Houseteller Market kets in the county received Grade county with a rating of 79. Others listed in this group were: McCar-**Tops Grade A List**

91.5. Others in the Grade "A" group, a rating of 90 or above, were Gault Son, previous county leader, and Dixle-Home, both with 90.5, and

markets in Kings Mountain was cery, 77.5; Nolan Grocery, 77; Bla-Crawford's Grocery, with a rating of lock Grocery, 77; Peterson Grocery, 89.5. Other markets and their ra. 76; and Pauline Mill Store, 70. Huffstetler Grocery, on the Kings tings were: Stowe Grocery, 88; Phe-Mountain - Cherryville road, headed nix Mill Store, 86.5; Gantt G.ocery, Walter C. Stallings, senior sanitarithe list of local markets in sanitary 86; B & B Food Store, 85.5; Alexan- an, assisted by Thomas M. Strickrating according to a Cleveland der Grocery, 85; Mauney Cash Gro- land, both of the county health department announ. cery, 85; Ballard's Grocery, 84; Bar- partment. kets in the county.

Ranking fourth in the county, Huffstetler Grocery had a rating of Store, 82.5; & T Grocery, 82; Bark.

Ranking fourth in the county, erts Cash Store, 82.5; Timm's Cash markets, in general, showed some store, 82.5; & T Grocery, 82; Bark. ley Brothers, 81.5; A & P Store, 80.5, Barrett's Grocery (Route 2), 80.5; and

Payne's Grocery, 90. Only ten mar. the list of 'trade "C" markets in the made.'

Heading the list of 18 Grade "B" ter's Grocery, 78; Yarborough Gro-

The markets were inspected by

tings, possibly due to the fact that since the war equipment is more Weir Grocery, 30.5.

Aderhold Son Grocery headed frequent inspections are now being

Church News FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P. D. Patrick, Minister 9:00 a. m. Sunday School.

Harry Page, Supt. 11:00 a. m. Morning worship. Sermon subject: "A New Year in an Old World.

2:30 p. m. Sunday school at riendship Chapel. Clifford Kirkus, Supt.

3:00 p. m. Sunday school and serrice at Dixon, J. G. Darracott, Supt. 6:30 p. m Youth Fellowship Ves-

7:30 p. m. Evening Service. This service will be conducted by the students who are at home from college. A moving picture, "The Rich Young Ruler,, wil be shown. This service will be in the Fellowship Hall.

Monday 7 p. m.-Boy Scouts, Troop I, Broadus Moss, Scoutmaster; James Page, Asst. Scoutmaster.

ST. MATTHEW'S LUTHERAN

CHURCH Rev. Wm. H. Stender, Pastor Sunday, Dec. 28-Sunday School, with Mr. Jacob Cooper, Supt., 9:45 a. m. Adult Study Class, with Pastor Stender, teacher, 10:00 a. m.

Church Service, with the Administration of the Lord's Supper, 11:00

The Luther Leagues 6:30 p. m. Vespers, College Student Service, with message by Mr. Hoyle Whitesides, of the Lutheran Seminary, Columbia, S. C., 7:30 p. m.

Monday, Dec. 29-Boy Scouts 7:00 p. m. Wednesday, Dec. 31-Choir practice 7:30 p. m.

NEW MISSIONARY CHURCH Second street at Cora Mnl Spurgeon Scruggs, Pastor

Sunday-9:45 a. m. Sunday school. Harvey Morrow, Supt. 11:00 A. M. Preaching service. 7:00 p. m. Preaching service. Thursday-7:00 p. m. Prayer service. Saturday-7:00 p. m. Prayer service

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Harry E. Crump, Pastor Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Supt., J. D. Summitt. Morning worship 11:00 a. m. Young Peoples Service 6:15 p. m. President, Wesley Moss. Wednesday night prayer service 7:00 p. m.

evening at 7:00 p. m. TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH Corner of Fulton and Cansler Sts.

Evangelistic service each Sunday

W. F. Monroe, Pastor Sunday-10:00 a. m. Sunday school. 11:00 a. m. Preaching service. 6:00 p. m. Training Union. 7:0 p m. Evening worship.

SECOND WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH Jessie Henson, Pastor 9:45 a. m. Sunday school.

11:00 a. m. Morning worship 7:00 p. m. Evening worship. Wednesday: 7:00 p. m. Prayer

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH T. W. Fogleman, Pastor Sunday school each Sunday 10 a

H. K. Dixon, Supt. Worship, second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m., and first and second Sundays 7 p. m.

MCUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Fleyd Holler, Pastor

A special watch service will be held at Mountain View Baptist chur ch Saturday night at 7:30. Come and see who the speakers will be! The public is invited to attend.

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH T. W. Fogleman, Pastor
Sunday school 10 a. m.
Culp Ferd, Supt.
Worship tirst and third Sundays

Second and fourth Sundays 7:00

Uncle Sam Says



How good shopping today for Christmas 1977? There's one gift on the market everywhere in America which not only will warm the locart of the recipient this Christmas, but 10 years hence when it will maturat the rate of \$4 for every \$3 you pay for it now. That's United States havings Bonds, Santa will be glad to say to your loved ones and friends, "Merry Christmas 1957," and leave the present with a great future. Include your bank or post office gavings bond window on your Christmas shopping tour.

U.S. Treasury Department



IN THE GERMAN alpine districts. In the Calabran tall accentry the ever hears them, however, and it is bagpipes and flutes before the Another tradition holds that bees St Joseph, the carrenter. can sing on this holy night.

SHOOTING OFF GUNS and gre-

nades on Christmas Eve to frighten away mischievous spirits is an old custom in southern Germany. This colorful ritual has been forgotten in most communities, but it is still practiced in a few places. like Berchtesgaden in the Bavarian alps. The noisy ceremony dates back to pagan

times, when bonfires were kindled to greet the returning sun.

On Christmas Eve about ten o'clock members of the Weihnachtsschiessen - Verein (Christmas Eve shooting society) pack up their rifles, shotguns, revolvers and handgrenades, and march to their appointed spot in the hills. Then at eleven o'clock they begin firing away into the air, setting off fireworks and lighting bonfires. At exactly half-past eleven all the banging stops, and the men quietly go off to their village churches.

BRAZILIAN CHILDREN parade through the streets at Christmas time dressed colorfully as shepherds, singing carols. This procession is called the pastorinhas, or shepherds parade.

It is customary for children in Brazil to place their shoes in windows or doors in hopes of Christmas gifts, but in big cities the traditions associated with the North American Santa Claus are coming into favor. Since it is summer in this tropical country in December, Santa Claus with his fur-trimmed clothes, sleigh and reindeer seems a bit incongruous, however.

IN COLOMBIA THEY celebrate Christmas Day with glorious fireworks

display. In almost every village square a huge wooden effigy of a cow is erected. Men in fire-proof clothing crawl into the cow, and shoot off fire-crackers, Roman candles and rockets, much to the delight of the children. This

curious custom is called the Vacas Locas, or "fiesta of

the crazy cows. CHRISTMAS DAY is a holy day in Italy, and people flock to the numerous churches for the real mer-Christmas Eve which is much more | sheaf and kept it. meat is allowed, the feast has to conchoose eel for this banquet. A certain large species called capitone is

an ancient belief is that cattle can shepherds come down from the speak on Christmas Eve. No one | mountains on Coristmas and pine considered sinful to try to listen | penter shops in special deference of

At St. Macks church in Names dogs are taken along on Christina+ morning. The faithful beasts wan outside u. . I their masters have completed their devotions.

AFTER THE CHRISTMAS EVE

supper, or Willia. Polish girls lift the tablecloth and pick up handfuls of the straw that has been placed on the table. Any girl who finds an unthreshed ear of grain will be married soon and will be prosperous. according to tradi-



IT IS A PRETTY and humans Christmas custom in Scandinavian countries to hang a sheaf of grain outside the window in some snow covered yard so that the birds may share in the feast.

In Sweden and Finland the Christmas tree is kept standing for some time, usually until January 12. Canute's Day, when the neighborhood children are invited in to "plum der" it. It is a matter of great pride to the average youngster to have astended a large number of "plunder-

ALMOST UNIVERSAL in South America is the custom of the family supper after Midnight Mass known as Misa de Gallo. As it is then early on Christmas day, the restrictions on eating meat, and on feasting in general that prevail on Christmas Eve, are over.

THE ANIMALS MUST NOT be forgotten at Christ-



mas in Norway. Dog and cat ges special Christmas fare, sheaves of grain are hung for the birds, and & large piece of sue! put on the bird tres outside the kitcher window. On the farms, cow and horse, sheep and pig and all other

animals get special treatment. The tradition of hanging sheaves of yellow heavy - headed grain outside the house in midwinter is as old as our history. Thousands of years ago, in the Stone Age, the belief was that the spirit which lives in the earth and made things grow, fled when the grain was cut. The spirit hid, it was thought, in the last remaining stalks, that was why rymaking for Italians comes on the peasants laid aside the last of a holiday than Christmas Day the earth was frozen and covered to them. As the eve of Christmas with snow, and it was dark almost is a religious vigil on which no all day, the Stone Age people hung this sheaf near the place they lived. sist largely of fish. Most Italians The spirit hiding in it helped the sur become strong again, and later di returned to the thawing fields to especially popular, though quite exbring the people a new harvest me blessed grain.

SEASON OF GOOD CHEFT

e At Christmastime we greet good triends. li 'neath our roof you've rested, come again and be refreshed. If you have never crossed our threshold, visit us in the months ahead. To one and all we say.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

CITY SERVICE STATION

from Myers'



...as 1947 draws to a close and we begin our nighth year of operation, we at Myers' Department Stole want to express our sincer appreciation to you for good year, and for the bus iness entrusted to us during the past...

... Every member of our organization wishes you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

... We trust that our friendly relationship with you will continue for many years to come.

.. Again we all say, "Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year."

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