

### Place Phone Back On Hook Advises Farris

Replacing the telephone receiver on the hook when you're through talking may seem like a "little" thing to do. But it can be a "big" thing if you don't.

E. F. Farris, Manager for Southern Bell Telephone Company, pointed out today that many persons "unknowingly" are putting their own and perhaps other telephones out of service every day by not replacing the receiver when through talking.

For all practical purposes, Mr. Farris said, a telephone receiver off the hook is the same as a telephone out of order. And on a party line, that means every telephone on the line is out of service.

In an "emergency," this could cause hardship.

A common cause of disruption of telephone service is failure to replace the telephone on the hook when someone is told to answer the phone on another extension, Mr. Farris said.

When a person continues to get a "busy signal" because the party he is trying to reach has his phone off the receiver, the caller usually notifies the telephone company that the phone is "out of order." The phone company may then send a repairman out on a "service" call only to discover the phone is off the hook.

Such service calls have been increasing in Kings Mountain, Mr. Farris said. That's why he appealed today to telephone users to make a special effort to replace receivers after completing calls.

### G-W Debaters Win In Contest

BOILING SPRINGS — Gardner Webb College debaters took seven of ten debates and won six other awards at the Appalachian Mountain Forensic Tournament held at Boone, Dec. 1-3.

The GW affirmative team, composed of Larry Hicks and Joyce Philbeck, with Gladys Icenhour, Don White, and Gay Lovette as alternates, took four out of five debates, losing only to Mississippi Southern, the debate champion.

The negative team, Becky Black and Morris Lynch, won three of five debates, losing only to Mississippi Southern and Duke, winner of the Wake Forest Debate Tournament in October.

Other GW winners in forensic events were Marcia White, with a third-place award in women's oratory and a third-place award in extemporaneous speaking; Joyce Philbeck, with a second-place award in after-dinner speaking; Morris Lynch, with a second-place rating in after-dinner speaking and a third-place rating in radio newscasting; and Larry Hicks, with a third-place rating in poetry reading.

The final record for debate teams, after ties had been broken on points, were affirmative — first place, Mississippi Southern; second place, Carson-Newman; third place, Lenoir Rhyne. In the negative division — first place, Mississippi Southern, second place ASTC; third place, Maryville College.

The over-all debate record plac-

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Christmas decorations in stores have been with us so long now it's beginning to feel like Easter.

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Now arrives the time of that annual quandry: How to fit underneath the Christmas tree the battleship Missouri, one full-scale Nike rocket and one covered wagon complete with team of horses?

### Rites Conducted For Mrs. Lovelace

Funeral rites for Mrs. Cynthia Jane Lovelace, 78, were held Friday at 3 p. m. from Oak Grove Baptist church, interment following in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Lovelace, widow of David Lovelace, died Thursday morning at Cleveland Memorial hospital. A native of Cleveland County, she was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McSwain. She was a member of the Oak Grove church.

Surviving are two sons, Everett G. and J. Osbia Lovelace, both of Kings Mountain; four daughters, Mrs. Marcus Ellis, Misses Carrie Mae and Jeanette Lovelace, both of the home, and Mrs. Erb McCraw of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Mrs. John C. Hamrick of Boiling Springs and Mrs. Henry Pearson of Shelby, 17 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. James E. Holder, assisted by the Rev. J. D. Wyatt.

### G-W Choir To Sing Cantata

BOILING SPRINGS — A 100-voice choir, under the direction of Mrs. Robert Gidney, will present Handel's "Messiah" Sunday afternoon, Dec. 11, at 3 o'clock in the E. B. Hamrick Building on the college campus at Boiling Springs, and again on Dec. 14 at 7:30 p. m. at the First Baptist church of Forest City.

The choir will include the 40-voice College choir. Faculty members and citizens in the community complete the group.

Mrs. Gidney has indicated that practice for the presentation will be conducted Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 6:30 p. m. at the First Baptist church, and Dec. 10, 7 p. m., at the Hamrick Building.

Larry Hicks is organist for the group.

ed Mississippi Southern first, Carson-Newman second, and ASTC third.

Prof. Francis B. Dedmond is coach for the GardnerWebb debaters.



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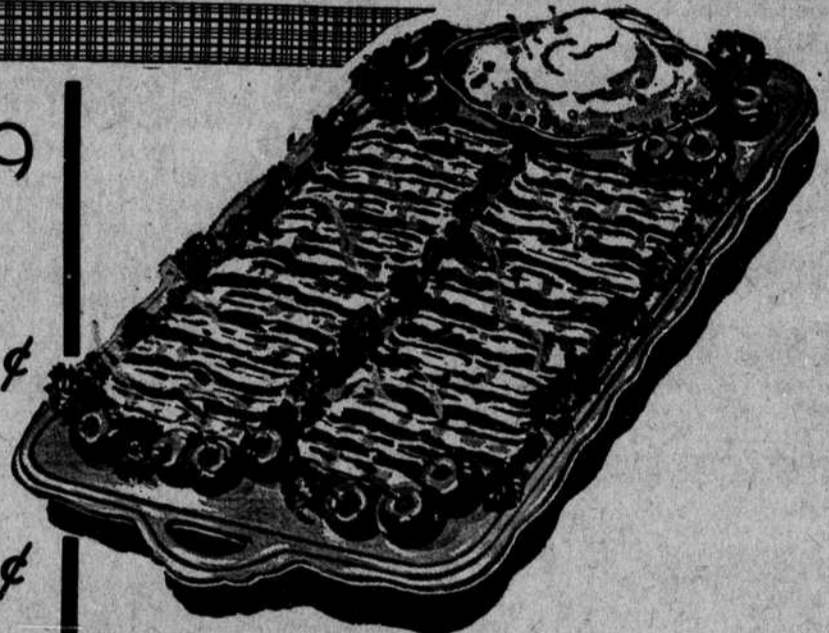
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