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200 CARS CATTLE SHIPPED FROM COUNTY CITY IS GRIPPED BY CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

STREETS, STORES
HERE DECORATED
FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Tree Thursday
Afternoon, Episcopalian
Services in Evening.

MANY STUDENTS HOME

Streets Are Crowded With
Last Minute Shoppers.
Much Fireworks

The streets, stores and homes here reveal that the Christmas spirit is the one thought in the minds of the people of the county. The stores are decorated with crepe paper, bells, artificial snow and bright colored ornaments.

In front of several stores decorated trees with flickering lights add their part to the spreading of joy and cheer.

The streets are crowded with people rushing here and there in an effort to make last minute purchases for some friend or relative that had been forgotten in the season's rush.

Indications are that Waynesville will not lack for noise this Christmas. For the last several days firecrackers have been shot frequently.

School children, now carefree from studies make their daily rounds to the favorite toy counters, fingering his and that and in many instances whispering to the clerks to tell Santa their latest wants.

During the next few days several Christmas programs have been planned.

Christmas Tree
Thursday Afternoon

On Christmas Eve, on the lot opposite the post office, the Woman's Club will sponsor a community Christmas tree for the children that perhaps would not be otherwise remembered. Christmas Carols will be sung accompanied by chimes played by Fred Seal, of Asheville.

Santa Claus will be there to personally give the little tots a gift that has been prepared by the Woman's Club. The program is scheduled to begin promptly at 4:30 p. m.

Services At Episcopal
Church Christmas Eve

Christmas eve night at midnight services will be held at the Grace Episcopal church at 11:30. Dr. R. P. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church will deliver the sermon which (Continued on page 6)

Give Library Member-
Ship As Xmas Gift

Miss Beville local librarian here has brought another Christmas gift suggestion. That is a membership to the Waynesville Library. This gift would not only be an appropriate one worth while, but would last for twelve months and would be of much value to the person receiving the gift and to the community. The local library fills a need that no other local institution could possibly meet. The library is supported by these yearly memberships and a small fee on each book where the person receiving the book does not have a membership. The yearly membership dues are one dollar a year.

PAGEANT GIVEN
HERE SUNDAY TO
LARGE AUDIENCE

Over 100 People From Various
Churches Here Take Part in Pageant.

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE
Story Centering Around the Birth of Christ Was Inspiring To Audience

Last Sunday night over 100 persons from the churches of the city staged a pageant "The Light of The World" at the high school auditorium, to an appreciative audience that completely filled the auditorium and many had to go to the balcony for seats.

The pageant took the place of the regular evening worship at the different churches here.

The combined choirs of the city furnished the music for the service. They were seated in the right balcony and as the opening of the service they sang several Christmas carols.

Dr. R. P. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church read first of the scripture followed by Rev. H. W. Baum, pastor of the Baptist church, who read the remainder of the scripture story of the birth of the Christ. Dr. Walker then led the congregation in prayer.

The pageant opened with a bright star shining from the east and a view of the crude manger, which was placed in the center of the stage, in front of a white altar.

The pageant was centered around the birth of Christ and the spirit of Christianity ruling over the world. The (Continued on page 8)

Three Bound Over
To February Court,
Larceny Of Tobacco

Three young men were bound over to the February term of court by Magistrate Frank Ferguson this week on charges of larceny.

The three are Woodrow McElroy, Weaver Rathbone and Hugh Rogers. They are charged of stealing tobacco in the Fines Creek section. The tobacco was the property of Roy Rogers of Fines Creek.

Geo. Sherill Is Reported Better

George Sherrill, suffering from pneumonia, was reported yesterday to have suffered from a relapse, but reports coming from the home late Tuesday indicated that he was better. The attending physician stated that his condition was still serious, but he had hopes of his recovery, although it would be slow.

Mr. Sherrill is proprietor of the Sherrill Studio here.

PRISONERS TO HAVE SPECIAL "EATS" XMAS

The prisoners of this county will not be forgotten Christmas. Sheriff Lowe has arranged for each of them to receive a gift bag. Each bag is to have candy, raisins, oranges and apples in it.

A special Christmas dinner will be served to the 26 state and 10 county prisoners.

Sheriff Lowe reported that all prisoners were well taken care of, and well fed.

Massie, President of Chamber of Commerce, Proposes Fence For High School Athletic Park Here

Much Interest Is Shown By Guests and Heads of Different Civic Organizations At Football Banquet. Awards Given To 23 Members of Squad By Coach Weatherby

The final curtain was lowered on 1931 football history here Thursday night when the team held their annual banquet at the LeFaine hotel. Perhaps the climax of the gathering was reached when Hugh Massie, president of the Waynesville Chamber of Commerce proposed that the town, school board and civic organizations of the city build a fence around the athletic park at the high school.

This suggestion was well received and other remarks by visitors and members of the team indicated that the suggestion was one of the things that Waynesville has needed ever since the old fair ground field was abolished.

Several remarks made after Mr. Massie made the proposal led to the point that hundreds of dollars in ad-

mission were lost annually at the high school football games because of the lack of a fence. It was hinted by one speaker that he did not believe that the public intended to infringe on the team by not paying admission, but since there is nothing to keep the fans from walking right in to the field they are less apt to purchase tickets.

Mr. Massie said, "I believe the fence would pay for itself in one season, on just the admissions that are lost by not having adequate facilities to collect admission".

Mr. James Atkins acted as toastmaster for the occasion and in the conclusion of the program related an imaginary dream, in which he saw in the future the entire Waynesville team as outstanding stars playing a

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SECOND FLOOR
OF COURT HOUSE
IS NOW FINISHED

Work is Being Pushed Forward Rapidly. Between 35 and 50 Men Employed

The new court house is beginning to look like a miniature skyscraper. The work has been pushed forward rapidly during the last few weeks and the contractors have put forth every effort to make use of the favorable weather during that time.

The pouring of the second floor was completed Friday afternoon. The columns for the third floor are being built and will be ready to support the framing forms for the third floor which is expected to be poured about the first of the month. The outside walls have been built up to the top of the second story windows on about half of the wall.

The huge white columns in the front of the building have been placed and the special arch over the front door from the back indicates that it will be one of the most beautiful public buildings in Western North Carolina when finished.

These two gentlemen were returning from Canton when the accident occurred. The car was completely demolished.

In communication with Dr. Medford, correspondent of the Mountaineer, over long distance telephone just before going to press and learned that Mr. Snyder's condition was not serious, and that he was resting as was finished last week.

The granite walls have a majestic appearance and the looks of the build-

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