



MISS BATTEN'S FOURTH GRADE CLASS at Andrews posed for this picture 52 years ago in 1914. Those pictured are: Front row (l to r) - Willa Reagan McGhee, Lenna Barker Kirkland (note the 1966 hairdo!), Fannie McGuire, Winnie Herbert Lindsey, Annie Laura Elliott Green, Bertie Jo McGuire Ford, Emma Lou Standfield Hughes, Lenna Tidwell Perkinson, Carrie Robinson Womack, Winnie Rickett Pierce, Second row - Olive Tatham Ellis, Mary Jo Tatham Powers, Susie Hall, Lola Phillips Williams, Ruby Waldrop Baldwin, Winnie Adams Whitaker, Margaret Everett Walker, Jessie Carter, Beryl Robinson Fulton, Lucy Hogsed and Texie Young Frazier. Third row - Pauline Rogers, Nannie Newman, Gladys Christy,

Etta McClain, Bettie Pullium Wilson, Vesta Whitaker Wood, Louise Frazier West and Miley Mul Ravencroft, Fourth row - Winslow Pullium, Charlie Deaver, Ben Gregg, Winnie Morgan Crawford Cathy, Etta Anderson Guthrie, Boy. Hamilton, Charles Porter and Edgar Walls. Fifth row - Edwin Bryson, Charlie Wilson, Elmer Beaty, Ellis Everett, Arnold West, Porter Ayers, Charlie Jones, Luther Anderson and Bob Barker. Not pictured - Frances Sumner, Margery L. Brown Stapp-Neel, Harriett Blackwelder, Sallie Sue Leach and Chase Tatham. Miss Batten, now Mrs. Weymer Conley, is shown in the inset at the top. Married names of the female students are given when known.

Experiencing Christmas

By David M. Cowart

How are you doing on your preparation for Christmas? Mailed those cards yet? The post office department certainly hopes that by now you have mailed most of your season's greetings. And concerning those things that just must be done before Christmas Day, how many have been checked off your list as being accomplished?

The tendency is to spend most of the time taking care of the outward preparations to the neglect of the preparation of mind and heart which alone enables one to participate in the true event--the coming in new and significant ways of the Christ on the human scene.

God made careful preparations for the coming of His Son into the world; references to the fact through the prophets John the Baptizer as a forerunner, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the home of Joseph and Mary, the announcement to the Shepherds out on the hill country, the guiding of the Wise Men to Bethlehem by the Star, as well as in other ways. Naturally, this took thorough preparation on the part of the Almighty. And if the celebration of Christmas is to be meaningful for us in the year, 1966, we must make careful preparation of ourselves so that the true meaning of the event will not be missed.

It will help to realize that there is a difference between an outward observance of Christmas and an inner experience of Christmas. Every one observes Christmas but not everybody experiences Christmas.

Christmas is an outward observance for those who see it only as a fact of history. For them Christ is only a figure of history who was born and lived and died. For all practical purposes they

haven't heard about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ; furthermore, the event of Pentecost--the coming of the Holy Spirit into human lives who will receive Him--is so foreign and absurd that it is completely refused. The way to experience Chr-

istmas is through the hearty faith in the Living Lord, the Risen Christ. Here faith in God is more than an idea held in the mind, it is a Presence recognized in the daily life. To live the Christian Life in its fullness is to recognize this Presence in our daily lives. It is to give away to the Presence, surrendering to it, and yielding our very selves to its magnifying influence for

good. When this happens, then Christmas becomes a living experience. Phillips Brooks knew what it meant to experience Christmas. He wrote so all the world could sing: "Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ enters in. O Holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, Be born in us today."

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ASCS NEWS

TREES BIG HIT WITH FARMERS

ASCS is giving 500 pine trees to farmers for planting along side of driveways, around buildings, or in scalds, gulleys or washes. In addition to the trees ASCS will pay some of the expense of the labor for transplanting the trees. This labor expense, depending on each farmer's circumstance, will be between \$8.00 and \$14.00.

4H Club and FFA boys, in many cases are setting these trees for the ASCS labor payment. Any farmer unable to set the trees can contact ASCS and arrangements can be made for labor to be furnished. Already nearly 100 farmers have signed up for this practice.

Our regular forestry practice is open now with increased participation over prior years. Cherokee County could set nearly one-quarter million trees during 1966 if participation continues as it is now.

CROPLAND ADJUSTMENT SIGN-UP NOW OPEN

This program will give farmers an opportunity to sign agreements to retire cropland from crop production for a period of from 5 to 10 years. Farmers placing land in the

program will receive adjustment payments annually, based on the value of the crops being diverted from production.

Feed grain bases and tobacco allotments retired from production will receive comparatively high rates of payment.

Tame hay and average non-allotment farm land in Cherokee County rates will be around \$7.00 per acre. In addition to the adjustment payment, farmers will also receive practice payments for the purpose of establishing the acreage in an approved conservation use.

Twenty farmers signed up for the program in 1966.

Program payment rates are higher for all crops locally produced. Visit the ASCS if interested in the program.



READ THE CLASS AD PAGE

Backward Glance

40 YEARS AGO, DECEMBER 5, 1924

Mrs. Loucine Wells of the Canton grade school faculty, spent the weekend here with relatives.

Jack Elliott of Andrews was a visitor in town Tuesday. Mrs. R.S. Parker and daughter, Elizabeth, were in Atlanta one day last week.

Miss Eva Nell Mauney entertained the bridge club Monday evening.

Miss Maurine Fain is spending this week in Blue Ridge Ga., with her sister, Mrs. William Butt.

30 YEARS AGO, DECEMBER 3, 1936

Mr. and Mrs. K.C. Wright spent the weekend in Topton visiting relatives.

Mrs. B.W. Whitfield has returned from several weeks stay with relatives in Selma, Ala.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus White Monday at Dr. Whitfield's Infirmary a son.

Mrs. S.D. Akin of Andrews spent Tuesday in Murphy visiting friends.

Miss Woodfin Posey and Miss Ruth Speight spent the weekend in Asheville with Mrs. Alma Posey.

Misses Nettie and Virginia Dickey of Young Harris College visited their mother Thanksgiving.

Miss Elois Fain and Miss Jean Taylor of Greenville, S. C. have returned to their home after visiting Miss Adella Meroney.

20 YEARS AGO, DECEMBER 5, 1946

Mildred Hendrix is National winner in a 4-H Club food preparation contest.

H. Bueck left Wednesday to attend the conference of Superintendents of the State, called by Supt. Clyde Erwin, in Raleigh for Thursday through Saturday.

Miss Polly Hicks of Andrews spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Atlanta, Ga. with her friend, Miss Gertrude Caldwell.

Frank Taylor spent last

Wednesday in Topton on business.

Mrs. Cloe Moore, Mrs. John Manthey and Mrs. E.C. Van Horn were in Bryson City, Tuesday.

New Films About South At Library

Four films picturing areas of social, literary and historic interest in the Southern States have been added to the North Carolina Adult Film Project, a cooperative public library sixteen millimeter film collection, that provides a film service through the Murphy Carnegie Library. Any group may use these films free of charge upon two weeks or more prior request at the public library. Films from this collection are not available for use in elementary and secondary schools and they may not be used where an admission is charged. The new films are:

Faulkner's Mississippi-Land Into Legend: a pictorial description of William Faulkner's home country and an application of it to his literature.

Ku Klux Klan The Invisible Empire: The CBS television documentary of the history and current development of the Ku Klux Klan.

They Steamed To Glory--a history of the American steam locomotive including North Carolina's "Tweetsie."

Williamsburg Restored-The history of the Williamsburg Restoration showing in particular the restoration of the Brush-Everard House.

Cherokee County Extension News

Approximately thirty people from Cherokee County attended the Western North Carolina Community Development awards luncheon Saturday at the City Auditorium in Asheville.

Tomotla Community Development Club won fifth place in the Youth Division in competition with one hundred and ten communities which entered the contest. Jackie Pope, President of the Tomotla 4-H Club, accepted the beautiful plaque and \$50 cash award in behalf of the community.

Tomotla (Non-farm Division) and Peachtree (Farm Division) each received an Honorable Mention and a \$50 cash award in the overall contest. Ervin Jones of Unaka received an Honorable Mention and a \$10 cash award in the Horticultural Crops Contest.

North Carolina farmers again gave an overwhelming vote in favor of the Nickels for Know-How program. Cherokee County received a vote of 199 for and 27 against.

The referendum provides for the Nickels for Know-How program to continue in effect for the next three years. This program allows for the collection of a nickel on each ton of feed and fertilizer manufactured in North Carolina to be used to promote research, teaching and extension.

Bill Gullidge, student at Florida Institute of Technology, has returned to school after spending the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.U. Gullidge.

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