

Boosters Held Annual Ladies Night Thursday

Members of the Hazelwood Boosters Club entertained their wives and friends with the annual Christmas party in the lunch room of the Hazelwood school on Thursday evening. In the absence of the president, Ralph Prentiss, the event was presided over by J. Elmer Shields, vice president. Guests were seated at a large T-shaped table, which was gaily decorated with holly, poinsettias and lighted red tapers. After the serving of the dinner by the teachers of the Hazelwood school, the program and arrangements committee, Dr. R. Stuart Robinson, A. P. Ledbetter, and Joe Davis, were in charge.

To the strains of Jingle Bells, Lawrence Barnes, representing Sanger, entered the room and distributed gifts, suggestive of individual inclinations and characteristics, to each one there. Later Mr. Barnes, a local comedian, entertained with a skit.

Those present were: Mrs. George Bischoff, L. N. Davis, Chas. Davis, Jr., Waynesville, Mrs. L. C. Davis, R. L. Prevost, Mrs. Sam Davis, Glenn Noland, Bill Prevost, Mrs. L. N. Davis, Dale Stentz, Waynesville, Mrs. L. M. Richeson, L. C. Lynn, Mrs. Dale Stentz, Waynesville, Jerry Rogers, Mrs. Green Campbell, J. E. Shields, Mrs. E. L. Armour, Mrs. William Chambers, Jr., G. C. Summerrow, L. Armour, Mrs. G. C. Summerrow, F. C. Compton, R. A. Gaddis, M. H. Bowles, Miss Ruth Summerrow, C. N. Allen, Mrs. W. H. Prevost, William Chambers, Jr., Mrs. Bill Prevost, Dr. G. M.

New RAF Chief



Air Marshall Sir Charles Frederick Algernon Portal, new chief of Britain's fighting air force, who succeeded Sir Cyril Newall, is credited with the brilliant work in the bomber command. He is said to have planned the long-range bombing attacks on objectives inside Germany.

Dellwood Missionary Society Holds Meeting

The women of the Dellwood circuit had a very interesting missionary study on Saturday, December 7, at the home of Mrs. H. C. Turner in Ratcliff Cove. "Uprooted Americans" was the theme for study and the various phases of migratory labor and unemployment were discussed. A delicious luncheon was served by the Ratcliff Cove ladies at twelve-thirty.

The following were present and took part on the program:—Mrs. H. C. Turner, Mrs. Mark Galloway, Mrs. Glenn Hipps, Mrs. Carter Camp, Mrs. Theodore Ruby, Mrs. Hardy Liner, Mrs. J. T. Noland, Mrs. Chauncey Palmer, Mrs. Edward Glavich, Mrs. W. D. Ketner, Rev. and Mrs. Newell.

Christmas Services Planned By Pastor Of Dellwood Circuit

Special Christmas programs and pageants will be observed in the churches of the Dellwood circuit as follows:

Elizabeth Chapel Sunday at 5:30 p. m.; Maple Grove Sunday at 7:30 p. m.; Maggie Tuesday at 2 p. m.; and Dellwood Tuesday at 7:30 p. m.

Davis, E. A. Greer, Mrs. J. C. Lynn, Mrs. E. A. Greer, L. M. Richeson, Mrs. Frank Compton, Ralph Summerrow, Carl Ratcliff, Lawrence Leatherwood, Joe Davis, Mrs. R. A. Gaddis, Sam Knight, F. E. Worthington, J. V. Blalock, Mrs. Jerry Rogers, Wm. C. Medford, Mrs. C. N. Allen, A. P. Ledbetter, W. H. Prevost, Mrs. R. Stuart Robinson, George Bischoff, Mrs. A. P. Ledbetter, Mrs. Ralph Summerrow, L. C. Davis, Mrs. John Blalock, and Mrs. J. Elmer Shields.

Local Resident Receives Letter From England

Sleeping Amid The Roar Of Bombs In England Is Described By Niece In Letter To Uncle

E. Wallace Lawrence, local architect, and native of England, has recently received a letter from his niece in Chingford, a suburb of London, which gives an idea of how the English spend their nights.

Highfield Chingford E-4 England. November 8, 1940.

Dear Uncle Edmund: I know that as long as you receive the papers, you know that I am all right.

I can quite understand that you cannot imagine the conditions under which we are living at the present time. My friend's sister lives in North Wales and she would hardly know there was a war on except for the blackout and rationing. The air raids are dreadful, but we console ourselves with the fact that the Germans are having them a hundred times worse. We have a really wonderful Air Force—the Germans have hardly disorganized the workings of the country at all. I am sorry to say that I am a coward at night—things seem so much worse in the dark and the guns seem to sound nearer. We all sleep down stairs partly dressed in case we have to get out quickly. Some people here in Chingford have been turned out of their houses for over three weeks on account of an unexpected bomb which is so large and has gone so deep down that they have not been able to get it out yet. They say it is larger than the one which was dropped by St. Paul's Cathedral.

The house where Louise lives in London has been bombed twice and they had no glass in the windows for over a month. In the first terrifying experience they were all sheltering in the basement. That was at the beginning of the raids on London but since then no one stays in their houses after the blackout. Louise goes to a very nice shelter under one of the big shops and stays there until seven o'clock in the morning. Tom is doing A. R. P. work in Hyde Park, but I doubt if he will be able to stand it as he suffers from gout and rheumatism.

Will you please send me some of your magazines occasionally—they are so different from those we have here.

With much love to you and Aunt Laura, and many thanks for your letter, I am,

Your affectionate niece, DOROTHY.

TRANSACTIONS IN Real Estate

(As Recorded to Monday Noon Of This Week)

Beavertown Township Fred Winfield, et ux, to Arthur E. Cody, et ux. S. M. Gossett to Ben E. Banks, et ux.

Alvin Yarborough, et ux, to Lucile Hall. Dow Varner, et ux, to R. C. Davis, et ux. Carlton Pless, et ux, to Ray Hampton, et ux.

Clyde Township Margaret O. Jenkins, to V. D. Burch, et ux. Ivy Hill Township Wilburn Nelson, et ux, to Ben Moody.

John Fie, et ux, to Ben Moody. Jonathan Creek Township Lee V. Ferguson, et ux, to J. J. Boyd, et ux. Pigeon Township J. B. Wooten to T. A. Cathey, et ux.

Levonia Burnett to Woodrow Burnett. J. K. Sellars, et ux, to W. R. Palmer.

Waynesville Township Louie M. Black to John W. Grasty. J. B. Ivey, et ux, to Albee Godbold.

Lake Junaluska Assembly, Inc., to Adelaide D. Clark. Derry Norman, et ux, to Fred Jackson, et ux. Vernie Smith, et ux, to Sallie West.

Willis Bumgarner, et ux, to Mary Bumgarner.

Film Star Arrives



Pictured as she arrived in Jersey City, N. J., en route to Hollywood is Michele Morgan, 20-year-old French motion picture actress. She was one of 186 passengers aboard the American Export Liner Eschscholtz, which completed her last round trip to Lisbon, Portugal, to evacuate war refugees.

Home Demonstration Club Of Cecil Enjoys Meeting

Mrs. A. M. Frazier was elected president of the Cecil home demonstration club at the combined November-December meeting which was held last week at her home in Cecil township.

Others who were elected to serve the chapter were: vice president, Mrs. Thomas Erwin; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Edgar Burnett.

Miss Mary Margaret Smith gave an interesting demonstration on holiday gifts and suggestions, many of which can be made with greens, cones, acorns and seed pods.

At the noon hour a "pot-luck" luncheon was served. In the contest held Mrs. J. Edgar Burnett was the winner.

Announcement was made of the January meeting, which will be an all day affair to be held at the home of Mrs. Thomas Erwin on the 29th.

The meeting closed with assembly singing of Christmas carols.

Mistletoe Has Known Long, Eventful History

Of all the Christmas greens, the best-loved, probably, is the mistletoe, which likewise has experienced the most eventful history of all plants.

In the days of pagan worship in England the mistletoe was chosen for great honors, being cut from its host, the oak tree, with golden axes. It was gathered for the people and a bit given to each person to ward off illness.

But the plant paid dear for these honors for when the Christian church was established it was not allowed in any church because of its pagan association, and it is told that preachers even would stop in their sermons if a tiny bit were spied and the service waited until the offending bit of green was removed.

In late centuries it became again the symbol of peace and friendship and has since been tacked on the doorway as a token of friendly greeting.



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Farm Agents Urge Reforesting For Erosion Ravages

One hundred and fifty thousand seedlings have been allocated to Haywood County as the result of a co-operative agreement between the TVA and the Extension Forestry.

The trees are available to any farmer in the county, who has land that is eroding or subject to erosion, and wishes to put it in trees.

Those wishing to place an application for trees are requested to do so at once at the county agents' office.

The trees are free and under the agricultural conservation program will be paid for planting up to 4 acres, at the rate of \$3.75 an acre in one day.

Erosion is becoming a serious problem in Haywood County, it was pointed out by the county agents. It is said that there are 18,000 acres of eroded land in Haywood County, with an annual increase of 1,000 acres. Based on this there should be around 1,000,000 trees planted each year in this county.

Last year farmers planted 205,000 trees and since the allotment is not so large as that of last year, farmers are urged to get in their applications at an early date.

The trees, white pine, short leaf pine, yellow poplar and locust are being delivered in 50,000 lots at the county agents' office here, from the TVA nurseries at Norris. Where it is possible, the seedlings are being delivered direct to the farmers desiring them.

Sentenced by Vichy



A student at the University of Michigan, Fakhri Maluf has been sentenced by the Vichy government of France to 15 years in prison for advocating independence of his native French Syria. Maluf, however, intends to remain in Ann Arbor, safely out of Vichy jurisdiction.

Home Demonstration Club Of Dellwood Held All Day Meet Thursday

Mrs. Rube Jones was elected president of the Dellwood home demonstration club at the annual all day meeting which was held on last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Frank Henry. Serving as associate hostesses with Mrs. Henry were: Mrs. Hugh Allison, Mrs. Wiley Galloway, and Mrs. Grady Honeycutt.

Other officers elected on Thursday include: vice president, Mrs. L. W. Hall; secretary, Mrs. Wade Waddell; song leader, Mrs. C. O. Newell; reporter, Mrs. Wilbur Whidden.

In the regular monthly demonstration Miss Mary Margaret Smith discussed holiday gifts and table decorations. During the social hour a turkey contest was enjoyed.

Announcement was made of the January meeting to be held with Mrs. Waddell.

Germany drops a pill in water and produces synthetic gasoline. Nobody knows the contents of the pill.

Sugar And Water Stops Fall Of Tree Needles

It's easy to stop the fall of Christmas tree needles. Saw off a portion of the tree's base—enough so the fresh wood will be exposed. Set a shallow pan of water beneath the base of the tree, in which the base should be immersed. A teaspoonful of sugar should be added to the water. The water provides needed moisture and the sugar nourishes the needles, giving them strength to hold on longer.

YOU'RE TELLING ME!

By WILLIAM BIRT Central Press Writer

TOBACCO, we read, impairs the memory. That's right—Dad never seems able to remember how all those cigar ashes got on the living room rug.

father, former King Carol. For one thing, he has a smaller country to rule over.

The younger generation is certainly showing up us oldsters. At the age of 18 Michael of Rumania has been king twice.

Picking up marbles with your bare toes is said to be a cure for flat feet. But will a suspicious cop accept that explanation?

A British aviator leaped out of his burning plane and landed safely on top of a barrage balloon. Imagine doing circus tricks during a blitzkrieg.

The French are unable to obtain lemons, according to a news item. However, matters are sour enough in that country, anyway.

Japanese soldiers, according to a Tokio correspondent, dislike wearing gas masks. The Japs, it appears, not only hate to lose face, but also to hide it.

King Michael may have an easier time of it than did his

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