

# For a Merrier Christmas

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### Meeting of County Demonstration Farmers

A number of county demonstration farmers were here Saturday afternoon to attend the meeting, which shows their interest in promoting the farm improvement of this county.

Mr. Lynn, Assistant County Agent of Yancey County, was here and gave a very interesting talk on the demonstration work and explained the constitution and by-laws of the Yancey County Soil Improvement Association. Short talks of interest were made by local attendees.

We decided to meet on January 18, 1936 and organize a Madison County Soil Conservation Association, and I hope on the above date we will have a 100 per cent. attendance. It is absolutely necessary to attend this meeting if you expect to be a demonstration farmer. We will discuss plans for 1936. We will have some outstanding man in the work to speak at this meeting.

### \$3,000,000 PAID N. C. FARMERS

The Agricultural Adjustment Administration poured almost \$3,000,000 into the pockets of North Carolina farmers during the months of July, August, and September.

Rental and benefit payments to farmers cooperating in the crop adjustment programs accounted for \$2,578,086.79 of the total, said Dean L. O. Schaub, of State College.

The largest sum went to tobacco growers, who received \$1,443,792.83. Cotton growers got \$997,218.76, corn-hog growers \$128,642.57, and wheat growers \$8,432.63.

In addition, cotton growers who placed surplus tax-exemption certificates in the national pool received \$250,770 from the sale of these certificates to other growers.

The \$437,904.83 in administrative expenses went largely to pay comister the programs locally, Dean Schaub pointed out.

The rental and benefit payments are still flowing to the farmers, he added, but the amount for October and November have not been tabulated to date.

The payments are made from funds raised by processing taxes on the commodities covered by the various adjustment programs.

Benefit payments on all crops in this county for July, August, and September were \$6,589.69.

### Brother of Miss Roberta Rogers Found Shot To Death In Asheville

A long story appeared in the Asheville paper last Saturday about the body of Mr. J. Roy Rogers, of the Leicester section, being found in Asheville with a bullet hole through his head, evidently from the back. Mr. Rogers was a brother of Miss Roberta Rogers, well known business woman of Asheville, who was at one time a resident of Marshall.

Other members of the Rogers family have recently died. They have relatives in Marshall.

### HONOR ROLL

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Beginning with our issue of October 17, we are publishing below the names of people who subscribe or renew their subscriptions to The News-Record within the last week. By keeping your subscriptions paid up you will greatly help your local paper. Of course, those whose subscriptions are paid in advance are already on our honor roll.

J. O. Revis, Marshall, Rfd 1  
W. A. F. Kent, Alexander, N. C.  
Mrs. Elsie Payne, Marshall, Rfd 1  
Bernie Payne, Barnard, N. C.  
James Walkin, Marshall, N. C. rfd 3  
Mrs. Lizzie Carlie, Mars Hill, N. C.  
J. S. Buckner, Barnard, N. C.  
T. J. Anders, Marshall, N. C. rfd 1  
J. E. Griffin, Marshall, N. C. rfd 1  
R. D. Roberts, Big Laurel, N. C.  
L. E. Fender, Flag Pond, Tenn.  
Isaac L. Worley, Worley, N. C.  
Thomas, S. V. Marshall, R. S.  
Chester Brown, Marshall, N. C. rfd 1  
Arthur Edmonds, Flag Pond, Tenn.  
H. E. Carver, Leicester, N. C.

### CHRISTMAS SERMON

By CHARLES H. DICKEY

Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, GOD WITH US." This is the heart of the Christmas story. "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us" is the most stupendous declaration ever made to the human race.

For he who, in times past, had spoken by the prophets, was at this time speaking by his Son, who was the brightest of his glory, and, the express image of his person." In the incarnation, he did not take on himself the nature of angels, but the nature of men. For it behooved him, in all things, to be made like unto his own brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest to them in the things pertaining to God.

So, one who knew him, and lived with him, declares that the Word made flesh and dwelt among them, and they beheld his glory—the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. And thus, at that hour Christmas the true light which enlighteneth every man was coming into this world.

This is the essence of the story. And should it seem impossible to you that there should be both human and divine in one nature; if you can not understand the divinity of Jesus, then take the man whom you find him: splendid, splendid Master, growing more and more luminous as the years come and go. If you can not see the divine that is in God, then see the human that is in man, and the answer to this universal language was the birth of the world's Savior. He was born in a stable in Bethlehem. The great event in history had been foretold by God's prophets. His incarnation was conveyed to the Father of God by an angel. An angel made the glorious declaration to the Jewish shepherds who were keeping watch over their flocks by night, bringing to those simple peasants the glad tidings of greatest joy.

The world had always believed in a Supreme Being. But it longed for a tangible manifestation, or revelation, of that Being. It wanted to be able to say, as the Sainted John later on did say, "That which was from the beginning, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; for the life was made manifest and we have seen it."

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### IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN 1935

**Taken from the Files of The News-Record**

(It would be impossible to enumerate all the important happenings that appeared in The News-Record during the past year. The following items were gotten from a quick scanning of the files.)

Jan. 3 — Mr. Guy V. Roberts and Mr. James M. Baley, Jr. have formed a full partnership. Mr. Baley has been associated with Mr. Roberts for the past year.

Jan. 10 — Marshall Island flooded again. The water was the highest since August 16, 1928.

Jan. 17 — Sherman Tyson dies January 16.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sprinkle of Marshall, was completely destroyed by fire Monday evening.

Jan. 21 — The annual all-star basketball tournament of Madison County to start next Wednesday, Jan. 30.

Jan. 31 — The modest home of Curtis Ledford, age 25, of the Sandy Hook section, was burned last Saturday morning, resulting in the death of his wife and four year old daughter.

Mr. Calvin R. Edney, and Miss Palma Carter, announce wedding.

Feb. 7 — Rev. W. C. Houn, pastor of the Marshall Baptist church for the past three years, resigned last Sunday morning. Glen Gossits, Mars Hill for Madison, All Star, etc.

Feb. 21 — Charter day was celebrated at Mars Hill college, Friday, Feb. 15, with a program in commemoration of granting of the first charter of the college in 1859.

Feb. 28 — J. W. Randall, Sr. of Barnard, gets 16 to 18 years, hard labor after submitting to second degree murder.

Spring Creek girls; Beech Glen boys win Tournament cups.

March 7 — Arthur Gossnell, Oris Gunter and Robert Thomas go to death row from Madison County. Dramatic scenes as youths are sentenced to die May 3.

Wake Forest-Meredith summer school unit to be held at Mars Hill next summer.

March 14 — Dr. Hutchins to open office in Burnsville.

March 21 — The Associational Missionary Union to be held at Mars Hill, March 29.

March 28 — GREAT DAMAGE DONE BY STORM IN MADISON COUNTY MONDAY. Many homes and other property destroyed by wind. One man killed and many more injured in storm stricken section. National Red Cross to assist desolate people in regaining homes.

April 4 — Public Funds bill of Madison County sent to Senate.

Red Cross organization set up in Madison County.

April 11 — Fowl play suspected in disappearance of Mr. Caney Edmonds. All traces of Flag Pond man end in Marshall.

April 12 — Annual Junior Senior banquet of the Spring Hill high school was held in the gymnasium hall, Saturday night, April 12.

Early Easter morning services planned by the Rev. J. R. Duncan, pastor of the Methodist church.

April 25 — Mr. and Mrs. W. A. West have sold their home to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tweed Jr.

May 2 — No opposition in Marshall municipal election. C. D. Bowmen to be Mayor. J. M. Baley, J. J. Ramsey and W. A. West were nominated without opposition for aldermen.

May 9 — Miss Olive Thomas becomes the bride of Mr. J. W. Wible, May 4th.

Chain letters begin to circulate in Marshall.

May 16 — MADISON REPUBLICANS DECLARE WAR ON MADISON DEMOCRATS. Mass meeting resolves to boycott certain officers. High feeling spreads through Madison county as Sprinkle's legislation is defeated.

May 23 — Republican Tax Listers of Madison County restrained by or-

der of court. Hearing set by Judge Warlick for May 31.

May 30 — Jack Rice case continued again.

Dr. Blackwell accepts call to Marshall church.

June 6 — Injunction against Republican taxlisters dissolved by Judge Warlick.

June 13 — Minstrel to be given by Eastern Stars progressing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell to leave Marshall.

June 20 — Mars Hill College has fine athletic record for year. Basketball team made world record with more than 1,100 points scored.

June 27 — City may get funds for Recreation Park on Island.

July 4 — D. M. Robinson appointed principal of Marshall high school. Brintnall retained for two years.

Groves Redmon appointed coroner.

July 31 — Hendricks is elected president of Civitan Club.

July 31 — W. R. Johnson is killed in auto crash.

Dorothy Dix, famed woman columnist, arrives in Asheville.

July 25 — Fire destroys George and Leaders Store at Mars Hill.

Miss Lillian Whitehurst presents oration in expression.

August 1 — Marshall and Walnut ach reports new case of paralysis.

Earl Brintnall resigns post as Farm demonstration agent.

August 8 — Wes Fowler hurt in auto wreck.

August 15 — C. J. Rich will not accept position as county agent.

James Lunsford here for trial.

August 22 — Criminal term of superior court to convene Monday. Lee and Lunsford to be tried.

August 29 — Madison County high schools to open Monday, Sept. 2.

Nol pros with leave taken Thursday in the case of James Lunsford.

Sept. 5 — Miller succeeds Earl Brintnall as County Agent.

Sept. 12 — Miss Dorothy Sanderlin, headed by Mars Hill bank robbers, made net about \$1,000.00 in dramatic bank hold-up Tuesday afternoon.

Marshall water supply thoroughly tested.

Sept. 19 — Six deserted children left in care of county officials.

Marshall Post Office promoted to second class.

One Mars Hill bank bandit captured in Tennessee.

Claude Allison passes away.

Sept. 26 — R. A. Edwards passes away.

Second bank robber caught.

Oct. 3 — Five suspects arrested in Mars Hill bank robbery.

J. N. White, former auditor of Madison county, laid to rest Wednesday.

Oct. 10 — Funeral rites conducted for three Madison boys who were electrocuted for the murder of William Thomas.

Marshall tramples Hall Fletcher, 20 to 0.

Oct. 11 — Madison Relief office to be moved back to Marshall.

Marshall reservoir nearing completion.

Oct. 24 — Canning plant may be located at Marshall.

R. N. Ramsey laid to rest Saturday.

Oct. 31 — Mars Hill bank robbers sentenced to 38 - 40 years each.

Marshall and Walnut tie 7-7 in thrilling football game.

Dr. and Mrs. Dinwiddie to leave Marshall.

Nov. 7 — Car to be loaded at Marshall Nov. 27, for Mills Home.

Joe Eads made manager of local A&P store.

Nov. 14 — Lewis Tweed suddenly killed.

Armistice observed in Marshall.

Nov. 21 — 300 people in Madison now being put on Relief work.

Mrs. Belle Runion passes away.

Gudger building to be used for orphanage produce.

Nov. 28 — JOHN A. HENDRICKS PROMINENT LAWYER AND CITIZEN OF MARSHALL PASSES AWAY MONDAY, NOV. 25.

Dec. 5 — More than 30,000 lb of produce shipped to orphanage.

Farmers well pleased with prices of tobacco on opening day.

Dec. 12 — Soccer football started at Mars Hill College.

Madison county farmers to meet in Marshall next Saturday to discuss canning plant.

Dec. 19 — Duckworth sells interest of Service Motor Sales, Inc., to Zeb Whitt.

Marshall houses torn down last week.

New druggist at Roberts Pharmacy.

### SHOOTING FIREWORKS

It has long been the custom in this section of the country to shoot fireworks at Christmas time. Folk from other sections seem aghast at the idea, their reaction being that it is almost sacrilege to so celebrate such a sacred occasion.

It seems to us merely a difference of opinion as to whether fireworks should be fired in December or in July. None can say there is a deliberate attempt at sacrilege on the part of those who have been raised in a section of the country where it is as natural, from babyhood, to shoot fireworks as it is to expect Santa Claus to arrive on December 25th.

But there is a time and place for all things and certain limitations to all liberties. We do not care whether it is in December, July or October, nobody has a right or should even expect the right to shoot fireworks in Roanoke Rapids or any other place in the world.

1. After folks have gone to bed (except possibly on one night, set apart for everybody to stay up late).
2. In the streets or highways where there are automobiles and other vehicles traveling.
3. Near hospitals, or churches on Sundays.
4. Under anybody's feet at any time.

There is no need for us to explain the dangers, the annoyance, the discourtesy and the seriousness involved in breaking any of the above rules.

So far as we are concerned, shooting fireworks is one way many folks have of really enjoying Christmas. We want them to keep on having their fun. But always in the proper places and at the proper time.

—The Roanoke Rapids Herald.