

STUDENTS HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Twenty-five Boys and Girls Return to Spend Christmas With Home Folks

AN AID TO ST. NICHOLAS

Return of 25 boys and girls from schools and colleges of the State to their homes at Warrenton is a great aid to St. Nicholas in spreading Christmas joy, and family circles in many homes are completed after separations of many weeks.

The Christmas recess of Duke University sent the greatest number of students to Warrenton. Eight of students to Warrenton. Seven students are enrolled there. Seven students are home from Carolina; three from Meredith, Raleigh; three from Virginia Episcopal school, Lynchburg, Va.; two from Peace College, Raleigh.

Among the students here with their parents are:

W. H. Dameron, Jr., Frank Brown Allen, Walker Burwell, John Burwell, Alice Burwell, Lucy Baskerville, Sue White Massenburg and Howard Daniel of Duke University; Barker Williams, Alfred Williams, Armistead Boyd, Tom Holt, Tempe Boyd, Dorothy Walters and Katherine Scoggin of University of North Carolina Chapel Hill; Robert and William Paskerville and James Pindexter of Virginia Episcopal School, Lynchburg, Va.; Fannie House Scoggin of G. C. W., Greensboro; Mattie Dameron of N. C. C. W., Greensboro; Caroline Ward, Helen Gibbs and Elizabeth Boyd of Peace, Raleigh; Catherine Moseley, Elizabeth Rodwell and Jane Parker of Meredith, Raleigh; Katherine Arrington from Washington, D. C.; Annie Sue Howell and Emily Reid of E. C. T. C., Greenville.

Stage Is Set For Black Cat Dance Christmas Night

The stage is all set for the dance to be given at Hotel Warren on Christmas night, a member of the Black Cat club, which organization is sponsoring the entertainment, commented on Tuesday afternoon. Music will be furnished by Thurston's orchestra of Rocky Mount and the proceeds will go to the Warrenton County Memorial Library.

The following Warrentonians have been asked to chaperone the dance: Congressman and Mrs. John H. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Poindecker, Mr. and Mrs. Alpheus Jones, and Dr. W. W. Taylor.

Escape Injury When Automobiles Crash

Mrs. G. H. Macon of Warrenton and Mrs. Bennett Stackhouse of Mullens, S. C., escaped injury in an automobile accident at Wake Forest Monday afternoon. The collision occurred, it was said, when an automobile containing three men swerved across the road and crashed into the Chevrolet of Mrs. Stackhouse, wrecking the fender, wheel and radius rod. They returned to Warrenton in a borrowed car.

WINS FLORIDA TRIP

Claude Halthcock, local agent for the Pilot Life Insurance Co., will depart from here Saturday to join other agents at the home office at Greensboro for a trip to Havana, Cuba. Mr. Halthcock won the trip through the sale of a certain amount of insurance. He expects to be gone about a week.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Bennett Stackhouse of Mullens, S. C., has been a guest in the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Macon this week. She returned home Tuesday accompanied by her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Stackhouse, who is a member of the Macon school faculty.

Mr. J. L. Pickrel, formerly of this town, was in Warrenton renewing friendships Tuesday.

Mrs. J. T. Gibbs, Mrs. Virginia Paskerville and Mrs. L. B. Beddoe spent Saturday in Raleigh. They were accompanied home by Mrs. J. Adams of Sanford and Miss Elizabeth Gibbs of Peace College. Mrs. Allen and Miss Gibbs will spend the Christmas holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Venable Lawson and Mrs. R. B. Boyd Jr., spent Monday in Greensboro.

Mrs. Tom Burton who has been visiting in Hartford, Conn., since Thursday returned home Tuesday.

Miss Anna Olivia Drake, member of the Knightdale school faculty, is spending the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Drake.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



TELLS WHY HE OPPOSES PLAN

Congressmen Kerr and Abernethy Are Not In Favor Of Moratorium Plan

SUMS UP HIS REASONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Two of the ten North Carolina members of the House of Representatives are opposed to the President's moratorium plan. They are Representative John H. Kerr, of the Second, and Charles L. Abernethy, of the Third district. Representative Robert L. Doughton, of the Eighth, is leading the fight for it. Judge Kerr summed up his reasons for opposing it as follows: "The moratorium which President Hoover has asked Congress to ratify and thereby suspend the collection of all debts due the United States by European nations for one year from December 15th, 1931, is indefensible as a government policy.

Protects Big Banks

"The facts disclosed that this proposition was conceived by certain Republican office holders and leaders with the primary purpose of subserving the larger banks in the United States, which banks the European industrialists owe about as much as the several European governments owe our government. The very resolution itself makes sure that only the United States government shall waive its right to collect for one year what is due us under a most liberal contract of settlement. The banks are left free to enforce and collect every cent due them. I think it fair to state, that I believe those who negotiated this proposed compact thought there might be a favorable reaction that would help the economic condition in this country as well as in Europe. No such reaction can possibly come about through a matter which is so fraught with selfishness and so unfair to the tax payers of the United States.

American People Bearing Burden

"Number of the European nations had their money ready and were prepared to pay what was due us on the fifteenth of December, 1931. The tax payers of the United States are now bearing the tax burdens of the European war. Every cent of this money owed by our European allies, came out of the pockets of the American taxpayer. In the settlement of these debts we have been more generous than any other nation could be or would have been. This is the beginning and a part of one stupendous effort.

Judge Taylor Has Short Session Of Recorder's Court

Little interest was apparent in Recorder's court on Monday morning when only two defendants, both of them negroes, were arraigned before the Bar of Justice. Evidence was brief in both cases and Judge W. W. Taylor completed his business in short order.

Representative Davis Is Hunting For Car

Hon. John S. Davis, Warren county's representative in the General Assembly, is hunting for his Ford, Model T, 1926 vintage, stolen from his home on Sunday night.

Mr. Davis said yesterday that he believed that the machine was stolen by a former convict whom he had befriended. This man was seen in the neighborhood and said that he was going by to see Mr. Davis while he was in the community. He failed to appear at the house. The next morning the Ford was missing. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of the former convict whose location is unknown.

Squeaking Shoes Cost Husband's Love

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Squeak squeak, went Mrs. Helen Cechota's shoes and love cooled, she told the Court when she obtained a divorce from Edward Cechota.

Macon Ladies To Serve Dinner

The ladies of the Macon M. E. church will serve lunch at 6 o'clock dinner at the church on Tuesday after Christmas, December 29. All are invited to come and enjoy the pleasant social feature as well as the dinner. Miss Melvin Thompson said in making the announcement.

Mr. Frank O'Neil of Henderson was a visitor here Monday night.

KERR SPONSORS RELIEF MEASURE

Introduces Bill For Relief Of Delinquent Farmers And Land Owners

SAYS NEED IS EVIDENT

HOWARD F. JONES, SR. Realizing the condition in which our land owners find themselves because of the panic throughout the United States—Congressman Kerr has introduced the following Bill "For The Relief of Delinquent Farmers and Land Owners who are indebted to The Federal Land Banks, and Joint-stock Land Banks of the United States."

It is quite evident that some postponement of these installments of interest (amortization) must be arranged by the Government or thousands of our land owners will lose their homes. A reading of the Bill will show that its purpose is to postpone these interest payments for a period of three years, then take the amount of these postponed installments and spread it out throughout the remaining years the mortgage has to run—making only a small increase of the payments, rather than have to return it all at the end of three years. These returned payments will be immediately returned to the Federal Treasury with the interest charge (of course there will be interest on this money used by land owner, for it takes the place of the money he would have had to pay) and the Government loses nothing.

Any Plan that does not make it mandatory upon the part of the Bank to carry these defaulted payments for three years is a sham and a subterfuge. The Bill also has the provision that land that has been foreclosed and is in the hands of the banks, may be redeemed. There has been much interest in the "stabilization" of the Federal Land Bank bonds, and this seems to be the Plan of the Federal Farm Loan Board (not Federal Farm Board)—to use the money appropriated to stabilize the bonds, and the land owner get the loans at the option of the Bank. Democracy doesn't believe in the crumbe falling from above if and when there are any. Democracy believes in helping the man who will build upward. As a distinguished gentleman of New York says: "To my way of thinking, if there is no default in the payment of interest on these bonds, and they are 'Tax free,' and bear between five and six per cent interest and are secured by real estate appraised at half of its value, then why should the bond holder,

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Says He Should Be Wearing Crown Of British King

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 21.—A 69-year-old Spanish-American War veteran said today he should be wearing the Crown of Britain instead of King George V., but that he is willing to settle his claim for a pension.

Henry Holden Colpus, the veteran and self-styled King Henry IX. of England, said he has legal proof. He said he has never coveted the throne, but wants "a pension from the royal family from my father's fortune."

Colpus said Edward VII, then Prince of Wales, fell in love with a girl in Parmcombe, Surrey, England. They were married, but Queen Victoria had the marriage annulled. After the annulment, Colpus said he was born. His mother married Henry Colpus and he took his father's name. He came to the United States.

"It was not until twenty-two years later, in England, that I was told of my royal birth," he said. "I wrote my father that I was his son. He answered, thanking me for the information. That was the last I heard from him."

Change In Service At Episcopal Church

The children's service which was announced for Sunday night, Dec. 27, at the Episcopal church will not be held at that time due to the fact that children of the Methodist church will hold service at that time, the Rev. B. N. de Foe Wagner, Episcopal minister, announced this week.

A special Christmas program will be held on Wednesday night at the Parish House at 7:30 o'clock at which time there will be a Christmas tree for the church school children and gifts for the poor will be collected, Rev. Wagner said.

Christmas Program At Baptist Church

A special Christmas musical program with a short talk by the pastor will be held at the Warrenton Baptist church on Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. We feel that it is particularly fitting that such a service be held on Christmas day and we trust that members of all denominations will come to the Baptist church on Friday evening, a member of the congregation said.

Donations of Old Clothing Bring Joy, Miss Leach Says

Claiming that it would make any one happy to see how glad people are to get second hand clothes, Miss Lucy I. Leach, county welfare officer for Warren, writes briefly this week thanking citizens of the town for their liberal contributions and explaining the manner in which these clothes are distributed.

"Those interested in helping the unfortunate in our midst greatly appreciate the many good second hand clothes we have recently received. These clothes will be a great help in keeping children in school after Christmas."

"Since the county is well organized it is not hard to place these clothes where they are most needed and also we can avoid duplication. A careful record is kept in office of supt. of Public Welfare of things given out, to whom given and the date of giving. The chairman and teachers are helping to place clothes to the best possible advantage."

"One woman came in and said she wanted shoes for eleven children, that her children were 'bare-footed and naked'. I told her it would be impossible to give one family eleven pair shoes but that we would try to fit shoes to those who had to go to school, and that the others would have to take turns going out of doors."

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Says No Child Should Be Forgotten On Christmas Day

The following clipping by Bruce Catton in the Lynchburg News was handed to us by R. T. Watson, president of the Citizens Bank. We take pleasure in reproducing it in the hope that its message will bear fruit:

Most youngsters believe that there is a benevolent old saint somewhere far to the north, who looks up his toy factory on Christmas Eve and travels around the world with a bottomless pack of toys. Children's eyes hold a little of the glory of the Bethlehem star-shine as they hang up their stockings on the magic night. Maybe they are hungry. Cold too, perhaps. And disappointed. But Santa Claus won't fail them, they tell themselves.

They remember that he has stood on the corner and asked them exactly what they wanted. He has pocketed their letters. They saw him do it. Secure in their dreams, they go to sleep.

But a great many children are going to have lumps in their throats when they waken unless we get busy. They are going to be hurt and baffled when they find limp stockings where they had expected them to be so plump and gay and merry. They are going to bury their heads in the blankets to crush the sob while they wonder why they were forgotten.

And ever after the tinsel gleam will mean nothing. A world in which Santa Claus will take all of his toys to somebody else can never be quite so lovely to a little boy or girl again.

It is up to us to see that no wistful youngster wonder why Santa Claus crossed their addresses from his calling list. If we interpret the spirit of giving as we should every stocking will be fat an every child's voice will be as litting as a Christmas carol.

The large number of children who are dependent on our generosity for their faith in Christmas brings back the thought that this is a season of giving, not of exchanging. The wise men didn't give their gifts to each other. They brought them to one who couldn't repay them in like coin.

It takes such a little to make a child happy. A doll or a horn or spinning top and a candy can for the top of the stocking. But he won't forget. After a while when he is older and understands that Santa Claus is only the spirit of Christmas, he will remember gratefully that life didn't fail him. He won't be afraid to trust it again.

But if his stocking is bare, not all the tinsel glamour of all the evergreen trees in the whole wide world can ever quite bring back the charm.

SON BORN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Davis on the last day of November, a 7 1-3 pound son, William James Davis. The young American was named for his two grandfathers.

WHISKEY CASES LEAD IN COURT

More Than 100 Cases Heard By Judge Taylor During Year, Files Show

ASSAULT RANKS SECOND

More than 100 cases have been disposed of by Judge W. W. Taylor in Recorder's court during the year 1931, according to a review of the files of The Warren Record which newspaper has each week covered the proceedings before the Bar of Justice. In a large majority of the cases, more than one defendant was involved, but they were tried under one count.

Violation of the Eighteenth Amendment was the common cause that led the wayward into the toils of the law. This alone, according to The Record, was the immediate cause of bills of indictment being drawn against eight white men and 29 negroes. Whiskey, the files reveal also played a part in the other cases, such as reckless driving, assault, and larceny.

Assault came second among the causes for those violating the statutes to be brought before Judge Taylor. Eighteen bills of indictments were drawn against negroes and eleven against white people as the result of affrays.

Larceny came third as a common cause of trouble, with six whites and fourteen negroes being tried as the result of stealing.

Three white people and one negro were tried for giving bad checks. Negroes and whites were equally guilty of non-support, there being bills of indictments drawn against two of each race.

Reckless driving was the count on which four negroes were tried. No white men were tried for this offense.

One white man was tried for skipping board bill, and one negro was tried for abandonment of infant.

Trespass was responsible for four of the cases, two of them among members of the white race and two among negroes.

Three negroes were tried for carrying concealed weapons. There were no white cases of this nature.

Fornication and adultery were the charges on which four negroes were tried.

One white man was tried for leaving crop. Negroes escaped this charge.

Of the 108 cases tried, negroes were responsible for 76 and whites for 32.

Convictions were obtained in 87 of the 108 cases. Of the 32 whites tried, eight were found not guilty, and of the 76 negroes tried, thirteen were found not guilty.

New Air Line Wants Data On Weather

Showing one of the different ways in which aviation is being developed, a new express and freight air transport is asking the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture to provide special reports on weather conditions, to coincide with their schedule between New York and Jacksonville, E. A. Skillman, local weather forecaster for the Eastern Air Transport, Inc., announced this week.

Mr. Skillman said they are at present delivering northern products to the holiday trade in Florida and on return schedule are delivering choice perishable Florida delicacies to the caterers to New York society for delivery the same night.

This new line is not connected with the Eastern Air Transport, Inc., which handles passengers and mail, it was said.

Governor Blackwood Loses His Shirt Tail

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 21.—Gov. Ira C. Blackwood has lost his shirt tail.

It was cut off—and short, too—by former Governor John G. Richards and State Senator M. G. Anderson, of Horry County, as a penalty for the Governor's failure to bring down a deer which ran close to his stand as the trio hunted.

Governor Richards, on a previous trip, had suffered similar indignity for missing a buck.

KILLS LARGE HOG

Joe King of Wise knows how to pack flesh on a pig, according to information furnished this week by C. R. Perkinson. Mr. Perkinson said that Mr. King had killed a 14 1-2 months old pig that weighed 580 pounds. Claiming that the pig was some of his stock, Mr. Perkinson wants to know who can beat that record.