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CHRISTMAS COMES RIDING IN ON TIDE OF JOY WORLD-WIDE

New Bern Welcomes Crown-
ing Event of Happy
Holiday Season.

ALL PREPARATIONS MADE
FOR GREAT CELEBRATION

Weather Will Be Fine and
Other Conditions Also
Favorable.

Let you forget, it is Christmas! World-wide is the celebration and the keen enjoyment of it is as far flung as the practice of celebrating it is itself. Every where Christmas is celebrated for there is no place where Christians have not gone, and everywhere the day brings a flood of joy to the hearts of Christian men and women.

After a holiday trade of unprecedented proportions New Bern is prepared for a thoroughgoing celebration of Christmas. The weather man after seeing a bit ugly on Monday assumed a sweeter disposition yesterday and promises to be good again today. Next to "a white Christmas" a clear, cold Christmas is the one that most people like and it is the kind that has been decreed for today.

The day before Christmas in New Bern was not unlike other Christmas eves in New Bern. The rain of the early morning served doubtless to keep a few country people from coming to town, but the stores nevertheless enjoyed a brisk trade, and last night in the most of them it seemed, judging from the crowds, that the injunction to shop early had been wholly overlooked.

Perhaps there was less of disorder on the streets last night than on previous occasions. The idea that the proper way to celebrate Christmas eve is to make a racket was entertained by a smaller number of people than had been the case with some Christmas eves of yore. The throngs were quiet and orderly in their anticipation of the "great day," but none the less happy as many a sparkling eye and glowing cheek attested. The ringing of the street car gongs, too, added a new and agreeable note to the ever pleasant and moving medley of sounds which is the precursor of the day of days.

Christmas day as usual in New Bern but the opening of the holiday season. It will be several days before the various events which get their inspiration out of Christmas will have been concluded. There will be church, Sunday school and social entertainments galore and not until after the first of the coming year will the old town settle down to its work-a-day gait again.

Traveling Men to Celebrate. Reservations have been made at all of the local hotels for accommodations during the holidays and traveling men who are "on the road" will try to "make New Bern" today in order to participate in the celebrations which have been planned for the occasion.

A party of fifteen "Knights of the Grip" have made arrangements to have a high old time at the Gaston Hotel. Several days ago they wired

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

We have an exceptionally good Christmas day bill—read the list over, and you can't stay away.

1st. The Three LaBertas, singing and talking and novelty acrobatic contortionists.

2nd. Riddle and Rhyme—Refrain singing and talking and eccentric dancing.

3rd. The Musical Brattops, comedy musical and talking, introducing several standard instruments. Three separate acts—all good.

4th. "In the Garden Fair"—Vaudeville comedy drama. "Bob's Dream"—An Edison comedy. "The Professional Services"—This is also an Edison comedy. "The Grand Blotter"—A romance of that ever lovable, wild Colorado cattle country. Three big acts, 4 good pictures. Come. Prices this week for boxes 25c to all. Balcony 15c. to all. Main 10c. to all.

SNATCHES TRAY OF DIAMOND RINGS

Would-be Thief is Finally Over-
taken in Alley-Way and
Placed Under Arrest.

PUTS UP LIVELY TUSSLE

Prevented by Drunk-Gems
Scattered But Nearly All
Later Recovered.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24.—Snatching a tray containing nine diamond rings valued at \$4,000, a young man who later gave his name as W. Myers, dashed out of Lunsden's jewelry store on Main street about 7:30 o'clock last night and ran down the thoroughfare for several blocks, hotly pursued by Captain W. M. Myers and several other clerks in the store. Captain Myers finally overtook the fugitive in an alleyway where a desperate tussle ensued. However, with the aid of reinforcements, he succeeded in overpowering his man.

The captive was led to a nearby cigar store where pending the arrival of the police he pretended to be drunk and refused to talk. Nothing was found on him to indicate his real identity. When he entered the jewelry store, he first purchased a set of cheap cuff buttons, then he asked to be shown some diamonds and when the tray of sparklers was taken from the case he had little trouble in getting away with them. Only two of the rings were recovered when the man was caught, these being found on his fingers. Six others were later located in the alleyway with the aid of police searchlights.

GLADDEN MANY HEARTS.

Many hearts will be made glad today by the Christmas dinner which the Salvation Army will give to the poor. Captain Satterfield and his corps of assistants were all busy during yesterday preparing the large baskets of food which will be given to every worthy person who calls. Thirty well filled baskets have already been prepared and if these do not supply the demand there will be a quantity of food on hand to supply those who call. The baskets will be distributed at the Army headquarters on Broad street this morning at 9 o'clock.

Manager Cherry to secure a Christmas tree for the occasion and this will be placed in the hotel parlors and loaded with the gifts which the relatives and friends of the party will send in. A special dinner will also be prepared and served in the merry mess.

At the other hostilities special Christmas menus have been prepared and every consideration will be shown the guests and those who are spending the day far from home and loved ones will be made as happy as possible.

With The Actor Folk.

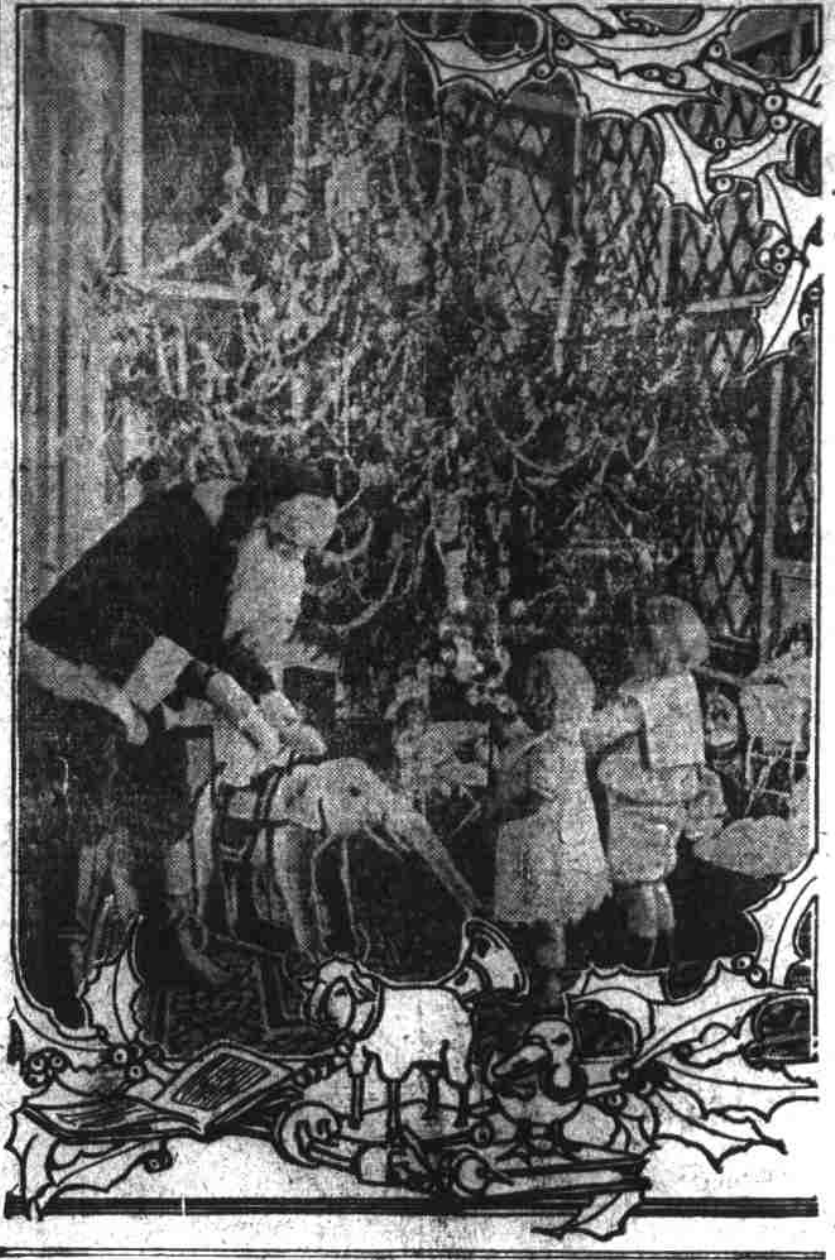
There are a number of actors and actresses in the city for the holidays and these exponents of Thespis, all of whom are doomed to spend the day away from their beloved Broadway, will assist in enlivening the occasion. For the actor folk it is next to impossible to get home for Christmas, even if they are luck enough to have a home to go to.

There are many clerks in New Bern stores and with local firms who live in other parts of the State, who will have such a short holiday that it will not be possible for them to reach home. These, in the majority of cases, have friends in the city and the occasion will prove one long to be remembered by them.

Amusements.

There will be a number of attractions and amusements during the day and no one need feel lonesome. This afternoon, beginning at 1 o'clock, there will be a turkey shoot out at Gaston park. At 3:30 o'clock near the state place the New Bern and Washington football teams will play a match game. There will be a Christmas outdoor at the Athens Theatre and also a show there tonight. The managers of the Athens Theatre have secured a number of vaudeville acts for this week and the performance is one of the best seen here in some time.

Christmas Morning



FUNERAL OF MRS. DELAMAR

Praised Warmly By Her Pastor—
Laid to Rest in Cedar Grove.

The funeral of the late Mrs. J. C. Delamar took place yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from Centenary Methodist church and was conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Hurley. The members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the church of which Mrs. Delamar was a faithful and especially efficient member, attended in a body. There was also present a delegation from the Daughters of the Confederacy. The pall-bearers were A. E. Hibbard, L. C. Tolson, F. M. Chadwick, H. B. Craven, T. C. Etheridge and J. P. C. Davis.

In the program of hymns were a duet by Mrs. W. H. Bishop and Mrs. Dan Roberts and the hymn, "I Am So Glad that Jesus Loves Me", which was a favorite with Mrs. Delamar.

Rev. Mr. Hurley spoke in terms of unstinted praise of the deceased, dwelling upon her fortitude in sickness, her abounding cheerfulness, her rare unselfishness, her gentleness of character and disposition and her constantly displayed solicitude for the welfare of others.

As evidences of respect for the deceased and sympathy for the bereaved husband, parents and other relatives, friends sent many beautiful flowers. The body was buried in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

MR. HINOHARA TO SPEAK.

The Epworth League of Centenary Methodist church will hold a Christmas service in the League room, this evening at eight o'clock. At this hour, Rev. Zeusky Hinohara will be present and will bring a Christmas message. Mr. Hinohara is well known here having visited New Bern several times before. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to come out to this Christmas service.

LOOK OUT, BOYS!

The policemen have been instructed to place under arrest any person whom they see or hear of disturbing fireworks or other amusements between the hours of 10 o'clock this morning and 1 o'clock this afternoon.

LIGHTS ON IN NEW SUBURB

One Hundred Blazed Forth Last
Night For First Time.

One hundred thirty-two candle power incandescent lamps blazed forth last night for the first time on Rhem avenue in the new suburb, Ghent, in the western part of the city.

For several weeks electricians have been engaged in placing these lights in position. When the lighting system of this suburb was planned the owners decided to introduce an innovation in the lighting system, which was practically a new idea in this section. Formerly arc lights have been used in illuminating the city.

It was found that a number of smaller lights could be used with about the same expenditure and that the illumination given by these was much better than the arc lights. Accordingly at a distance of about sixty feet all along Rhem avenue, arches containing six of these thirty-two candle power incandescent lamps were placed. The test last night proved very satisfactory.

BUY FOURTH CAR

Street Railway People Find That
Three Are Not Enough.

As evidence of the fact that the owners of the New Bern Ghent Street Railway Company, which began the operation of street cars in this city last Saturday, are greatly pleased with the patronage given them by the people of New Bern, they yesterday placed an order with the Cincinnati Car Company for another car, similar to the ones now being used and which were constructed by them.

Mayor C. J. McCarthy, one of the local owners and managers of the car company, said last night that the cars were doing a fine business and that each day's receipts so far have been very gratifying to the company.

At present the schedule in effect is not all that could be desired. It is the intention of the company to give a ten minute schedule and as soon as the new car arrives this will be put in effect. This car will be delivered about February 1.

A Ray Hill left Monday morning for a visit with relatives at South Creek.

WIRELESS MAY BE TELEPHONE'S RIVAL

But It Will Be Many Years Yet,
According To John Hays
Hammond, Jr.

IN EXPERIMENTAL STAGE YET

Nevertheless, He Sees Wider and
More Practical Field Than
One Now Occupied.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 24.—That he will soon be able to talk from his experimental station at Gloucester to Washington by wireless telephone, is the belief of John Hays Hammond, Jr., Mr. Hammond, who is the son of the mining engineer, has been experimenting several years with wireless telephony. He believes that ultimately telephoning without wires will take the place of the present system.

"Within a few months," he said, "I shall no doubt be talking daily with the government experimental station in Washington.

"To my mind wireless telephony offers a wider and more practical field of endeavor than wireless telegraphy, but in this connection I wish to sound a note of warning. The public should be somewhat chary of accepting as an established fact the commercial status of wireless telephony. The whole subject is in an experimental stage as yet and it will be many years in all probability before wireless takes the place of the present system.

"The General Electric Company is making an apparatus for me at the present time, which I propose to use in connection with certain inventions of my own, and I shall be very much disappointed if we do not succeed in talking with Washington when it is installed. The particular system of wireless telephony which we are using here at Gloucester was the discovery of Dr. Leon Chaffee."

GREAT SERVICE PLANNED

All Churches To Unite In Launch-
ing Big Laymen's Meet.

A great union service in the interest of the approaching Laymen's Convention to be held in this city in February will take place at Centenary Methodist church Sunday night. While women will be invited and expected to be present the men will have seats to themselves, the women being present more as spectators than as companions of the men.

There will be a brief address by a layman from every Protestant church in the city and the service is expected to develop great interest in the February meeting. It will be the first "big gun" in the preparations for the convention.

Practically all the Protestant churches will unite so that an extraordinary large congregation is expected.

BROTHER OF MRS. ALPHEUS DISOSWAY DIES.

Dr. and Mrs. Alpheus Disosway of Plymouth had started here last night to spend Christmas with Dr. Disosway's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Disosway. Before leaving, however, Mrs. Disosway received a telegram from Hartford, Conn., announcing the sudden death of her brother, Mr. Wallace. She at once left for Hartford to attend her brother's funeral, while Dr. Disosway continued his trip to this city.

AT THE EXPRESS OFFICE.

Z. V. Taylor, manager of the local office of the Southern Express Company, states that the office will be open today as usual and that the wagons will deliver packages all during the day. Persons who intend leaving home for the day and who are expecting a package should make arrangements with the office to hold the same until tomorrow.

CHRISTMAS WITH PRISONERS.

The prisoners now confined in the Craven county jail and those who are members of the chain gang will not be forgotten today. Sheriff R. B. Lane has made preparation to serve them with an unusually good dinner and they will also receive gifts from their relatives and friends. The inmates of the jail have been looking forward to Christmas Day with much anticipation and everything possible will be done to make them enjoy the anniversary of the birth of Christ. The chain gang force were brought to the jail to remain during Christmas.

SENATE VETERANS TO RETAIN POWER

Senate "Insurgents" Will Hardly
Be Able To Unhose Strong
Southerners.

MAY GAIN MINOR POINTS

Older Men Know Game Better and
Have Advantage of Being
Intrenched.

Washington, Dec. 24.—As was expected, the younger element in the Senate is making its plans for a hard fight to overthrow the "old order" in the reorganization which is to take place when the new administration begins. This element is vehement in its expressions of dissatisfaction with the system of seniority which gives so much prestige to the veterans in the Senate service, some of whom the newer men declare to be out of sympathy with the spirit of the times and of the present day Democracy which triumphed at the Baltimore convention.

The "insurgent" movement will be directed especially against the continuance of Senator Thomas S. Martin, of Virginia, in the position of leadership of the Democratic caucus including the chairmanship of the Democratic steering committee. It will also bring its batteries to bear against the rise of Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, to the chairmanship of the finance committee, which will have charge of the shaping of tariff legislation at that end of the Capitol.

Unless President Wilson himself takes a hand in the fight against Senators Martin and Simmons, there appears to be no reason to change the opinion already expressed in this correspondence that the "insurgents" will be unsuccessful in their attempt to unhose the two powerful Southerners, though there is no doubt that important concessions and adjustments will be made to conciliate the newer element.

When the veterans have won the main point, clinching their hold upon the first honors, they may yield various other positions to which their prestige entitles them. For instance, Senators like Martin, Simmons, Tillman, Bacon and Culberson now hold the ranking Democratic membership on several important committees. Neither of them, of course, will be chairman of more than one of these committees, but the custom is to leave a Senator in the second place on any committee for whose membership he may have been in line if he elects to take the chairmanship of some other committee.

The veterans will be willing to relinquish some of the secondary honors to win their fight for first ones. Seniority in the main has always won in the Senate. The older men know the game better, have the advantage of being entrenched, and are able to deal temptingly with ambitious Senators who stand "betwixt and between" the old and the new in length of service.

HUNTING PARTY RETURNS.

After a week of splendid sport, including duck shooting, deer stalking and casting for bass, a party of five gentlemen from the western part of the State passed through the city yesterday enroute to their homes from Havelock where they have been for the past ten days. In the party were W. F. Clegg and Capt. C. W. Fowler of Greensboro, E. W. Kooz of Charlotte and W. D. Myers and M. A. Teeter of Salisbury. These gentlemen, all noted for their skill with both gun and rod, reported a bag of sixty-four ducks, seventy five bass and a deer. They started three deers during their visit but two eluded both dog and gun.

Mrs. T. A. Grantham and children left yesterday for Washington, N. C., for a visit with relatives.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

M. E. Whitehurst & Co.—We wish you a merry Christmas.
J. J. Baxter—We thank you.
New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—Positive proof of safety.
A. T. Willis Co.—We wish you a merry Christmas.
H. C. Armstrong—Merry Christmas everybody.
S. Condon & Son—Wishing you a merry Christmas.
Fred. Scott—Thanks for patronage.
W. G. Boyd—The season's greetings.
A. Carter—Our best wishes.

Foot Ball Today

AT GHENT GAME CALLED 3:30 P. M.

Take Cars.