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## A Sober Christmas

At this time of the year when most of the people are planning how they shall celebrate Christmas, we would like to call attention to the way some think they must celebrate the day. Of course every person has his own way of observing the day and he thinks that way is better than any other. But how a sensible man can believe that he is celebrating his holiday when he gets drunk, is more than we can see. Aside from the act itself there are other things to consider, a married man spends his money for liquor which ought to go to his wife and children. The man himself is the only one who enjoys this way of celebrating and we question whether he gets real pleasure out of it. He makes himself disagreeable to many people and very often a quarrel results. And then when the reaction sets in he does not feel that the celebration has been a success.

It is said that the liquor people are making strenuous efforts to get their goods in the home of every farmer in the South, and they will do so too unless a strenuous effort is made to counteract their activities. We hope the people of this county will not fall for their plan but will celebrate their Christmas without the use of this trouble breeding stuff. Save your money for other ways of celebrating, ways which will benefit others and which will not make you feel like you have been through the mill when this is all over. — Greenville Reflector.

## Citizens To Meet

Monday night at the City Hall, Rev. O. L. Stringfield, assistant superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, will address the citizens of Williamston. The League is endeavoring to get the people of the State in line on the question of a better enforcement of the present prohibition law. Mr. Stringfield is a very earnest speaker, and is sure to interest all who hear him. Everybody who stands for the good of State, town and county should attend this meeting, and by their presence endorse the movement for a better and higher citizenship.

## Oak City High School

Honor Roll for third month.

### First Grade:

Gladys Everett,  
Margaret Hines,  
Sarah Long Johnson,  
Lucile House,  
Myrtella Hyman,  
Mildred Davenport,  
Pauline Davenport,  
Hazel Piland,  
Eloise Ross.

### Second Grade:

Christine Piland,  
Clifton Hyman.

### Third Grade:

Virginia Hines,  
Howard Brown.

### Fourth Grade:

Annie Hurst.

## Manning-Corey

Last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. William Manning, father of the bride, Miss Florence Manning was wedded to Mr. Sherrod Corey, Rev. A. J. Manning officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Corey will continue to reside in Griffins Township, where they are popular young people, the groom being a prominent farmer of that section.

## LOCAL

Shop early and shop in Williamston.

Everybody should own a Turner's Almanac. It is full of useful information.

Friday before Christmas Prof. J. T. Jerome will take up collections for the Belgians. Those wishing to contribute may give the money to the school on that day.

The Roanoke River among other things, has taken a rise. Turkey hunting will increase in favor among local Nimrods.

Folks are killing a pig or two for home consumption during the Christmas season, and "freshies" bring a satisfied smile.

Do your Christmas shopping right here in Williamston. There is not one bit of need to go out of town. Santa Claus has arranged to please the children, and the stores are full of things suitable for useful gifts for young and old. "Buy in Williamston."

Large tobacco sales here every day, and prices are fine. Bring the rest of your crop and get the cool cash right from the banks. Then deposit it for safety and a rainy day.

Readers of the Saturday Evening Post will remember that splendid story, "The Price She Paid," and want to see a presentation of it. A high class company will present in here tomorrow night at the Opera House, and those desiring to witness a good show should secure seats at Saunders & Fowden.

The S. R. Biggs Iron and Motor Company have some attractive bargains in the famous Buick cars, which have stood the test in this section as well as everywhere else. Visit their garage for a prospective purchaser or needed repairs. They will demonstrate with pleasure and repair quickly.

Rev. Marshall Craig, assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church Wilmington, preached here on Sunday night to a large congregation, and made a fine impression on his hearers. It is reported that he will not accept the pastorate here, however, as he considers his present work of such importance that he does not see fit to leave it.

Coons and possums are so plentiful in this section that hog meat has decreased in value in the estimation of many. Rabbit meat also is an important entree, and the woods are full of them. One almost imagines himself in Chatham County, where there is a rabbit for each blade of grass, they say.

Saturday afternoon some miscreant threw a cracker under the feet of a mule driven by a colored man, and the animal ran away and damaged the buggy. Such acts as this makes the town authorities pass restrictive laws, and those who would have fun with crackers in a harmless way, are deprived of their privilege because of the meanness of another.

## Officers Elected

Tuesday night was the annual election of officers of Skewarkee Lodge, and a large number of the members who live out of town, came in early to attend. The election resulted in naming H. W. Stubbs, Master; H. D. Taylor S. Warden; S. S. Brown, Junior Warden, C. D. Crrstarphen was re-elected Treasurer and A. D. Mizell, Secretary. At the installation of these in January, the annual banquet will be given.

## An Elopement

There is something in the air around these parts that is promoting marriages, either announced in the orderly way or elopements by way of autos. It is nothing less or more than Cupid, who laughs at bars and locks, when they obstruct his plans. Another one of his contracts was made good on Monday night, when Miss Eloise Meadows, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Meadows, married Chas. B. Baker at Tarboro. The arrangements were made on Sunday, when Mr. Baker came here from Norfolk, and Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gurganus, they motored to Tarboro, and by the assistance of a friend secured license from Register Bunn, though Miss Meadows was only seventeen and failed to get the consent of her parents. About ten that night a phone message was received here announcing the marriage, and the wedded pair left for Norfolk where the groom works.

## Mr. William J. Stone

Friday night after a brief illness, William J. Stone died on the houseboat of his son at the river dock. Mr. Stone with his wife came here from Norfolk two weeks ago to visit his son and wife, who have lived here for the past year. He had suffered several times within the past few months with La Grippe, and finally was stricken with pneumonia from which he had not the strength to rally. He was 63 years old, a native of Virginia and made his home in Norfolk.

Sunday morning his body was taken to the Methodist Church, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. T. Stanford. The interment was in the Baptist Cemetery.

Much sympathy is felt here for the bereaved wife and son who have lost forever a husband and father.

## December Court

Next Monday, the December Term of the Martin County Superior Court will convene here with Judge Ferguson, presiding. Solicitor Allsbrook will appear for the State. As the term is for one week only, the Criminal Docket will occupy the entire time, no doubt, there being only one Civil case that of Weaver vs Hines, set for the week. The Criminal Docket is larger than usual though very few cases of importance. Randall Purvis is to be tried for murder, but it will probably be a case of accidental homicide, as the evidence points that way.

## OPERA HOUSE

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## Methodist Bazaar

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church held a Christmas Bazaar on Thursday night of last week at the Masonic Hall. In the center of the hall, a large booth was arranged for the sale of fancy articles. The decorations on this were suggestive of the approaching season and made an attractive scene. On the stage Mrs. L. B. Harrison presided over the Baby booth, where pretty articles for baby's wardrobe were exhibited. Mrs. Clayton Moore sold at the apron booth, and Miss Annie Mizell sold copper plate etchings. A salad course was served throughout the evening.

As usual the rush for the beautiful articles in every booth was made early in the evening, and those going later found the prettiest sold. Mesdames Jerome, Gurganus and Habelstadt with Miss Deborah Fleming presided over the fancy articles. Mrs. C. W. Keith acted as treasurer. Friday night, the bazaar was opened again so as to dispose of the remaining articles which had been reduced. The amount realized was \$180.00. The Aid Society is being congratulated on its splendid work during the year in preparing so many articles for sale.

## To Sell Near Everetts

Mr. K. W. Cobb, Special Representative of the Atlantic Coast Realty Company, was in town Wednesday advertising the sale of the George D. Roberson farm near Everetts, on Wednesday the 16th. This farm is well known in the county for its productiveness, and having been the property of Elder Roberson, who was one of the most prominent Primitive Baptist ministers in the section, makes it very desirable to people wanting a farm conveniently situated. It is near a good shipping point, and is admirably located for homes. This will make the fourth sale held by the Company within the past month, one (the Watts land) lasting two days. Note the time and place in ad on another page. Mr. Cobb represents a Company which knows that "it pays to advertise." The man who does not lose in the great ocean of business.

## PERSONAL

B. A. Critcher spent Sunday in Wilson.

W. G. Hedgepeth, of-Hobgood, who was a former resident of Williamston, attended the meeting of the Masonic Lodge here Tuesday night.

Mrs. Mary E. Peel, left Tuesday afternoon to visit her daughter at Tarboro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Parker arrived here from Suffolk Wednesday, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Hodges.

J. D. Biggs was in town from Washington on Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Biggs, H. A. Biggs and Mrs. S. F. Williams went to Scotland Neck Saturday to be at the bedside of their uncle, Mr. Noah Biggs who is very ill at his home there.

Rev. Morrison Bethea spent Sunday in Rocky Mount.

Mrs. Fannie S. Biggs and Harry A. Biggs left Tuesday for Raleigh where they will attend the sessions of the Baptist State Convention, which is meeting in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, of Bethel, were in town Tuesday evening.

Misses Janie Freeman and Jessie Fulghum, of Wilson, are the guests of Mrs. P. B. Cone on Haughton Street.

A. L. Bellflower was here from Parmele on Monday.

J. G. Barnhill and C. James, of Robersonville, were here Monday on business.

J. T. Barnhill was here from Everetts on Monday.

W. A. Ellison and son went to Suffolk Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lawrence and little child, of Scotland Neck, have been visiting relatives here this week.

A. T. Crawford was in Rocky Mount Tuesday on business.

Miss Josephine Robertson is visiting relatives in Ahoskie.

## Mrs. Dunning Hostess

The December meeting of the Gideon Lamb Chapter of the D. A. R. was held with Mrs. A. R. Dunning on Thursday afternoon of last week. A very instructive and interesting programme had been arranged, and was enjoyed. The honor guest was Mrs. Rome Biggs, who expects to become a member.

Mrs. Dunning, who always provides pleasure in abundance for her guests, was never more gracious than on this occasion. The guests were invited into the dining room and seated about the elegantly appointed table, whose cover was linen and lace artistically combined in beautiful designs. The center piece was a large cake ornamented with red and white roses with a small flag across the whole. Around this was placed miniature drums, which were given as souvenirs. Pretty flag receptacles held salted almonds and the place cards were pretty with a flag thereon. The menu which had come from Penders' at Norfolk, consisted of Smithfield ham, tongue sandwiches fruit salad, cheese straws, turkey, saltines, pickles, gelatine with cream and cherries, fruit cake and fancy cake in form of a drum with the shield of the Nation in colors. The menu was served in perfect taste, and the guests appreciated the thought of the hostess for their enjoyment.

## Publishes A Book

"Ballads of Courageous North Carolinians" is the title of a book of poems just brought out by Mr. Marshall De Lancey Haywood, of Raleigh. Mechanically it is of very attractive appearance and the poems have literary merit of a high order, revealing, also, that wide historical information for which their author is noted. Messrs. Alfred Williams & Co., have presented the News and Observer with a copy of the book.

Elaborating somewhat on the title of his book, Mr. Haywood designates it on the title page "Some Versified Legends of the Old North State Founded Upon Fact, Fancy and Fiction." Justification of the subject is found in a citation from Wallace—"Of thine own country sing," and poetic license is further excused with a quotation which reads "Od's life, must one swear to the truth of a song?"

The book is inscribed "as a token of friendship and affection" to Col. Wilson Gray Lamb, of Williamston, president of the North Carolina Society of the Cincinnati, "in peace and in war a loyal North Carolinian and a worthy representative of heroic revolutionary ancestors."

Some of the subjects are Old Colonial Days, Roanoke Island, Blackbeard the Corsair, the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, The Masons of '76, etc.

## Hamilton Items

Mrs. R. A. Edmondson and little daughter returned from Rocky Mount where they visited relatives.

Dr. Nicholson, of Washington, has been the guest of his daughter, Mrs. D. E. Taylor.

Mrs. W. L. Sherrod, of Enfield, visited her daughter here last week.

Mrs. Walter Walter Deal and children left for their home in Georgia Tuesday.

Mrs. Mamie Hyman, of Newport News, is the guest of relatives here.

Miss Addie Lee Long, of Bethel, spent several days with Mrs. F. L. Haislip.

Miss Lou Council spent last week in town.

## Oak City Items

Mrs. Blanch Hardison, of Asheville, is visiting relatives here.

The square dance given by Messrs. L. T. Chesson and W. C. Allsbrook was quite a success and highly enjoyed.

Saturday morning little Virginia Hines was badly burned on the hips and legs, while sitting in front of the fire playing with paper dolls. The burns are painful but not necessarily fatal.

Little Pattie Weeks has returned to her home in Scotland Neck.

Miss Nannie Bell Fleming returned to Scotland Neck Saturday.

W. L. Stalls was here from Williamston was Tuesday.

Ralph House was in Hobgood Tuesday.

Billie Haislip was here Sunday. Miss Lila Philpot went to Hobgood Monday.

Miss Blount Johnson spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. H. J. Etheridge.

B. A. Critcher, of Williamston, was in town Monday.