Thanksgiving, 1919

God has been merciful this year—
Earth has not spared her store,
And folded all away again
Are tents and traps of war.
Yet clamoring in every town
That holds a garnered harvest brown,
The thankless ones go up and down,
Who ask for more and more.

Disciples of the new red god,
The god of discontent,
Dark mills and silent factories
Show clear the way they went.
They follow him, and have forgot
The God of plenteousness who wrought
Their being—they remember not
The freeman's covenant!

They seek for plenty without toil,
They ask of earth her yield,
While yet their engines idle lie
In mill and mine and field.
They cry with many a crimson word—
They ask, but not of God the Lord;
They have forgot his sudden sword
With wrath and justice steeled.

Now is a day ordained for praise
When eyes on him may wait.
Now is a time to offer thanks,
Humble and intimate.
May God lift up men's hearts again,
With gratitude for sun and rain,
With thankfulness to cleanse the stain,
Before it is too late!

—HILDA MORRIS
in New York Times

Joe Taylor Soon a Benedict

That our only and original Joe Taylor is soon to join the ranks of the happy Benedicts is announced in the following card, which many Badin friends have received.

"Mrs. Ogden Doremus King requests the pleasure of your company at the wedding reception of her daughter, Theresa Josephine, and Mr. Joseph G. Taylor, Wednesday evening, December the seventeenth, at half after seven o'clock, at home, Albemarle, N. C."

Miss King is almost as well known in Badin as "Joe" himself, and many will be the good wishes and congratulations which will follow the union of this happy pair. It is safe to say that no event of the season will arouse more general and joyful interest.

JOE AND THERESA—GOD BLESS 'EM

Badinites at Shrine Meeting

The Badinites who attended the great Shrine meeting in Charlotte, December 3 to 5, reported a wonderful time. No fewer than thirty-three Temples were represented, and fully five thousand were gathered in the Auditorium on Thursday evening. Those who went from Badin were R. M. Trexler and A. L. Scott, Shriners; and W. H. Frazier, E. F. Smith, F. M. Rhinehart, and W. B. Pannill, all of whom crossed the desert sands for the first time at this meeting.

The Shooting Match

The shooting meet on the lake shore, Thanksgiving morning, was a great success. A crowd of about three hundred people attended, and thoroly enjoyed the event. There was some good marksmanship displayed, which brought substantial rewards to the skillful ones, in the shape of large, fat turkeys. Mr. Orr managed the match very creditably, and will pull off a similar event shortly before Christmas.

Good-Bye and Good Luck

Our friends, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dunham, have gone to Durham, N. C., to live, Mr. Dunham having accepted a position with the Erwin Cotton Mills Company of that place. We will miss them in many directions, as they were active in church and community affairs. Good luck! Come to see us!

Lost

In or near the Theater, on night of December 1, a gold enameled pin, with D. of R. emblems on star shaped design. Finder please return to Mrs. Bob Morton, and secure suitable reward.

Mr. B. N. Moose, Distribution Clerk, attended the D. O. K. K. meeting, in Charlotte, on November 19. "B. N." says he enjoyed the occasion very much, but refuses to tell just hom much some of the boys enjoyed the trip coming back.

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