

PENNY COLUMN

**FRESH COUNTRY EGGS AND BUTTER. SANITARY GROCERY CO.** 17-11-p.

**Fresh Best Country Stuffed Sausages.** Dove-Bost Co. 17-11-p.

**"An Apple a Day Keeps the Doctor Away."** Ours are extra fine, chosen by the box. Cabarrus Cash Grocery Co. 17-21-p.

**Call Us For Best Country Sausages,** veal and all kinds of fresh meats. Sanitary Grocery Co. 17-11-p.

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**Celery, Lettuce, Chickens, Eggs and** butter. Lippard & Barrier. 17-11-p.

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**Expert Painting and Paper Hanging.** John Rosman, 76 West Corbin street. Phone 921.

**It is in Need of a Moving Van Before** Christmas or after, call the reliable moving man. Zeb P. Cruse, 1331. Phone 865. 14-101-p.

**For Rent—Rooms, Furnished or Un-**furnished, to roomers or for light housekeeping. Apply 314 South Union. 14-61-p.

**Auction Sale—Wednesday, December** 22nd, 1926, at 10 o'clock a. m. Will sell to the highest bidder, for cash: Household goods and furniture, 2 mules, 1 young mare, 2 horse wagons and other farming tools too numerous to mention. Be on hand and buy these goods at your own price. Auctioneer, C. C. Barringer, G. A. Shinn, at Mrs. A. W. Wincoff's Place in No. 4 township, Route 2, Concord, N. C. 13-61-p.

**Doctor—Well, here you are. A pill** for the kidneys, a tablet for the indigestion, and another pill for the

IN AND ABOUT THE CITY

**SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE FREED FOR CHRISTMAS**

School Work Halted at Noon For Two Weeks—Teachers Leaving For Their Homes.

Work in the public schools of Concord was halted at noon today and students were freed for the next two weeks for their usual Christmas holidays.

Practically all of the out-of-town teachers plan to leave during the afternoon and tomorrow for their homes to spend the two weeks with home folks. Their holiday will be more than two weeks, as a matter of fact, since they do not report for work until January 3rd.

A few of the rural school closed this afternoon for Christmas, also, but as a rule these schools will teach through until next Friday and will have but a week's holiday. Due to the short term most of the rural schools enjoy the Christmas holiday is restricted to one week. Those rural schools which have suspended work for two weeks are those which have longer terms than six months.

Fine progress has been made with the school work during the past three months, city school officials stated. The work got off to an excellent start in September and there has been no epidemic or other incident to interrupt on any large scale the regular routine of work. In every school in Concord, it was said further, the teachers have proved themselves unusually suited to their work and as a result they have had fine cooperation from students.

There will be mid-term promotions in the school's again this year but these will not be made until after the holidays, the end of the first term not coming on the same date as the holidays for Christmas.

Scores of kiddies passing along the streets today were carrying Christmas presents of all descriptions. Most of these were for their little playmates but included in the total were many for their teachers.

It is said many of the students of the higher grades have secured work in local stores during the next week. That is one reason the school's stay a week before Christmas, an arrangement making it possible for the student to work and make some extra Christmas money.

MANNING NAMED TO NEW STATE OFFICE

**Chosen Commissioner of Veterans Loan Fund at Meeting of Commission Held Thursday**

John Hall Manning, Raleigh lawyer and Lieutenant Colonel of the 120th Infantry, will direct the Veterans Loan Fund for North Carolina, having been chosen Thursday by the loan fund advisory commission. There were eight other applicants.

Colonel Manning has an enviable record and is one of the best known Legionnaires in the state. He served as Adjutant to Colonel I. Van B. Metts with the 119th Infantry while the outfit was at Camp Sevier and later was given his majority and served with the Second Battalion of the 119th during action in France. He was made Lieutenant of the 120th Infantry when that outfit was organized after the World War.

Raleigh reports indicate that Colonel Manning was named despite some Legion opposition. However, it is known by friends here that he had much support from Legionnaires and several former service men here endorsed him. Among these were Major Kenneth E. Caldwell and W. M. Gherri, the latter being at present commander of the Fred Y. McConnell Post of the Legion.

Colonel Manning was unanimous choice of the advisory commission which is composed of Secretary of State W. N. Everett, chairman; Auditor Baxter Durham; Treasurer Ben Laury; Attorney-General Dennis G. Brummitt; Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham; and Commissioner of Labor and Printing, Frank D. Grist.

Colonel Manning, it was said, will continue his private law practice, handling the work of the loan commission in addition. Secretary Everett announced following the election however, that he be required to give the office whatever time it might demand. Nine other candidates for the position were all understood to have made known their purpose to devote their full time to it in the event of election.

Colonel Manning has been conspicuous in state politics and American Legion affairs for some years. He was a candidate for state commander of the legion two years ago and was defeated by a narrow vote. In the primary of 1924 he managed the successful campaign of Francis Grist for commissioner of labor and printing. Grist was regarded as his most active supporter in the contest for veterans' loan commissioner. Col. Manning is said to have drawn the net creating the position which he is now to hold.

Members of the advisory loan fund commission said that the new commissioner led all the other candidates in the number and prominence of endorsements. Many came from outstanding personages in state politics.

STANLY ROAD BOARD TO BE INVESTIGATED

**County Finance Committee Has Named to Make Complete Audit of Books.**

Abraham, Dec. 16.—Announcement has been made that pursuant to the pre-election pledge of Chairman Coble of the board of county commissioners, to the effect that, if he were re-elected, he would put into operation every means at hand to force a complete audit and investigation of the books of the county highway board, a county finance committee has been named, that being the first step in the procedure, in compliance with the law, as recommended by Caulser and Mann, attorneys for the board of commissioners.

This committee consists of R. L. Lipe, J. C. Parker and J. Walter Lipe. These men, it is said, have consented to serve on the committee, which is provided by section 1312 of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina. Under the law the committee may sit as a court, subpoena witnesses and examine them, investigate public records, investigate as to the expenditures of the county funds and punish for contempt any witness or persons the same as any regular court.

HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS MEET KANNAPOLIS TEAMS HERE

**Hardest Game of the Season Tonight When Boys' and Girls' Teams Meet From Kannapolis.**

The basketball teams of the Concord High School will play their hardest game of the season tonight when the teams of the local High School meet the teams of the Kannapolis High School. The boys' team of Concord will meet the boys' team of Kannapolis and the Kannapolis girls' team will meet the local girls' team. The game will be called at 7:30 tonight in the gymnasium of the Concord High School.

The coaches of the local teams said today that the games for tonight with the teams from Kannapolis would be the two hardest games that the local teams would play this season.

The probable lineup for tonight is:

Girls' Game			
Concord	Pos.	Kannapolis	
Harris	F.	Mauldin	
Yarner	F.	Williams	
Howard	G.	Walton	
Linker	F.	Davis	
Dayvault	F.	Lipe	
Boys' Game			
Concord	Pos.	Kannapolis	
Hoover	F.	B. Fowler	
Blackwelder	F.	R. Hollins	
J. White	C.	G. Widenhouse	
Pike	G.	Walton	
Mabrey	G.	Walton	

QUINT TEAM OF "Y" MEETS MONOGRAM CLUB

**Local Team Will Meet Carolina Monogram Club Team in Charlotte Tonight—Bloomfield Unable to Make Trip.**

The basketball quint of the Concord Y. M. C. A. will go to Charlotte tonight to meet for the second time the Carolina monogram club basketball team composed of former stars of the University of North Carolina. The game will be played at the Charlotte "Y."

The local team was defeated in the first game with the monogram club when the team, formerly Carolina stars came to Concord and took the game with a score of 20 to 10.

The local team is going to Charlotte without one of the outstanding players of the team. Bloomfield will not be with the Concord team on account of having to be here when the boys' team of the Concord High School meets the boys' team of Kannapolis High School.

Although the Concord team will be without one of its best men, they are making the trip to Charlotte confident that they will make a much better showing with the monogram club than they did when the teams met the last time.

LEGION IS PLANNING STATEWIDE MEETING

**All Posts in the State Asked to Hold First January Meeting on 14th.**

At their meeting tonight members of the Fred Y. McConnell post of the American Legion will decide whether they are to meet on January 14th for their first meeting of the new year.

State Commander Paul R. Young, of Charlotte, has asked all posts to meet on that date, explaining that it is the desire of the department commander to make this a statewide meeting by having all posts meet at the same time.

Commander W. M. Sherrill, of the local post, states that this matter will be presented to the meeting tonight. Insofar as possible, he said, members of the local post are anxious to cooperate in every project inaugurated by the State commander, and it is probable that the local post will hold its first meeting in the new year on the 14th.

Funeral of Henry O. Archer

The funeral services for the late Henry O. Archer, who died at his residence Monday, December 13th, were held at St. John's Reformed Church, Kannapolis, Wednesday afternoon, December 15th, at 2 o'clock in charge of the pastor, Rev. L. A. Peeler.

Mr. Archer was stricken with apoplexy just two weeks before his death. For several days before his departure no hope was held out for his recovery.

He had been a resident of this community for a number of years and was well known and held in high esteem. He was one of the most faithful attendants at St. John's Reformed Church. He never missed the regular hours of worship unless prevented by sickness. He served as an elder of the church for five years before his death.

He was sixty-six years old and had been married twice. He is survived by his first wife and eight children.

Rev. Mr. Peeler read a fitting memorial that had been adopted by the consistency of St. John's Church.

The body was laid to rest in Greenlawn cemetery, China Grove.

MERCURY TOOK ANOTHER TUMBLE DURING NIGHT

**About Ten Degrees Colder Here This Morning Than Yesterday—Much Ice Reported.**

After hovering around the 40-degree mark during most of Thursday, the mercury took another tumble during the night, falling as far as 10 above zero before being halted by the sun's rays this morning.

One Concord man who was up during the wee, small hours said he saw a reading of 10 degrees above zero and several other persons said at 7 o'clock this morning thermometers at their homes registered only 21 above.

The coldest reading reported Thursday morning was 29 degrees, this being observed by a man at 5 a. m.

Ice several inches thick was reported this morning in various parts of the city and county and there was another frost that gave a "white-washed" appearance to mother earth.

Rising temperatures were predicted for today and tomorrow.

There was but little wind this morning and this no doubt made less intense the cold. The air was dry and still and the cold did not penetrate as it had done on previous occasions. It was in this year the mercury was not as low as it was this morning.

Honor Roll, Shiloh School:  
First grade—Mary Eller Long.  
Second grade—Helen Cline.  
Third grade—Ernest Troutman, Clarence Troutman, I. Willard Long, Margaret Long, Thomas Walter.  
Sixth grade—York Walker.  
Seventh grade—Ethel Brantley.

Evangelist Not Killed in Storm

Reports in circulation here that Mrs. Willie Laurel Olive, evangelist, was killed in a storm last week while on route to California, are denied by members of the Four Square Gospel Mission of Concord. The following statement it has been issued by Mrs. C. D. Watkins, chairman of the local commission:

"Reports that Willie Laurel Olive, evangelist, was killed last Friday are mistakes, praise the Lord. All night Saturday and all day Sunday, Monday and Tuesday my phone was busy as I answered persons asking about her and praying for her. She has many, many friends here who will be glad to know and who will pray to God with me that she is safe and well and who will be praying and trusting in our blessed Jesus to take care of her and her precious husband and send them back to us real soon in another good old revival meeting. Save His Holy Name. Mrs. C. D. Watkins, chairman, Four Square Gospel Mission."

F. M. Ross, Jr., Deed.  
F. M. Ross, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ross, of Charlotte, died this morning after an illness of several weeks with pneumonia. Mrs. Ross before marriage was Miss Jessie Pratt Sulter. No funeral arrangements have been made.

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ORDINANCE

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Concord Ordains:

That the ordinance passed by the Board at the regular meeting December 2nd, 1926, relative to stopping trains at West Corbin Street before crossing, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following Ordinance is adopted in lieu thereof:

In order to insure the necessary safety to the traveling public using the grade crossing on West Corbin Street over the railroad tracks, the Board of Aldermen of the City of Concord hereby ordains:

1. That all persons, firms or corporations who shall operate or have charge of the operation of trains, cars or locomotives, over the railroad tracks crossing West Corbin street in the City of Concord, shall not operate said train, car or locomotive across said West Corbin Street Crossing at a greater rate of speed than five (5) miles per hour. And it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, operating or having charge of

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**OUR \$250,000.00 CHRISTMAS DRIVE**

Our store will be open each night until Christmas until 9 o'clock. Do your shopping early to avoid the big rush.

**Give Useful Gifts for Christmas**

**Headquarters for Men's Furnishings**




**Shoe Department**

Give Bed Room Slippers for Christmas. Nothing will be more appreciated than a nice pair of our Slippers. Ribbon trimmed, all colors, and sizes. Special for our \$250,000 Drive **48c 75c 98c**

**NECKTIES**

Men's Neckties in All the New Flashy Shades. Special for this Drive **10c to \$1.48**



**SHIRTS! SHIRTS! SHIRTS! WRECKED!**

Prices on all our Men's Dress Shirts are Wrecked for this Big Drive. Prices that you have never seen before. Give him one for Christmas **50c to \$2.98**

Christmas Boxes Free with Shirts \$1.98 and up. Socks is another big item for Christmas presents. We have them in fancy and plain **10c to 85c**

Men's Bath Robes **\$2.98 to \$9.95**  
All sizes. Special

Give Him a Pair of our Cooper's Pajamas For Christmas **98c to \$3.98**

All Our Queen Quality Slippers Reduced for our \$250,000 Christmas Drive. Prices from **\$2.95 to \$6.95**

Men's Calf Skin Shoes and Oxfords, all colors, special **\$4.90**

Men's Ralston Shoes and Slippers. Greatly reduced for this big drive. Prices—**\$3.98 to \$6.95**

Big Special Lot Men's and Young Men's Slippers and Shoes, light tan, all the new toes, special **\$2.98**

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**QUICK DELIVERY—NO EXTRA CHARGE**

**At Hotel Concord.**

Guests registered at Hotel Concord Thursday included the following:

R. B. Stewart, Gaston; Sam Lohr, Greensboro; J. C. Stroupe, Charlotte; Miss Ada Wilson, Albemarle; H. F. Faggett, Forest City; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Edhart, Winter Haven, Fla.; C. W. Fitch, New York City; M. A. Hatcher, Hamlet; L. R. Helitz, Charlotte; Jason J. Clark, Johnson City, Tenn.; H. A. Brown, Cincinnati, Ohio; and J. A. Eyerly, Winston-Salem.

The operation of said train, car or locomotive, to operate same at a greater rate of speed than five miles per hour across said street.

2. That every person, firm or corporation, violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall for each offense be fined Fifty

(\$50.00) Dollars or imprisoned for thirty (30) days.

3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after 12 o'clock Noon January 14th, 1927.

BREYARD E. HARRIS,  
City Clerk and Treasurer.  
This December 13th, 1926.  
17-11.

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**WE never relax our efforts to please depositors because we know that no matter how good our service is, there is always an opportunity to make it better.**

**Citizens Bank and Trust Company**  
CONCORD, N. C.

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**The Christmas Gift Store**

Eight More Days to Buy YOUR GIFTS You Can Find Them

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