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BLOODMOBILE TO VISIT CHERRYVILLE THURS.

CHERRYVILLE CHURCHES REPORT GOOD ATTENDANCE JAN. 1

NEW YEAR SHOOTERS WELCOME IN NEW YEAR WITH A BANG

ALL MINISTERS WELL PLEASED

The First Presbyterian Church, First Baptist Church, Second Baptist Church, St. John's Lutheran Church, Wesleyan Methodist Church and First Methodist Church report the following attendance on Sunday, January 1. Sunday School—1,752. 64% of 2,712 enrollment. Morning Worship—1,210. 43% of 2,769 enrollment. Evening Worship—600. 21% of 2,769 enrollment. Cherryville churches are fortunate in having good preachers, namely: George L. Riddle, First Presbyterian; William C. Lamb, First Baptist; Waldo Mullien, Second Baptist; Jack E. Cooke, First Methodist; J. W. Kiser, Wesleyan Methodist; Leroy C. Trexler, St. John's Lutheran Church.

All ministers expressed joy over the way the Church attendance movement has started, and they urge every citizen to attend Sunday School and Church every Sunday during this program. Read the attendance chart in the window at the Kendrick building, on Main and North Mountain Streets. Other churches of the town who are not participating in this Church Attendance Crusade from now until Easter, cordially invites the public to attend the church of your choice, often.

Petty Officer Boyd Homesley Spends Holidays At Home

Petty Officer 2nd Class Boyd Homesley, U.S.N., left Sunday morning by plane for San Francisco, California after spending 30 days and nights with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Homesley. He has just completed a 19 months assignment on Guam, attached to the Public Works Center. Petty Officer Homesley will resume his duties with the MCB No. 2, Subic Bay, in the Philippine Islands.

Week Of Bible Study At First Baptist, 3-6

This week, Tuesday, January 3rd through Friday, January 6th, the members of the First Baptist Church are studying together the book, "Teachings of Jesus" written by Dr. Leo H. Eddleman. This book is being taught by the pastor, the Reverend William C. Lamb, and classes are being held from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., each night. The public is cordially invited.

Miss Hi Miss



ROCK HILL, S. C.—Miss Sue Hayes of Cherryville High School has been selected as the 1956 Miss Hi Miss by the senior girls of her school.

The daughter of Mrs. Alma Hayes of 409 South Mulberry Street, Miss Hayes will be honored in the special Miss Hi Miss edition of The Johnsonian, Winthrop College weekly newspaper, in February.

The honor senior girls from South Carolina and North Carolina high schools will be the guests of Winthrop for a week-end March 16-18.

Miss Hayes is a member of the Beta Club, Basketball team, Student Government Association, Allied Youth, French Club, Future Teachers Club, newspaper staff and annual staff.

She plans to major in business education in college. The Miss Hi Misses are selected from each high school on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, and personal attractiveness.

Funeral Service For J. T. Kiser

Funeral services for J. T. Kiser, 76, of Kings Mountain, Route 3 were held Friday afternoon at the Shady Grove Baptist Church at 2:30 o'clock with the pastor, Rev. P. A. Hicks officiating, assisted by Rev. Floyd Willis. Burial was made in the church cemetery. Mr. Kiser passed away suddenly Thursday morning. He is survived by one son, two daughters, two brothers, 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Mrs. Kiser preceded him in death two years ago.

Mr. John K. Tyson Leaving Cherryville

Mr. John K. Tyson, Secretary-Treasurer of the Cherryville Production Credit Association has resigned his position to accept employment with the First National Bank in his home town, Wadesboro. The Board of Directors elected Mr. A. P. Cotton of St. Matthews, S. C., who has former experience in the Production Credit System to succeed Mr. Tyson as Secretary-Treasurer of the Cherryville Production Credit Association. The Association has now moved into its new home on West Main Street, which is owned by members of the Association and Mr. Cotton welcomes all members and farmers to call on the Association for their farm needs. Mr. Tyson has been with the Cherryville Production Credit Association for approximately two years and the Board accepted his resignation with deep regrets. Mr. Cotton who replaces Mr. Tyson has had a broad experience in farming himself and in extending credit to farmers and the Board of Directors feel very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Mr. Cotton to serve the Association as Secretary-Treasurer.

Films Available From Library

The Gaston County Public Library will have the following 16mm sound films available for period Jan. 2 - Jan. 27th. These films are of adult interest and suitable for program use. Any Club, Church, or Civic group wishing to use the films may make reservation by contacting Gaston County Public Library. 1. MAN AND HIS CULTURE. 15 minutes-sound-black & white. Shows the great variety of ways in which people live by comparing the African tribesman, American city dwellers, people of China, Mexico, South America, India, etc. Indicates the characteristics which all cultures have in common, and the conflict which results from the fact that cultures are constantly changing. 2. PERU—Highlands of the Andes. 20 minutes-sound-black & white. Based on the geographic principle that the highest settlements in mountain regions are usually associated with mining, but where groups of people living at high altitudes depend only on agriculture, they lead a barren and difficult life. We see the difference in the kind of life led by the Peruvian Indian doing his best to eke out a bare subsistence from meager crops and few domestic animals, and the Indians who work in the operation of the mines. This film takes us right into the copper mines at Cerro de Pasco, virtually at the top of the world. 3. POSTER MAKING — DESIGN AND TECHNIQUE. 10 minutes-sound-color. The qualities that make a good poster are illustrated by samples. A poster is completed in carefully planned step by step demonstrations. 4. PRESIDENT. THE 17 minutes-black and white. The film opens with an election which marks the beginning of a President's career. Then, over glimpses of Presidents Truman and Eisenhower taking oath of office, we note that the Constitution originally gave few specific powers to the Presidency, but the achievements of strong Presidents have made this one of the most powerful offices in the world. 5. ROMANCE OF TRANSPORTATION. 11 minutes-sound-color. While an ironic commentator delivers the historical narrative, animated figures independently portray, with humorous effect, successive stages in the development of transportation in Canada. 6. SNAKES ARE INTERESTING. Homeless-sound-color. The film develops clear understandings of the snake as a living creature, and helps build reasonable attitudes toward them.

Premier Showing Rains Of Ranchipur At The Lester Theatre Thursday and Friday

Cherryville's Lester Theatre has been chosen as one of the South's first theatres to show the New 20th-Century Fox CinemaScope movie, "The Rains of Ranchipur" starring Lana Turner and Fred MacMurray, opening in Cherryville Thursday and Friday of this week. It is with pride that the management of the Lester Theatre, in keeping with its policy of bringing bigger and better movies to Cherryville, presents this truly great picture of 1956 filmed in glamorous technicolor. According to all advance information, the critics predict that "The Rains of Ranchipur" will go down in history as the big hit of '56. The Lester Theatre is gratified to share with the people of Cherryville this distinctive honor of being one of the first towns in the entire South to receive this Big Hit Movie.

High School Band To Be At Wesleyan Sun.

Members of the Cherryville High School Band will present a short concert of sacred music at the Wesleyan Methodist Church. The program will be given during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, January 8th. All members of the Sunday School are urged to be present.

Telephone Expenses Expected To Rise

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company said today its 1956 North Carolina expenditures for payrolls, taxes and a widespread construction program are expected to exceed 1955's total of over \$42,000,000. E. F. Farris, the company's manager in Cherryville, said the 1955 program has resulted locally in a net gain for the year of some 100 telephones. He said similar progress is expected during 1956. Mr. Farris said Southern Bell's 1955 spending for expansion and improvement of service in North Carolina totaled \$17,250,000. State and local taxes paid were over \$4,000,000. And the company's 1955 payroll in the state was approximately \$21,000,000. In 1956 the telephone company expects to boost its spending for expansion and improvement of service to \$21,000,000. "The 1956 telephone program in Cherryville was part of a net gain for Southern Bell in North Carolina of some 30,000 telephones," Mr. Farris said. "We expect about the same gain for 1956. "As part of the company's continuing program to extend telephones in rural areas of the state," the telephone official added, "service was inaugurated in six rural communities by the construction of new dial exchanges. They are Denver, Gatewood, Julian, Kimesville, Locust and Milton. In addition, a new exchange building was completed in Ellenboro, and service is expected to begin this spring. A manual office, Mount Holly, was converted to dial operation. While all areas served by the company saw service expansion during the year, new buildings or building additions—in addition to those already mentioned—were completed in Carolina Beach, Charlotte, Elon College, Leicester and Mount Holly. New buildings are scheduled for completion during 1956 in Laurinburg and Newton. The company reported it has 451,000 telephones in service in North Carolina. This is twice as many as the number in January 1948. During 1955 Southern Bell's North Carolina forces handled 80,000 long distance calls every business day, on an average, and more than 2,500,000 local calls. Operator distance dialing, by means of which long distance operators can dial directly telephones in thousands of cities throughout the United States, was expanded in North Carolina during 1955. Telephone service was also expanded by wider usage of such conveniences as mobile telephone service, telephone answering sets, "speakerphones," illuminated dials and telephones in color, the company said. Hurricanes struck a heavy blow at telephone operations in 1955. Hurricanes Connie, Diane, and Ione knocked out more than 13,000 Southern Bell telephones in the state and necessitated a widespread restoration job. Damage to independent telephone companies was even heavier, and Southern Bell assistance was utilized in restoration work in many of these areas.

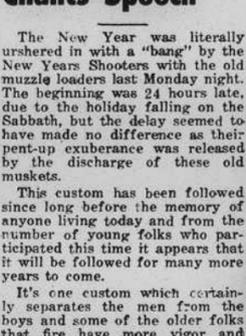
A. Sidney Beam Chants Speech

The New Year was literally ushered in with a "bang" by the New Years Shooters with the old muzzle loaders last Monday night. The beginning was 24 hours late, due to the holiday falling on the Sabbath, but the delay seemed to have made no difference as their pent-up exuberance was released by the discharge of these old muskets. This custom has been followed since long before the memory of anyone living today and from the number of young folks who participated this time it appears that it will be followed for many more years to come. It's one custom which certainly separates the men from the boys and some of the older folks that fire have more vigor and stamina than men half their age. In this category you will find the venerable, A. Sidney Beam, Dock Shull and Sam Sellers. "Uncle Sid" as he is affectionally called, has made his chant nationally famous over the years and is sure to be around for a great number more. Other shooters who made the 18 hour trek were as follows: Lawrence Beam, J. C. Beam, Charles Beam, Garth Beam, Bob Pfeifer, Johnny Shull, Hall Beam, George Nell, Carroll Lackey, Tom Quinn, Harold Beam, Robert Carpenter, Earl Brown, Charles Kester, David Self, Garry Shull, Vance Sellers, Bynum Homesley, A. P. Homesley, T. C. Homesley, E. G. Greene, Keith Freeman, Jim Potter and Howell Stroup. The persons and placed honored by the "Masateers" this year are listed below in sequence of visitation. Dwight Sweatt, Dal Black, Oscar Blackburn, then to the home of Mrs. Violet Carpenter for the traditional midnight supper. Next Dave Anthony, Austin Beam, Harold Loves, Ray Beam, Esper Wright, Guy Brown, Lester Wehnt, Floyd Beam, Er, Roy Taylor, then to Mr. Thea Beam's who has already celebrated his 80th birthday anniversary. Next Kent Beam, Raeford Dellinger, Michael Leonard, Blaine Beam, Lawrence Beam and to the Triple H. Restaurant, where a hearty breakfast was enjoyed by the group. They fired for James Homesley, Ray Self, Sam Sellers, Carlton Mills, Carolina Freight Carriers, Ben Black, Rhyne-Hower Mills, Fred K. Houser, John K. Tyson, Claude C. Beam, W. J. Allran, Jr., Nusway Mills, Blackwelder Machine Shop, then stopped at the Carlton Cafeteria where a delicious dinner was ready for serving through the competence of Mrs. Monroe Randall. After this repast they journeyed to Lincolnton where they fired at the Court House for Joe R. Nixon and all the other fine Lincolnton citizens. Returning they fired at the Hilltop Service Station and Firestone Service Station, Back in Cherryville, the home of Mrs. Jane Linberger and Mrs. Pearl Beam was the next stopping place, the Farmers Union, Jesse VanDyke, Shake Shop, where the next in order was the last round fired at the Cherryville Nursery on West Highway 150. The tired, but happy old timers, then dispersed with the best of good wishes. Really done a nice job of welcoming 1956 and had 364 more days to rest and clean their muskets before starting out again. This being Leap Year, they have an added day of rest, but these fellows have marvelous recuperative powers and it probably isn't needed.

Funeral Service For W. R. Seate

Funeral services for William R. Seate, 83, of Crrouse, Route 1, were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Anthony Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Cartee, pastor officiated. Burial was made in the City Memorial Cemetery here. Mr. Seate died at his home early Thursday morning following an extended illness. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Callie Williams and seven sons, two daughters, two brothers, one sister, 16 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. During the past decade, per capita consumption of frozen fruits and fruit juices, fresh equivalent basis, increased more than 10 times.

CHERRYVILLE CHAIRMEN



EVERETTE ELLINGTON

Schedule of Social Security Visits

The schedule of visits to surrounding communities by a social security representative during the month of January was released today by Joseph P. Walsh, district manager of the Gastonia office. The Gastonia Social Security Office services an area comprising of Gaston, Cleveland and Lincoln Counties. These visits are made in order to serve residents of the three counties on all matters pertaining to social security. If you wish to file a claim obtain an account number, or receive information of a general nature on social security, contact the representative when he is in your community. The representative will be in Kings Mountain at the City Hall, 9:30 a.m., January 16. Shelby at the Court House, 9:30 a.m., January 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 and 31st. Lincolnton at the Court House, 1:00 p.m., January 5, 12, 19 and 26th. Mr. Holly at the City Hall, 10:00 A.M., January 9 and 23rd. Belmont at the City Hall, 1:00 p.m., January 9 and 23rd. Cherryville at the City Hall, 10:00 a.m., January 12 and 26th.

Color TV Has Come To Carolinas

Following the origination of the first local live color program in the South-east New Year's Eve, WBTV officials announced plans to schedule studio color programs on a regular basis. Charles H. Crutchfield, executive vice-president and general manager of the Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company, said that the successful locally originated color program "marked WBTV's graduation." "We have now completed all technical phases of color operations," he said. "We are looking forward to the future when a great majority of all telecasting will be done in color. The first color TV stations on the air today, WBTV is the 18th in the nation to commence local live colorcasting. . . the first between Baltimore and New Orleans. . . present objective is to start a new program a day in color in the near future and build from there." Under the guidance of Joseph M. Bryan, president of the Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company, WBTV originated the station's first color TV when the station telecast a color test pattern in May of 1954. The station, which brought TV to the Carolinas in 1949, was also the first to originate a color film program and has been telecasting color network programs for the past 18 months. All color originations, whether local, slides or film, are received clearly on regular receivers.

Woman's Club Will Meet Thursday 5th

The Cherryville Woman's Club will meet Thursday, January 5th, at 3:45 o'clock at the new clubhouse on South Mulberry Street. The Welfare Committee, with Mrs. George Neil, chairman, will have charge of the program. Dr. M. E. Agner will speak on "Heart Disease." The public is cordially invited to attend this program.

In Basement Of Methodist Church



LEWIS DOGGETT

Tracy Gaskin's Father Passes In New Bern

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit Cherryville on Thursday, January 5th, at the First Methodist Church from 10 A. M. to 4:00 P. M. "Over and Over again slogan, 'Give a pint of blood and save a life' has held true. No one knows his own destiny next time the life saved may be your own, or your child's. You would not intentionally withhold a pint of blood from a wounded soldier or a child dying of polio. If you are physically fit to give blood and from sheer neglect do not do so, then you are depriving some person of blood who is in urgent need of it. Tomorrow, Thursday, is the day. It is so easy and much quicker than you think. So go to the First Methodist Church and give your pint of blood to-morrow, some between 10 A. M. and 4:00 P. M. Donors are being solicited by workers, but if you are not contacted, be sure and go and give to this worthy cause.

NEWS FOR VETS

More than 66,400 home loans totaling over \$755,000,000 were guaranteed by the Veterans Administration during November, the second consecutive month that a new record was set for the 11-year-old GI loan program, VA announced. In addition, GI home loan applications received in November continued at a record rate, while the number of homes for which VA received appraisal requests showed a decrease. During November VA received 56,174 GI home loan applications from private lenders on behalf of veterans, the sixteenth straight month the rate has topped 51,000. However, VA received appraisal requests for 53,416 proposed and existing homes, 25 per cent under the October figure of 71,241 homes. VA said the decrease probably is due to three factors—(1) inability of builders to get advance commitments in the tightened money market; (2) seasonal, and (3) smaller number of workdays. The total of 53,416 homes for which VA received appraisal requests, 29,127 were proposed houses and 24,289 were existing homes. The total of 66,400 loans guaranteed during November was three per cent more than was guaranteed in the preceding month. The total for the first 11 months of 1955 was 594,328 loans, totaling over \$6.5 billion. With one month yet to go, more loans already have been guaranteed during 1955 than in any previous year in GI loan history.

Leaders For Workshop Named

GIBSONVILLE, N. C.—December 30, 1955—Leaders for the Parent Education Workshop of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers January 16-19 in New Bern were announced yesterday by Mrs. John W. Crawford of Raleigh, State PTA President. They will include: Mrs. Irwin Masten of Littleton, teacher; Dr. Jack Miller, teacher at Greensboro College; Dr. I. V. Sperry, of WCUNC in Greensboro; Mrs. Mary Hayes, health educator in the Charlotte City schools; and Mrs. O. N. Rich and Miss Grace Daniels of the State Board of Health in Raleigh. The Rev. Marvin Vick of Mebane is workshop chairman and the workshop committee includes Dr. Laura Ross Venning of Charlotte, Mrs. J. Z. Watkins of Charlotte, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Blanche H. W. Burke of Greensboro, and Mrs. J. W. Burke of Gibsonville. The workshop will open on Monday, January 16, with registration beginning at 2 P. M. A general session at 7:30 will be presided over by Miss Haley, and will be followed by a social hour on Thursday. Full time attendance is required. The workshop will be held in the new Hotel Governor Tryon in New Bern.

CARSONS MOVED TO NEW HOME RECENTLY

Mr. and Mrs. Erskin Carson have purchased the Lee W. Causey House and lot on East Main Street and moved recently from West Academy Street to their new home. Reports from the Forest Service and U. S. Department of Agriculture, show that the timber harvest amounted to 70 million dollars for the year which ended June 30.

Tracy Gaskin's Father Passes In New Bern



TRACY L. GASKIN

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Tryon PTA Meets Thursday, Jan. 5

The first meeting of the Tryon PTA in 1956 will be held Thursday night, January 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Safety will be the theme of the first meeting of the New Year. Mr. Thompson, District Improvement Representative of Gaston County, will have charge of the program portion of the meeting. His training and experience in the area of safety make him well-qualified to speak on the subject. Many helpful suggestions and points of interest will be given by this expert. Mrs. Beam, PTA President, urges all members to be present at this meeting.

Worship Him

--- At Church Every Week --- At Home Every Day

CHURCHES OF CHERRYVILLE

The Answer IS GOD