

# Merry Christmas

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### Farm Exports Set Record; N. C. Shares In Sales

Value And Volume Reach An All-Time High; 9% Above Prior Record

Both value and volume of U. S. agricultural exports reached all-time highs in fiscal year 1961. The \$4.9 billion value record was 9 per cent above the prior record of 1957. Export volume in fiscal 1961 topped the previous record of 1960 by 7 per cent.

Charles R. Pugh, extension agricultural policy specialist at N. C. State College, says these exports were of special importance to North Carolina since a large percentage of the state's farm products are sold abroad.

U. S. tobacco exports, for example, reached 508 million pounds in fiscal 1961, ending a four-year decline. This was about 30 per cent of all tobacco production; and for flue-cured, it was 68 per cent.

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### Passes Monday



C. Eugene Rector  
... 1937 photograph

### C. E. RECTOR DIES; RETIRED HEAD OF LOCAL BANK

Passes Monday; Funeral Services Held On Wednesday

C. Eugene Rector, 65, retired president of the Bank of French Broad at Marshall, died unexpectedly Monday morning, December 18, 1961, in Asheville.

Since his retirement, he and Mrs. Rector had maintained a residence on their Patton Mountain estate. They had been spending the week-end at Country Club of Asheville.

Mr. Rector was one of the youngest bank presidents in North Carolina when he was elected to head the Marshall bank in 1938 following 11 years as cashier for Madison County's oldest financial institution.

At that time, Mr. Rector said the bank's sale constituted the largest private financial transaction ever completed in Madison County.

The bank, said by Mr. Rector to be the oldest in Western North Carolina. (Continued To Last Page) (First Section)

### \$100 Is Raised At Program To Repair Toys Here

It was announced this week by the personnel of Radio Station WMMH, sponsors of the singing program on the Island Saturday night, that approximately 300 persons attended and \$100 was realized. The proceeds are being used to repair toys for children.

The program was in an effort to aid the Intermediate Class of the Marshall Hospital Training Union in this project. Mrs. Earl Robinson is the Intermediate leader. Dean Shicks, manager of WMMH, wishes to thank all those who helped in this worthy cause and stated that the check would be turned over to Mrs. Robinson this week.

### LIONS DRAWING TO BE SATURDAY AT COURTHOUSE

The annual Lions Club drawing, with donations being used to aid the visually handicapped and to furnish Christmas baskets of food for the blind in Madison County, will be held Saturday in front of the courthouse at three o'clock. This annual promotion is always successful because of public donations. Money received during the drive will be used throughout the year for glasses and examinations of the blind as well as to pay for the baskets.

A donation of \$1.00 entitles the donor to a ticket. Prizes to be given away Saturday include a Prime 4-H Baby Beef, a .22-caliber rifle, valued at \$54.50, a set of beautiful dishes and a toy wagon.

HOLDERS of tickets do not have to be present to win. It was announced by Harry Silver, President of the Marshall Lions Club.

### Baptist Children To Have Program Here Sunday Night

Members of the Carol Choir as well as other children of the Marshall Baptist Church, will present a candlelight service, "Christ Is The Light," Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Pantomimes and Carol Singing will feature the program which is under the direction of Mrs. Bernard Reese, Mrs. Wade Huey, Mrs. Bill Hunter and Mr. Glen A. Ramsey Jr., pastor.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

### DECORATION WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED HERE

Annual Contest Sponsored By Marshall Garden Club

Winners in this year's Christmas Decoration Contest were announced this morning following judging Wednesday night. The annual contest is sponsored by the Marshall Garden Club.

Officials of the club announced that the judges really had a difficult time deciding the winners since so many homes are so beautifully decorated.

"We want to commend all those who entered the contest and helped make this year's event successful," the officials stated, and added, "we also wish to thank the judges for their assistance."

Winners announced are as follows:

Winner for Best Overall: Mr. and Mrs. Fain Sprinkle.

Honorable mention: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ledford, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nix.

Winner for Best Window: Mr. and Mrs. Nix—window.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Endlich—door.

Honorable mention: Alma Lee Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth

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### Draft Board Is Closed For Xmas; To Reopen January 2

It was announced this week that the Madison County Draft Board is now closed for the Holidays and would remain closed until January 2, 1962.

### Final Drawing For Prizes To Be Held Here Friday

The fourth and final drawing for valuable prizes will be held at 8:00 o'clock Friday afternoon in front of the courthouse.

The Christmas Shopping Promotion, sponsored by the Marshall Merchants Association, has again been successful and the merchants are showing their gratitude for those who have shopped in Marshall by offering more than \$867.00 in prize values Friday.

Below is a list of the prizes to be given away Friday:

Three-piece living room suite, \$225.00 value, Merchants Association.  
Electric Stove, \$189.00 value, Merchants Association.

One recapped tire, Marshall Tire & Recapping, and 10 silver dollars, Merchants Association, \$20.00 value.

One Doll Set and 10 Silver Dollars, \$22.00 value, Merchants Association.  
Boy's Wagon and 10 Silver Dollars, \$20.00 value, Merchants Association.

One Shot Gun, \$35.00 value, Merchants Association.  
\$50.00 in Cash, Merchants Association.

1958 Dodge Car, \$200.00 value, Merchants Association.

One Electric Blanket, Merchants Association; and one Fruit Cake, Waldman Bakery, \$31.00 value.  
\$50.00 in Cash, Merchants Association.  
\$25.00 Savings Account, Citizens Bank.

### State Highway Patrol To Aid In Less Traffic Accidents On Christmas

#### Receives Honor



Mrs. Dorothy B. Shupe

### MRS. SHUPE IS PUBLICITY CHMN. N.C. P-T CONGRESS

Biography And Picture To Be Published In Book In April 1962

Mrs. George B. Shupe of Walnut, a member of the Marshall High School faculty has been notified that she has been named State Publicity Chairman for North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers. This appointment was made Dec. 1. Mrs. Shupe received notification of this honor from Mrs. H. S. Godwin of Greensboro, president of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Mrs. Shupe is a graduate of Walnut High School and of Western Carolina College. She and her husband have one daughter, Charlotte Paulette.

Mrs. Shupe has taught in Marshall. (Continued To Last Page) (First Section)

### Girl Scout Troop To Hold 'Trudy Tucker' Carol Sing Friday

The "Trudy Tucker" Carol Sing is planned for Friday, Dec. 22, between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 p. m., by the Girl Scouts of Troop 95 in Marshall. In the nursery rhyme, Tommy Tucker sang for his supper. At this season of giving the Girl Scouts would like to sing Carols for you — not for their supper — but for food for needy families. Those "Trudy Tuckers" will sing, and they hope you will contribute food (canned food, fruits, nuts, etc.). If you have food to contribute, turn your porch lights on between 6 p. m. and 8 p. m. Call Mrs. Ed Niles so that your home will be on their singing route.

#### To Rigidly Enforce Laws Against Intoxicated Violators

The State Highway Patrol is having a special emphasis program during the holidays in hope that traffic accidents can be reduced. A careful study reveals that drunkenness and intoxication continue to be major problems in the traffic safety field. Drunkenness of drivers and pedestrians is disproportionately higher during winter holiday seasons. Incomplete but reliable facts indicate that our enforcement results against drunken driving are not adequate.

In a concerted effort starting at 6 p. m., December 24 and continuing through January 1 until midnight, State Patrolmen will be in various spots throughout the county as well as patrolling the highways.

Drivers and pedestrians are cautioned to "leave liquor alone" and officers mean to be "serious" in helping cut down the wrecks during the holidays.

Statistics prove that more drinking drivers are involved in more fatal accidents than all other causes combined. The State Patrol is going "all-out" to make this a safer and more accident-free season.

Every driver and every pedestrian is urged to help in this special emphasis program.

### OFFICERS WILL BE INSTALLED BY MASONS HERE

The annual installation of officers for French Broad Lodge No. 292, A. F. & A. M. will be held Wednesday, December 27, at the Mission Hall in Marshall.

All members are urged to be present and an invitation is extended to all Master Masons of other Lodges.

### MOST STORES TO BE OPEN TUESDAY

Leonard Baker, president of the Marshall Merchants Association, announced this week that most places of business would be open Tuesday, December 26.

It was first thought that business firms would observe a two-day holiday for Christmas—Monday and Tuesday—but a late survey revealed that some several chose to observe Tuesday those who desired the two-day holiday were "broad" to observe.

Both banks, the courthouse, the Health Department, and some agencies, however, are observing two days—Monday and Tuesday.

### Santa Claus Wore A Skirt

Santa sometimes wears a skirt. Of that, a boy about 12 was convinced Monday in a downtown store in Asheville.

He'd come to retrieve the down payment he'd made earlier on a mouton coat for his mother. There was another \$30 due on the purchase and the youngster hadn't been able to scrape it up.

It looked like he'd have to settle for a lesser gift for Mom. But a woman standing next to him heard the lad's explanation to the saleswoman and quickly told the employee:

"Just put the rest of it on my charge account."

The boy's grim expression quickly changed.

Before he left, and between his fervent "Thank you," he carefully made arrangements to pay back his benefactor by the month.

### No Garbage Pickup On Christmas Day

It was announced this week that there will be no garbage picked up on Monday, December 25. The garbage will be picked up on Tuesday, December 26, it was stated.

### Charles Adams Is Injured In Wreck Tuesday Afternoon

Charles Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Adams, of Marshall RFD 4, was admitted to the Memorial Mission Hospital Tuesday afternoon following a wreck here about 4:30 o'clock.

According to information received here, Adams was driving a car toward the Marshall business section and as he rounded the Herbert Rector curve he was struck by the van. The car struck the rock bank and continued across the highway, striking the Rector home, tearing down the sign.

His condition is reported as favorable.

Merry Christmas