

The Jackson County Journal

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Christmas Edition

NO FIREWORKS

THIS CHRISTMAS

There will be no firecrackers, roman candles, skyrockets or the other fireworks display that heretofore have marked the Christmas season in Jackson county. This year quiet will reign throughout the county from South Carolina to the Oconee, and from the tops of the Balsams to the summit of the Cowees.

It is unlawful to sell, buy, transport, keep for the purpose of sale, or to explode any kind of fireworks in the county of Jackson.

The last General Assembly passed a bill, introduced by Representative Cyrus H. Nicholson of Jackson, making the sale, transportation or exploding of fireworks in Jackson county a misdemeanor, punishable with a fine ranging from \$10 to \$50 or imprisonment not to exceed 30 days.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to sell, buy, transport, keep for the purpose of sale, or to explode any firecrackers, roman candles, or other fireworks, or toy pistols in the boundaries of Jackson county.

Section 2. That any person violating the provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars, or imprisoned not to exceed thirty days.

Section 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

RAILWAYS TO HAVE HOLIDAY RATES

Holiday tickets will be on sale, good until January 3, to all points on all the principal railroads south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, at fare and a half for the round trip, according to information received from the office of James H. Wood, district passenger agent for the Southern Railway Company.

The announcement made last week of the sale of tickets applied only to points on the Southern, but the new arrangement has been made since that time, extending the tickets to all points in the South.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO HAVE CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

The Methodist and Baptist Sunday schools will present Christmas programs, both services being held on Friday night.

At the Baptist church the "White Christmas" idea will be carried out, the members of the Sunday school bringing gifts to be distributed among the needy of the community, and the pageant "No Room At The Inn" will be given.

At the Methodist Sunday school a program of Christmas songs and recitations will be given, with a Christmas tree for the children of the Sunday school.

COGDILL FUNERAL YESTERDAY

The funeral of Clarence Cogdill, 22 Sylva youth, was held at 10 o'clock yesterday, Wednesday morning at the Old Scott's Creek church, being conducted by Rev. Thad F. Deitz and Rev. J. G. Murray, and interment followed in Old Field cemetery.

Young Cogdill, who was 22 years of age, was a son of S. C. Cogdill, chairman of the board of county commissioners and Mrs. Cogdill and was a young man who was well and favorably known. He was an automobile mechanic and was a young man of amiable, accommodating disposition. He had been in ill health for a long time, following a serious illness, several months ago.

"The Prince of Peace"

(By Dan Tompkins)

Down through the dim, distant ages of antiquity had come the promise of His coming. The prophets of the peculiar people of Israel had sung of the days when the Messiah would appear, and right the wrongs of a sin-cursed world. Song, and story and legend from the days when the world was young had implanted in the hearts of all the faithful high hope that out of the tribe of Judah, from the House of David would come one whose Kingdom would be established in strength upon Mount Zion.

And Lo! Behold! A new Star appeared in the East to guide wise men to a stable in Bethlehem. The stillness of the Judean hills was broken and shepherds watching their flocks are privileged to hear the sweetest song that ever fell upon mortal ears, as the host of the Beautiful, from beyond the vale chanted the new song:

"Glory to God in the Highest;
On Earth, Peace, Good Will Toward Men"

The Prince of Peace had come to establish His Kingdom among the children of men.

That event has changed the whole channel of history.

The snows of nearly two thousand winters have aged the rocks of the mountains since that blessed night, of the advent of the Prince of Peace.

The world has staggered beneath the marching feet of multiplied millions of men waging countless wars in His name.

The rivers of the earth have run red with blood of innumerable thousands of the children of men, slain in the name of Him, who came to bring peace and good will.

Defenseless maidens, helpless babes, unoffending old women, tottering old men, and youth in its prime have all been slain by those who sought to follow after Him, believing that they were doing His will.

The stake, the rack, fire, sword, gallows, knife, all have been called into His service and leave a crimson trail back to the stable in Bethlehem.

A horrible, revolting tale! A terrible indictment!

But, hold, "There is another side to the picture. This was all because men could not, or would not understand the strange language of the Angelic host.

Uncounted thousands of men and women have gone to the gallows, the stake, the knife, and have suffered the terrors of the rack, gladly, happily, with a song on their hearts, because they believed in Him.

The world has been groping through the darkness, year by year, toward a realization of the meaning of the message.

The meek, the lowly of the earth have accepted Him.

True, intolerance is still rampant, race is pitted against race, wealth against poverty, and Christian sect against Christian sect; but the Kingdom is coming,

The song of the Angels has a clearer meaning this Christmas day, and comes anew to millions of hearts from pole to pole.

The fire of the Star rains into all the dark places of the earth, shedding light and new-born

SYLVA PROGRAM HEARD FAR AWAY

A number of complimentary letters from different parts of the country have been received by the Chamber of Commerce and by Sylva people concerning the Sylva Program broadcast, last week from WWNC in Asheville. Several of the letters were from former Jackson county people. Clyde Buchanan wrote that he received the entire program at his home in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. J. R. Ryan, whose home is in Victoria, Va., wrote his father in law, Dr. C. Z. Candler: "We heard Margaret and she sure did fine. We heard Dan Tompkins give his daring address and heard Mr. Stillwell recite the history of Jackson county in most colorful language, heard Mrs. Bales read "In an Elevator," heard the Sylva College Institute sing a couple of numbers and the numbers from the Cullowhee School. Mary who came last Friday was present."

MCLEAN CLASS HOLDS DINNER

With approximately 100 diners present, the John McLean class of the Methodist Sunday School closed its drive for members, with a dinner at the Chamber of Commerce hall, Tuesday evening.

Mr. Doyle D. Alley presided as toastmaster for the occasion. Mr. B. O. Painter gave a brief history of the class, that has made such a rapid growth within the past few weeks.

During the evening Misses Sutton and Carden favored the members of the class with a duet, and the quartet composed of Miss Sutton, Miss Carden, Mr. Wessinger and Mr. Charles Thompson, gave two or three selections.

The principal address was delivered by Mr. L. O. Anderson of Hayesville, who charmed his hearers in his usual pleasing style.

MINISTERS TO MEET IN WAYNESVILLE

The Baptist ministers of Western North Carolina will hold their conference in Waynesville on January 10 and 11, the sessions of the conference beginning on Tuesday at 11 o'clock and continuing until noon Wednesday. The program for the conference as worked out by the committee follows:

Tuesday's Session
11:00 A. M.—Devotional; Dr. G. A. Martin, Waynesville.

11:15 A. M.—Sermon, Rev. Wallace Hartsell, Brevard.

12:00 A. M.—Lunch.

1:30 P. M.—Devotions, Rev. I. K. Stafford, Cullowhee.

1:45 P. M.—"Shadows and Types of Christ in the Old Testament," Dr. R. L. Creal, Bryson City.

2:30 P. M.—"Christ in the Psalms," Rev. A. V. Joyner, Canton.

3:00 P. M.—"Comfort for the suffering in the Old Testament," Rev. Rev. J. G. Murray, Sylva and Rev. T. F. Deitz, Beta.

7:30 P. M.—Song Service, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Jolley, Asheville.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon, Dr. R. J. Bateman, Asheville.

Wednesday's Session
9:30 A. M.—Devotions, Rev. T. L. Sasser, Murphy.

9:45 A. M.—Business and miscellaneous.

10:00 A. M.—Ezekiel's vision of God," Dr. W. E. Fitzgerald, Biltmore.

10:30 A. M.—Review of "The Christ of the Indian Road" (Jones) Rev. P. D. Mangum, Marion.

11:00 A. M.—"The Challenge of Christian Education," Dr. R. L. Moore, Mars Hill.

The Mexican Bean Beetle is the worst pest of garden beans in the United States today. The pest may be controlled by thorough spraying with poison mixtures.

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