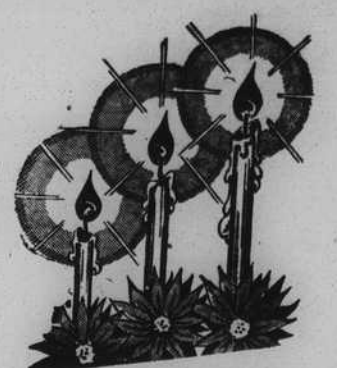


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SANTA CLAUS VISITING CHERRYVILLE DAILY

CHERRYVILLE MERCHANTS WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 8:00 P. M.

For Convenience Of Buying Public

Cherryville Merchants will remain open each evening from now until Christmas until 8 o'clock. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 21, 22, 23 and 24th, for the convenience of the buying public. They will be closed on Monday, December 26, and will remain open all day Tuesday, December 27th. On Tuesday, January 3, 1956 they will resume the usual closing half holiday. So don't forget they are open all this week until 8 o'clock.

Funeral For Griffin Rollins

Funeral services for Griffin G. Rollins of Waco, were held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Waco Baptist Church. Rev. Burley S. Turner, pastor was in charge, assisted by Rev. O. B. Williams.

Flower bearers were Mrs. Carry Wascate and Mrs. Malissa Moss in charge with members of their Sunday School class serving as flower bearers.

Burial was made in Capernaum Cemetery. Mr. Rollins suffered a heart attack while on his way to church about 7 o'clock Wednesday night. He was a member of Waco Baptist Church, a deacon, assistant teacher and president of the Men's Bible Class of the Sunday School. He was a veteran of World War I and retired from textile work about five years ago because of his health.

Mr. Rollins was married to Miss Minnie Oates in 1919. She survives. In addition to his wife, Mr. Rollins is survived by six sons, Edward Rollins of Pleasant Hill community, Thurman Rollins of Nashville, Tenn., Grady Rollins of Seattle, Wash., Kenneth Rollins of Shelby, Ray Rollins of Boiling Springs and Gene Rollins of the home; three daughters, Mrs. Ocie Upton of Fallston, Mrs. Marjorie Burton of the home and Miss Virginia Rollins of Gastonia; and five grandchildren.

Also surviving is a brother, Charlie C. Rollins of Cherryville.

First Baptist Church Adopt Budget, 42,387

Recently the members of the First Baptist Church adopted a budget of \$42,387.00 for the year. From this amount, \$5,200 will be placed in a special account for a building fund. Also \$11,530.00 has been designated for missions. This does not include several special mission offerings which are taken throughout the year. The special Christmas offering for foreign missions almost reached \$10,000.00 this year. In total mission gifts the First Baptist Church is fourth in the Gaston Baptist Association among 65 Baptist churches.

Christmas Film To Be Shown Tonight At First Baptist, 7:30

A Christmas film, "Holy Night" will be shown on this Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m., during the Prayer Service at the First Baptist Church. On Sunday evening, December 25th, at 7:30 o'clock, the college students, nurses in training, and business students will participate in the annual Student Night Service at the First Baptist Church. The theme is: "He Calls Us To Follow." The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Jacob Franklin Leonhardt's Death

Jacob Franklin Leonhardt was the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Leonhardt Gates and the late Henry Leonhardt. He was born on July 4, 1889 and departed this life on December 13, 1955. His age being 66 years, five months, and nine days.

In early youth he joined Bess' Chapel Methodist Church where he remained faithful and loyal until the end. He supported his church with his means, and his presence each time that he could. He served on the building committee of the present church.

Mr. Leonhardt was united in marriage with Annie Ledford on November 10, 1907. Their home was blessed with the following named children: Mrs. Arthur Beam and Mrs. S. C. Wagner of Charlotte; Dewey Leonhardt, Mrs. Otto Watts, and Dean Leonhardt of Homestead, Florida; Lester Leonhardt, Fort Lawn, S. C.; Mrs. Jenkins Harelson, Cherryville, and Henry Frank Leonhardt of Cherryville, Route 1 and Homestead, Fla. Three children preceded him in death in early childhood. Besides the named children he is survived by his wife, 11 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Leonhardt Gates, and four brothers, Michael Leonhardt, Route 1, Crouse; Melvin Leonhardt, Cherryville; Gus Leonhardt, Great Falls, S. C.; and Alvin Leonhardt, Sacramento, California. One granddaughter passed away several years ago.

For a number of years Mr. Leonhardt has been engaged in farming in Florida during the winter months where he and his family lived during that time. However he maintained his interests and contacts in this community during the summer and he made frequent visits back during the winter.

Mr. Leonhardt was a loving and devoted husband and father. He loved his home and was deeply devoted to his wife, children, and grandchildren. He had the capacity for making and holding friends, and always had an encouraging word for the down hearted. It can truly be said of him, "He lived in the house by the side of the road and was a friend to man."

In his going there was no lingering illness, it is true that he had not been well for some time but his heart just gave way and his soul went to its Eternal reward.

In remembering him we think of these words of the poet:

"Now the laborer's task is o'er; Now the battle day is past; Now upon the farther shore Lands the voyager at last.

There the tears of earth are dried; There his hidden things are clear. There the work of life is tried By a juster judge than here.

Father in Thy gracious keeping, leave we now thy servant sleeping.

Special Christmas Service Bess Chapel

There will be a special Christmas service at 9 a.m. in Bess Chapel Methodist Church Sunday morning, Christmas Day. This service is prepared for the Bess Chapel-Bethlehem Charge. Everyone is urged to keep Christmas by attending church on Christmas Day.

Bess Chapel - Bethlehem Youth

The Youth of Bess Chapel and Bethlehem Methodist Churches will present a Christmas play "To Hear the Angels Sing" Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock in Bethlehem Church. You are cordially invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGES IN TODAY'S EAGLE

We invite your attention to the Holiday Greeting ads in this special Christmas Edition. These Christmas messages are from the manufacturers, business houses, professional men, and other concerns who have served you so faithfully during the past year and who help to keep Cherryville growing.

These messages are all from the hearts of our fellowmen and we urge you to read every one.

Howell Manufacturing Company
Nuway Spinning Mill
Carlton Yarn Mill
Carolina Freight Carriers Corp.
Rhyne-Humber Manufacturing Co.
Dixie Lumber Co.
Cherryville Ice & Fuel Co.
Helms Store
Conley Kiser Grocery
N. B. Boyles Grocery
Cherryville National Bank
Cherryville Building & Loan
Sullivan Motor Co.
Homesley Chevrolet Co.
Homesley Super Service Station
Dellinger's Jewel Shop
Guy's Clothing Store
Firestone Home & Auto Supply
Sanitary Market
Dr. F. M. Houser
Belk-Matthews Co.
Ballard Grocery
Thamer C. Beam
National Oil Company
Cherryville Laundry Works
Roy & Troy Grocery
Dr. L. L. Chastain
Cherryville Dry Cleaners
Mitchem, Inc.
Middlebrooks Jewelers
Rainwater Furniture Co.
J. E. Tillman
Upchurch Feed & Seed Store
Western Auto Store
Farmer's Union Supply Co.
Harrison Co., Inc.
Installment Loan Dept.
Cherryville National Bank
Doty's Men's Shop
Vogue Beauty Salon
Cherryville Beauty Shop
Elite Beauty Shop
Princess Beauty Shop
Blackwelder Machine Shop
Dr. Joe Pharr
Craig Cleaners
E. V. Moss & Aaron Moss, Ins.
The New Goldiner's
Allen Drug Co.
Homesfoks Cafe
Cherry Motors
Tillman's Grocery
The Washette
Anne's Shoppe
Tillman's Variety Store
Holsum Bakery
Cherryville Nursery
Heman R. Hall, Insurance
H. H. Grocery
Ferguson's Hardware Co.
Tillman's Super Market
Fuller Furniture Co.
People's Dry Cleaners
Long's Metal Shop
Upchurch Dept. Store
Houser Drug Company
Main Street Esso Station
Newton's Music Shop
McCoys Service Station
J. & B. Tire Service
Vandyke's Esso Service
Sanitary Barber Shop
Carolina Dairy
Allran's Flower Shop
Cherryville Auto Electric
Summers Amoco Service
K. B. Beam, Insurance
Cream Bar
Ray's Shoe Shop
Hub's Barber Shop
Black's Grill & Skating Rink
The Remnant Shop
Dayberry Paint & Shoe Shop
Beam Construction Co.
David P. Dellinger, Insurance
The Shake Shop
Dr. Marshall T. Agner
Roseland Drive-In Theatre
Cherryville Drive-In Theatre
Joy Theatre
Carolina Dairy
Cherryville Production Credit
Cherryville
Peebles & Harley
Lester Theatre
Lackey Sinclair Service
Carolina Taxi
Triple H Restaurant
Cherryville Feed and Seed
Dr. T. C. Paige

Christmas Program At Four Square Church Sat. Eve

There will be given a Christmas program at the Four Square Gospel Church Saturday evening, December 24th at 6:00 o'clock. The church is located on the Dellview road and the public is cordially invited to attend this fine Christmas program.

MR. MAX GOLDINER SENDS GREETINGS

Mr. Max Goldiner has written the Eagle to say he enjoys reading the Eagle and noting the progress being made in Cherryville. He says he thinks of his good friends in Cherryville each time the Eagle arrives and would like to be back here with us. He thinks we had a wonderful Christmas parade and wishes to extend a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and everyone.

T'was The Night Before Christmas

Clement Clarke Moore, poet and renowned scholar, was born in New York City, July 16, 1779. A graduate of Columbia, he prepared for the ministry, but was never ordained. It was Christmas Eve, 1822, while homeward bound with a turkey for a Christmas basket that his wife, Catherine Elizabeth Taylor, gave to the poor. Moore began to think about his six children, the Christmas season and Santa Claus. Reaching home he rushed to his study, straightened his jumbled thoughts and gave the world its best known Yuletide verse.

For twenty years Moore refused to admit authorship, as he felt the verse trivial. This refusal cost him a small fortune in royalties. The poem was first printed, anonymously, in the Troy Sentinel, Dec. 28, 1823, under the original title, "A Visit From St. Nicholas," but it is best known as "Twas The Night Before Christmas." Moore died in Newport, R. I., July 10, 1863.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap;
When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave the luster of midday to objects below,
When what to my wondering eyes should appear
But a miniature sleigh, and eight reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his courses they came
And he whistled and shouted, and called them by name:
Now Dasher! now Dancer; now Prancer and Vixen!
On Comet, on Cupid! on Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! To the top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away, all!
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the house-top the courses they flew
With the sleigh of toys, and St. Nick, too.
And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nick came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.
His eyes-how they twinkled, his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow,
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowlful of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself,
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose;
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

Christmas Seal Sale Continues

The 1955 Christmas Seal Campaign of the Gaston County Tuberculosis Association will continue through December. Although the results of the Christmas Seal Sale have been encouraging, there are still many people in Gaston County who have not answered their letters and they are urged to do so. \$7,590 has been received from individuals and business firms in the county. \$11,000 is needed to carry on the Tuberculosis program in Gaston County. Sandy McDoe says: "One thing the Roosians didn't invent is the payroll savings plan for buying United States Savings Bonds the easy way. A great invention for thrift, which was invented, of course, by the Scots."

Mrs. Whitworth Passes In Waco

Mrs. Addie Elliott Whitworth, 63, wife of M. C. Whitworth, lifelong resident of Waco, died at her home Friday morning at 12:45 following several years of declining health.

She was a daughter of the late Doggett Hoyle and Maggie McBrayer Elliott, and was born in Cleveland County. She was a devoted member of the Waco Baptist church. Funeral services were held last Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the home with her pastor, Rev. Burley S. Turner, officiating, assisted by Rev. A. M. Kiser, a former pastor. Interment was made in Capernaum cemetery.

Mrs. Whitworth is survived by her husband and the following children, Miss Kate Whitworth, member of the Cherryville School Faculty, Miss Net Whitworth and Miss Margaret Whitworth, both of Charlotte, and John Whitworth of Waco, postmaster of that town. Also surviving are one grand son, Dale Whitworth of Waco and the following brothers and sister, Hoyle Elliott and Dr. W. M. Elliott, both of Forest City, and Mrs. W. N. Pope of Waco.

Christmas Program Anthony Grove, Sun.

The Christmas Program "The Inn At Bethlehem" by Anna D. Lutz will be given at Anthony Grove Baptist Church Friday night, December 23rd, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Cast:
Rebekah—Mrs. Don Kester
Hannah—Mrs. Lloyd Bumgarner
Reuben—Jimmy Mauney
Elizabeth—Inez Rayfield
Sara—Mrs. Clyde McSwain
Mary—Mrs. Carl Hallman
Joseph—Carl Hallman
The Three Wise Men
The Shepherds.
Sunday—10:00 A. M.—Sunday School.
11:00 A. M.—Special Service "The Prince of Peace."
6:30 P. M.—Training Union.
7:30 P. M.—Special Service—"O Holy Night."

Miss Mary Kissr Elected To W. W.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Kissr, a senior at Meredith College, Raleigh, has been selected by the Student Government Council and the faculty to be included in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

Those selected were chosen on the basis of their excellence and sincerity in scholarship, leadership and participation in extracurricular and academic activities, citizenship and service to the school and promise of future usefulness to business and society.

Miss Kissr is a religion major, vice president of the Student Government Council and secretary-treasurer of Alpha Psi Omega. She is a member of the Freeman Education Club, Y. W. A., Turner Education Club and the Chorus. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Kiser of Fork, formerly of Waco, and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stroupe of Route 2, Bessemer City.

L. S. STROUPE, III

Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Stroupe of Kings Mountain announce the birth of a son, L. S. III, at the Kings Mountain Hospital, Monday, December 19th. The Stroupes have two daughters, Mary Ellen and Barbara Ann. Mother and son are doing nicely. The albatross once was known as "Cape sheep," apparently because sailors sometimes used their skins as rugs.

Mrs. J. C. Ballard Laid To Last Rest

Funeral services for Mrs. J. C. Ballard, 85, were held last Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Methodist Church with the pastor, Rev. Jack Cooke, officiating, assisted by Rev. George L. Riddle, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church and Rev. J. W. Kiser, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Active pallbearers were: J. C. Ballard, Hugh Ballard, Jack Robinson, Charles Randall, Hurley Crocker and Ben Ballard. Flower bearers were: Mesdames Tom Moore, M. E. Seals, Troy C. Homesley, Mark Black, Dow Dellinger, Frank Henkle, Ben Sigmom, Reece White, Clyde Candice, Calvin Uren, Drewley London, T. R. Short, W. C. Rudisill and J. T. Tillman.

Mrs. Ballard passed away at the Gastonia Memorial Hospital in Gastonia Monday morning, where she had been for the past two weeks since suffering a broken hip in a fall at her home. Before her marriage to Mr. Ballard, she was Miss Sarah Rhyne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Rhyne. She was born in Lincoln County, May 2, 1870.

Surviving are the following children, Mrs. John Chapman, Mrs. Garland Sigmom, Ray Ballard, Mrs. Carl Carpenter, Mrs. Monroe Randall, Mrs. Play Huss, Howard Ballard, and Robert Ballard, all of Cherryville, 19 grand-children and 23 great-grandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. John Bynum of Lincolnton. Her husband preceded her in death, June 25th, 1950.

She was also preceded by three sons, T. A. Ballard, Willie Ballard and infant son, Edward.

Hugh Helms Wins In Election

Hugh Helms of Cherryville, Route 2, was elected to a three year term on the county board of soil supervisors as the result of an election conducted all last week.

Mr. Helms, who beat out Fred Ruggenstaff of Dallas, will take over the job January 1. He will succeed J. Roy Witherspoon of Bessemer City. Balloting began last Monday and ran through last Saturday. Ballots were counted today at the office of Rudy Sietz, soil conservationist, by the board of supervisors.

Only One Service At 2nd Baptist Sunday

There will be only one service at the Second Baptist Church Christmas Sunday. The morning worship service will be held at 10:00 o'clock. Everyone is cordially urged to attend this service. There will be no evening service. The subject of the pastor for the morning service will be "God's Unspeaking Gift."

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH NEWS!

There will not be a choir rehearsal tonight! Sunday, December 25—Sunday School, 9:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 10 a.m., with the minister preaching on subject: "A Christmas For Everyone."

ATTENDS CARROLL FUNERAL IN VA.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Carroll and Mr. Olen Carroll attended the funeral of Mrs. Audie Carroll in Chatham, Va., Sunday, Mrs. Carroll died at her home in Petersburg, Va., on Friday morning following a heart attack. Her husband died November 11, 1948 from injuries received in an accident.

Bring The Kids To See Santa

Santa Claus has been to town each day this week and visited in the surrounding community and on the streets finding out the wants of all the children. He will continue to be here each afternoon from now until Saturday night, visiting on the streets and in the surrounding community stores.

Saturday, December 24th, Santa plans to spend the day in Cherryville in order for him to see all the children. He will arrive at the City Hall about 9 o'clock Saturday morning and remain all day until the stores close. Then he will leave and return to his workshop at the North Pole to gather up his toys for all the girls and boys. So, come to Cherryville, if you want to see Santa, he will be here looking for you.

Loy Carpenter Gored By Bull

It doesn't always happen in another state or another county. It quite often happens right here at home and maybe on your farm if you have a bull without the equipment necessary buildings to properly handle him. His age old or young, whether you raise him from a calf or whether someone else does it doesn't matter too much—he is still unpredictable and can have you killed or seriously injured before you realize it.

Loy Carpenter, age 32, of the Landers Chapel community is in Crowell Hospital in Lincolnton with five broken ribs, numerous bruises, and scratches as a result of having been gored Monday morning by a 4 year old Holstein bull that he had raised from a calf. He was one of those bulls that had always been as gentle as a lamb and had never offered to hurt anyone before. He was so gentle he would actually follow his master when he was to be moved from one place to another. In fact he was such a pet, his owner had not even bothered to remove his horns nor to put a ring in his nose. No-one suspected he would ever attempt to hurt anyone but he did.

It was cold and no doubt the bull was feeling good as Mr. Carpenter was driving him home from his brother's house—a short distance away. In a mad rage, the bull turned to fight with his master. Before Mr. Carpenter could use the stick he was carrying, the bull had knocked him down on an old abandoned disc harrow. In his second pass, the bull caught Mr. Carpenter with his horns and tossed him some ten to twelve feet toward a fence which was close by. With the help of super-natural strength that develops in a person because of fear, Mr. Carpenter was able to roll under the fence to safety.

That is all Mr. Carpenter can remember until he had spent several hours under an oxygen tent. Just what causes a bull to try to kill the hand that feeds him nobody knows. The point is, they do and should be handled with caution and be respected for what they are. On farms where the equipment and buildings are not suitable, artificial breeding can be done without the risk of endangering lives or serious injury. It is the Carpenter family's desire to warn everyone that bulls are unpredictable and cannot be trusted.

Oak Grove Baptist Church To Present A Christmas Program

The Oak Grove Baptist Church, located outside of Cherryville on the Tot Dellinger road, will hold their annual Christmas program, Thursday night, December 22nd. The presentation, which is called "The Glory of the Lord" will begin promptly at 7:30 P. M. The pastor, the Rev. Ray Caldwell, cordially invites the public to attend this well planned program.