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Officers Destroy Much Whiskey

Nine Gallons of Whiskey and Several Barrels of Near Whiskey Poured Out; Miniature Home-Made Still

Christmas in this vicinity passed very quietly, and there seems to have been no unusual number of arrests made by officers during the Christmas season.

A quantity of Christmas booze was destroyed by county officers last Saturday and on Monday a lot of potential booze was turned out. Saturday afternoon, Deputies J. O. Hinton, F. C. Fitzgerald, L. D. Parker, J. I. Jeffreys, W. D. Davis and Jasper Pittman found nine gallons of whiskey in Beulah township, four in one place and five in another, and about a gallon of wine. The whiskey was discovered buried in old stump holes. This was brought to Smithfield and poured in the sewer.

On Monday in the same neighborhood, officers poured out about seven barrels of beer. In their search they came across a miniature whiskey still which they confiscated. The still was made from a half-gallon coffee pot and a ten pound lard bucket. It was however complete with the worm.

Saturday morning, officers turned out two barrels of beer near Turner's bridge not far out of the incorporate limits of Smithfield.

Yesterday afternoon a trip a few miles out from Smithfield resulted in the destruction of 120 gallons of beer. This was located about 400 yards from Short Journey negro school.

SPECIAL DEPUTY GETS STILL AND MEN

Special Deputy Sheriff G. E. Weeks, who was recently put on as a prohibition agent for Johnston county, brought in two white men, David Kornegay and William Johnson of Boon Hill township, capturing one up to date plant of 35 gallon capacity. Both men plead guilty and were bound over to federal court.

On December 20 he also captured one sixty five gallon still and its contents three miles south of Princeton and brought in three colored men, Willie Atkinson, Carey Sanders and Moses Powell.

F. M. WATERS HEAD

THE SELMA KIWANIS SELMA, Dec. 24.—For the third time since being organized five years ago, Fred M. Waters, superintendent of the local high school, was again elected to head the Kiwanis club for the year 1929, succeeding J. Dick Massey. Other officers elected for the coming year are as follows: vice-president, D. F. Waddell; district trustee, George M. Norwood; directors, J. D. Massey, E. V. Woodard, I. W. Mayerberg, H. Bueck, G. H. Wilkerson, John S. Flowe.

Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield or Johnston county, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to the Herald office, we will present him with a free ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

Santa Working Hard



Santa Claus has drifted into Seattle, Wash., and opened a work shop there where he is busy manufacturing toys for his young friends who often come in to watch him.

Henry Hood Talks On "Bible Land"

Is Guest of Benson Club at Christmas Program; Baptist Pastor Resigns at Benson; Numerous I Socia Events

Benson, Dec. 24.—The Entree Club held its December meeting with Mrs. Charles Wallace. The subject for the afternoon was "Bible Lands," a subject appropriate at the Christmas season. Mr. Henry Hood, of Dunn, who has recently returned from a tour of the Holy Land was the speaker of the occasion. He was introduced by Mrs. C. C. Canaday. The meeting closed with the singing of "O Little Town of Bethlehem." A number of special guests were present.

The house was decorated in holly, mistletoe, red candles and Christmas flowers. The hostess served chicken salad, pickles, stuffed eggs, sandwiches, fruit cake with whipped cream and coffee. The favors were in the form of a miniature Santa Claus.

Baptist Pastor Goes to Rosemary Friends here and in the county will be sorry to learn that Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Kirk will go to Rosemary the first of January. Mr. Kirk resigned as pastor of the Baptist church here several weeks ago. The members of the Baptist church gave their pastor and family a pouncing Monday evening of last week, a lovely courtesy on the eve of their leaving.

Kiwanians Elect Officers At a recent Kiwanis luncheon, L. L. Levinson was elected president; Preston Woodall, vice-president; and W. H. Royall, secretary. John Charles McNeil Book Club Mrs. J. E. Kirk was hostess to the John Charles McNeil Book Club on Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Two interesting papers were read on "Holland" by Mrs. M. T. Britt and Mrs. Preston Woodall. Mrs. N. G. Woodliff played a piano solo. Fruit salad, cake and hot coffee were served by the hostess.

Entertains at Bridge Mrs. Chas. Wallace entertained Friday evening with six tables of bridge. On each table were attractive score cards and mints. Mrs. S. A. Duncan won high score prize, and Miss Clara Woodall second prize. Dainty handkerchiefs were given the guests of honor, Mrs. W. J. Massey, Miss Lalan Rookh Stephenson, and Miss Sarah Turlington, of Smithfield. The house was decorated with holly and other Christmas greens. The hostess served chicken salad, assorted sandwiches, fruit cake with whipped cream and coffee. The favors were in keeping with the Christmas season.

Bostic Circle Meets. The Bostic Circle of the Baptist Church met with Mrs. J. G. Cagle Monday evening. Those contributing to the program were: Mesdames Frank Hedrick, J. E. Kirk, J. F. Woodall and M. T. Britt.

Birth of a Son Born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson a son, Paul, Jr.

Shelby Folks To Honor Gardner

Inauguration Plans Will Be Attended By Usual Formalities; Raleigh Prepares For Meeting of Legislature

By M. L. SHIPMAN RALEIGH, Dec. 24.—For the first time since the memories of North Carolinians run to the contrary, members of the General Assembly have been called together prior to the convening of the legislative session and all because the home folks of O. Max Gardner, Governor-elect, have indicated a desire to let the people know "what manner of man" the Shelby folk are offering to the people of North Carolina in the person of their distinguished citizen who will assume the reigns of the State government on the 11th day of January, 1929. The Kiwanis club of Shelby of which Mr. Gardner has long been a member, is to give a banquet in honor of the Governor-elect in the "old home town" on December 29th and every member of the in-coming General Assembly is included in the list of guests invited to grace the festive board with their presence. State officials are included in the list of special guests and the event is proposed as a token of tribute to O. Max Gardner for his untiring interest in the organization since he became a charter member of the club in Shelby years ago. The Wake county delegation to the 1929 General Assembly accepts the invitation of the Shelby Kiwanis club and, according to present plans, will be on hand to do honor to the State's next "director general" in appropriate style.

Meanwhile, plans for the inauguration of the new Governor on January 11th are being perfected in the capital city of the State as rapidly as possible. The sub-committee appointed to handle the details for the inauguration exercises here is actively at work in arranging all the details. It is said that a luncheon at the mansion will follow the inaugural exercises, a feature of which will be presentation of a gift from the Cleveland county school children by Lee B. Weathers, editor of the Cleveland Star, to the new governor. It is said that Adjutant General Metz has invited every National Guard organization in the State to take part in the parade, after which the Legislative inaugural committee will be hosts at a luncheon, at the mansion, in honor of Governor Gardner, following a review of the parade arranged by Adjutant General Van B. Metz, a member of the committee in charge of arrangements. It is, therefore, apparent that Mr. Gardner's inauguration will be attended by the usual formalities and as little ostentation as possible, with all official agencies and local organizations seeking to do him honor, as the first citizen of the State. A Visitors' Ball is being planned at the City Hall for the evening beginning at 10:30 o'clock. There will be the usual public reception at the mansion in the evening beginning at eight o'clock.

Although at present engaged in passing Christmas joy along to the unfortunates in this city and vicinity, Raleigh is preparing for the coming the second week of January members of the General Assembly of 1929. The State administration is also setting its house in order and the Memorial Hall, located between the Capitol and the end of Fayetteville street, is ready for inspection. It is 188 feet long and 30 feet wide, including space fourteen feet wide at each end for a monument, the Aycock statue having been moved from its former position facing Morgan street on the southeast side of the square, to the west end of the Mall and the McIver statue to a position near the center of the southeast quarter of the square corresponding, in position, to the Worth Bagley monument in the southwest quarter and the Wyatt memorial in the

December Popular Month With Brides

Register of Deeds of Johnston County Issues 74 Marriage Licenses Before Dec. 25; Divorcees Remarry

December is proving about as popular month as June for brides. The register of deeds of Johnston county issued seventy-four marriage licenses during the month of December up to Christmas day. Ten of these were for negro couples, the other sixty-four for white couples. The licenses were for persons of all ages ranging from a bride of fifteen to a bridegroom of sixty-two.

A number of the ceremonies were performed by Squire W. D. Avera and Magistrate J. H. Kirkman in the County Temple of Justice. Among the lot was a double wedding, the contracting parties being J. H. Creech of Selma, route 2 and Miss Annie Barbour of Pine Level, and I. F. Hollyfield of Wendell and Miss Annie Geneva Durham of Clayton, route 3. This double knot was tied by Squire Avera.

On Saturday night, Magistrate Kirkman married F. R. Staniel and Mrs. Lillie Langdon of this city, this being the second time that they had been before the marriage altar together. Miss Langdon and Mr. Staniel were married first in August, 1917. They lived together for several years and three children were born into their home. In March, 1928, they got a divorce, but on account of their children they decided that divorce was not the thing and after having tried it for nine months, they decided to re-marry and on December 22 they were made man and wife for the second time.

A complete list of the licenses issued will appear in the next issue of the Herald.

northwest quarter. The east end of the Mall is left open for a later statue, while a space is reserved for another in the southeast quarter. The cost of these improvements in the capital grounds is said to be around \$7,000 so far and the General Assembly is expected to appropriate a sufficient sum to complete the plans which, officials believe, have the approval of the incoming Governor.

Raleigh is right now interested to some extent in the organization of the two branches of the General Assembly for there will be pages, clerks and stenographers to select after legislative appointments are announced and a major portion of these are usually found here in the capital city of the State. The "slate fixers" figure that Representative A. H. Graham of Orange, will be Speaker of the House without opposition and that Senator T. L. Johnson of Robeson, is the best bet for president protem of the Senate. Alex Lassiter, connected with the principal clerk's office of the House since 1899, as assistant or chief clerk, is expected to succeed himself as principal clerk, notwithstanding the candidacy of Walter Lee Horton, of Wake, for that position. Miss Rosa Mund, of Concord, will come back as engrossing clerk of the House if she so desires and R. T. Wilson, of Caswell, as enrolling clerk. Leroy Martin has no opposition for re-election to the position of principal clerk of the Senate. Otis P. Shell, of Harnett, appears to have a clear field for sergeant-at-arms and the Reverend A. Corey for engrossing clerk. "Doc" Higgins, defeated two years ago for sergeant-at-arms of the House by Captain Lisk, an aged Confederate veteran, will probably have "easy sailing" in the House caucus on the evening of January 8th along with the successful contestants for other House positions. He has been there before, knows what to do and how to do it. Big committee assignments are problematical.

DR. THEL HOOKS IS NOW IMPROVING

Dr. Thel Hooks, who was taken to a Richmond hospital last Friday, is now reported to be improving. Dr. Hooks recently dropped a lancet on his right foot and the wound became infected causing the foot to have to be amputated. After this operation, it was thought he was doing nicely until last Friday he became much worse and was rushed to Richmond. Mrs. Hooks and sons, Messrs. Thel and Bill Hooks, and Dr. W. G. Wilson accompanied him to the hospital there, and a blood transfusion was given. His sons offered their blood, but a test proved that the blood of Dr. Wilson was more satisfactory, and the transfusion was made from Dr. Wilson. The condition of Dr. Hooks remained grave through Sunday, but since that time, he has been improving. A telegram from Mrs. Hooks yesterday gave his condition on Wednesday as follows: "Fairly comfortable today; looking much better; general condition improving."

Mrs. Bailey Hurt In Auto Accident

Car Overtakes On Glendale Road Near Kenly; Christmas Programs Feature Season In Kenly

KENLY, Dec. 26.—An automobile accident took place about four miles from town on the Glendale road last Saturday about two o'clock, when a car driven by Miss Adna Lee Bailey left the road and overturned in the ditch. The road was muddy and the car skidded and Miss Bailey lost control of the car.

Miss Bailey was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. W. T. Bailey, and a sister, Mrs. W. A. Stallings, of Charlotte. When Mrs. Bailey was taken out of the car through the top which was cut open, she was bleeding from cuts received from broken glass, and internal injuries are feared. Mrs. Stallings was slightly hurt, but Miss Bailey was not hurt at all. The accident was reported to Mr. J. Dobbin Bailey and Dr. G. S. Coleman who went immediately to the scene and brought the injured to the home of Mrs. Bailey. Chief Pulley also assisted in bringing the wounded here. Mrs. Bailey is thought to be in a serious condition. Mrs. Stallings is doing very well.

Music Program Methodist Church. The following program was rendered at Holden Memorial Methodist church Sunday morning at eleven o'clock: Voluntary Anthem: "Praise Ye Jehovah." Hymn: "Angels From the Realms of Glory." Responsive Reading. Prayer. Anthem: "Glory to God in the Highest." Anthem: "Peace and Good Will." Hymn: "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night." Sermon: "The Meaning of the Christ to Us," by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Frizelle. Benediction.

The personnel of the choir was as follows: Sopranos, Mesdames H. M. Grizzard, L. C. Wilkinson and A. J. Broughton; altos, Mesdames C. F. Darden and Katie M. Hooks; tenor, J. M. Staniel; basses, J. W. Hollowell and J. H. Frizelle. The organist was Mrs. Passie H. Edgerton.

At the night service, Rev. M. Bradshaw, presiding elder, preached a sermon on "The Satisfying Christ." Immediately after the sermon, Dr. Bradshaw held the first quarterly conference. He was much pleased and encouraged by the plans for the coming year. Christmas Service at Presbyterian. Monday evening in the Presbyterian church a large congregation gathered and enjoyed a beautiful and inspiring Christmas service. The church was appro-

Miss Blackman Weds Mr. Comer

Lovely Wedding at Home of Bride's Parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blackman Saturday Morning

SELMA, Dec. 22.—A marriage of outstanding interest in this community was that of Miss Hazel Alta Blackman to William Ernest Comer, solemnized Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents on the corner of Oak and Massey streets. A number of close relatives and friends attended the impressive ring ceremony, which was performed by Rev. D. M. Sharpe, pastor of the Selma Methodist church, assisted by Rev. R. L. Shirley.

Lovely decorations consisted of ferns against the scene of cedar and pine. Preceding the ceremony a beautiful musical program was rendered by Mrs. N. G. Woodliff, pianist, and Miss Rose Worley, cousin of the bride. Lohengrin's bridal chorus and Mendelssohn's wedding march were used, as processional and recessional. "To a Wild Rose" was played during the ceremony.

The bride was escorted by her eldest brother, Dr. R. M. Blackman, of Oxford. They were met at the improvised altar by the bridegroom, accompanied by John Smith, of Greensboro, as best man.

The bride wore a becoming frock of pencil blue crepe with woodbrown accessories. She carried a bride's bouquet of sweet-heart roses and lilies of the valley exquisitely showered.

Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Comer left for Key West, Fla., and Cuba. Upon their return they will be at home at Boone.

The bride, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Blackman, possesses a pleasing personality and is admired by a wide circle of friends. She attended Queen's College, Charlotte, and is a member of the Chi Sigma Alpha sorority. She graduated with honors in the class of 1928 from the Appalachian State Normal at Boone. She was a member of the Benson school faculty prior to her marriage.

The bridegroom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Comer, of Hiddenite. He received his degree in law at the University of North Carolina and for the past two years has been practicing in Boone. He is a member of the Acaemia and Phi Alpha Delta fraternity. NOTE: Mrs. Comer is the sister of Mr. Gibson Blackman of the Young Motor company, also a niece of Dr. J. H. Fitzgerald of Smithfield.

Negro Boy Fatally Shot In Cleveland

Young Hermit



Curtis H. Glover, Dartmouth College student, is far from the classroom. He is believed to have established his "hermit home" in a small cottage 45 miles north of Hanover, N. H.

Companion Is Freed After Investigation by Coroner; Shooting Is Said To Be Accidental

Desire for some Christmas money is probably at the bottom of the killing of Vernon Hodges, young negro boy of Cleveland township, which occurred last Sunday afternoon. The boy who was about thirteen years of age, together with another negro, Cleveland Sanders, about fifteen, had made away with some corn belonging to the father of one of the boys and on Sunday afternoon were in an old abandoned house near the old homestead of W. H. Austin for the purpose of shucking it and preparing it for sale. They had a pistol with which they were playing and in the course of their revelry, the pistol fired and took effect in Vernon Hodges causing his death.

The sheriff was summoned and Sanders was taken into custody overnight. Monday, the coroner, Dr. Parker of Benson, held an investigation with the following jury impaneled: H. M. Barber, J. W. Hobbs, Percy Barber, J. H. Kirkman, Tom Stallings, and Mr. Lee. The jury found that the boy came to his death accidentally and Sanders was discharged.

Hold White Gift Service In Selma

Community Christmas Tree Success; D. H. Williams Dies on Christmas Eve; Social Affairs Feature Christmas Season

SELMA, Dec. 26.—The "White Gift Service" was participated in by a goodly number Sunday evening, December 23, at Edgerton Memorial Methodist church. A splendid musical program had been planned by Miss Stella Etheridge for the occasion and while several members of the choir were unable to be present on account of influenza the following members rendered a most enjoyable program: Mrs. M. R. Wall, Mrs. W. A. Nordan, Mrs. J. D. Massey, Miss Stella Etheridge and Messrs. John Q. A. Jeffries and R. E. Suber.

An illuminated star shed its radiance over the choir as the congregation gathered, and carols, "Silent Night" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" were sung from the outside. Miss Mildred Perkins played "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" as the candle procession filed in and placed their lighted candles around the altar. The following program was then carried out: Song: "Joy to the World," by congregation.

"There's a Song in The Air," solo, by John Q. A. Jeffries. Scripture Reading by Rev. D. M. Sharpe. "The Angels," (from Cantata King Immanuel) by choir. Song: "Under the Stars," primary and juniors. Story: "Why the Chimes Rang," Miss Miriam Brietz. "While the Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," choir. "Sleep My Saviour," solo, Mrs. M. R. Wall. Gift Procession: Song, "O Sing Unto The Lord," choir.

Attend Tree at Orphanage. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Call were guests of Mrs. N. E. Edgerton in Raleigh Christmas day. Mrs. Edgerton and Mr. and Mrs. Call attended the children's Christmas tree at the Methodist orphanage in the evening. The tree was a very large one, beautifully decorated and brilliantly lighted. The members of Edenton Street Methodist church had each taken the name of an orphan and provided the gift which the child had written Santa Claus that he wanted most. Mr. Call said he had never seen happier children. They also visited the baby cottage and were delighted with the equipment and arrangement for the twenty tiny occupants, most of them around the age of two and one-half years.

Community Tree Is a Success. The hearts of dozens of little children were made happy Christmas eve when they gathered around Selma's first community Christmas tree. Carols were sung and the Harmonica band played "Silent Night," after which Santa Claus took charge and with helpers distributed the gifts. The success of the affair was largely due to Mrs. G. M. Norwood, president of the Parent-Teacher Association and her committee of efficient helpers. Turn to page four

COTTON ASSOCIATION MAKES DISTRIBUTION

Following an established custom, the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association is sending out checks to all members holding cotton in the Seasonal Pool, amounting to \$125,000.00, stated U. B. Blalock, General Manager of the Cotton Association last week.

"A very limited quantity of our Seasonal Pool cotton has been sold, but a sufficient amount to warrant us in making this distribution to our seasonal pool members.

"No checks are being mailed to the optional pool members at this time, as, under the operation of this pool, sales and distribution can only be made upon order of the member."

It was further announced that the total deliveries to the association were running considerably ahead of last year's deliveries.

"Our records show that out our list of largest delivery members Mrs. M. C. Braswell of Battleboro, is still leading with 1020 bales; Z. V. Pate of Laurel Hill, Gibson, and Purvis, with 980 bales; P. E. Ransom of Garysburg with 673 bales, and W. A. Pierce, of Weidon, 605 bales."

GIN REPORT FOR JOHNSTON

Census report shows that there were 39,398 bales of cotton ginned in Johnston county from the crop of 1928 prior to December 13 as compared with 49,781 bales ginned to December 13 crop of 1927.

Aunt Roxie Opines By Me

"Ef my ole man wuz President I'd make him git his name in de paper if he had to go ter a ball game. Noosepapers sho' iz useful; dey keeps 'lasses cake frum stickin' ter de pan, stop leaky radiators and even a rat loves ter git into e'm."

