New York City buying goods.

Mr. C. T. Johnson is able to be out again, after a brief illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Loftin are spending several days with friends and relatives at Troy.

Mr. C. B. Moore, of Henrico Northampton County was in town Thursday on business.

Mr. L. W. Taylor, of Seaboard has accepted a position with the Rosemary Supply Company.

Miss Matthews, after spending the holidays at her home in Plymouth, arrived Saturday.

Mr. Howard and family, of Plymouth, have accepted positions with Rosemary Manufacturing Company.

Chief of Police H. E. Dobbins spent Thursday in Emporia.

Mr. Briant of Boykins, Va., is now with the Rosemary Manu-

SUPT. R. L. BROWN THANKS COMMUNITY

We are pleased to publish the following letter from R. L. Brown, superintendent of the Oxford Orphanage, thanking the people of this community for their generous donation.

Will you be so kind as to give me space in your valuable paper to express publicly to the citizens of Roanoke Rapids and to the members of the Roanoke Rapids Chapter of the O. E. S. the gratitude we have in our hearts for their great liberality to the children under our care in the splendid donation to this institution of \$500.00 in money and quantity of canned goods etc. amounting to about \$75.00. We wish to commend this liberality and thoughtfulness on the part of your citizens and to thank specially those friends who were instrumental in bringing this matter to the attention of your good people.

There is no cause so near the hearts of the citizens of our state as the cause of the orphan and we are deeply grateful to believe that no Orphanage in North Carolina is nearer the good people of Roanoke Rapids and vicinity than the one we represent. We pray that God may make us measure up somewhat in the performance of our duties here to the high standard of excellence in training these children expected of us by your good people, and that we may consider ourselves your co-workers in the uplift of the orphan children of this grand old commonwealth.

Respectfully,
R. L. Brown
Superintendent.

SMALL FIRE THURSDAY MORNING

Dweller in the section wherein the fire bell is housed, except the early risers, had the restive spirit of their morning nap disturbed by the ding dong of the city's official fire herald at about six o'clock Thursday morning. Many heard said announcement but few heeded its appeal, thinking that it was a part of the usual early morning bell ringing.

Those responding found a small blaze at the home of Mr. Ormond Cherry, which however, thanks to its early discovery did little or no damage. The fire was caused by the careless storage of waste paper close to some defective wiring.

Rings of Boys' Trousers.
Small brass rings can be bought for three cents a dozen at any notion counter, and when sewed on the inside of boys' trousers save many a torn buttonhole, that being what most boys use for a hanger.

NEW YEAR CHANGES

Among the changes made in the business section are: Mr. P. C. Duncan and Mrs. Nannie Peel who were employed by B. Marks, resigned and purchased the stock of Mrs. K. Jenkins. They will conduct a ladies furnishing store. Messrs. Fletcher and William Vincent purchased the interest of Messrs. W. S. Hancock and J. W. House in the Virginia-Carolina Furniture Co. and have assumed active management. Messrs. Abe Norinsky and Walter Kee resumed their former positions with B. Marks. Mr. Herbert Brantley changed from the Va-Carolina Furniture Co. to B. S. Webb, factoring Company.

The Messrs. Horne, of Gastonia attended the funeral of their mother Wednesday.

Mr. Robert Gammon and Miss Elizabeth Gammon, of Phoebus, Va., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Loftin this week.

Doyle Cannon left Monday to enter A. and E. College, Raleigh. Mrs. F. G. Jarman and son, are the guests of her mother Mrs. L. M. Long at "Long View", Northampton County.

SGT. MURFEE WRITES OF TRIP ACROSS

December 10, 1918
Dear Homefolks:

I will try and explain some of my twelve months in France. I have had six and one-half months at the front. I was fortunate enough not to be wounded although I have had narrow escapes in some places. The Auto Repair Detachment I came over with never gave me an opportunity to rejoin after my arrival in France.

I left Fort Constitution, N. H., December 13, 1917. (I always thought that 13 was unlucky). I arrived at Fort Adams R. I., the same date. There, we formed this Auto Repair outfit from all parts of the Northeastern Department; this took nearly a month for us to get equipped.

On the 11th of January we left Fort Adams for Camp Merritt, N. J. On the 15th day of Jan. we sailed from New York on the English Transport R. M. S. Carpathia. This boat was sunk in May, but on our trip over we didn't see a submarine. We went from New York to Halifax and then the Convoy was made up. We stayed there four days, and the day we left it was snowing and the sea was rather rough. About three hours after leaving, there was an awful time with sea sickness. There were more than 150 soldiers sick. We did not have the best accommodation, nor did we have very much to eat. There were too many on Board although there was no one to put the blame on except the one who had charge of the mess. The Commanding Officer improved conditions by making a complete change and put the mess in charge of an American Officer.

Our boat arrived at Glasgow, Scotland the last day of January. It was the most beautiful scenery I have ever seen, coming up the Clyde river, it is about 30 miles from the mouth of the Clyde to Glasgow. From there we took the train for Winchester, where we stayed for two days. From there to La Hans, and this is where I contracted scarlet fever. I remained in camp for 10 days, and in the meantime my organization left for Malilly, but at that I knew not where they had gone. After 10 days, I was released from the Camp and joined a Casual Company which was sent to St. Annyon, where the 41st Division was at that time. This Division was being used as a replacement Division. I was held there until about the 2nd of March when 1300 of us were sent to the 42nd Division. We arrived at Tonneville on March 4th. There we were assorted and sent to different Regiments. The most of them being used as replacements for Infantry. Those who had had more than 3 years experience in Artillery were sent to the 150th F. A.

No one knew what was happening, everyone was held ignorant as to what was coming off. All of us were under the impression that we were being sent to rejoin the Former Organization, but when they told us what was going to happen, there were some swearing, some crying, some praying and everyone was after an argument. It was of no use it was orders so therefore we had to make the best of it. I was friendless, no tobacco and no place to buy any. This was an occasion that I had to ask one of the Y. M. C. A., huts for a favor, but it is something you very seldom see in France is the "Y" giving away anything. I advise you to beware of funds donated, do not give anything to them for I do not think they deserve it.

I was sent to Domball 8 miles from Tonneville. Domball was the place where Regt. Headquarters was at this time. I remained with Headquarter Company while they were on the front, but we moved to Baccarat after arrangements at this new front. I was

DEMONSTRATIONS IN SAVING MEAT

To overcome some of the great losses occurring annually in North Carolina, because of lack of general knowledge about butchering, cutting and curing meat, the agricultural extension workers of the State College and Department of Agriculture are giving demonstrations in different sections showing just how this work is best done. At the same time, the utilization of the by-products is also stressed in order that the annual loss suffered each winter may be reduced as much as possible.

This work has been put on, as stated, as an aid in saving the great loss annually suffered by the State because proper methods of curing and handling the farm meat supply are not followed. According to Mr. Gray, the farmers of the State could save several thousands of dollars of losses each year by improving their methods. He has prepared Extension Circular No. 4, "Curing Meat On The Farm," which is available free of charge to citizens of the State as long as the present supply lasts. This circular explains the best methods in use, especially the brine method now being demonstrated by the swine extension workers.

LOCAL WORKER GIVEN PRAISE

The day before Christmas the Superintendent had a letter from Mrs. Fred Peck, chairman, and Mrs. Will Taylor, committee from Roanoke Rapids Chapter, O. E. S., enclosing a check for \$500.00 the Chapter's Christmas donation, in which was included a gift of \$100 by Mr. S. F. Patterson a prominent citizen of Roanoke Rapids. Mrs. Peck informs us that a quantity of canned vegetables and fruit will be sent as soon as the canvass is completed. Of the donation she says: "The people of Roanoke Rapids have surely opened their hearts to the orphanage at this time." —Orphan's Friend.

sent to 2nd Battalion with several other men. On this front we stayed for 95 days expecting our Battalion. Made one change and then we were sent to Tonneville to assist in laying a Barrage but we were there only a short while. We returned to our old position in June and began to move but did not know just where we were going, as in those days you could not say where you would be to-morrow. Next move was to Chalons and from there we went to a camp about 8 miles out of this City, being held there in Reserve. In July we took up position just out of Suippe in the Champagne Sector. Everything appeared to be quiet. But at one minute to 12 on the night of July 14th it was dark and cloudy. After the battle began you could pick a pin off the ground and this was the time when the Americans began to show the Germans that they were not the only ones that could fight. This continued until next morning when the Germans came over they were receiving as much as they were giving. The American Infantry was in the 2nd line trenches, and when they made their big rush they came to the 2nd line, but when they found the Americans there was a different story. They were driven back to the 1st line and beyond a 1/2 kilometer. After this was settled, although there is a lot more to the story, we moved to Chateau Thierry and from there to St. Mihiel.

I will have to close this but am in hopes of coming home soon as I am near Bordeaux. I am in perfect health and can eat more than ever. Answer soon.
Your loving son,
Sgt. Walter Murfee.
Field Artillery R. R.
Recruiting Barracks, A. P. O. 778

ROANOKE RAPIDS PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. Basil Glover has returned to Trinity Park, after spending some time here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Glover.

Mr. Dixie Thomas, after spending a few days with Mr. G. D. Shell, has returned to his home in Wise.

Mrs. Charlie Allsbrook and family have returned to their home in Weldon, after visiting relatives here for several days.

Mr. P. C. Duncan spent Tuesday in Rocky Mount on business.

Mr. Bruce Tillery left Tuesday for Asheville, after visiting relatives here for some time.

Mrs. B. Marks spent a few days in Richmond the past week on business.

Mr. Salomonsky, of Norfolk, is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Marks.

Mr. W. T. Rowland, of Middleburg, is in town on business this week.

Mrs. W. G. Thompson returned Wednesday from Norfolk, where she has been visiting friends.

Mr. J. H. Matkins spent Friday in Norfolk on business.

Miss Lillian Hackney left Tuesday for her home in Moncure.

Miss Sula Williams has accepted a position at the Postoffice.

Mr. Jake Samet is spending a few days in Norfolk this week.

Mr. Ben Marks is in Baltimore on business this week.

Rev. E. C. Few returned Saturday, after spending the Holidays at his home in Greer, S. C.

Miss Alice Hockaday returned to Durham Friday, after visiting relatives here for some time.

Miss Mary Cherry is spending several days in Scotland Neck and Rocky Mount this week visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. F. M. Coburn spent a few days in Lynchburg last week on business.

Mr. Billie Whitley returned to Trinity Park last week, after visiting friends and relatives here.

Miss Inez Ligon left Tuesday for a several days visit to relatives in Durham.

Mr. G. Matthews spent a few hours in town Sunday visiting friends.

Mrs. P. C. Duncan spent several days in town with her husband this week.

Miss Myrtle Faison returned Sunday from Seaboard, where she has been visiting Miss Ruth Spivey.

Mrs. L. A. Faison and little grandchildren, Otto and Hilda, Faison returned Wednesday from Pleasant Hill, where they have been visiting Rev. and Mrs. J. B. O'Brian.

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. O'Brian spent Wednesday in town on business.

Mr. Francis Patterson left Saturday for Charlotte after visiting relatives here for several days.

Mr. Lester Williams has accepted a position with Hancock-House Company.

Misses Fannie and Annie Taylor and Sallie Saunders have returned home after spending several days in Norfolk with friends.

Mr. Seabrook Jones left Friday for Camp Jackson after visiting relatives for a few days.

Lee Tillery Robertson left Monday for A. & E. College, West Raleigh, where he will continue his course in school.

COMMENCES PASTORATE HERE

Rev. T. S. Crutchfield who accepted a call to the Roanoke Rapids Baptist arrived last week and preached both Sunday morning and evening at his church to a large congregation.

Mr. Crutchfield is spending the week with his family at Gatesville and making arrangements to move them here. He will return and conduct services Sunday.

WITH THE CHURCHES

All Saints Church
(Episcopal)
Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, Rector
Miss Laura Carroll Parish Worker
Roanoke Avenue

Next Sunday is the first Sunday after the Epiphany.

9:45 A. M. Sunday School and Adults' Bible Class, T. W. Mullen, Supt.

11 A. M. Morning Prayer and sermon. 8:00 P. M. Feast of Lights service.

Girls Friendly Society Friday 7:30 P. M. Little Candidates Class Saturday 3 P. M.

The public is cordially invited

Baptist Church

Rev. T. S. Crutchfield, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M. W. S. Hancock, Supt.
Service both morning and evening by the pastor.

Methodist Church

Rev. Eugene C. Few, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 A. M. W. V. Woodruff, Supt.
Services Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Preaching morning hours by the pastor.

Preaching evening hour by presiding Elder, Rev. E. M. Snipes of Weldon. Our first quarterly Conference will convene immediately following the night service.

Prayer meeting Wednesday night 7:30 o'clock preceding session of Teachers Training Class.

Rosemary Methodist Church

Rev. Charles M. Lince, Pastor

Rev. E. M. Snipes will preach at Rosemary at 11 A. M.

The business session of the quarterly Conference will be held on Saturday, Jan. 11th, at 2 P. M. in the Rosemary church. All the official members of each church are urged to be present.

The pastor will preach at Smiths 11 A. M.
New Hope 3 P. M.
At Rosemary at 7:30 P. M.
A Cordial welcome to all.

Presbyterian Church

Rev. Stanley White Pastor,
Miss Julia Thompson, Organist

Sunday School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Service 11:00 A. M.
Evening Service 7:30 P. M.

Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. Choir practice will be held after prayer meeting.

FARMERS' & WOMEN'S INSTITUTES TO BE HELD

Farmers' and women's Institutes in co-operation with the State Department of Agriculture the Experiment Station, and extension Service of Halifax County at Aurelian Springs, Monday, January 20, Hardawee School House, Tuesday January, 21. The Institute will open at 1:00 o'clock, P. M. sharp.

Soil fertility, food and feed crops, live stock, pastures, marketing, etc. will be discussed by Representatives of the State Department of Agriculture, the Experiment Station, Extension Service, and others.

The Women's Institute will be conducted by Representatives of the Home Demonstration Work, to which women are invited to come and join in the discussions. How to make an attractive home; how to properly feed and dress the children; The all-year-round Garden for good health and economical living; how we may save food so as to help feed a hungry world, and other things pertaining to good house-keeping. Bring note-book and pencil.

A question box will be opened and questions answered in a Round-Table Discussion in the afternoon.