

WEATHER FORECAST

Colder tonight with lowest temperature around 20; partly cloudy and colder Friday.

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PUBLISHED ON MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS

MONROE MARKET

Table with market prices for various commodities like Cotton, Sugar, Eggs, etc.

SEVENTY-SECOND YEAR

MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1944

3-MONTHS, 75c; 6-MONTHS, \$1.25 SEMI-WEEKLY, \$2.00 A YEAR

City Plans A Long Holiday

Practically All Business Will Be Halted For Three Day Period

SCHOOLS REOPEN JAN. 1

The personnel of practically all business enterprises and offices in the city will have an extended Christmas holiday period, with the city offices closing Saturday at noon and remaining closed until the following Wednesday morning.

MAIN STREET U S O TO HAVE GALA PROGRAM

Holiday Season Opens Tonight With "Hanging Of The Greens Party."

Thursday, December 21, usher in the beginning of the 1944 Christmas program at Main Street USO.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT CENTRAL METHODIST

To Be Held Sunday Morning, December 24th At 11 O'clock.

Prelude: "A Carol Fantasy"—Diggle. Hymn: "Joy To The World"—Handel.

BULLETIN

BYRON TUCKER DIES SUDDENLY OF HEART ATTACK

As The Enquirer went to press this afternoon, news of the sudden death of Byron Tucker was received.

MISS JULIA JOSEPHINE STARNES

Mrs. Julia Josephine Starnes, age 74, died at her home in the Beechwood community Wednesday morning.

MICHAEL C. LONG DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Was One Of City's Oldest And Most Beloved Residents; Funeral Friday.

Michael C. Long, 86, one of Monroe's most prominent citizens and greatly beloved by a large circle of friends throughout this section, passed away at his home, 400 East Windsor Avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, after a long illness.

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