

Society Items

News and Events of Interest to Women

Fashion Facts

"Holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in; Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels, The great glad tidings tell; We come to us, abide with us, Our Lord, Immanuel!"

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Pinnell and Miss Ethel Pinnell of Alton were in town Saturday. Mrs. J. B. Davis of Shocco was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Tom Barton, this week. Mrs. W. T. H. Brantley of Raleigh is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Ed Powell, of Macon. Miss Mattie Harris of Macon was in town Monday. Mr. T. P. Shearin of Macon was in town Monday. Misses Mary Southerland and Jean Stuart of Greenville Training School are home for the holidays. Mrs. Will Thorne and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Airlie spent the week end in the home of Mrs. George Alston. Mrs. Katherine P. Arrington returned Saturday from New York. Misses Sue Thompson and Janet Hall and Messrs. Sam and Robert Alton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Egerton and Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gilliam in Richmond Sunday. Mrs. Ed Powell and daughter of Macon were in town Monday. Mr. Ed Paulk Alston of Inez was in town Monday. Mrs. Claude Coleman of Inez was in town Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Overby of Macon were in town Saturday. Mr. Van Alton is at home for the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt Parker of Roanoke Rapids spent the week end here.

Mrs. Alpheus Jones spent several days last week in the home of her mother at Sudan. Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Strickland are spending the holidays at Salisbury. Mr. and Mrs. John Rodgers are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives at Salisbury. Mr. and Mrs. McCrary Jones of Montreal, Canada are spending the holidays with Mrs. A. E. Jones. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rodwell and his daughter, Ann Fleming, are spending the holidays with relatives near Lenoir.

Miss Edith Broom of Washington, N. C. is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Allen. Miss Louise Dowlin of Goldsboro is here for the Christmas holidays. Miss Eula Allen of Axtelle was a visitor here Saturday. Dr. and Mrs. Leon Draper and Miss Gertrude Draper of Garysburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Elington.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Lawson spent Tuesday in South Boston. Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pace and daughter are spending the holidays at Wakefield. Mr. Simon Gardner of Churchill was a visitor in Raleigh on Friday night. Mr. Archie Alston of Henderson was a visitor here Saturday. Mrs. Robert Shaw of Macon was in town Monday. Mr. J. R. Stanley spent Monday in South Hill, Va.

Mrs. W. W. Mustian of Norlina stopped here Monday. Mrs. Simon Gardner of Churchill was in town Monday morning. Mrs. C. A. Tucker was a visitor in Raleigh Monday. Mrs. J. Haywood Duke was a visitor in Richmond last week. Little Miss Marietta Duke has returned from a visit to Elizabeth City.

Rev. and Mrs. Phipps of Littleton were dinner guests of Mrs. T. A. Shearin at her apartment in Raleigh Warren on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Palmer of Durham, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Moore of Durham, Mr. Bill Palmer of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Brantley of Henderson will be guests of Mrs. N. M. Palmer for Christmas.

ST. MARY'S GUILD MEETS Mrs. B. R. Palmer entertained St. Mary's Guild on Monday night at 8 o'clock. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Ray Weston, in the absence of the president, Mrs. Jack Scott, after which a report from the Treasurer, Miss Kate White Williams was given. Mrs. J. R. Stanley read the minutes of the last meeting and called the roll. Mrs. C. A. Tucker joined the Guild again after being unable to belong for some time. A Christmas basket was packed and delivered to the home of Rev. and Mrs. Wagner. Hot coffee and sandwiches were served by the hostess.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS The regular monthly meeting of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the Methodist church was held on Wednesday night with Mrs. J. Elington. The following officers were elected for 1932: President, Helen Duke, Vice-pres. Mrs. William Banzet, Secty. and Treas.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



Miss Melissa Coleman. Two chapters on the book of Korea were read by Mrs. Claude Bowers, and Miss Zenobia Lancaster. Mrs. Ellington served delicious ambrosia and cake at the conclusion of the meeting.

MRS. ADAMS ENTERTAINED Miss Sarah Howard Ward attractively entertained at cards on Friday afternoon complimenting Mrs. Ervin Adams, a recent bride. Members of the Black Cat Club and Miss Elizabeth Stackhouse of Macon Faculty and Mr. William Taylor were present. After several progressions, Miss Mary Elizabeth Black was awarded high score prize. The honoree was presented with an attractive gift. A delicious frozen fruit salad course was served.

MRS. KERR ENTERTAINS CLUB The Thursday contract club was delightfully entertained last Thursday afternoon by Mrs. J. H. Kerr. The high scores were made by Mrs. G. H. Macon for the club, and Mrs. Joe Ellis for the visitors. A delicious salad course with pie was served by the hostess. The extra guests included Mesdames Ervin Adams, Alpheus Jones, F. P. Hunter, Branch Bobbitt, Joe Ellis, W. N. Boyd and Virginia Pearsall.

OYSTER ROAST Mr. William Boyce entertained a few of his friends at an oyster roast at the Boyce Motor Service Station No. 3, on Friday night. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Beddoe, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scott, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Boyd, Jr., Messrs. Loyd Wood and T. R. Frazier.

PRESBYTERIANS MEET Mrs. J. J. Crinkley was hostess to the Presbyterian Auxiliary on Monday afternoon. Fourteen members were present. The program was in charge of Mrs. J. A. Dowlin. Several letters of importance were read by Mrs. G. B. Gregory, and an article was read by Mrs. L. C. Kinsey. A tempting chicken salad course was served, Mrs. Stuart Crinkley assisting.

MRS. RODWELL HAS CLUB The Thursday Card Club was cordially entertained by Mrs. C. R. Rodwell last week at her home on Ridgeway Street. Three tables of the regular club members were present. High score prize of the afternoon was won by Mrs. W. D. Rodgers. After several spirited progressions, delicious refreshments were served.

P. T. A. MEETING Parents, don't forget the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of the John Graham High School on Wednesday at 1:30. A Christmas program is being prepared by the pupils in Miss Jennie Alston's room. A large attendance is desired.

Palmer Springs News Mrs. Pattie Spain is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Watkins in Richmond. Mrs. Macy Moore has returned from an extended visit to Mrs. Sallie Ricks at Blacksburg. Mrs. Geo. King of Inez spent last week with Mrs. C. S. Newell.

We are sorry to lose from the neighborhood Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Read and family who moved last week to Norlina. Mrs. Robert Tanner invited all her near neighbors to a delicious supper in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S.

Declares Cotton Producers Depend On Organization

WARREN COUNTY, under the new allotments, gets \$825 additional for transporting pupils; \$600 for salary and \$100 for travel expenses of the attendance officer, and nothing for rural supervision, Secretary Martin's records show.

RALEIGH, Dec. 21.—Cotton producers of this country can depend on no organizations except those of their own to solve their problems and fight their battles, according to U. Benton Blalock, president of the American Cotton Cooperative Association, who bases his statement on 10 years' experience as a cotton shipper, 10 years as manager of the North Carolina cotton cooperative and a lifetime as a cotton producer.

"A cooperative cotton association is more than a marketing agency," he said. "It is a farmers' organization, without annual dues, ready to go to battle for the organized and unorganized producers alike." Here he pointed to the successful battle of the cooperatives for lower freight rates on cotton, their victory in preventing certain mid-western states outlawing cottonseed products, and their present fight for a "net weight" cotton law which would increase the sale of cotton bagging.

Enumerating other services, he said the cooperatives distributed thousands of bushels of purebred seed annually, worked for better ginning methods and developed cooperative gins, fostered community growing of one variety of cotton only, distributed boll weevil poison, fertilizers and other farm supplies on a non-profit basis, obtained insurance for members at a discount and cooperated with the Cotton-Textile Institute and other agencies in developing new uses for cotton.

The American Cotton Cooperative of which Mr. Blalock is head, is composed of 11 state associations and has a total membership of approximately 200,000.

Manson News

Mrs. S. J. Satterwhite, Mrs. A. B. Paschall, Miss Jennie Dowling and Malvin Wilson went to Raleigh Thursday to do their Christmas shopping. Miss Margaret Champion spent a few days last week at Warrenton with Mrs. J. J. Stallings. Miss Roberta Reavis who is attending school at Hendersonville is at home for the Christmas holidays.

North Carolina Has The Largest Families

North Carolina not only has the highest birth rate of all the states, a position which she has held for many years, but she has the largest average-size families. For the United States the average family contains 4.1 persons. For North Carolina the average is 4.9 persons per family. South Carolina ranks next to North Carolina with 4.7 persons per family and only three other states are above 4.5 persons per family.

State Board Is Allotting Funds To County Schools

By M. R. DUNNAGAN RALEIGH, Dec. 22.—The State Board of Equalization, at its meeting last week, allotted \$155,078.18 to three items in connection with the operation of the public schools, including \$62,883 for additional transportation, \$54,870 as part of salary and expenses of school attendance officers, and \$37,325.18 to aid in rural school supervision, Secretary LeRoy Martin announces.

The transportation amount is in addition to the amount allotted for last year and is to take care of schools consolidated since last year, at the rate of \$5 a year per child added to these already transported. Seventy counties participate in the new allotment, 21 others had no consolidations since last year and no reports have been made by the remaining nine. Chatham leads in number of children transported as a result of the new consolidations, with 594 children, getting \$3,970. Wake gets \$2,545. Yadkin \$3,450. Wilkes \$2,450.

Attendance activities are supported jointly, the State Board paying from \$400 plus \$100 travel expenses, to \$1,300 plus \$300 travel expenses, on a sliding scale based on county population, the counties being required to match, or may exceed, the State amounts. Eighty-seven counties participate in this allotment, getting \$43,715 on salary and \$11,155 on travel expenses of attendance officers. Forty-six counties participate in

Weekly Bible Lesson

By DR. J. T. GIBBS

Wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.—Luke 2:12. The world's first Christmas Gift was from God and was "His only begotten Son," Heaven's richest treasure. It was the greatest boon that earth could receive. It was a baby, weak and helpless, out of a home of daily toil. Not to the court of a king, the palace of a rich man, nor the comfortable home of the well-to-do, but to a stable prepared for beasts of burden, came the priceless gift. And this way fitting, for since the dawn of creation there had been no burden bearer like Him who bore the sins of the whole world.

In the Gift we have something of God's outlook. As Christmas cards appeared the star that guided the wise men from the East; from the Eternal Throne came through Angelic messengers the declaration: "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." So with its richest Gift, Heaven sent its best wishes.

The first Christmas was the central point of all history. It changed the calendar, so that time is reckoned as before and after the birth of Christ. It gave, too, a different meaning to life. It was seen that not master, but service is the true ideal. But for this change there would have been no "Near East Relief," and only the most tragic disaster would have come to that large area of the earth during and after the World War. Christmas emphasizes the gradual fulfillment of what the prophet of old said, "Peace should flow as a river." There is growth toward the fulfillment of that prophecy and when Christ's conquering love shall cause a sufficiently controlling part of mankind to love even their enemies there will be world peace.

The river of peace is enlarging. There is love for the unfortunate. No more are men crucified on the cross, nor those bereft of reason nailed to the floors of common jails. There are hospitals for the insane and even for lepers. The formerly unfeeling rich are meriting praise for their philanthropy.

And God's Christmas Gift is to all people. Whether knowledge of it comes from printed books, the ministry of missions or the civilizing influence of trade it is tidings of peace and good will. It expresses God's love for men, softening the hands of greed, melting the heart of cruelty and kindling the love of humanity. God's kingdom is in the world and it is growing toward that perfect love that not only keeps one's self unspotted from the world, but visits the fatherless and widows—ministers to the needy.

In this Christmas time we shall be most like God in seeing the need of others and making to them our best possible gifts. Many of the poor are high-minded, and yet material aid is needed. Find out and make them happier as you celebrate the birth of Christ.

God counted not the cost of the Gift, but the relief needed. We can believe the Scripture which says, "God is love." Nor can we say that because of His infinite resources God could not miss what He gave, for He gave His only Son.

In making His advent Christ identified himself with the poorest. So in looking upon a poor tramp, I must remember not only that he is of my kind, but that he is my poor unfortunate brother, and I must do what I can to lift him up and put heart in him.

We serve God in serving men. It may be that some shall render their final account of hard struggles and generous deeds, and enter the port of Heaven as the black unsightly hull of a tramp comes

Weekly Bible Lesson

By DR. J. T. GIBBS

Wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.—Luke 2:12. The world's first Christmas Gift was from God and was "His only begotten Son," Heaven's richest treasure. It was the greatest boon that earth could receive. It was a baby, weak and helpless, out of a home of daily toil. Not to the court of a king, the palace of a rich man, nor the comfortable home of the well-to-do, but to a stable prepared for beasts of burden, came the priceless gift. And this way fitting, for since the dawn of creation there had been no burden bearer like Him who bore the sins of the whole world.

In the Gift we have something of God's outlook. As Christmas cards appeared the star that guided the wise men from the East; from the Eternal Throne came through Angelic messengers the declaration: "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." So with its richest Gift, Heaven sent its best wishes.

The first Christmas was the central point of all history. It changed the calendar, so that time is reckoned as before and after the birth of Christ. It gave, too, a different meaning to life. It was seen that not master, but service is the true ideal. But for this change there would have been no "Near East Relief," and only the most tragic disaster would have come to that large area of the earth during and after the World War. Christmas emphasizes the gradual fulfillment of what the prophet of old said, "Peace should flow as a river." There is growth toward the fulfillment of that prophecy and when Christ's conquering love shall cause a sufficiently controlling part of mankind to love even their enemies there will be world peace.

The river of peace is enlarging. There is love for the unfortunate. No more are men crucified on the cross, nor those bereft of reason nailed to the floors of common jails. There are hospitals for the insane and even for lepers. The formerly unfeeling rich are meriting praise for their philanthropy.

And God's Christmas Gift is to all people. Whether knowledge of it comes from printed books, the ministry of missions or the civilizing influence of trade it is tidings of peace and good will. It expresses God's love for men, softening the hands of greed, melting the heart of cruelty and kindling the love of humanity. God's kingdom is in the world and it is growing toward that perfect love that not only keeps one's self unspotted from the world, but visits the fatherless and widows—ministers to the needy.

In this Christmas time we shall be most like God in seeing the need of others and making to them our best possible gifts. Many of the poor are high-minded, and yet material aid is needed. Find out and make them happier as you celebrate the birth of Christ.

God counted not the cost of the Gift, but the relief needed. We can believe the Scripture which says, "God is love." Nor can we say that because of His infinite resources God could not miss what He gave, for He gave His only Son.

In making His advent Christ identified himself with the poorest. So in looking upon a poor tramp, I must remember not only that he is of my kind, but that he is my poor unfortunate brother, and I must do what I can to lift him up and put heart in him.

We serve God in serving men. It may be that some shall render their final account of hard struggles and generous deeds, and enter the port of Heaven as the black unsightly hull of a tramp comes

Inez Items

Mrs. W. C. Brown and daughter, Miss Catherine were visitors in the home of Mrs. L. H. Benson Thursday afternoon. Mr. James Harris of Wake Forest and Miss Annie Miles Harris of Meredith returned home Saturday to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris. Miss Jibbie Clark spent Sunday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. L. H. Benson. Miss Edith Bensen was the guest of Miss Dee Overby Sunday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Nelson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris Sunday. Misses Myrtle Davis, Verneta Clark and Gladys Benson spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Mary and Hazel Powell. Miss Hazel Benson visited Miss Rosalie Brown Sunday afternoon.

Miss Blanche Powell was the guest of Miss Christine Davis Sunday afternoon. Mr. James Thomas Benson spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. James Clark. The total number of men on the list of the British Army, exclusive of India, is 148,000.

RATS DIE

so do Mice, once they eat RAT DIE. And they leave no odor behind. Don't take our word for it, try a package. CATS and DOGS won't touch it. Rats pass up all food to get Rat Die. Two sizes. 50 cent size, 3 oz. is enough for Pantry, Kitchen and Cellar. 75 cent size, 6 oz. for Chicken House, Coops and small buildings. Sold and guaranteed by W. A. Miles Hardware Co.



Again We Celebrate Christmas

After nearly two thousand years the example of that life that had its humble beginning in Bethlehem still sways the world. Again it reminds us that the real joy and the real success of life come not from self-seeking but from thoughtful, sincere, unselfish service.

It is our hearty wish that our friends may find this Christmas more joyous, human, warm and kindly than ever—a day of merry-making, indeed, but a day whose inner meaning grows ever deeper.

Citizens Bank

Imperial Warrenton, N. C. Friday, December 25 Matinee Christmas Day, beginning at 3:00 p. m. "West of Broadway" With John Gilbert. Also Comedy. Midnight show, December 24. Saturday, December 26 Hoot Gibbons, in "The Gay Buckaroo" Taxi Trouble, comedy. Mystery Trooper, serial Chapter 4 Mon. Tues. Dec. 28-29 "Good Sport" With John Boles, Linda Watkins. Catch-As-Catch Can, Comedy. Also Vaudeville. Wednes. Thurs. Dec. 30-31 "Nice Women" With Sidney Fox, Frances Dee Fox News. Charlie Chase comedy. Midnight Show Dec. 31, Walter Huston, in "A House Divided" Also Comedy