

LOCAL

Mrs. G. M. Tighman will leave this week for Philadelphia where she will join Captain Tighman. They will return to Dunn within a few days and spend Christmas here.

Reports from the bedside of the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Denning who was badly burned early this week are that she is improving. It was at first feared that the injuries sustained would prove fatal.

Gilbert C. White, the engineer who appraised the value of the town's lighting system when the agreement between the town and the Carolina Power and Light Company now under consideration was reached, is here from Durham.

All land in Harnett County is posted. It was made so by special act of legislature. So, while you are hunting it will be well to guard against going on the lands of any one who objects to the presence of hunters. Hunting upon any land in the county without permission of the town constitutes trespass and can be punished by law.

Although only a small crowd was present to welcome the Falcon Orphanage Singing Class at its concert in Metropolitan Theatre last night, the little folk got along fine with their program and pleased all who heard them. A. E. Robinson and others who are interested in the orphanage at Falcon were here for the occasion.

All owners of automobiles who reside in town are asked to aid as much as possible in getting voters to the polls for next Tuesday's election—especially if the weather is bad. It will be necessary to poll nearly 400 affirmative votes if the friends of progress are to win in this election. And it is a matter in which every dweller in the town is directly interested.

It will be of interest to their many friends here to learn that Claude T. and Rufus Gardner, brothers of George Gardner and sons of R. Gardner, have opened a fancy grocery store in Washington where they have acquired a long lease on one of the most attractive locations in the capital city. Rufus Gardner has been in Washington for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gardner moved there from Knoxville, Tenn., last week.

Judge Cranmer, fulfilling his promise made to the wily bootleggers and moonshiners of Johnston County last summer, will return to Smithfield this month. He will find a docket crowded with cases—many of them involving liquor traffickers. We are sorry for any who have to go before him on these charges, for he believes that the only way to break up the traffic is to punish to the limit those who engage in it. On his last trip to Smithfield for the trial of criminal cases he gave eighteen men road sentences.

Readers of The Dispatch might have noticed the large number of sale of land under mortgage foreclosure proceedings. Looks bad for the county, doesn't it? But there are not near so many mortgage sales advertisements in The Dispatch as there are in publications from other counties that find their way to our desk. There is, of course, little consolation in this for anybody, but it serves to show that our folk have not been as improvident as may appear on the surface. They've had hard luck and are unable to meet notes given for land purchased at the peak of high prices.

Since the weeds and grass which captured our garden last summer have died we find that we have a regular spring lay out. Onions, beets, lettuce, salify and most all of the things we had such great hopes of last spring are growing at a great rate and with a few more days of sunshine will be ready for gathering. Being a very inexperienced gardener and a not more than averagely industrious one, we do not know whether this is unusual or not. But with reports of second crop apples, peaches and the like coming from all sides we are of the belief that our H1 patch deserves some mention. If we are wrong, let us know.

In the mass meeting tonight held in the interest of carrying next Tuesday's election for the sale of the town's lighting system the fact was brought out by Engineer White, who appraised the property, that the original offer for the property was \$20,000, which, so far as the actual value of the material is concerned, he considered a good price. But by adding several items that are not apparent to the lay mind the price was priced upward to \$45,000—and that for the property not including the land and buildings used in the operation of the system.

Most of Dunn's store windows are filled with Christmas goods and are a feast to the starry-eyed youngsters who are looking forward to the coming of Santa Claus. Forehanded parents are busy too, buying their Christmas necessities before the stocks are picked over and while the salespeople have time to give them the attention such purchases demand. There are many stocks of toys and all of them are larger than we remember to have seen for several years. Most of the dry goods and clothing stores are showing serviceable goods that will make excellent Christmas presents, and throughout the business district

everybody is preparing for Christmas and its trade.

Miss Maude Johnson and Miss Virginia Stone, of Benson, were visitors in Dunn Thursday.

High quality usually means high price—Cole's Down Draft Ranges give you high quality at moderate prices.

Henry C. Lee and Charlie Baker returned Wednesday from Charlotte, where they attended the winter ceremonial of Oaks Temple.

Stockholders in the Beanoke and Salem Railway Company will meet here in the offices of Wilson and McLeod on December 20 for the purpose of deciding whether or not to surrender their charter. All friends of the great section through which the proposed road would run are sincerely hoping that the stockholders will decide to go on with the work. No more worthy project has ever been attempted in the Lunn District, opening as it would the finest farming region of the state to rail transportation. The benefits that would accrue to the farmers through the construction of this road cannot be estimated.

American Legion Elects Officers

The local post of the American Legion met Tuesday night and elected the following officers for the next year.

- I. R. Williams, Commander, S. B. Ferrell, Vice-Commander, C. L. Foy, Finance Officer, L. U. Bissell and K. L. Howard, Executive Committee, W. M. Fearwell, Historian, James Best, War Risk Officer, Carl Fitchett, Chaplain.

Little Infant Dies

Gordon, the fourteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. West, died at the home of its parents in Dunn, Friday morning, December 2nd, after an illness of ten days. The burial took place in the family burying grounds in Sampson county Saturday afternoon, the funeral services being conducted at the grave.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. West in Dunn and vicinity deeply sympathize with them in their bereavement.

The Highest Peak of Old Testament Revelation studied in the Senior B. Y. P. U. Monday night December 12, 1921. We invite you to come with us.

Song—Take my life and let it be—Jehon.

Prayer—by Volunteers. Scripture Lesson—L. W. Strickland, Miss Lackey, Miss Stewart.

Introduction, leader—Mrs. E. L. Denning.

What the world thought of Christ—T. A. Cove. Quartet—Miss Janie Ippok, Miss Johnson, E. L. Denning and E. D. Bunn.

The sufferings of Christ—Miss Viola McNeill, Miss Henderson, and Miss Ovulia Bfitt.

Duet—I know that Jesus loves me—Mrs. R. L. Denning and C. C. Warren.

The results of Christ's sufferings—Miss Ruth Westbrook and Miss Herndon.

Cornet Duet—He suffered All Alone—Oliver and Casper Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. Levinson Entertains.

Coats, Dec. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Levinson delightfully entertained at dinner in honor of the Coats Graded school faculty Wednesday evening. Covers were laid for twelve and five courses were served. During the evening rook became an interesting feature.

Mr. and Mrs. Levinson's guests were Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Lanier, Misses Lillian Johnson, Thelma Yelvington, Addie Newsome, Nell Gibbs, Grace Long and Clyde Jennings. Messrs. Fleming and Graham.

Rook Party At Duke

Duke, Dec. 8.—On Wednesday evening Misses Hamilton, Parker and Taylor delightfully entertained at a rook party.

The guests first entered the spacious hall which was profusely decorated in Holly, mistletoe and pines.

They were then invited into the reception room which was artistically decorated in holly wreaths and Christmas bells, the color scheme being red and green was carried out in all features of the evening and the colored lights and bayberry candles added much to the decorations. The guests found their partners by matching Christmas cards.

After several games of rook a unique contest was indulged in. A box of Brazil Nuts were presented to Miss Gladys Hamilton and Mr. Webster Byrd as being the winners in the contest.

After this a delicious salad course and candies were served. At a 11:00 hour the guests departed thrilled with the spirit of Christmas.

Robin Jones, who lives just north of town, will celebrate his birthday next Sunday, December 11. Mr. Jones has been a cripple for many years and all of his friends are planning to make the occasion of his birthday one of real pleasure for him. Rev. Albert Butler will preach a short sermon and a great dinner will be served. All of Mr. Jones' friends are invited to attend and bring a box.

Mail Your Christmas Parcels Early

To the patrons of the Dunn post-office:

Our great postoffice department has a big job ahead and needs your help. Think what it means to be Santa Claus to our 100,000,000 people and to deliver Christmas parcels to every family in this great country within the short space of a few days and without disappointment. It can be done and we are going to do it, if we may have your help.

I am going to ask every one of you to mail your Christmas parcels this week, for unless you do so, Uncle Sams load may be so heavy the last few days before Christmas that he won't be able to deliver all the Christmas presents by Christmas eve.

The parcels must be well wrapped and tied and addressed plainly in order that they may arrive in good condition with their Christmas appearance unspoiled. You can put on your packages, "Do not open until Christmas."

And, there must be a number on your house and a small receptacle, so, for, if there isn't, Santa Claus' messenger, your letter carrier, may not be able to find the house where

SOLID CAR LOAD OF ORANGES ARRIVED

MONDAY

Price from.....\$1.50 to \$3.00 PER HUNDRED

Will sell any quantity to any body

ANOTHER CAR EXPECTED

DECEMBER 12TH

Also Car Of Apples Thursday

M. S. DIBS

Broad Street - 1 - Dunn, N. C.

Early to reach the end of the trail

Don't forget to mail Christmas presents this week.

Wishing you a Happy Christmas and a happy New Year, I am, Yours respectfully, E. C. WEST, Postmaster.

Who Owns The Liquor

Who owns the liquor when it is seized by State officers? That is a problem worrying Federal officers here since Chief of Police Page gathered 48 quarts of bottled in bond whisky here into the safe confines of

the town calaboose and defied all to touch it. Page isn't worrying at all. He says he will as soon as practicable take it to a convenient sewer mouth and let it trickle back to the earth from which it sprang. Page, by the way, is a testifier.

A. B. Adams, prohibition enforcement officer in the employ of the federal government, advised by his legal counselor so to do, did make formal demand upon the chief for the juice, believing that since the stuff was bottled in bond it should go the way of such seized by his department. The demand was good-natured, but

sent Page scurrying for advice. A call to N. A. Townsend, city attorney, who is sitting now as a member of the legislature in Raleigh brought the advice to hold fast. A call to the Federal District Attorney was rewarded with the same answer, but the admonition to await a decision from Judge Connor was added.

Meantime a strong guard is holding the fort while an army of desert travelers with tongues lolling hang around the bars seeming to get some solace from the fact that they are at least within smelling distance of a little oasis.

Advertisement for A. E. Robinson, Agent for Falcon, N.C. featuring 'All Use Conn Instruments' and listing various musical instruments like trumpets, trombones, saxophones, etc. Includes contact information for A. E. Robinson.

Advertisement for 'Come to Durham! Colossal! Stupendous! SHRINERS EXPOSITION' held from December 24th to 31st. Lists exhibits like Merchants and Manufacturers Exhibits, Automobile Show, Pure Food Demonstration, and Electrical Displays. Mentions reduced rates on all railroads.

Advertisement for 'Martha Washington Candies' and 'Dunn Ice Cream Parlor and Candy Kitchen'. Promotes fresh fine fruits, nuts, and confections for Christmas. Lists 'CRYSTALIZED FRUITS' and 'ARCTIC ICE CREAM' as 'ALWAYS GOOD' and 'ALWAYS PURE'. Contact info: Phone 268, Next To Postoffice, F. C. SHKAN, Proprietor.

Advertisement for 'DON'T SCATTER YOUR MONEY Stack it! JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB'. Features an illustration of a piggy bank and stacks of money. Text: 'YOU'LL BE HAPPY IF YOU SAVE'.

Advertisement for 'I Will Pay in January' and 'I Will Pay You Now' by 'Christmas Savings Club'. Promotes a plan for every purse and joy policy for every member. 'NEW CLUB OPENS ENROLL NOW BANK OF HARNETT Duke, and Coats, N. C.'

Large advertisement for 'CLEAN UP' campaign. Text: 'Greet Santa Claus With A Clean Town'. 'The Street Cleaning Department, the Chamber of Commerce and the Woman's Club ask your cooperation in the annual winter clean up campaign beginning now.' 'Get all trash and garbage cleaned from my premises and place in boxes, cans or park ways before Friday morning.' 'Town wagons will begin moving such refuse in ward No. 1 Friday. They will take other wards in succession until work is completed. They will not make two trips through the same ward.' 'BE READY FOR THEM'.