

LIST TAKERS

List takers for Moore county townships, who will list taxes during the month of January, have been appointed by the county commissioners as follows:

McNeills, Mrs. D. J. Blue; Sandhills, Mrs. Adelaide M. Schnell; Carhage, Mrs. R. W. Pleasants; Bensalem, Mrs. Nina C. Munroe; Sheffield, Mrs. Bessie Brooks; Ritters, A. L. Poe; Deep River, James Campbell; Greenwood, J. A. Shaw; Mineral Springs, Floyd R. Medlin.

Times and places taxpayers may see them to perform this annual duty will be announced at the time tax listing starts.

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Christmas Comes to Woman's Exchange With Full Line of Local Products

The Sandhills Woman's Exchange is bursting with Christmas.

The little clay-chinked log cabin in the park in Pinehurst is beginning to look like a cozy decorated tree, what with all the red, green and yellow wreaths, piles of fat pine kindling and spiced fruit cakes and fancy candies that fill every nook and cranny.

This non-profit enterprise has always made a special thing of the holiday season. The consignors, many of whom are local women, have finished up their prettiest items for Christmas well in advance. Those who live out in the country near the holly swamps, prod husbands or sons to get out in the woods and find the best greens for sale at the Exchange. The fine cooks have made up their fruit cakes and plum puddings and most delectable sweets and are all set with the fresh supplies to produce more as the calls come in.

The food counter, this year, is offering a plentiful supply of the old favorites: the grape fruit peel, pecans, salted or sugared with a touch of sherry, the pralines and cheese straws and all the other candies and cookies that folks have come to count on. Cakes of several varieties may be ordered for special occasions, besides those kept on hand.

The bundles of lightwood that are also an old standby at the Exchange are there again. Some are

done up fancily or you can buy a basket and have it filled and shipped for you. A tactful card, suggesting to those who are not familiar with its matchlike qualities, that it be used sparingly, accompanies the wood. Hearth-and-heart-warming, also aromatic with the Sandhills pine smell, to drive forlorn exiles from these parts plumb crazy.

The Sandhills Exchange tries to carry things that the regular commercial establishments do not have. Because they don't want to complete with them, for community as well as business reasons. This year there is quite a list of such unusual items. Intriguing to golfers are the knitted mittens, or little hoods, to fit over the heads of your wooden clubs. They are supposed to preserve the clubs and they give a beautifully professional look to your old bag. Leave them on and you might be Boris himself, who knows!

Doll clothes come next on the list of oddments. You can buy an outfit from the Misses department, Youngtimers, Finest Fashions or whatnot. . . so it is said, and for a size 10, 12, 14 or maybe even a stout 20. . . so it is said again. Just bring your doll. Or you may even find her there, or him. The Exchange has several kinds of handmade dolls and toys, for the very young as well as the middle. From the hand of the craftsman, too, is the doll furniture, copied from big size models.

And when you get tired of buying for the doll you can always buy for the doll's mama. The line of hand-made smocked dresses and little aprons and pinafores are among the Exchange's most attractive items. Speaking of aprons, the sets of gardening aprons with sun-bonnets to match look like grand presents for those friends who lurk around in the shrubbery, pulling out this and sticking in that.

Continuing out-doors, for the moment, there are the bird feeders. The eyes of bird-lovers, who do sometimes look at something besides birds, will brighten to see how nice they are. They follow recommended designs and are, also, a local production. The prices look to be about the same as those you see in the catalogues.

There's a lot more: North Carolina pottery from Coles, hooked rugs, spreads, table mats, book-racks, and so on. And comparatively few of those odd-shaped, Woman's-exchange objects, generally pink, that nobody knows what they're for.

Last but not least are the Christmas greens. Here the Exchange is in competition with local nurserymen, many of whom make a specialty of selling greens at Christmas. But seeing as they all come out of our ground and that the demand is far too great for the trade the more the merrier, we imagine.

The Sandhills Woman's Exchange in Pinehurst does its share of providing good cheer for the Christmas season. And it's open all six days of the week, Saturday afternoons included.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND

Under authority conferred by Deed of Trust executed by William Diggs and wife, Nannie Diggs and Johnnie Diggs and wife, Ruth Diggs, of J. Vance Rowe, Trustee for Nezzie Henderson Fonrose, dated December 15, 1951 and recorded in Mortgage Book 96, at page 76, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Moore County, the said Trustee will at 12 o'clock NOON on

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1952 at the court house door of Moore County in Carhage, N. C., sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property situated in McNeills Township, Moore County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

That certain lot or parcel of land in McNeills Township, Moore County, North Carolina, and being designated as Lot No. 15, in Block M & 12, on a map entitled "A Map of Southern Pines, Moore County, North Carolina," said lot being situated in Block M & 12 and fronts on Garner (Gaines) Street and adjoins Lots 14 and 16 in the same block, and being the same lands conveyed by Wm. F. Junge and wife, Emma C. Junge to Marshall Diggs, by deed dated February 6, 1913, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Moore County in Deed Book 64, at page 34. The parties of the first part herein are the sole heirs of said Marshall Diggs, who died intestate in about the year 1929.

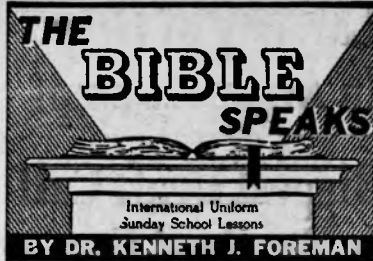
This sale is made on account of default in the payment of the indebtedness secured by the said deed of trust.

A deposit with the Clerk of Superior Court of 10 per cent will be required of the successful bidder.

Dated this 14th day of November 1952.

J. VANCE ROWE, Trustee

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SCRIPTURE: Matthew 14.
DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalm 27:1-4.

Fear or Faith

Lesson for December 14, 1952

"FEAR was the first creator of Gods," wrote a long-ago Roman poet. This was more or less true of all religions he could have known about. It is also true of most religions around the world.

An ex-Buddhist who had once trained for the priesthood in his own religion, said of his childhood, "All I knew was that there were 800 gods and I was afraid of them all."

The characteristic feature of most religions is the appeasement of angry, capricious or vengeful gods. Sometimes the terror is without rhyme or reason, as in the case of the Buddhist boy just quoted. Sometimes the terror has a moral base and reason, as the great Greek poet Aeschylus portrays in his plays—the terrors of a man of guilty conscience fleeing from the gods who do not forget nor forgive.

What Makes Men Afraid?

In Matthew's story we have illustrations of what men fear. Herod, for example, was a superstitious man. He was afraid of John the Baptist, and later afraid of Jesus because he thought he might be John again, risen from the grave. Herod was an example of the man who fears whatever he does not understand. A horse will shy at a piece of paper more than at more dangerous things. Horses nowadays pass cars (or rather, cars pass them!) and the horse does not so much as prick an ear; but in the days when cars were rare, horses would go wild at the very sight or sound of one.

People are like that; grown men are often no more than grown-up children, still afraid of the dark. Then Herod also is an illustration that men are as it were afraid of their own shadows. That is to say, as Shakespeare puts it, "Conscience doth make cowards of us all." Or as the Psalmist said long before Shakespeare: "The wicked flee when no man pursueth."

Many of our fears would never exist if we had lived as we ought to have lived. Men live in fear of exposure, fear of blackmail, fear of failure and defeat, often through no one's fault but their own. Then the disciples too were afraid. They were not superstitious, they were not haunted by their sins, but they were afraid in the storm, they feared the wind and waves.

Why Christians Are Brave

Students of the Bible have discovered that the word "fear" is usually tied there to another word: **Fear not**, is one key-note of both Old and New Testaments. The reason for this is plain. Christianity is the religion of love: love to God, love to one's neighbor. Not mere good will or kindly feeling, but active, self-forgetful love. "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casteth out fear," as St. John said.

Old writers, commenting on the story of Peter's sinking in the sea, have said that if he had kept his mind on Jesus instead of on himself and on the storm-tossed waves, he would not have cried out, "I perish." Certain it is that when we are self-centered we are sure to be tormented with fear, for we are always thinking what may happen to us—and of course plenty can.

If we keep our minds on our work and on the fact that God is our Father, if we remember morning, noon and night that the God who "so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son" is the same God who created this universe and controls it, then we shall not be scourged with fears.

Courageous Christians

It is a tremendous mistake to think that Christianity is only for rabbit people, for mice and not men. Christ does something for even such persons, it is true; he takes them clear out of themselves. Remember the long roll of the early Christian martyrs, very humble people most of them, who died horrible deaths rather than deny their Master; remember such saints as the missionaries who converted our own savage ancestors, at great peril to their own lives; remember the missionaries of our own time, some of them suffering torture and all of them distress, yet not giving up. The ordinary Christian missionary has more to be afraid of than most of the rest of us have; yet he has less fear. He knows God too well.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS

Your Christmas cards deserve first-class handling—sealed, and bearing a three-cent stamp, comes a timely reminder from Postmaster Garland Pierce.

The three-cent mail gets preferential treatment all along the line. It can contain a personal message, and will be forwarded if necessary. If non-deliverable, it will be returned to the sender if it bears a return address.

Two cents will still carry your card, but it must be left unsealed and rates none of the above services. The postmaster suggests buying your stamps in bulk in advance, in sheets of 100 or convenient coils of 500. A new wrinkle for bulk buyers is the "facing slip," which may be asked for at time of purchase. These free slips are used to separate local from out-of-town mail, helping both to move along faster.

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LIFE'S REFLECTIONS

A simple ornament, a fragile, insignificant decoration on a Christmas tree. But look at the beauty it reflects!

Many of us feel that as an individual we have no influence in this world, that our simple, hum-drum existence has no effect on our fellow men.

And yet each human being is a potential source of inspiration and beauty. No matter how humble our station in life, each of us has the power to guide and direct the lives of others. Even slight gestures and remarks can have an important meaning to those about us.

For the sake of others, as well as for our own well-being, let us turn to the Church for inspiration and guidance. Here will we learn to live a life full of goodness and truth, reflecting God's love into dark places.

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<p>BROWNSON MEMORIAL CHURCH (Presbyterian) Cheves K. Ligon, Minister Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Worship service, 11 a. m. Women of the Church meeting, 8 p. m. Monday following third Sunday.</p> <p>The Youth Fellowships meet at 7 o'clock each Sunday evening. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 7:15 p. m.</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH New York avenue at South Ashe William C. Holland, Th. D. Bible school, 9:45 a. m. Worship 11 a. m. Training Union 6:30 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Scout Troop 224, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.; midweek worship, Wednesday 7:30 p. m.; choir practice Wednesday 8:15 p. m.</p> <p>Missionary meeting, first and third Tuesdays, 8 p. m. Church and family suppers, second Thursdays, 7 p. m.</p> <p>MANLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Grover C. Currie, Minister Sunday School 10 a. m. Worship Service, 2nd and 3rd Sunday evenings, 7:30. Fourth Sunday morning, 11 a. m. Women of the Church meeting, 8 p. m. second Tuesday. Mid-week service Thursday at 8 p. m.</p>	<p>EMMANUEL CHURCH (Episcopal) Rev. Charles V. Covell Sunday School, 9:45 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11:00 a. m. St. Anne's Guild, 8 p. m. on first and third Mondays.</p> <p>ST. ANTHONYS (Catholic) Vermont Ave. at Ashe Father Peter M. Denges Sunday masses 8 and 10:30 a. m.; Holy Day masses 7 and 9 a. m.; weekday mass at 8 a. m. Confessions heard on Saturday between 5-6 and 7:30-8:30 p. m. Sunday school for children 3-6, 160 East Vermont avenue, 10:30 a. m.</p> <p>OUR LADY OF VICTORY (Catholic) West Pennsylvania at Hardin Fr. Donald Fearon, C. SS. R. Fr. Robert McCrieff, C. SS. R. assistant Sunday Mass, 10 a. m.; Holy Day Mass, 9 a. m. Confessions are heard before Mass.</p>
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