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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Santa Claus and friend, Sarah Ann Sneed.

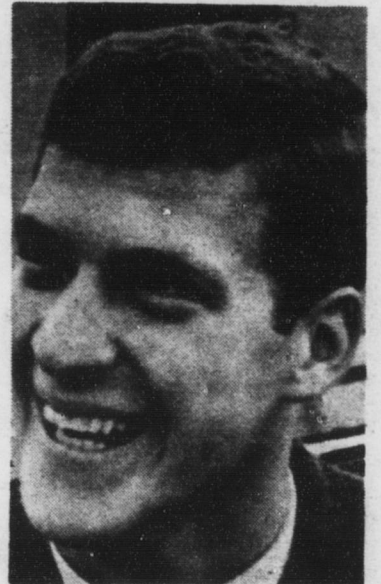
Parker Is Sold To Washington For \$14,000

John Parker, who entered professional baseball with the Philadelphia Phillies after leading Davie to the Western baseball championship, has been drafted and sold to the Washington Senators for \$14,000.

Parker had an 8-6 record with Portsmouth last year. He hopes to stick with the Senators this spring, joining West Rowan's Barry Moore on the big league staff.

Parker broke into pro baseball with Spartanburg and posted a 17-3 record. He is in the Army reserve, having to go to camp one weekend a month. He'll be plagued by the Army stints for the next three years.

John recently married the former Becky Hall. They are living with her parents in Mocksville until he reports to the Senators in February. Meanwhile, he is a salesman for Mocksville Chrysler-Plymouth in Mocksville.



Davie Library Holiday Hours

The Cooleemee Branch Library will be closed all of Christmas Week.

The Main Library will be closed for Christmas from December 24 to December 30. It will also be closed on New Year's Day.

The Board of Trustees and the staff of the Davie county public library wish you a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with happiness.

Legion Party

The Cooleemee American Legion Post 54 will hold their annual Christmas party for all members on Saturday night, December 21, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Legion Hut.

No Journal Next Week

The Journal will not publish next week in order to give us all a break.

Then we shall publish a day early the following week in order for the papers to be mailed and delivered before Wednesday, January 1. (That's one reason. The other is that some plan to howl New Year's Eve, and all of us hope to watch the bowl games on New Year's Day.)

So the next Journal will be printed on Monday, December 30. Please get the news to Marlene by Friday, December 27, because we plan to put the paper together Saturday, December 28, and mail it to Lincolnton for printing.

Meanwhile, all of us at The Journal wish you a very Merry Christmas. We certainly appreciate all the support we have received during the past year from our subscribers and our advertisers.

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Today's Journal Is Largest Ever

Today's Journal is the largest ever.

In fact, it's too big for the press in Lincolnton, so we've had to run off one section on Tuesday and insert it in the paper.

The second section features two sports pages, including a full-page article on Clanard (Firpo) Creason, who starred in professional baseball in the Piedmont area for some 25 years. The Kwik Kwiz and Checking Up, in addition to interesting pictures and articles, round out the Journal's first Section "B."

We hope you'll find the entire Journal interesting. Included are Christmas Greetings from area merchants and a two page spread on the Burlington Christmas Party.

All of this — in addition to the usual Journal pictures, news and merchandise advertisements. We're real proud of today's Journal. We hope you'll enjoy it as much as we have enjoyed preparing it for you.