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The Community Christmas Tree

THE Christmas tree in the courthouse on Christmas Eve will bring gladness to more than 300 children who will receive gifts in the name of the Christ Child whose birth we hold at this time "in yearly remembrance."

The American Legion and their friends have established this beautiful custom of thus bringing joy to many children who look forward each year to this happy occasion. From every corner of Macon county will come little ones, many of whom live in lonely places, and who seldom come to town. To them especially the festive lights and decorations will be a thrilling experience, the wonder and delight of which will linger happily in their memories. For many the gay little bags, made and filled by loving hands, will be the only bright spot until next Christmas. Every effort has been made to reach those whose Christmas will be meager at home.

In the hearts and prayers of those who are enjoying the blessings of a land at peace, with the happy exchange of gifts among each other, there is pity and deep concern for brethren in those lands suffering under the evil spell of tyranny and war. It was in such a world that Jesus was born. Ever since His life and teachings have been the guiding star of people striving for a better world. There still persists that unconquerable faith that God's gift to the world will some day bring light and life to all people.

"How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given!

So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of His heaven.

No ear may hear His coming, but in this world of sin,

Where meek souls will receive Him still, the dear Christ enters in."

If the Tongue Slips

THE highest social accomplishment is the ability to live amiably with other people. It is not so much what we do that promotes peace and happiness as what we do not say. Too often we are more inquisitive than interested in our neighbors. Insatiable curiosity has led to more gossip than any other cause; and gossip has caused more unhappiness than crime. For gossip too often runs to slander, which may be social assassination.

Teague says: "If your foot slips, you may recover your balance; but if your tongue slips, you never can recall your words." A careless tongue is a social menace. We never shall be sorry for the things that we refrained from saying. "Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips."—Selected.



We are glad to lay aside all thoughts of business—of buying and selling—and send you a simple, genuine wish that yours will be a joyful Holiday Season and one of long and pleasant memory.

So in keeping with the tradition of Christmastide and in the spirit of the Holiday Season, we extend to you our hearty good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Joseph Ashear



Letters for Santa

Franklin, N. C.
December 19, 1938.

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl two years old. I have black eyes and sandy hair. For Christmas I want you to bring me a big doll, tea set and a story book. I also want some candy, oranges, apples, and nuts. Remember all the other little girls and boys. So hurry up, I'll be good until you come.

Your little friend,
Sara Lee Corbin.

Franklin, N. C.
December 19, 1938.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a doll, some candy and oranges for myself and a toy gun, candy and oranges for my twin brother. Also a French harp, candy and oranges for my baby brother.

Jean, Joe and Grady Holt.

Franklin, N. C.
December 19, 1938.

Dearest Santa:
I am a little girl five years old. Please bring me a big sleepy doll, a blanket, wrist watch, story book, oranges, bananas and candy. I have been very good this year and am going to sit up and wait for you Christmas Eve night.

Your little girl,
Freda Lee Tallent.

P. S. Don't forget mother and papa, bring them lots of things too.

Franklin, N. C.
December 19, 1938.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy three years old. Please bring me a red wagon, a ball, a train, wheelbarrow, candy, nuts, oranges and apples.

Your little boy,
Rogers Tallent.

Cars Must Have New Tags By January 1

Highway Patrolman Coman requests The Press to announce that all car and truck owners must have their 1939 tags by sunrise on January 1, as drivers using old tags will be liable to arrest after that time.

CAN YOU AFFORD TO BE WITHOUT IT

Funeral Benefit Insurance Costs Are Surprisingly Small Rates From 2½c Month Up According To Age Benefits are Provided in the Amount of \$100 for Persons Over 10 Years of Age and in the Amount of \$50 for Persons Under 10 Years of Age.
Bryant Burial Ass'n.
Franklin, N. C.

TREASURED RECOLLECTIONS

To render the utmost in helpfulness it is first necessary to put oneself in the other's place. It then follows that the service provided will fully measure up to the requirements of the Golden Rule.

It is in this spirit we provide each family we serve with a ceremonial of beauty and dignity—a memorial that becomes a treasured recollection, cherished during the lives of those who remain.

The cost of our service is never greater than elsewhere.

He Serves Best Who Serves Most
BRYANT
Funeral Home
PHONE 106 NIGHT PHONE 20

V. C. Taylor of Durham county will plant 100 acres to lespedeza next spring. The seed used were harvested on his own place this past fall.

Macon Theatre

Matinees 3:30 P. M.
Night Show 7:00 and 9:00
SHOWING FROM 1:30 TO 11 P. M. SATURDAYS

PROGRAM FOR WEEK

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23
THE JONES FAMILY IN
"SAFETY IN NUMBERS"

Where there's a jam there's a Jones... and vice versa
With: JED PROUTY, SHIRLEY DEANE, SPRING BYINGTON, FLORENCE ROBERTS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24
HOPALONG CASSIDY IN
"IN OLD MEXICO"

GEORGE HAYS,
RUSSEL HAYDN
NOTICE
LAST CHAPTER DICK TRACY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26
MIDNIGHT SHOW
STARTING 12:01 a. m.

Five Stars in the year's greatest heart drama!

JOAN CRAWFORD, MARGARET SULLAVAN, ROBERT YOUNG, MELVIN DOUGLAS
FAY BANTER

"THE SHINING HOUR"

ALSO THE SAME SHOW
MONDAY DECEMBER 16
3:30, 7:00, 9:00

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27
CHARLES DICKENS'
"A CHRISTMAS CAROL"

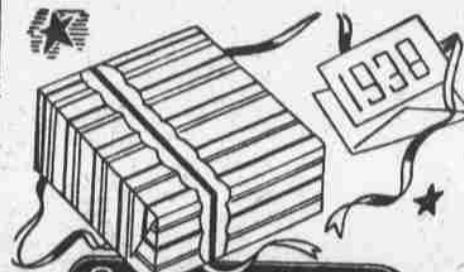
With: REGINALD OWEN, GENE LOCKHART, KATHLEEN LOCKHART, TERRY KILBURN, BARRY MACKAY, LYNNE CRAVER

WED.-THUR., DEC. 28-29

"MEN WITH WINGS"
FRED MacMURRAY, RAY MILLAND, LOUISE CAMPBELL, ANDY DEVINE, LYNNE OVERMAN, PORTER HALL, WALTER ABEL

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Phone 136 Franklin, N. C.



Greetings

Ours is the plain old-fashioned wish, Merry Christmas!

Purol Service Station



JOYOUS HOLIDAY

To those whom we have served, we extend our sincere thanks and every good wish for Christmas joy.

Ray Grocery Co.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

1938

We are grateful for your friendship and loyalty. May you be blessed with all that is in life. That is our wish at this joyous season.

Macon Theatre

Merry Christmas

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Deck the halls with boughs of holly

Sloan's Market

Phone 85

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