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Many Amusing

Answers

Of all the answers we have ever received for the Voice

of the People, the column

which will appear in Friday's

paper is by far the most

The question asked for Fri-

day's column is: "What is

your earliest recollection or

From the question, you can

readily see the possibilities

for amusing answers-and

26c Average For

His Tobacco Crop

T. C. Davis, of Waynesville

route two, probably holds the 1939

Mr. Davis sold his tobacco in

Mr. Davis had six baskets, and

his warehouse sales ticket showed

that the baskets brought: 248

pounds at 27c; 256 at 27c; 360

pounds at 34c; 268 pounds at 34c;

493 pounds at 23c; and 284 pounds

ness Is Picking

Up In Waynesville

Mercantile firms reported brisk

business Saturday, with a follow

up of good sales on Monday and

Tuesday's crowds appeared to be

buying rather heavy, and some

merchants reported stocks on cer-

A general survey revealed that

toy sales have been faster than

Wheel goods have also sold ear-

But No Serious

Two fire alarms were sounded

One call came around 9:30 and

The fire department answered

a second call around 12:35 to the

residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. A.

giving in all five concerts, under

the direction of L. T. New, Jr.,

Plans for eventually enlarging the

high school band.

Baker, where a flue was on fire.

the fire was found to be confined to

vesterday with neither resulting in

serious damage.

last year.

Christmas Busi-

they are.

was there.

association with Christmas?"

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1939

\$1.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

ttlemen Of County Viewed Stock Saturday

nd 425 Farmers Visited lowing Of Recently Acquired Stock

nd 425 cattlemen from all of the country were in town thy to see the beef stock that leaght last week in Virginia nessee by a group of Hay-

County farmers, cattle were shown at Bramlivery stable, and all thirteen animals purchased from the T. C. Davis Gets grass farm in Virginia, large s of registered Hereford and the baby beef from the wer farm in Tennessee were th into town by their new

stock was pronounced by of the leading beef men in unty as the best that had been brought into this section. tobacco crop record, so far, in mers of the animals are as that his entire crop averaged 26 s: J. L. Palmer, 1 bull and 1 cents for 1,918 pounds from one heifer; Frank M. Davis, 1 and a tenth acres. His total sales heifer; John Campbell, 1 cow; amounted to \$501.06. Francis, 1 cow, 1 bred 1 bull; R. O. Kelly, 1 bred Greeneville, Tenn., and reported at 1 yearling heifer; J. L. least forty Haywood farmers on reland, 1 bred heifer; Guy that market the same day that he bers, 1 bull; 4-H club mem-Keith Dale Ketner, 1 yearlifer; Frank Davis, 1 yearlheifer; and Calvin Francis, 1 eef animal.

nton Minister llected To Head County Group

arations For County Wide hurch Loyalty Crusade Are Underway

paration for the county-wide Tuesday. Crusade, which is to beall the churches of the vadenominations on January int, are going forward in a tain items had been exhausted. actory way, according to the tees who have been appointmake the arrangements.

movement is being sponby the Haywood County lier this year than in many past

A recent meeting of the as-tion, the Rev. H. K. Mas- Two Fire Alarms pastor of the First Baptist th in Canton, was elected dent, the Rev. A. W. Taylor, r of the Episcopal church of on, vice president, and the C. O. Newell, pastor of the wood Methodist church, sec-

executive committee for the nation for the coming year inthe following: Dr. Mas- a pile of leaves back of the resithe Rev. O. C. Landrum, pas- dence of Judge and Mrs. Frank f the Presbyterian church of Smathers. iwood, and the Rev. J. G. in, Jr., pastor of the First adist church of Waynesville, hers who will be active in the are: the Rev. Walter R. 7. of Canton, chairman, and Saxette Students
Rev. George Hammond, of on, and the Rev. Frank Leath-od, of Waynesville, who will as the publicity committee. Rev. J. S. Hopkins, pastor he First Baptist church, of esville, will be chairman of an topics, with the Rev. R. alker, the Rev. W. L. Hutchsuperintendent of the Wayle district, of the Methodist h, and the Rev. A. W. Taylor,

TO TO TO TO TO other Paper Friday ...

he Mountaineer will go to Thursday afternoon of week, for the annual stmas edition.

undreds and hundreds of rs to Santa Claus, all from ren in Haywood County, be published, in addition should be of much interest

MUST be in this office x o'clock Wednesday.

copy for the Friday will not get to enjoy the day as all

GETS A FEW THINGS OF COUNTY-WIDE INTEREST OFF HIS MIND WITH LETTERS

General Haywood

such an act would be in keeping To Haywood Citizens:-I would like to call to your atten- with the wishes of the one, whose tion the many people who will be birthday we observe on December patients on Christmas Day and 25th.

I believe it is the duty of every To Haywood Citizens:well person to make some effort to Apparently there are some peospread a word of cheer among the ple in this community who are un spread a word of cheer and sure that sick on that day. I am sure that - (Continued on page 2) .

EDITORIAL

Last week there were 33 needy families listed in The Mountaineer by numbers and brief descriptions, appealing to the generosity of groups and individuals to answer the call for Christmas cheer.

Today, we wish to acknowledge the 100 per cent response to that call for Christmas cheer by the citizens of this community. There was not a number left by noon yesterday. Every family on that list of 33 will have Christmas provided for them and our phone still rings-others asking for names.

We are proud to live in such a community—a town where the people have a heart-no doubt there will be some personal sacrifices on the part of the individuals and groups taking these families on their Christmas lists, which only makes their gifts the more perfect in the sight of the Giver of All Good Things.

When we contrast Christmas in this section with the shell shocked areas of Poland and the warring countries we cannot be thankful enough for the blessings that we enjoy and take for granted as our rightful heritage.

Not so long ago the press carried a story about the young daughters of King George and Queen Elizabeth, of England, who were Christmas shopping, even though they were "somewhere" in the country-the exact place unknown to the public-hidden away and separated from their parents like thousands of other children in England -away from the vulnerable spots of congested sections

Here, this Christmas in America, there will be no such separations, except by personal making. We can tuck our children to bed on Christmas Eve, on a "night of Light," and have no fear of deadly planes in the sky loaded with destruction. Where there will be a "black out night" in Europe there will be light and all it signifies in this country.

Surely with this great satisfaction of security in this land of the free, it would be heartless to let little children yearn for the joys of Christmas and go hungry and cold, in this community. We are glad that the response shown by the taking of these 33 families is evidence that the people in this section appreciate what it means to be an Ameri-

Let us make this the best Christmas this community has ever known. We have made a fine start. As we draw nigh the celebration of the birthday of the King of Peace, let us thank God, that He Still Reigns in America.

working on the matter for reported. seasons, several of the merchants They Were NotForgotten

place," remarked a busy Waynes-

Christmas eve night as the car

pulled to a stop in front of a hut

"Yes there is someone living

there-a mother and several small

children," said the other, as he got

out of the car and started down

the muddy bank to the dirty shack.

There was no gleeful laughter

There was no hurrying feet

The sharp knock of the visitors

Another knock, even louder,

The men looked in the window

their hearts leaped into their

The mother was asleep, using

The men tried the door again,

The small frail lock gave way

to their jerks, and they walked in,

All was silent within

All was silent within.

still brought no answer.

throats. They stepped back.

rought no answer.

on the edge of town.

Stores Will Stay Open Evenings Damage Reported

The merchants of the community will start remaining open evenings until nine o'clock

it was announced yesterday. Later in the week, the closing hours will be later than

nine o'clock.

Community Sing To Be Held On Christmas Eve within the humble house.

A community sing will be held making ready for the arrival of Will Take Up Band at the Park Theatre on Christmas Santa Claus. Eve at 6:15, immediately following Instruments Soon the last show. The affair is being sponsored by the Woman's Club, The Waynesville High School the Waynesville Chamber of Com-

band made a fine record last week, merce, and the Park Theatre. Two years ago a similar program was given, and has been urged this year by a number of inte-

rested citizens. J. Dale Stentz will conduct the band are going forward in the de- singing, with Mrs. Stentz serving two chairs for a bed. On the floor, velopment of band players in the as accompanist for the assembly three small children slept soundly, elementary school among those singing. Several special numbers unaware that two strangers-Sanwho have been in the saxette band will be added to the program, in- ta's helpers-with food, clothing cluding a group of songs by Evan- and toys were trying to get in.

A number of parents have signed der Preston. up for band instruments for their The public is cordially invited but to no avail. children, who will be prepared in to attend and take part in the singa few months to enter the regular ing of old favorites and Christmas

carrying a heavy box filled with everything that Santa could think The largest girl was gently IN LOOKING OVER THE COUNTY-

touched on the shoulder, as one of Santa's helpers, whispered: 'Santa sent us here.' The startled child sprang to her

feet, awakening the others, and there in the dim red light of the small oil lamp, they began unpacking their Christmas box. A joyful expression spread across

every face. Laughter filled the small house. Feet hurried to and fro, as the little ones showed their happy

mother what had been brought in. Happiness prevailed. Christmas spirit filled Continued on page 7)

Yesterday 13,000 letters and pieces of mail, not including packages, went through the Waynesville post office on that day, according to a statement from Postmaster J. Harden Howell last night.

further stated that roughly speaking the Christmas mail of this year would be around a third more than that of last year.

Final Check-Up Is Being Made On REA Project

The members of the recently appointed rural electrification committee held a meeting on Friday night at the Crabtree school for the purpose of making a final check up of the subscribers who have signed the right of way, in the communities where the lines of the Cruso Mutual Electric Company are to be extended in the county.

There are now 276 subscribers signed up and 321 right of ways obtained in the area. The plans are to complete all the work necessary to start the project by Christmas, according to J. C. Lynn, county

appointed date, the engineers of for Johnson City, the Rural Electrification Administration will be sent to the county by the first of January to begin Santa To Remain their surveys.

Sale Of License Plates Ahead Of Last Year's Sale

The sale of license tags to date s above that of last year, according to J. Dale Stentz, secretary of the tage are on sale.

have been sold from the local of- taineer learned last night. fice. The sale of Waynesville tags

"Surely no one lives in that 31 for using 1939 tags. ville man to his companion last

Christmas Pageant walls of his court house. Will Be Given On **Sunday Afternoon**

A Christmas pageant will be The dull beam from a shadeless presented on Sunday afternoon at oil lamp made a feeble effort to 5:30 o'clock at the First Methodist pierce the black night. A few church under the direction of Miss embers flickered in the small fire- Hester Anne Withers, assisted by Mrs. J. Dale Stentz and Miss Helen Medford.

The pageant which is an impressive presentation of the story of Christmas, was given at the

The public is cordially invited noon,

Tuesday, A Record Pet Seeking Increased Local Post Office Production Of Milk For Manufacturing Purposes

Gets Promotion



FRED H. YEAROUT, for the past 20 months manager of the Waynesville plant of Pet Dairy Products Company, received a promotion in the company this week, If the work is completed by the and will leave the first of the year

On Streets Here Through Saturday

Hundreds Of Children Receive Candy And Oranges Here Saturday At Igloo

Santa Claus is to resume his schedule this morning, and be on the Chamber of Commerce, where the streets and in the stores of the community every day from now To date, over 500 state tags until Saturday night, The Moun-

Saturday was one of the busiest is in keeping with those for the days Santa has had since he ar- process it. rived here on December second. Mr. Stentz reminded motorists Hundreds of children from every handle one type of milk, thereby that no extension of time would be section of Haywood County were offering a limited market to dairy-given after midnight, December on hand to get candy and oranges men, but the faith of the Pet from Santa who was carefully Dairy Products Company in Westbarricaded behind the strong white ern North Carolina has brought

> Santa was not available last night for the confirmation of the manufacturing milk. We have now statement, but it was learned on good authority that he would carry ready to help develop dairying in his pockets full of lollypops during this region." the next four days that he will be on the streets here.

OFFICES OF COUNTY FARM AGENT WILL CLOSE FRIDAY NOON carly date.

agent will be closed from 1 o'clock to 100,000 pounds of manufacturing church two years ago, and it is by on Friday afternoon until 1 o'clock milk a day, and there is no reaspecial request that it is being re-business with the farm agents are cannot produce that much milk," requested to call before Friday Major Ballew said. In compar-

Fred H. Yearout Promoted To Larger Plant, Is Succeeded By R. B. Davenport As Manager

EXTENSIVE CAMPAIGN TO GET UNDERWAY AT ONCE

County And State Farm Agencies Assisting In Staging Campaign For More Milk

R. B. Davenport arrived here this week to succeed Fred H. Yearout as manager of the Waynesville plant of Pet Dairy Products Com-

Mr. Yearout has just received a promotion in the company. On the first of the year he will take over the management of the Johnson City plant and will also supervise the newly created manager's training school for the firm.

The announcement was made by Major L. A. Ballew, vice president of the company, shortly after his arrival here Monday noon, at which time he also stated that plans were being completed for an extensive campaign in Western North Carolina to increase production of milk for manufacturing purposes.

"Mr. Davenport has had years of special training in this type of field work, and will devote almost all of his time to the campaign," Major Ballew said.

"The market for manufactured milk is unlimited, and all indications are that present prices will hold up for a good while. In fact, there are some indications that milk prices will improve," Major Ballew stated.

"Many people do not realize that our Waynesville operation consists of two plants-one equipped to handle bottle milk and the other to take in manufacturing milk and

"Most plants are only able to walls of his igloo in front of the to this community a substantial investment in dairy plants, which provide an unlimited market for reached the point where we are

The campaign plans have been discussed with County Agent J. C. Lynn and F. R. Farnham, state extension dairy expert, and these two together with Mr. Davenport. will complete final details at an

"The facilities of our Waynes-The offices of the county farm ville plant can easily handle 75,000 ing this section with other parts of the country in which Pet Dairy has developed dairying.

Mr. Davenport has been with the company for several years. He has worked at Greensboro, Maryland, Greeneville, Tennessee and comes here from Johnson City, where he did special field work. Mr. Davenport will move his family here after the holidays and will occupy

(Continued on page 7) -OF SECRET SERVICE **Hundreds** And

Hundreds . .

Of letters to Santa Claus, from children in Haywood and business firms in their buildges County, will be published in from dusk to midnight on Christ- the annual Christmas edition of this newspaper on Thursday

> The papers will go into the mails Thursday night, and be

> This is the annual EXTRA edition give the readers by the staff of The Mountaineer.

ACTOR OF CAR CAR CAR

'Night of Light' Will Be Observed In Community

Meanest Man In Town Is Lose.

"Only the meanest man in town would steal children's Christmas tree lights," Walter Crawford said yesterday, in making an offer of \$5 for the arrest and conviction of the person who took 69 lights from the shrubbery in front of his home on Haywood Street sometime Saturday night.

Mr. Crawford spent several hours decorating his shrubbery for his children Saturday afternoon. That night all who passed were struck by the dis-

Sometime during the night, a man with large feet, stripped the shrubbery of every light, and stole softly away.

"If there is a man who would do a meaner trick than that, I haven't heard of him," Mr. Crawford said.

In co-operation with the request of Governor Hoey to participate in a nation-wide "answer to the black out" now in practice in the warring countries of Europe with a "night of light" Mayor J. H. Way, Jr., of Waynesville, and Mayor Whitener Prevost, of Hazelwood, are asking the citizens of Waynesville, Hazelwood, Lake Junaluska and outlying communities to keep the lights on and shades up in every room in their homes mas Eve.

Other communities in this part of the state are also asked to join afternoon. in the observanve of the "night of light" on Christmas Eve.

The movement was started by Bernarr MacFadden, publisher of distributed early Friday morn-Liberty and other magazines of ing. the MacFadden chain, who sent the following telegram to mayors over the United States:

"As America's answer to the black-out threatening the world-(Continued on page 7) -