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Christmas '44

Next Monday we will celebrate the fourth war time Christmas in the country, still secure in home untouched by the disasters of war...

THE NEWS extends seasonal greetings to all of its readers and patrons as it rejoices on this its first Christmas since publication under present ownership...

Those on far, distant battle fields will continue the fight to bring peace on earth until the distasteful task is accomplished...

Who will establish good will? GI Joe's weapons that bring peace will be useless. It will be up to us at home...

As THE NEWS extends its greetings, it is our wish also that it is more than mere words when we greet another next Monday morning with the familiar "Merry Christmas."

School Sanitation

The current report of the grand jury of Lenoir county is something all who have accepted responsibility for county government in North Carolina would do well to take into account...

What does the Lenoir grand jury suggest by way of correction? That the county superintendent make the required repairs or get out in favor of somebody who will.

That's plain, understandable talk. There ought to be more of it. We are not trying to take the Lenoir superintendent, E. E. Sams, who is a schoolman of repute...

All of us who are conversant with rural schools in North Carolina know that in sanitation they do not compare favorably with the county prison camps maintained by the state highway commission.

It may well be that the legislature has not provided sufficient money for the proper maintenance of the rural schools, it is possible that the counties must resume some sense of obligation...

If we refrain from saying what ought to happen to a state superintendent of public instruction who neglects the physical condition of schools and pupils to devote his time to attending the meetings of a state board of education...

LET'S ALL BUY MORE WAR BONDS

ETAOIN SHRDLU

THE LONE DISSENTER... John Foushee, Chapel Hill's mayor before Bob Madry took over, has entered two protests against changes that have been made in THE NEWS since it came to Orange for its printing job...

DOWN MY ALLEY... The last two weeks' front page headlines of your county newspaper have topped stories my typewriter has duplicated many a time. "Achievement Day," "Farm-to-Market Roads,"—these were two of them...

ETAOIN SHRDLU, SCRAMBLED LETTER COLUMN OF YOUR NEWSPAPER, WISHES ALL OF YOU READERS, IF THERE ARE ANY READERS, THE BEST CHRISTMAS SEASON YOU HAVE EVER HAD IF THAT WERE AT ALL POSSIBLE IN A WORLD WHERE THERE IS NO "PEACE ON EARTH" AND WHERE THE USUAL GREETING "GOODWILL TOWARD MEN" HAS A HOLLOW SOUND...

BY THE EDITOR

CHRISTMAS... It is natural for one to wonder what Christmas must have been like way back yonder. The season has been so commercialized that today there is so much hum-drum and nervous confusion that on December 26th there is a spirit of relief, relaxation and sighing after about two months of running high and low.

EXCEPTIONS... Of course there are exceptions to the day-after-Christmas resting rule. There are those donning the ice pack on heads that feel enlarged by about three times—the result of an overdose of egg nog and reasonable fac-similes. They wish they could rest.

RESTRICTIONS... There are some restrictions on the wartime celebration though. The one that has caught me the hardest is the lighting problem. If there is a string of indoor tree lights to be had, they aren't on my tree. But then there is a more advantageous shortage—fireworks.

LOOKING BACK... I remember the Christmas season when fireworks were plentiful and two gangs of us rowdys got mad at each other. We still insist that they threw at us first (not a sworn statement). The scrap resulted in our getting

1919---In Orange County

Chapel Hill never before witnessed such a gathering... Commencement day or Rally day would have been swallowed up in the great throng... 13,000 to 14,000 persons attended the Carolina-Virginia football game...

In Rocky Mount, where Chapel Hill high school was playing football a crowd of several hundred rushed on the field and tried to start a fight... Rocky Mount did everything in its power to get the Chapel Hill team to fight but the steady Hillians kept on playing ball.

Carrboro's Ellington & Durham store was broken into and a quantity of merchandise was stolen.

Efland's John Clark and a party of friends, going to Hillsboro Thanksgiving evening in his Ford, was struck by a larger car and the Ford was almost demolished. No one was hurt... Miss Annie Cole of Hillsboro was visiting her sister, Mrs. John Smith in Efland.

"White Cross is coming, So just look out and see; If you find a better place, Just report to me."

"A new buggy fever is raging in this section. Look out girls in every direction..." "Guess Rex is still studying his geography for more information concerning the stars." (White Cross.)

The Graham Memorial fund has reached the \$104,000 figure.

At Rock Hill: "We are having good behavior at Rock Hill school. Hurrah for Miss Dark. She's a good one."

"Cotton 39 1/2c, cotton seed \$1.28 per bushel."

"The Bank of Carrboro opened Saturday... first day's deposits amounted to over \$300,000."

The Chapel Hill graded school has a Ford truck nicely equipped for the purpose of hauling children to school, those who live in the nearby country.

Chapel Hill: "The renting of the new boxes in the new postoffice building took place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. The next important thing to do is to have free mail delivery in town and the University."

Hon. Thos. R. Marshall, vice-president of the United States, spoke in Raleigh Monday night.

(... These were the things THE NEWS (then published at Chapel Hill) was reporting in its issue of December 6, 1919... and, significantly, it said: "All subscriptions not paid up before Jan. 1st, 1920, will be cut off beginning with the New Year. Some may take this as a joke, but don't be disappointed, come in during the next week or so and pay up and renew as next year is a political year, and you will want THE NEWS more than ever before.")

MORE THAN THE USUAL NIP IN THE AIR

Unofficial weather diagnosticians in and around Hillsboro are in pretty much agreement that below average temperatures have prevailed in these parts during the late fall days of this year. Although Orange county has escaped the snow blizzards of further-North areas...

Winter's arrival this week has been attended by no signs of a rise in the temperature.

Headlines Of Old

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Big extra vote offer will close Saturday night; Sheriff Sloan and deputies capture still, oil burner; soldiers' and widows' pensions; Hillsboro boys on sight seeing trip in west; report of grand jury; marriage license issued; the Merry Minstrels; honor to whom honor is due.

all the thunderbolts we could find and their getting all the torpedo bombs they could find. They hid in a house and we stood on the street corner. The only casualties were a cut arm on our side, a stunned hand on the other, and two broken gutter pipes and a shattered window on the house as we threw thunderbolts at them in the window and they threw torpedoes at us on the street. I am sure the parents of both groups knew nothing of the row or there would have been more casualties. That has convinced me that children's hands are too small for firecrackers.

Schley News

Alton Wilson of State College is home for the Christmas holidays.

Ray Allerson, Jr. is home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allerson, from State College.

Mrs. Leonard Wilson of Hillsboro spent the day with Miss Ruth Wilson recently.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Johns are glad to have their daughter, Jessie, visit them from New York.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Johns, Jessie, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wilson of Hillsboro had supper with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wilkerson Friday night.

Misses Inez and Mary Wilson of Meredith College are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wilson.

Miss Louise Wilson gave her brother, Ray, a surprise birthday party on Saturday night.

Mrs. Herman Wilson entertained her Sunday school class at a Christmas party on Friday night.

Mrs. Glenn Kennedy had supper with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mincey Sunday night.

Alton and Ruth Wilson visited Mr. and Mrs. John Hawkins of Cedar Grove Sunday evening.

BARBARA CASHION IS HIGH SCHOOL QUEEN; BERNARD LLOYD KING

Chapel Hill, Dec. 20.—Barbara Cashion was crowned Queen and Bernard Lloyd was crowned King of Chapel Hill high school at the "Proconival", a carnival sponsored by the Proconian, student newspaper of Chapel Hill high school held at the high school "Tin Can" Saturday night.

Runners-up in the popularity contest acted as ladies-in-waiting and pages to Queen Barbara and King Bernard. They were: Ardie Hamilton, Evelyn Merritt, Hilda Sharkey, Rebecca Huggins, ladies-in-waiting; and Jimmy Blake, Frank Farrington, Billy Carmichael and Preston Carroll, pages. Queen Barbara and King Bernard were chosen by popular ballot.

The formal program prior to the coronation ceremonies consisted of a trio singing "Pistol Packing Mamma", a group of Christmas songs, and "Don't Fence Me In." Members of the trio were: Fay Jones, Nancy Williams and Charlotte Dollar.

Movies, oddities, bingo, dancing and other features of the usual carnival were offered at the Proconival in addition to the coronation ceremonies.

CEILING PRICES RAISED ON BARROWS AND GILTS

Raleigh, Dec. 20.—Ceiling prices on all live barrows and gilts have been raised to \$14.75 per hundredweight, Chicago basis, as a result of action by the Office of Price Administration in extending higher ceiling prices on light-weight live hogs to all weights of hogs except sows, stags, and boars.

The Raleigh OPA said ceilings on sows, stags and boars are now 75 cents per hundredweight under ceilings for barrows and gilts.

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Efland

Birthday Party

Miss Nell McAdams was honored Saturday night by a surprise birthday party given to her by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McAdams at the Fairfield Community House. Apples, oranges, and cake were served to the following guests: Jessie Gray Nichols, Doris Taylor, Merle McAdams, Jane Compton, Sarah Vaughn, Edna Burke Nichols, Catherine Wilson, Rita Vaughn, Zelota Compton, Burch McAdams, Bobby Nichols, Ben Lloyd, Birch Compton, Glenn Caruthers, and William Dorsett.

Personals

Air Cadet Perry Brown has returned to Moody Field, Ga., after spending his furlough with his

furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown.

Wayne Taylor of Elon College is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Taylor.

Miss Bettie Sue Lloyd of Elon College is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lloyd.

Miss Flora Jane Efland of Woman's College, Greensboro, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Efland.

Miss Annie Catherine Messamer is a patient in Watts hospital, Durham.

Miss Lillian Thompson spent the weekend in Durham with relatives.

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The birth of the Christ babe 1944 years ago this December 25th, gave to the world a glorious spirit which is commemorated by this day. In that spirit we wish you the season's greetings.

HILLSBORO SUNDRY

