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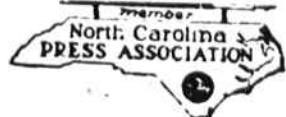
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And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. Luke 2:10-14.

Dr. Charles Z. Candler

We pause at this time to pay tribute to the passing of one of Jackson County's finest citizens, Dr. Charles Z. Candler, a native son who has served loyally and unselfishly throughout his entire life. It is impossible to know the many homes he has entered day and night, bringing healing and comfort to body and mind but it is possible to know that the hearts of Jackson County keenly feel their loss. The hospital on the hill will long serve as a tangible memory but more deeply imprinted in our hearts will be the memory of Dr. Charlie's service and devotion. Father, physician, and man—each capacity he filled well and yet found time to serve his community in civic and church affairs. No portion of life in Jackson County will go untouched with our loss.

GIs Dream Of Xmas, 1945

Christmas this year will not be the happy holiday it is traditionally for many an American family. The absence of a son, a husband, or a father—fighting overseas for our liberty—will be too keenly felt.

But all of us, including GI Joe in his foxhole in Germany or on a Pacific island, can dream of a much happier Christmas in 1945. Realization of this dream depends on us at home as well as on him at the front.

It is now clear that the day of victory on both fronts is geared to the production of war materials. Already our drive against the Nazis has been slowed by a rationing of artillery shells. War Production Board and military chiefs say an increase in war production on the Home Front will shorten the war.

The pulpwood shortage has created one of the serious bottlenecks in war production. Without sufficient pulpwood, industry cannot produce enough ammunition or enough paper and paperboard to package the thousands of tons of supplies needed constantly by our fighting men.

Every farm woodland in this area is an arsenal. Every tree that could be cut into pulpwood is a weapon badly needed overseas. Every pulpwood cutter is an important war worker whose job is vital to victory.

We can all dream of a happier Christmas in 1945 if we do our utmost now to increase production at home. Cutting pulpwood today will bring the boys home sooner. Tomorrow may be too late.

YOU'RE TELLING ME!

That middle western householder who mistakenly used maple syrup instead of varnish to finish a living room floor certainly made a sweet job of it.

German troops are using land mines made of glass. Just another Axis trick boys can see through.

Napoleon's Crown Reported Missing From Paris—headline. Wonder which one of the Nazis took it home to Germany with him—just to try on for size?

Christmas Greetings

As publishers of The Herald this is our first Christmas with you and we anticipate with pleasure the hope of being with you many Christmases in the future. In greeting you at this time we wish to express our sincere appreciation of the manner in which you have received us. You have extended the hand of good fellowship and made us feel welcome. We have endeavored at all times to be of service and a booster to Jackson county and to bring you the news of the town and county. In doing this it has been a privilege to serve you.

We wish to extend Best Wishes to our advertisers and wish for each of you continued success in your chosen fields. We have enjoyed working with you and appreciate the reciprocal patronage that has marked our contacts.

We also appreciate the support of the public in general which includes those who have cooperated with us in the coverage of the news, our readers in Sylva and Jackson county, and in the Armed Forces in this country and overseas, and those who are now residing in various parts of our country but continue to keep in touch with Jackson county through The Herald.

We wish for each and every citizen of Jackson County a Happy Christmas and continued prosperity in the year ahead.

News and Comment From Raleigh

CAPITAL LETTERS

By

THOMPSON GREENWOOD

NOTES—These notes are being typed in the Press Room of the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, home of the 1944 FARM BUREAU Convention.

MEETING—Around 8,000 people are in Chicago this week attending the annual convention of the Bureau. Of this number, 160 are from North Carolina. Although most of the delegates from Tarheelia are from the Eastern counties, there is a good scattering from the Western Carolina farms.

WILLIAMS—Joe Williams, affable assistant to Farm Bureau Secretary Fluke Shaw, is from Yadkinville. Williams planned the whole trip, attending to every detail including unscheduled stops at rest rooms en route. In the cold gray light of dawn last Thursday four buses pulled out of Raleigh. The delegates spent the first night in Charleston, W. Va., arriving in Chicago around 3 o'clock on Saturday morning, sleepy tired, cold, and hungry . . . in spite of everything that Joe Williams could do.

TRIP—The trip to Chicago went some like this—Raleigh Winston-Salem (lunch), Pilot Mountain, Mt. Airy, Bluefield, W. Va., Charleston, Huntington, Portsmouth, Ohio, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Ind., and Chicago.

MONEY—The Farm Bureau, which stands for more money for crops, is rapidly spreading to Western North Carolina. It is now strongest in the Whiteville - Wilson - Greenville - Ahsoki - Raleigh - Lumberton territory. Look out for this organization, and if you are a farmer or are sympathetic with it, become a member! It's a good thing! The FB is for the farmer and for everything for the ultimate good of the farmer. Its big growth has come under the New Deal, but it is now girding its loins for any depression years that may lie ahead. The delegates here have sold their tobacco, got their small grain in the ground, ordered their fertilizer, have bought the children's winter clothes, and are now in Chicago mainly to have a good time—and to listen to speeches now and then—if they don't find them too boring! They really have money, too, with tobacco selling for 42 cents per pound and peanuts going for 6-8-10 cents per pound, and they are tipping the bellhops quarters and half-dollars, and are generally looking and feeling pretty prosperous.

MEMBERSHIP—North Carolina has more delegates present than any other State out of the Illinois-Ohio-Indiana area. North Carolina has made a bigger gain in membership from 1943 to 1944 than any other State in the Nation—from 15,000 to 30,010. South Carolina, which reported no members in 1943, now has 2,971.

STATES—The National Farm Bureau Federation had 587,499 members in 1943, now has 828,486, a gain of 20.5 per cent. Illinois has 103,483.

TIRED—The farmers on this trip are not merely tired from the bus travel. They are just tired. Increased crop goals and the shortage of virtually everything have worn them out. Consequently, there will likely be—and this is from them—less tobacco and some other crops grown in North Carolina in 1945 than was the case this year. This will be especially true of tobacco, but they will come through on the food crops. Wait and see.

SMITH—Neill Smith, elephantine Surry County farm agent, is a very proud fellow. Last week, he wrote an important Washington official that he thought Hutson of the CCC would make a dandy Secretary of Agriculture. In Charleston, W. Va., he bought a paper and found that Roosevelt is seriously considering Hutson for the place. Some power . . .

UNUSUAL—Fluke Shaw was boasting in the lobby last Saturday morning about the fine spirit of Columbus County Bureau folks. They got together and sent a representative from Bladen to the Convention. The Chicago Tribune reporter picked up information on this for subsequent notice in this little (circulation over 900,000) per. Real Southern hospitality, they call it in Chicago.

BEER—A lot of these farming folks like to drink beer, it seems, but don't go for anything stronger. A dollar will get you five that the Chicago beer-namers are not familiar with at least one institution in North Carolina, for the beer selling around the hotel is a brand called "Keeley".

DORSEY—You have probably been reading in the papers about that Tommy Dorsey-Jon Hall scrap. Well, right after Dorsey was freed of the charge, he caught a plane for Chicago. His orchestra is playing here at the Sherman—in the Panther Room—but the farmers care nothing for him or for his band. They went to the National Barn Dance on Saturday evening.

NOTES—Due to crowded hotel conditions, the hotel is putting four men to a room—the delegates will be back home late Saturday night, according to that Master Arranger Joe Williams—around 10 per cent of the N. C. delegates had never been out of North Carolina prior to this trip . . . Approximately 10 county agents are here, among them Agent Raper of Columbus, Smith, of Surry, Jamieson, of Pasquotank, and Weeks, of Wake. If the Farm Bureau power holds, look for it to have a big voice in naming your next Governor and your next President.

ARGURA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Harris and son recently returned to their home here from Cougar, Wash.
Pvt. William Jule Hoxit has returned to camp after spending a ten-day furlough with relatives here.
Mrs. Kenneth Crawford has gone to

Camp Rucker, Ala., to spend some time with her husband who is stationed there.

Mr. and Mrs. Hexter Brown announce the birth of a son.

Pvt. Warren Wallace Wood has been spending a furlough with his family. He left today for Fort George Meade, Md.

Rev. Whitney Massingale, who has been employed at Darrington, Wash., has returned to his home here.

Mrs. Ranzie Mathis recently received word that her husband, Pfc. Ranzie L. Mathis, is now serving somewhere in France.

Mrs. Albert Ammons and small daughter are spending some time with Pvt. Ammons' mother, Mrs. Martha Ammons.

Mrs. LeRoy Mathis has received word that her husband, Pfc. LeRoy Mathis, is somewhere in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Broom received a letter from their son, Pvt. Luther Broom, stating that he was in the invasion of the Philippines.

Mr. Mitchell Melton recently presented to the Canada township an honor roll for all the boys who are in service. It has been posted in the Neddy Baptist Church.

Baptist Church Christmas Program

Rev. C. M. Warren, Pastor
Sunday 9:45 A. M.—Sunday school, J. T. Gribble, Supt.
11:00 A. M.—Worship service.
Pastor's message will be: "The Night Of Nights."
6:30 P. M.—B-T. U., Claude Campbell, Director.
7:30—Program of Christmas, music Sunday night.
Tuesday, 7:30 P. M.—Prayer meeting.
Wednesday, 3 P. M.—General meeting of W. M. S.
Sunday school program, Friday evening, 7:30.
Choir practice, Friday evening, 8:30.
All members are urged to attend.
On Sunday, Dec. 24, at 3:00 P. M. there will be memorial services for John R. Jones, Jr.
Santa Claus will bring the dairy cow a bag full of comfort, kind treatment, ample water, salt, grain mixture, silage and good, bright legume hay.

RITZ THEATRE

SYLVA, N. C.

NIGHT SHOWS 7:00 and 9:00 P. M.—MATINEE
Saturday—LATE SHOW Saturday 10:30—ADMISSION, Children Under 12 Years, 12c; Adults, All Seats, 35c—TAX, On Children's Pass 2c; Adults Pass 6c.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20
INVISIBLE MAN'S REVENGE
JON and E. ANKERS

THURSDAY, DEC. 21
THIS IS THE LIFE
DONALD O'CONNOR, S. FOSTER

FRIDAY, DEC. 22
THE LADY AND THE MONSTER
R. ARLEN, E. V. STRONHEIM

SATURDAY, DEC. 23
CALL OF THE ROCKIES
SMILEY BURNETTE, S. CARSON

Late Show 10:30 . . .
SECRETS OF SCOTLAND YARD
MYSTERY AND SUSPENSE

MONDAY, DEC. 25
SWING OUT THE BLUES
MUSICAL COMEDY WITH RADIO ST.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27
THREE LITTLE SISTERS
MARY LEE, RUTH TERRY

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BE SO HAPPY
THAT EVERYTHING YOU DO WILL
LINGER IN YOUR MEMORY
AND BRING ADDED JOY
TO YOU.

QUEEN'S BEAUTY

SHOPPE

PHONE

