

THE NEWS extends Christmas Greetings to all of its readers and patrons. We look forward to serving more and better in 1945.

There is still time to get that War Bond Christmas Gift. And it will count toward the quota if it's an "E" bond.

Farmers Subject To Draft Again

About 300 cases of deferred Orange county farmers have been reopened for consideration of classification changes as a result of the call for more men and the order of the War Department to review these cases and also call for preinduction registrants under 38 who have been to induction centers the past and were rejected.

According to Mrs. Mildred W. Collins, chief clerk of the draft board here, all 2A, 2B, and 2C classified men under 38 will be subject to call pending decisions by the board after the reviewing of their cases and determining the importance of the civilian work of the war effort. About 300 2C cases have been reopened for consideration. 2C is the classification of essential farming. Mrs. Collins said the basis upon which a farmer will be granted an additional deferment is that he proves to be producing above the average farmer.

There has been further ordered by the War Department that every farmer under 38 who has been to the induction center and rejected, be subject to call for another examination during the months of January, February, and March. The cases of these men will be examined by the board to single out those to be called again for preinduction.

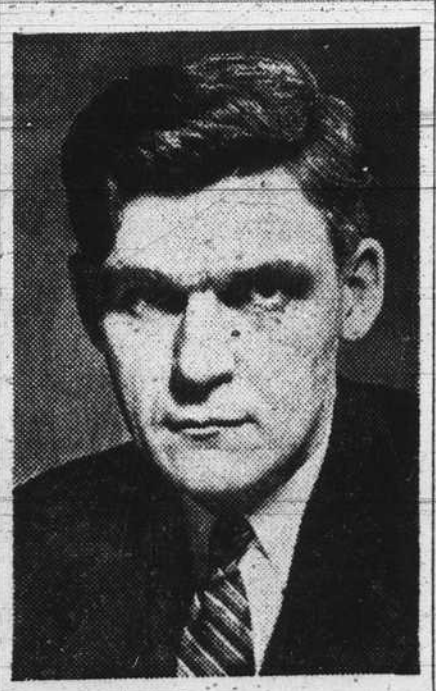
Hillsboro Churches Planning Christmas Programs Saturday

Hillsboro, Dec. 18.—Both the Baptist and Methodist churches are preparing special programs to be given by the children of the Sunday schools on Saturday evening, Dec. 23, at 7:30 o'clock in their respective churches. These Christmas programs have been carefully arranged and will be made up of Christmas music, stories and recitations by the children. Every one is invited.

On Sunday evening the choir of both the Methodist and Baptist church will present a program of special Christmas music and the story of the sacred birth of Jesus in the form of a pageant in their respective churches. Every one is invited to attend these services. The annual banquet of the Methodist church will be held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20, at 7 o'clock in the church hut. Dr. H. C. Smith of Durham, the new district superintendent for this district, will be present and the first quarterly conference for the year will be held in a business session after dinner.

This Week's POPULAR OPINION IN CHAPEL HILL

Question of the week: What was your favorite movie for 1944? Joseph H. Ball, Republican senator from Minnesota: "Going My Way. Technically, it was a great production. Like any great art it contributed to the value of living." Dr. J. P. Harland, professor of geology: "Our Hearts Were Hungry and Gay. It was light, entertaining and amusing." Peggy Jurgensen, "y" office secretary: "The Cross of Lorraine. The simplicity and realism in which they presented the sufferings of the French people portended the anguish of the universal sufferings of humanity." Charles Jones, pastor of the Presbyterian church: "Once Upon a Time. It was entertaining without being sloppy. At the same time, it had some philosophy in it which I found pretty true of life." Katherine Cooke, recreation director of local center: "White Christmas at Dover. I was anxious to see the picture as was true to life and the book. The picture was very magnificent." Z. Cannon, barber: "Lady in Black. It had superb scenery and photography plus a similar quality that gave you the impression of looking at a stage show." Randall Brooks, Carolina student: "Laura. It had one of the best casts I've seen in many years. The restrained, natural acting was very good, mainly because three Broadway actors were in it." Mrs. Dan Anderson, housewife: "My Man in Arms. Danny Kaye is a type of comedian to the screen; a well and unusual one who can all the way through—beautiful colors." Mrs. E. F. Pierce, NROTC: "Since We Went Away. It was a very interesting story of conditions during the wartime America." Stanley Pic, general stage manager of the Carolina Playmakers: "The Indemnity. The direction was the best I've seen in movies."



SENATOR JOS H. BALL, who was in Chapel Hill recently for a speaking date under the auspices of the International Relations club, was caught by THE NEWS inquiring reporter in search of opinions on "What has been your favorite movie of 1944?"

Efland Soldier Is Honored

Cpl. Paul R. Younts, commanding officer of the AAF overseas replacement depot at Greensboro, recently presented an air medal with one oak leaf cluster to Mrs. Verona M. Hopkins of Efland on behalf of her husband, Sgt. Claude F. Hopkins, reported missing in action in Europe. With her at the time the award was made was O. F. Hopkins, father of the missing sergeant. In a long time, and the acting was extremely realistic and convincing.

Thirty-Four Get First Exam December 26

Thirty-four Orange county white men will be forwarded to Fort Bragg for preinduction physical examination Tuesday, December 26.

Those scheduled to leave from this board the day after Christmas are:

- John David Waldroup, L. B. Helms, Leonard Ward Roberts, Lloyd Ward, Albert Monroe Smith, Andrew Cornelius Sumner, Samuel Wilson Sykes, Walter LaValle Totten, Jr., Ralph Hooker Berry, Jessie Elijah Freeman, Eugene Tunney Wilson, Herman Cecil Davis, James T. Walters, Jr., Henry McCulloch, Phillip William Gates, William Stephen Crabtree, Joe Thomas Rountree.

Robert Jennings Smith, Jack Cling Talley, Lacey Artemus Crabtree, Auburn Marvin Davis, Arthur Warren Wilson, Collins Theodore Poole, Charlie Vivian Parker, Arthur William Clayton, Harry Blake Hartness, Paul Eugene Tripp, Daniel Stroud Long, Charlie Luis Edmonds, James Vester Brockwell, Cecil Hughes Miller, Herman Harold Godwin, Jr., James Edward Daniel, Jessie Brandon Dodson.

Rays Observe Fiftieth Year

Alfred Murph Ray and Pattie Whitaker Ray of the Alexander Wilson community, Alamance county held open house Sunday, December 17, from 2 to 6 p. m., on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. More than 250 friends and relatives called to extend congratulations and felicitations.

In the receiving line, in addition to the golden bride and groom, were the seven children, Mrs. Jesse Webster, Clifford M. Ray, and Clyde E. Ray, all of the Alexander Wilson community, Mrs. B. D. Pickard of Greensboro, Mrs. Walter Teer of Hillsboro, L. L. Ray of Graham and Sherman Ray of Pelham, N. Y.

Mrs. Ray's dress was of black and aqua with metallic trim. She wore a corsage of yellow roses.

Yellow chrysanthemums and gladiolas decorated the dining room and living room. A large white wedding bell hung over a three-tiered wedding cake of white and gold in the center of the dining table.

Refreshments of white and gold cakes, cookies, nuts, mints, coffee, hot punch and iced punch were served buffet style by the daughters-in-law, Mrs. C. M. Ray, Mrs. J. Sherman Ray, Mrs. L. L. Ray, and two grandchildren, Mrs. F. I. Dorsett of Greensboro and Mrs. Garland Huffines of Asheboro.

Songs especially composed for the occasion were sung by the family at frequent intervals, led by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Fiddler of Burlington.

Guests attending from Hillsboro were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Beard, Rev. and Mrs. Wilds D. Bose and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Latta.

Closed Christmas

The News office will be closed the Saturday before Christmas and Christmas day to give our workers a holiday. We will reopen Tuesday morning to get out next week's paper, so you won't miss a single issue. As we take off for a Merry Christmas, we wish you the same and a Happy New Year to boot.

Rotarians And Kiwanians Will Sponsor Paralysis Drive

Chapel Hill, Dec. 20.—The annual drive in Orange county to raise funds for the fight against infantile paralysis will be sponsored by the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs. W. T. Huntley, Jr., of Chapel Hill, new county chairman, says the fund raising is to be in the month of January, but no definite plans have been made. The epidemic last summer cost at least a half million dollars and, according to last reports, the National Foundation for infantile paralysis in New York had sent \$389,474.17 for use in the epidemic area.

The people of Orange county contributed freely to the cause in past years, and Mrs. Phillips Russell, state secretary of the polio fund, says all indications are that they will contribute far more to the fight this year than ever before. In 1943 under the chairmanship of L. Vic Huggins, Orange county raised \$2,173.62 net against a quota of \$852. Last January under the leadership of the Rev. Charles M. Jones, Orange raised \$852 against a quota of \$1,000. The rest of the state is almost organized and 98 of the 100 counties in North Carolina have already appointed their chairmen for the January drive. Because of the serious epidemic in the state this past summer, with about 850 cases reported to the state health department, increased interest is shown in the coming drive.

New Pastor



Rev. W. D. Taylor, newly named pastor of the Free Will Baptist church in West Hillsboro, will take charge of the church as soon as proper arrangements for his transfer here can be made.

Taylor Is To Take Church Here January

Rev. W. D. Taylor of Rockingham has been called as full time pastor of the Free Will Baptist church at West Hillsboro and has accepted the call to take charge as soon as proper arrangements can be made.

Taylor has been in Rockingham for the past four years, but is a native of Marlboro county, S. C. He is moving to this field to replace Rev. Caleb Goodwin, former pastor of the church, who left about two months ago.

A parsonage has not yet been obtained for the incoming minister but as soon as it can be secured the Rev. Mr. Taylor will move here with his wife and one child, Willie, Jr. Taylor has three other sons, two of whom are in the service. The oldest son is living in Rockingham. He expects to move on this field about January 1.

More 'E' Bond Sales Needed; Over-All Quota Is Exceeded

As of December 15, Orange county was running about \$80,000 behind the "E" bond quota for the sixth war loan drive. At that time, Don S. Matheson, county agent, in charge of the rural drive with Joe Howard, mailed the following letter to a large number of county people:

"We lack \$80,000 worth of E bonds before we reach our Orange goal on the Sixth War Loan. This is just a reminder to get your bonds during this month and please buy them in the county, so that we can reach our goal."

"We have never failed on any of the war drives. Our tobacco crop brought almost \$2,000,000. "I am sure you have done a good job buying bonds already, but let's make an extra effort and buy a few more during the month."

According to figures released by S. A. Johnson of the Durham Bank and Trust Co., in Hillsboro, yesterday, the county is still short by about \$38,000. Johnson said this figure did not include the Chapel Hill and Carrboro postoffices, and the munitions plant in Carrboro. Taking these into consideration, he said the county is now probably short about twenty-five thousand in "E" bond sales. Johnson said the county has probably exceeded the over-all bond quota, but he urges the purchase of more "E" bonds to meet the demands of that quota.

Agriculture Census To Begin In Orange County In January

By Paige Brodie Don S. Matheson, county agent, has announced that according to T. H. Street, supervisor of the bureau of census in Greensboro, the 1945 agricultural census of all Orange county farmers, farm equipment, land, and agricultural data will begin about January 8. The selection of a local census taker for each township will be announced later.

This information on crops and livestock will be used in many ways by farmers and varied groups from federal agencies to manufacturers and advertising organizations. Dean I. O. Schaub of State College who heads an advisory council of all agricultural agencies cooperating with the census bureau, urges that farmers give just as complete information as possible. He points out that the information is strictly confidential and will not be used for taxation or regulation. Matheson emphasized the importance of the census not only to every farmer, but also as a valuable digest of facts to be used as a guide for cooperative farm associations constructing credit and marketing plans. It will provide basic information for dealers in agricultural and allied products, as well as necessary data in time of disaster.

"Agriculture will be able to make much greater progress in the future especially as we face changing conditions after the war," said Dean Schaub in his message to North Carolina and Orange county farmers.

CIVIC CLUBBERS HAVE THEIR ANNUAL JOINT GORGE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Chapel Hill.—Last night in the ballroom of the Carolina Inn at Chapel Hill Kiwanians and Rotarians and their wives had their annual Christmas eating, singing and entertainment party. The entertainment program was under the direction of Rotarian Kelly Barnett. Decorations were used and the women were given favors. It was a nice party.

Sewage Lines Are Wanted In Part Of Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill.—A petition signed by seven property holders requesting that sewage lines be run to the Sunset drive area of Chapel Hill was presented by County Sanitarian Brendle to the board of aldermen at their last meeting.

The petition is one result of the publication of the health survey recently made by the negro community health club of Chapel Hill, findings of which were published by THE NEWS last week.

McBain Moves Out; Shue To Move In

G. C. McBain, who opened a grocery business in the little building formerly occupied by Jim Shue's grocery on Hillsboro avenue about five months ago, moved to a larger place next to Fred Cates' store at West End recently and Jim Shue, the Hillsboro night policeman, will reopen at the old location Thursday, December 21. The building now occupied by McBain is located between the Hollywood theater and Fred Cates' store (West Hill post office). The store front is about twenty-five feet and the building is about 85 feet deep. For the past week, Shue has been replacing his stock and fixtures to ready himself for his opening Thursday.

Walker Brothers Meet Overseas

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Walker have received word that their son, J. C., has arrived safely overseas. They have also had word from another son, Howard, who is stationed in England, that he has seen J. C. and is now stationed within 10 miles of him. Since being overseas Howard has had the privilege of meeting two other brothers and a brother-in-law.

SCARLET FEVER

There is one case of scarlet fever in Chapel Hill, the health department reports.

Pattie Stanford Admits Slaying Of Her Husband

Mrs. Pattie C. Stanford, wife of an Efland service station operator, John Stanford, confessed the slaying of her husband with a shotgun charge in the back, according to Sheriff S. T. Latta, who heard the confession with James F. Bradshaw, S.B.I. official from Raleigh. Mrs. Stanford was placed under \$10,000 bond to appear before the March term of superior court charged with murder.

Tax Listing Is To Begin In January

Gilbert W. Ray, Orange county tax supervisor and county accountant, released the names of the township tax list takers in the county for 1945.

List takers have been named for each of the townships. Listing will get underway during the month of January, and notice of list taking appointments will be published in THE NEWS the first week in JANEY.

Tax listers for the year will be: Chapel Hill, W. P. Jordan and L. R. Cheek; Bingham, T. M. Snipes; Hillsboro, E. T. Johns; Eno, C. W. Merritt; Cedar Grove, R. C. Compton; Little River, A. E. Wilson. Mr. Ray will serve as tax supervisor.

Durham Beats Hillsboro 73-17

Hillsboro high school basketball team fell under a terrific beating by the Durham high team last Friday night as the Durham push-over came to an end with the score standing at 73-17.

Rosemond and Howerton were high scorers for Hillsboro with six points each against their opponents who far outclassed the local boys. Bobby Brown came home with 3 points to his credit and Frederick netted two.

Many Durham reserves were given experience in the game, but the Hillsboro boys were still unable to check the offensive that brought them down in total defeat.

In The Churches

Mrs. John Ball will sponsor a music program at the First Baptist church Sunday night. Treats will be given to all the children from the cradle roll through the junior department.

Members of the young women's Sunday school class and the Wesleyan Guild of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. H. B. Stanfield Friday night at 8 o'clock to go carolling.

The members of the Episcopal Parish guild will conduct a pageant at the church Friday at 4 p. m.

A cantata will be held at the Methodist church Sunday night. The women's Sunday school class held its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. H. H. Brown on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Mrs. H. B. Stanfield and Ailene Williams had charge of the program.

CHAPEL HILL SCHOOL WILL REOPEN JANUARY 3

Chapel Hill.—Both elementary and high schools of Chapel Hill will close at 1 p. m. today and will reopen at 8:40 a. m. on January 3, 1945. A. W. Honeycutt, superintendent of schools, announced today.

This Week's POPULAR OPINION IN HILLSBORO

Two weeks ago THE NEWS "popped" the question of comic favorites in Chapel Hill. To acquire a more complete survey of Orange countians' opinions, likes and dislikes concerning comic strips, we spread the question in Hillsboro. "Dick Tracy" seems to take the lead in Hillsboro. Question of the week: What is your favorite comic strip? Charlie James, druggist: "Dick Tracy, no reason." Mrs. Ben Johnston, housewife: "Dick Tracy, no reason." Mary Kenyon, clerk at the ration board: "The Gumps." Faye Jones, clerk at the draft board: "Blondie." Ruth Privette, high school student: "The Gumps." Don S. Matheson, county farm agent: "Flash Gordon, because I like it."

The killing took place early last Thursday morning. At the time of the slaying, Mrs. Stanford called for help. Someone called an ambulance and Dr. Marion Roberts. She, however, did not confess the slaying until Saturday morning, but said there was no one else in the house at the time except she and the baby.

A coroner's jury was selected Thursday and they met to view the body and question witnesses. No one was held. The jury met again Friday with Solicitor R. H. (Judge) Sykes from Durham. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that the fatal wound was inflicted by an unidentified person.

Last Friday James F. Bradshaw, S.B.I., investigated the circumstances and the next day he and Sheriff Latta went to Graham where the body was carried. Bradshaw made photographs of the body and the wound in the victim's back. The charge had entered Stanford's body under the left shoulder blade diagonally and upward, and struck his heart.

Bradshaw then returned to Raleigh, and came back to Hillsboro Saturday morning when he and Latta went to Efland to see Mrs. Stanford. It was then that Mrs. Stanford admitted the slaying. She told Latta and Bradshaw that they had an argument that morning; that Stanford was drunk and threatened to kill both her and the baby. Then he lay down on the bed again with his clothes on, and she said she then took the .12 gauge single barrel shotgun and shot him in the back.

She was released under \$10,000 bond to appear before the March term of superior court to face a charge of murder. Funeral services for Stanford were held Friday and the body was buried in the Efland cemetery.

Grange Meeting At White Cross

The White Cross Grange No. 708 met Thursday night, December 14, with four officers present.

G. O. Reitzel made a short talk explaining the purpose of the Grange expansion club. Motion was made and carried to notify the finance committee, W. G. Mann, chairman, of \$50 to be given to the expansion club during the year of 1945.

A poem, "Christmas in the Cabin," was read by Jessie Ward.

Officers for the year of 1945 were elected as follows: Charlie Teer, master; Brady Lloyd, overseer; Martha Lloyd, lecturer; Aubrey McLennon, steward; Beryl Ward, chaplain; P. G. Lloyd, treasurer; Leta Teer, secretary; Melvin Lloyd, gatekeeper; Jessie Ward, Pomona; Lydia Teer, Flora; Kathryn Lloyd, Ceres; Kollah Durham, lady assistant steward; Manly Snipes, business agent; Nelle McLennon, home-ec. committee; Leta Teer, reporter.

Lydia Teer was voted on and accepted as a new member of the Grange.

Contests were engaged in and Christmas gifts were taken from the tree for distributing. Each person received one. Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Reitzel were guests of the evening.