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Christmas Lights Will Be Put Up Next Week

Sylva will be the most gorgeously decorated town in Western North Carolina by the end of next week, for the placing of the Christmas lights on the street will begin on Sunday, according to a statement by Charles M. Reed, Town Clerk.

The Chamber of Commerce invested several hundred dollars in the wiring and lights, a few years ago, and they are now stored and ready for stringing across the streets of the town. The city will be responsible for the installation of the lights, this year, and the Dillsboro and Sylva Electric Light Company will, as usual, donate the current necessary to supply the Christmas lights.

Sylva, through the cooperation of the County Commissioners, has been unique in its lighting. The usual street lighting, familiar in many towns during the Christmas season, is argued by the commissioners place in the dome of the court house, with lively streamers flowing down the steps to the street. There is nothing comparable to it in North Carolina, and in fact no other town or city can produce the same effect, because of the location of our court house on the top of a hill, high above and at the end of the main street of the city.

The people in Sylva and Jackson county, and those who pass through the town frequently are delighted, each year, with the familiar star and streamers, and the brilliant and varicolored lights on the streets. This year, when there are hundreds of new people in the town and country, brought here from many places by reason of the construction of the Glenville Dam, they will see something in the way of Christmas lighting effects that they have never seen before.

The Christmas lights will be turned on, the star, reminder of the Star that guided the Wise Men, ages ago to the Manger in Bethlehem, will shine in splendor above our beautiful, little, mountain town, and the people of Sylva and Jackson county will get the holiday spirit, the spirit of brotherhood, the spirit of humility, and the spirit of joy and good-will toward mankind.

Heretofore, for the past three years, one of the finest parts of the Christmas celebration in Sylva, has been the broadcasting of the Christmas carols by the Radio Shop. As busy shoppers thronged the streets, the familiar, sweet music, dear to people throughout the world, and which has thrilled the hearts and sweetened the lives of millions of people, has flowed through the streets like a benediction. It is expected that the Christmas carols will again be broadcast by the Radio Shop.

Mrs. Cory Passes At Niece's Home

Mrs. S. Cory died at the home of her niece Mrs. Raymond Glenn, early Monday morning, following an illness of several months. Funeral services were conducted at the Glenn Funeral Home, Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. H. M. Hocutt, pastor of the Sylva Baptist church, and interment was in the Keener cemetery. Mrs. Cory, who was 73 years of age, was a well-known

North Carolina Gets New Congressman

North Carolina will have thirteen Congressmen, two more votes in the National Democratic Conventions, and another vote in the Electoral College, according to the figures released by W. B. Austin, Director of the Census, to President Roosevelt. The reallocation, of course, is made on the basis of the figures of the last census.

Existing laws automatically give the State another Congressman, Governor Elect Broughton insists that the General Assembly, which meets in Raleigh in January redistrict the state, making thirteen Congressional Districts in North Carolina, instead of the present twelve. Some states have elected a congressman at large rather than create a new congressional district; but Mr. Broughton urges the making of another district. This will probably be the course that will be followed.

The redistricting the State as to Congressmen and State Senators, and the reappointment of the General Assembly, on the basis of the census figures will be one of the big problems of the Assembly. Reappointment has been a dark and bloody ground since 1930, and the Assembly has repeatedly refused to reapportion the membership of the House or to redistrict the State for state senators. In 1931, in 1933, in 1935, and in 1937, the battle was waged hot and furiously. The east held the balance of power, and with the assistance of a few recalcitrant members from the west, succeeded in defeating the purpose and plain mandate of the Constitution.

In 1939 eastern members agreed, since the time for the 1940 census was near at hand, that they would offer no protest in 1941, if the matter would be deferred until that time.

It can't be put off much longer, and, if the Constitution is obeyed by the 1941 General Assembly, the balance of power in the State will pass from east to west, for the first time in the history of North Carolina.

For years the reins of government were held in the east by the expedient of creating a new county in the east, every time it was necessary, by reason of population expansion, to create one in the west. Since 1930 the east has held them by flouting the Constitution of North Carolina.

Despite declarations made in 1939, we may look for another heated scrap in 1941. Reapportionment is an issue that can draw fire from Rockingham, Nash, and some other eastern counties, every time the word is mentioned.

hotel operator. She was proprietor of the Cory House in Waynesville, as well as hotels in Aiken, S. C., and other southern cities.

A native of Rabun county, Ga., Mrs. Cory was reared in Jackson county. She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Amanda Underwood, Waynesville; and Mrs. Etta Brown, Easley, S. C., and by several nieces and nephews.



Sylva Shops Ready For Big Holiday Trade

Make Shopping Easy - Read The Journal Advertisements - Shop In Sylva "SAVE TIME AND MONEY"

It has been frequently observed by people who sojourn here, that there is no town of the same size anywhere that has as modern well-stocked shops, where one can get the best of courteous service. This year, the shops of Sylva have stocked as great a variety of merchandise for the holiday trade as is to be found in any town, many times the size of Sylva.

Being strategically located, Sylva aspires to become the shopping center of a large section of Western North Carolina and has, to more or less extent, realized that ambition.

There is no reason, it has been pointed out, why people should go to the expense, hazard and inconvenience of driving to larger towns to do their Christmas shopping, when they can stay in Sylva and have every convenience of shopping, at less expense.

The Journal is urging all people to try the shops of Sylva before going elsewhere. We are sure that you can find almost anything you are seeking. There are hardware stores, furniture stores, department stores, automobile sales agencies, drug stores, confectioners, florist shops, stationers, men's wear, electrical supplies, every kind and character of shop, stocked to the walls with seasonable merchandise, priced at reason-

able figures. Just read through the advertisements in The Journal, from now until Christmas. Make your list, come to town Sylva, make your purchases, and the Christmas shopping is done.

The firms that advertise in The Journal are worthy of your patronage. They are soliciting it through advertising. They will serve you well. The Journal recommends the Sylva shops that advertise in your county paper to you. Those that do not advertise will get a part of the benefits from the Journal's campaign for Christmas shopping in Sylva. It will cost them nothing. They are hitchhikers on the prosperity for Sylva vehicle.

Celebrate Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Fisher of Addie celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner at their home Sunday. They were married on November 13th, 1890. Mr. Fisher was a former member of the County Board of Education of Jackson county for many years and a very successful merchant at Addie for the most of his life, until ill health forced him to give up his work. Mrs. Fisher was the former Miss Lillie Smith of Asheville.

The anniversary was attended by Mrs. Cory Allison of Sylva and

the children, Mrs. Herman Bolen, of Canton; Mrs. John E. Jones, and son Fisher, Fisher Sprinkle, of Waynesville; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher Jr., of Sylva; Mr. Paul Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Fisher and children, of Addie. All of their children were present except Ben Fisher and family, of Canton.

Recent Bride Is Entertained

Mrs. Jackson Cordell, recent bride who was before her marriage, Miss Hazel Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cooper of Qualla, was entertained with a miscellaneous shower, given by Mrs. Jessie Cordell at her home in Qualla, on Saturday afternoon, November 23.

Numerous games and contests were enjoyed by the guests, then the gifts were presented to Mrs. Cordell.

Following this a delicious salad course was served by the hostess. Those present were the honoree, Mrs. Jackson Cordell, Mrs. John Hyatt, Mrs. D. A. Martin, Mrs. Wade Cordell, Mrs. Nina Cordell, Mrs. Kate Hughes, Mrs. Thad Beck, Mrs. Carl Hoyle, Mrs. Luther Hoyle, Mrs. Albert Patton, Mrs. Wayne Caldwell, Mrs. Lucy Shelton, Mrs. Bill Cooper, Mrs. Robert Bradburn, and Miss Melba Cordell.

Garland McMahan Killed By Hit And Run Driver

Columbus G. Wilson Passes At Glenville

Columbus G. Wilson, for many years a leading figure in the community life of Hamburg township, died at his home on the Blue Ridge, Tuesday, following a long illness. Mr. Wilson was 82 years of age. Active in community and county affairs for a long number of years, Mr. Wilson was one of the leaders in bringing better schools and churches to Hamburg township. He was active in the establishment of a high school at Glenville, and served as a member of the local school committee for many years. He also had a long service as a steward in the Glenville Methodist church.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Glenville, today, with Rev. J. S. Higgins of Highlands, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. N. Cook, of Webster.

Active pall-bearers were Lewis Monteith, Clayburn Bryson, Marvin Bryson, Frank Bryson, Dan Coggins, H. D. Fowler, and J. B. Galloway.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his widow, Mrs. Vinnie Higdon Wilson; four sons, E. L. Wilson, Canton; Sam Wilson, Highlands; Waver Wilson, Asheville; and B. C. Wilson, Marion, R. F. D.; four daughters, Mrs. Effie Rich, Canton; Mrs. B. F. Posey, Asheville; Mrs. Cassie Cantrell, of Bellingham, Wash.; and Mrs. David Pruitt, of Glenville; five half brothers, Wesley, Pinkney, Otis, Samuel, and William Henson; ten grandchildren, and other relatives.

ROTARY NEWS

The Sylva Rotary Club heard Dr. Ralph Andrews, head of the physical education department at Western Carolina Teachers College, at its meeting, Tuesday night. Dr. Andrews' topic was "The Role of Physical Education in National Defense."

Dr. Andrews discussed in detail what has been done in this matter, and listed the further needs. He also outlined the plan of the physical education program at Western Carolina.

Wayne Terrell, the club's newest member, was presented at the meeting by Dr. H. T. Hunter.

Clyde Blair, who has just returned from a three week's vacation trip to Florida and other points on the Gulf coast, gave a brief report on his trip.

Jack Walters toasted Dr. D. C. Hooper whose birthday occurs this month.

Fire Department Tries New Engine

The Sylva Fire Department had an opportunity, early this morning to try out the efficiency of their new equipment, especially the pumping apparatus. An alarm told of fire in the heating plant of Raleigh Warren's Tourist Camp at Marble Springs. The department responded, though the call was from some distance outside the city limits. There are no fire plugs there, and the boys proceeded to extinguish the blaze with a gush of water from Scott's Creek, pumped by the new engine.

Garland McMahan, 25 year old WPA truck driver, was struck and instantly killed, tonight, by a hit and run driver, while he was walking on the highway just east of the overhead bridge, near Dillsboro. Attaches of the Moody Funeral home, where the body of McMahan was taken, stated that his body was terribly mangled. He is said to have been walking on the left side of the highway, and the automobile, going in the same direction, struck him, while on the wrong side of the road. The driver failed to stop.

Shortly thereafter, Chief of Police Griffin Middleton and Patrolman John O'Kelly came across two men trying to start an automobile on highway 107, just inside the city limits. The officers stopped to investigate and, noticing that the car had a broken wind-shield, and other evidence of having been in an accident, placed the two men, C. C. Cole, of Spruce Pine, and Clyde Ledford, of Polk county, Tennessee, under arrest. Officers stated that Cole, who apparently was the driver, was under the influence of liquor, and that Ledford, while not appreciably intoxicated, had been drinking.

Officers went to the scene of the death of McMahan, found pieces of the car that checked with those from that occupied by Cole and Ledford, and a witness to the death of McMahan, who positively identified the car as the one that struck the deceased man. Both Cole and Ledford denied having been in the vicinity of Dillsboro, and told officers that they had struck a post, across the mountain in Haywood county. They are being held without bond. The two men have been employed on the dam project at Glenville.

Well Known Wilmot Citizen Passes Away

Funeral services for John W. Suttlemyre were conducted by Rev. J. L. Hyatt and Rev. Thad Watson, and interment was in the Sherrill cemetery, at Olivet. Mr. Suttlemyre, who was a well-beloved citizen of Wilmot, was born March 13, 1863, and died November 28, 1940. He was an active member of and an deacon in the Wilmot Baptist church for thirty-five years. He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Ella Raby, prior to her marriage, and by eight children, seventeen grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE

On the hills, in the valleys, in the towns, and in the country all about us the churches erected and dedicated to the service of God. These places of worship are dear to the hearts of those who love the Lord. One cannot approach these sacred spots without a feeling of reverence if he has an appreciation and love for the God who created us. That ought so to be.

But the same Scripture that tells us to reverence His Sanctuary also calls us to keep His Sabbath. "Ye shall keep my sabbaths and reverence my sanctuary: I am the Lord." Lev. 19:30 and Lev. 26:2. These verses tell us clearly that we ought to have the same attitude toward the proper observance of the Sabbath that we do concerning due reverence of the place of worship.

H. M. Hocutt.