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Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.—John 6:24.

"The Times" Changes Hands.

With the current issue, the Fort Mill Times passes into the control of Messrs. W. R. Bradford and J. J. Bailes, both well known citizens of the community. For several years I have wished to dispose of the paper because of other interests which drew so heavily upon my time, making it impossible for me to give the paper the attention it deserved. In retiring from the ownership of The Times I cannot forego the opportunity to thank those who have so loyally supported the paper during the many years I have conducted it. I bespeak for the new owners the support I am sure their efforts to give the people of the town and county a first class paper will merit.
B. W. Bradford.

An ounce of performance is worth a ton of promise, but it may not prove amiss for the publishers of The Times to state that it is their purpose to improve the paper as rapidly as possible. We purpose to make The Times an all home print paper within a few weeks and to otherwise improve its appearance and news service.

The Local Water Shortage.

It is to be hoped that the Public Works Commission of Fort Mill is contemplating steps to provide against a repetition of the serious inconvenience to which householders and business concerns of the town were put during a part of Christmas week by their inability to secure water from the city mains. Since the municipal waterworks plant was established several years ago many of the open wells then in use in Fort Mill have either been abandoned or the water in them drawn off so infrequently as to render it unfit for domestic purposes. There was therefore no way for many to obtain water without availing themselves of the hospitality of less unfortunate neighbors whose open wells were still in use.

If it be true, as has been stated, that the deep wells over which the Public Works Commission has control are capable of supplying a hundred thousand gallons of water daily, it would seem that these wells should be pressed into capacity service, not only to meet the needs of those who have city water connections but also to afford protection against fire, Fort Mill not being immune to this danger, as those who buy fire insurance here are able to testify.

As to School Books.

Every time we run across a three or four syllable word in an approved text book for use in the lower grades of the public schools we conclude that the author had about sense enough to do manual labor, and no more, and that the State Board of Education failed in its duty when it neglected to reject the book. The education of the children of the State is a serious matter and every book offered for use in the public schools should be examined with the greatest care. If this has been done in the past, then the selection of some of the approved text books bespeaks a degree of intelligence on the part of the State Board of Education akin to the stupidity of the authors.

Delegation to Meet.

Governor Cooper has requested Senator J. E. Beasly to call a meeting of the York county legislative delegation early in January to consider proposed good roads legislation to come at the session of the General Assembly which meets on January 12. It is presumed that Governor Cooper's request will be complied with.

Christmas Marriage.

Miss Marie Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, of the town of Fort Mill, and Harold H. Heath, of the town of Charlotte, N. C., were married at Charlotte, Saturday, December 26. Both the bride and bridegroom are well known in Fort Mill. Mrs. Heath having taught in the graded school here during the first half of the 1919-20 season, and Mr. Heath having been a frequent visitor to relatives and friends in this section. He is a son of the late O. P. Heath, for years a prominent banker and cotton factor of Charlotte. The bride is an attractive woman who has many friends in Fort Mill whose good wishes follow her to her new home in Midland, where Mr. Heath is a prominent business man.

Fort Mill friends of George L. Hall and Miss Pauline Crane were pleasantly surprised to learn of their marriage in Charlotte on Christmas Eve. Mrs. Hall is the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Crane of Fort Mill, but has been making her home in Charlotte for some time, as has Mr. Hall, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hall of Fort Mill. The young couple will continue to make their home in Charlotte.

Lester R. Therrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Therrell of the Pleasant Valley section of Lancaster county, was married in Greenville yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock to Miss Rosa Lee Loftis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Loftis, at the home of the bride's parents in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Therrell will make their home in Greenville. Mrs. Therrell is a popular young woman of the Mountain City and Mr. Therrell has many friends in this section. Until recently he was in the mail service.

Baxter M. Wright, who formerly lived in Fort Mill, but who has made his home in Hamlet, N. C., for some time, and Miss Lizzie Little of Rockingham, N. C., were married during the holidays and came to Fort Mill the first of the week for a visit of several days with Mr. Wright's mother, Mrs. Eli Wright.

J. M. Epps, a well known and popular farmer of the township, was recently married to Miss Emma Kimbrell.

Holiday Visitors.

Mrs. Frank Lee of Chester was the guest of relatives here last week.

Brice D. Culp of Boston, Mass., spent the holidays at his home here.

John Banks of Columbia visited relatives in Fort Mill during the past week.

M. L. Moser of Anderson is spending the holidays in Fort Mill visiting his mother.

James T. Young, Jr., visited friends in Washington, D. C., during the Christmas holidays.

T. McIver Hughes of Lancaster, visited friends and relatives in Fort Mill during the past week.

Miss Isabel Grier, teacher in the Oswego school, Sumter county, spent the holidays at her home here.

Miss Mae Buzhardt of Newberry is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. R. Bouknight, at the Methodist parsonage.

Zenas C. Grier of Greenville spent several days of the past week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Grier.

Prof. A. R. Banks of Ridgeway was a guest in the home of his sister, Mrs. Hattie B. Mack, during the past week-end.

Miss Bertha Massey, who is teaching in the schools of Keenansville, N. C., is at her home in Fort Mill for the holidays.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Elliott entertained during the past week Dr. Elliott's brother, Charles B. Elliott, Esq., of Columbia.

Miss Alice White of Black Mountain, N. C., was the guest of relatives in Fort Mill for several days during the last week.

Misses Alma Culp and Rachael Harris of Mooreville, N. C., were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kimbrell.

Dr. A. Theo Neely, who is taking a post graduate course at the Baltimore Medical college, was a visitor here during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wylie of Greensboro, N. C., visited Mrs. Wylie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McMurray, during the past week.

Dr. Leroy McMurray of Fernandina, Fla., spent the Christmas holidays in Fort Mill at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McMurray.

After an absence of four years Claude C. Crowder returned from Bellonia, Miss., and spent Christmas with his father, J. P. Crowder, near town.

The Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Epps and children of Darlington were the guests of relatives in the Gold Hill section of the community Christmas week.

Among the Christmas homecomers was J. Robert Harris of Charlotte, who spent several days of the week visiting relatives and friends in the community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Patterson and little daughter and Miss Eula Patterson of Charlotte spent several days at the home of J. H. Patterson during Christmas week.

Miss Louise McMurray, who is employed in one of the government departments in Washington, D. C., spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McMurray.

Joe W. Nims of Badin, N. C., spent a day or two during the last week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Nims, near town. Mrs. Nims and their little daughter returned with him to Badin Friday.

Mrs. C. H. Klueppelberg of Brevard, N. C., was the guest of relatives in Fort Mill for several days last week. Mr. Klueppelberg recently moved from Charlotte to Brevard, where he opened an agency for Ford cars.

Miss Florence Boyd of Montevallo, Ala., was a guest during the week at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Boyd. Parks O. Boyd and John A. Boyd of Newport News, Va., also were

guests of their mother, Mrs. Boyd, during the holidays.

Sergeant Ike Yarborough has been spending his annual month's furlough from the army at the home of his father, W. F. Yarborough, Sergeant Yarborough has been in the regular army several years, a considerable part of which he spent in the canal zone. He is now on duty at Camp Jackson.

Major and Mrs. James D. Fulp and two little sons came to Fort Mill from Abbeville, where Major Fulp is superintendent of the graded schools, and spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. A. O. Jones. Other guests of Mrs. Jones during the holidays were Capt. and Mrs. Richard A. Fulp of Charlotte.

Miss Susie White of Washington, D. C., and Sergeant Robert B. White, from Fort McPherson, Atlanta, spent the holidays with their brothers and sisters, near town. Sergeant White enlisted first in the regular army in 1899 and already would have been retired had his service been continuous, but he dropped out of the army for five years and consequently yet has several years to serve before he reaches the age of retirement.

Increase for Pastor.

At a congregational meeting at the Fort Mill Baptist church last Sunday a substantial increase was voted in the salary of the pastor, Dr. J. W. H. Dyches. Under the pastorate of Dr. Dyches the church has steadily grown in membership and influence until it is now one of the strongest churches in the York association.

STRAYED—From my home east of Fort Mill Sunday a red sow pig four or five months old. Will pay for information leading to recovery of same. J. P. Sutton, Jr., Route 4.

DR. A. L. OTT,
DENTIST
Office hours, 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.
(Dr. Spratt's office)
Belk Building, Fort Mill, S. C.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Annual Meeting to be Held on Thursday, January 8, 1920.

Pursuant to Statute, notice is hereby given to whom it may concern, that the Annual Meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of York County, will be held in the office of the County Supervisor in the courthouse on Thursday, January 8th, 1920, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m.

Under Section 993 of the Civil Code, all claims against the county not previously presented, must be filed with the Clerk of the Board on or before January 1, 1920, and holders of claims will take notice that if the same are not presented and filed during the year in which they are contracted, or the year following, such claims will be forever barred.

All claims against York county must be itemized, and they must be accompanied by affidavits of the claimants setting forth that the several amounts claimed are just, true, due and owing, and that no part thereof has been paid by discount or otherwise.

All persons authorized by law to administer oaths, are required to probate claims against the county free of charge.

By order of the Board,
THOMAS W. BOYD, Supervisor.
Annie L. Wallace, Clerk.
Dec. 2, 1919.

At the Close of the Old Year

We take this opportunity to thank our many customers for their liberal patronage during the year. We wish for all a Happy and Prosperous New Year and call attention to the complete stock of Furniture and Household Goods to be found here

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ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF 1920.

Notice of Opening of Books of Auditor for Listing Property for Taxation. Pursuant to the requirements of Statute on the subject, Notice is hereby given that my books will be opened in my office in York Courthouse on Thursday, January 1st, 1920, for the purpose of listing for taxation all personal and real property held in York County on January 1, 1920, and will be kept open until the 20th day of February, 1920, and for the convenience of the taxpayers of the county, I will be at the places enumerated below on the dates named:

At Clover—Tuesday and Wednesday, January 6 and 7.
At Bandana (Perry Ferguson's store)—Thursday, January 8.
At Hickory Grove—Monday, January 12.
At Sharon—Tuesday, January 13.
At Bullock's Creek (Good's Store)—Wednesday, January 14.
At McConnellville—Thursday, January 15.
At Newport—Friday, January 16.
At Fort Mill Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 19, 20 and 21st.
At Rock Hill—From Monday, January 26, through Saturday, January 31.
At York—From Monday, February 2 to February 20.

All males between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years are liable to a poll tax of \$1.00, and all persons so liable are especially requested to give the numbers of their respective school districts in making their returns.
BROADUS M. LOVE, Auditor York County.
Dec. 2, 1919.

Our First New Year's Greeting.

We wish you many happy returns for every day in the year, and, remember, we are making every effort to make you a satisfied customer of ours.

We will be at your service every day of the year 1920, and guarantee satisfaction with every article we sell you.

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The Candy Kitchen,

HARRY CARROS, Proprietor.

THANKS

For your patronage during the past year. We hope to see you in our store often this year, and assure you that you are always welcome.

O. T. CULP



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John Holbrook, a good farmer, was stuck with \$2000 worth of wildcat oil stock. "Help me to get out," he begged. "It's too late," his banker replied. "If you had asked me at first I would gladly have advised you; now your money is gone." . . . This bank seeks always to advise the farmers of our county so they will **make** money. In a broader way, such advice is given weekly by

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