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Christmas 1936 Is Merry One Here

Santa Claus Has Loyal Cooperation From Everyone.

The Christmas of 1936 was a merrier Christmas for more people in Kings Mountain and the surrounding county than Christmases of several years of the recent past. According to reports available, Santa Claus had loyal cooperation from individuals, churches and civic organizations and was busy distributing Christmas cheer until the wee, small hours of Christmas eve.

A Christmas program was held at St. Matthew's Lutheran church on Christmas with a service appropriate to the season, under the direction of Mesdames W. K. and Aubrey Mauney.

Members of the Fire Department distributed baskets of fruits and toys to families of Kings Mountain.

Yes, everyone had a very merry Christmas.

MARGRACE DAIRY FARM OUTSTANDING

The Margrace Dairy Farm, under the direction of Mr. H. P. Dixon, Overseer, is one of the most outstanding farms in this part of the state. Roughage is raised on the farm to feed their fine herd of 45 cows. Part of the grain is also raised on the farm. A most modern dairy is maintained, with concrete floors and sanitary drinking fountains for the cows.

This herd is kept free from T. B. and Bangs Disease by yearly tests under government supervision.

To give some idea of the quality of the cattle raised and kept at the Margrace Farm, a list of prize winners at three 1936 Fairs follows:

At the Cleveland County Fair, 12 entries were made with all winning prizes, as follows: 10 firsts, 1 second and 1 third. Cattle from the Margrace Farm also won at the Cleveland Fair, Senior, Junior, and Grand Champion Bull, The Grand Champion was Neisler's Daisy's Lad, which was bred at the Margrace Farm, also Junior, Senior, and Grand Champion Cow. Every champion of the Guernsey Breed at the Cleveland County Fair was a Margrace entry.

At North Carolina State Fair eight cows were entered and eight prizes were won, including 2 firsts, 4 seconds, 1 third and 1 fourth.

At the South Carolina State Fair, which was open for world-wide competition, out of nine entries eight winners were declared, including 2 firsts, 4 seconds, 2 thirds.

Quall Roost, Prince Raider, herd sire, at the Margrace Farm took first place at all three fairs entered.

Some colts are being raised at the farm, having recently purchased a thoroughbred Breeding Jack.

Quality dairy products are produced at the Margrace Dairy Farm which is located just outside the Southern part of Town.

By practicing diversified farming and using the compost from all the stock the farm land is being greatly improved.

Kings Mountain, as well as the farmers near here, are very fortunate in having this fine, up-to-date farm in their midst.

BANK TO CLOSE TOMORROW

The First National Bank will be closed all day tomorrow, January 1st in observance of the New Year.

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

THERE was a guy come to a life saving station on Long Island, New York, during a big storm. He



was wet through and terrible cold. He knocked at the door of the place kinda timid-like, and when they let him in he says, "It's very inclement without, is it not?"

"Sure, it's rough," says one of the men. "Won't you set down and rest?"

"Thanks, I will if you don't mind. And I want to ask a favor of you boys, if it's not too bold of me."

"Shoot."

"Well, when the storm has quite abated and the rain has stopped, I wonder if you'd go out and try to save my mother-in-law. She fell out of a boat a half mile off shore an hour ago, and I'm getting awfully worried about her."

(American News Features, Inc.)

TOWN HALL SOLD

Kings Mountain's Town Hall was sold at Auction, Tuesday morning for \$78.00 to George Allen, Mr. Allen in turn sold the building to J. R. Davis, who conducted the sale. Mr. Davis sold the building within a few hours to E. L. Campbell for \$100.00.

The building will have to be torn down immediately to make room for the new Town Hall to be started right away.

FATHER OF MRS. JAMES WARE DIES IN SHELBY

J. Mack Greene, an aged citizen of Shelby, died of a heart attack, Dec. 22, 1936. He suffered a severe heart attack in November, but had improved and was able to be up. He spent the morning in town talking with friends Christmas shopping. He ate a hearty dinner and fell in the yard at his home on North Washington street about 2:00 p. m.

Mr. Greene was 78 years of age last June 28th, 1936. He had spent his whole life except one or two years within Cleveland county.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Dr. Zeno Wall of the First Baptist church in Shelby, assisted by Rev. J. W. Suttle, a former pastor. The music was in charge of the assistant pastor, Rev. Horace Eason.

Since early boyhood he had been a member of the Baptist church. He served for a number of years as clerk and deacon of the Double Shoals Baptist church where he was buried beside the companion who preceded him to the grave 31 years ago.

He is survived by seven children: Two boys, Anderson and Sylvannus Greene of Shelby; Mrs. E. C. McKinney of Shelby; Mrs. James Ware and Mrs. John Seism of Kings Mountain; Mrs. Robert Mitchell, Sharon, S. C.; Mrs. Bonnie Elliott, Lawndale, Route 2; two sisters survive, Mrs. Thomas Spangler and Mrs. O. G. Glasco, both of Shelby. Twenty nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren, besides a host of relatives.

The grand children were active pallbearers and number of his friends including his Sunday school class, were honorary pallbearers. Grand-daughters carried the many beautiful flowers. Mrs. Mal Spangler and Miss Clara Greene had charge of the arrangement of the flowers.

Believe It Or Not

Here is an item for Believe It or Not, Ripley: J. Bun Patterson and others went rabbit hunting on Christmas Day. They passed a tree with an opossum's nest in it. One of the hunters, John Williams, remarked, "I believe I will climb that tree and see if there is a possum in it." Can you imagine his surprise when he looked into the nest and saw seven possums, all full grown. The seven weighed 18½ pounds.

Several old hunters stated this was the first time they had ever heard of more than two possums to be found in one nest.

BEGINS NEW WORK

Mr. P. G. Ratterree will take up his duties as traveling salesman in North Carolina, for the Ross Shoe Co., of Nashville, Tenn., soon.

WILLIAM G. BIRD DIES IN COLUMBIA

The following excerpt from the Columbia State will be of interest to friends of the deceased and his family in Kings Mountain:

Funeral services for William G. Bird, 52, of 1320 Washington street, who died at the Baptist hospital late Sunday night after an illness of two months were held at 3 o'clock this afternoon from McCormick's Mortuary, conducted by the Rev. John H. Webb, pastor of First Baptist church and the Rev. P. D. Brown, pastor of Ebenezer Lutheran church. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

Mr. Bird was an engineer with the Southern Railway company, having served in that capacity for 34 years. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Columbia division, No. 85. He had many friends who mourn his death.

He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Harold Crawford of Kings Mountain, N. C., and the following sisters: Mrs. H. F. Wheeler, Mrs. R. A. Treutel and Mrs. Elizabeth Tallon, all of Columbia and Mrs. Harry Falls of Asheville, N. C.

Active pallbearers were six nephews: James Bird, Marion Bird, Miles Falls, H. F. Wheeler, Legare McIntosh and D. K. Sandifer. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

National News

Berlin, Dec. 30.—General Hans von Seeckt, 70, reorganizer of the German army after the world war, died unexpectedly at his home yesterday after a short illness.

The general, who completed 50 years of army service August 4, 1935, spent Christmas with military friends in apparent good health.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Senator Henry Fountain Ashurst — long a student of the English language — advocated today that the nation forget some of the words cluttering up the dictionaries.

"We have a wonderful language," he said, "but it is becoming unwieldy. It will be a good thing to call a conference of authorities and abolish some of our verbal corpses."

Dalyton Beach, Fla., Dec. 30.—Recalling through thrill-and-spill production turn of the century events in which pioneer aces of the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany began establishing automobile speed records on the city's world-famed beach, the first of a series of annual 200 mile championship motor cycle races will be held on the tide-packed stretch and a parallel highway here, Sunday, January 24.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Chairman Hugh W. Siddall of the Western Passenger association says improvements in service boomed passenger revenue of western railroads 21 per cent in 1936 compared with 1935.

New York, Dec. 30.—For 32 years Herbert Boyesen kept lonely vigil on Fire Island — that thin strip of sand and wind-blown dune which stretches for some 40 miles off the southern coast of Long Island — to flash the identity of incoming ships to the line's offices in New York.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., Dec. 30.—North Country farmers protested today complete clearing of snow from state highways because they said it interferes with sleighing. They add that most of their fuel supply is cut in places where sleighs can go but motor trucks cannot.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 30.—A dasked, shabbily dressed man — the first major kidnaper of 1936 — hid from a swiftly massed army of searchers today after abducting the 10 year old son of a wealthy physician from his home and leaving a crude ransom note.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—Germany will avoid war measures against socialist Spain but probably will permit volunteer fighters to continue to sail for the battlefield, and may convoy German yessels with warships, persons in authority said today.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—More than 750 persons died violent deaths in the nation during the Christmas holiday and week end.

Traffic accidents brought death to at least 555 persons. A variety of other causes swelled the total to 761.

Marion, S. C., Dec. 30.—J. Quince Berry, of Florence, was held here today on a charge of setting fire to the home of his brother, T. M. Berry who with his family was visiting relatives over the holidays.

State News

Hertford, Dec. 30.—A holiday hunting party ended in tragedy Saturday afternoon when Harold Chapell, 16, of near Chappell Hill, died in the Albemarle hospital a few hours after an accidental shotgun discharge shattered his right leg at the knee.

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—One of the greatest needs here now is a new state office building to provide space for both existing state agencies and new ones which have been recently created.

The belief in most circles here is that when the general assembly gets here next week and sees the lack of space for legislative committees as well as for state agencies, it will not be long before it takes some action to provide additional facilities.

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—Officers investigated today the dynamiting of a filling station owned by Doc Williams, one of four persons arrested recently in connection with the death of Preston Cobb, 26.

Deputy C. A. Brown said he was seeking to determine if there were a connection between Cobb's death and the dynamiting. Williams was in the building at the time, but was not injured. The structure burned to the ground.

Concord, Dec. 30.—Fred A. Kestler, Jr., 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kestler, of this city, died at 3:30 o'clock this morning in a local hospital from a bullet wound which he suffered Sunday night when a pistol with which he was playing was fired accidentally.

The boy was attempting to cock his father's revolver as he handled the weapon in the home of his parents last night about 10 o'clock when the gun fired. The bullet struck young Kestler in the head just above the ear. He was brought to a hospital here where he died early this morning. He was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Kestler.

Raleigh, Dec. 28.—The principal reason no "Christmas paroles" have been issued to prisoners in a number of years is that under the parole system in effect in North Carolina clemency is based solely upon merit or upon discovery of wrongful conviction. Commissioner of Paroles Edwin Gill pointed out today.

Winston-Salem, Dec. 30.—Sheriff John Taylor reported today the death of Harvey Clifton Edwards, 22 year old farmer found fatally shot in a wood, was a self-inflicted wound.

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—Patrick Healy, Jr., executive secretary of the North Carolina league of municipalities has begun the state-wide distribution of a model municipal traffic ordinance designed to aid towns in the solution of their traffic problems.

Winston-Salem, Dec. 30.—A final audit showed Forsyth county tax receipts \$49,049.63 more than expenditures during the 1935-36 fiscal year.

Burlington, Dec. 30.—Leading Alsmance hunters, reporting many a day's tramp produced only one covey of birds, have largely transferred their activities from home fields to eastern North Carolina.

TEMPORARY LOCATION TOWN HALL ANNOUNCED

The Town Hall will be temporarily located in the Webb Building on Cherokee Street, next door to Fulton's Mortuary, Charlie Dilling, Town Clerk, stated that moving will start immediately to make room for the carpenters to tear down the old building, so that construction on the new brick Town Hall can be started right away. Work has to be started on the new Town Hall by January 11th to comply with PWA regulations.

GROOM IN SECRET MARRIAGE DIES OF HEART ATTACK

Joe Guyton, 29, Lowell shoe shop proprietor, dropped dead Christmas day on the front porch of Vanna Groves on the Phenix Mill village, his secret bride of eight months, as he and his wife prepared to announce their marriage to her family. A heart attack was blamed.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at Second Baptist church, Kings Mountain, of which he was a member. He operated a shoe repair business in Lowell but commuted to Kings Mountain, where he had lived for 20 years. Surviving are the widowed secret bride, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Guyton, and several brothers and sisters, all of Kings Mountain.

CASH BROTHERS TO OPERATE DIXIE ONLY

Beginning next Monday, January 4th, Messrs C. E. and D. E. Cash will devote their full time to the operation of the Dixie Theatre, relinquishing their lease on the Imperial Theatre. The Dixie Theatre is modern throughout, being built about one year ago. The Cash Brothers will endeavor to show the latest and biggest pictures first.

The program at the Dixie will be changed four times each week, the changing days being each Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. A double feature picture will be shown every Wednesday and Saturday, two pictures for the price of one.

By the new arrangement the Cash Brothers plan to serve the theatre-goers of Kings Mountain and vicinity even better than they have in the past.

Late shows are given every Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights after 11:00 p. m. to accommodate those unable to see the earlier shows.

WHO WILL BE LITTLE MR. OR MISS 1937?

The stork will have to decide in the next few days who will be declared Little Mr. or Miss 1937 of Kings Mountain, and the winner of the host of prizes to be given by the progressive merchants of Kings Mountain.

The first white baby born in Kings Mountain, The Best Town in the State, will be showered with gifts from the following merchants: Vera's Beauty Shoppe, Griffin Drug Co., Belk's Department Store, Summers Drug Co., Keeter's Department Store, Plonk Motor Co., Hord Furniture Co., Kings Mountain Building & Loan Association, and the Kings Mountain Herald. Some of the prizes are for the mother and father.

Doctors are asked to report to the Herald the first baby, and announcement will be made next week at to the winner.

RED CROSS IN DRIVE FOR OLD CLOTHING

The Kings Mountain Red Cross Chapter wishes to thank Plonk's Store for a donation of clothing that was given before Christmas. The clothing was distributed and hearts were made lighter with appreciation and gladness for these useful and necessary gifts.

Any donations from the merchants or citizens will be appreciated. There is a drive on now for used clothing. Those who wish to contribute please call Mrs. J. N. Gamble, Secretary, at the City Hall, from 9 to 11 a. m.

VESPER SERVICES AT A. R. P.

Beginning with the New Year, the evening services at Boyce Memorial Church will be moved up to 5:00 for the months of January and February. These Vesper Services will not last over 50 minutes. The public will be warmly welcomed. The service will allow anyone to attend a 6:00 meeting at any other church.

Recorder's Court Here Wednesday

The following cases were tried at Recorder's Court here Wednesday afternoon:

Robert Anderson, charged with assault upon a female was sentenced to two months suspended upon the payment of the cost.

The Court directed a verdict of not guilty in the case against Cornelius Mays charged with reckless driving.

Mack Castle, charged with violating the Prohibition Laws had his case continued.

Jasper Gordon charged with being drunk and disorderly and resisting an officer, was sentenced to three months suspended upon the payment of \$15 fine and cost.

The cases against N. W. Williams and Ben Baily charged with assault were continued.

Will Raney was found not guilty of drunk and disorderly conduct, but was held on another charge of forgery.

The case against Walker Hunt charged with stealing a day was continued.

Fred Taylor's case was called, and when he did not appear a capias was issued for his arrest.

SCHOOL GRANT APPROVED

According to the Shelby Star word has been received from Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle that a grant of \$95,727 has been approved for Shelby and Kings Mountain schools. Shelby is to get a new high school building with Kings Mountain getting a gymnasium and repairs to the present high school.

The Star states further: Voters of Shelby school district No. 33, including Shelby and a portion of outlying territory approved a bond issue in an election held over a year ago for a new high school building under a federal grant and county bond issue.

In the November election, an amendment to the state constitution limits the indebtedness of a county, city or town without a vote of the people and some question has arisen as to whether the county can issue bonds to match the federal grant without a county-wide election.

Officials in Raleigh hold different opinions as to the problem which faces Shelby and Kings Mountain on this matter.

STUDENT NIGHT OBSERVED

Student night was featured at the Sunday evening service at Central Methodist church and special recognition made of high school and college students in attendance.

Music was furnished by the young people under the direction of Miss Mary Foust Plonk who is at home for the holidays from Boston Conservatory of Music. Miss Plonk was assisted by Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, organist.

Carradine Miss, student at Brevard College, made a talk on "What My College Means To Me," and Miss Mary Sue McGinnis also a student at Brevard told of the "Value of the Church to the College Student."

A short talk by the pastor, Rev. E. W. Fox, and a prayer by Rev. E. A. Shenk, pastor of the Lutheran church, in Greensboro all visitor at the service, concluded the program.

Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON
(Opinions Expressed in This Column Are Not Necessarily the Views of This Newspaper.)

Washington's labor union leaders to their surprise, find themselves out on the end of a limb—and they don't know how to get off.

The steamship and glass strikes are responsible. They may force labor organizations to accept legislation which they have been ducking for years but which great Britain has had for 10 years and which even the present Labor British Government won't repeal.

The story is this: Labor organizations for several decades have defeated every attempt to make them responsible, collectively, for their actions. They denied that if, during a strike, property was destroyed by strikers, the labor organization to which they belonged should be subject to a suit for damages. Some state laws tending in that direction have been enacted, but nothing really tangible has resulted. The only recourse of a man whose

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