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Shortage of Ship Draftsmen.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 31, 1917.—There are not enough ship draftsmen in the United States to do the drafting work needed to carry out the naval and merchant ship-building programs. Our country is engaged in the execution of the greatest warship construction plan in history, comprising 787 vessels, including all types from superdreadnaughts to submarine chasers. Naval appropriations aggregating nearly two billions of dollars have been made since August, 1916.


Coincident with the demand for increased naval work there is an equally urgent call for an increase of merchant ship construction. It is betraying no secret to say that in both branches there is a shortage of technical men available for the work.

The United States Civil Service Commission is endeavoring to relieve the shortage of ship draftsmen by recommending to the heads of colleges and technical schools that senior students in engineering courses be given intensive training in naval architecture during the coming spring, with a view to make them available for employment as ship draftsmen in June. The Commission is also receiving applications from qualified architectural, mechanical, and structural steel draftsmen, and is certifying them for employment in the Navy Department and in Navy yards on ship work.

Local boards of civil service examiners at the post offices in all of the larger cities are furnished detailed information and application blanks. Applicants are not required to appear in an examination room for a written examination, but are rated upon their education, training, and experience.

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In Honor of Visitors.

The home of Prof. and Mrs. J. A. Williams on Cherry street was the scene of a very charming party last Friday night in which the younger and older sets mingled, the party was given in honor of Mrs. Williams' sisters Misses Nellie and Katie Page whose home is near Raleigh. The Williams home was attractively decorated for the occasion, the color scheme being red and green. Games and contests provided amusement for the guests, Mr. George Graves securing the prizes, a box of stationery, in a Christmas Tide contest. Hot chocolate and wafers were served ere the guests departed.

Miss Lillie May George was hostess to about twenty five of the younger set on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. George on Cherry street, Miss Helen Warren of Burlington who is the guest of Miss Elizabeth Sparger was the honor guest on this occasion.

The home was beautiful with its shaded lights and profusion of Christmas decorations. After spending some time enjoying music, games and conversation, a delicious salad course was served by Misses Elizabeth Sparger, Love Banner and Carma George.

Miss Mary Thompson entertained a few friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thompson on Main street at a six o'clock dinner Monday evening in honor of Miss Helen Warren of Burlington. Those present were Misses Helen Warren of Burlington, Virginia Stemple of Winston-Salem, Elizabeth Sparger, Marion Prather, and Mary Hannah.

On Tuesday evening the home of Mr. A. E. Smith on Franklin street was the scene of a delightful gathering of young people when his daughter, Miss Florence Smith gave a party in honor of Miss Helen Warren of Burlington. An interesting bird contest was the main feature of the entertainment provided. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening.

Fruit Growers in Florida Protected Their Crops.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 30.—Reports received here tonight indicated that central and northern Florida experienced today the coldest weather in years. Fruit growers, forewarned of the cold wave, had protected their crops, and it was not believed much damage would result to the truck gardens and citrus groves.

The lowest temperature in the state was unofficially recorded here when the thermometer dropped to 22 degrees above zero before noon.

The Capital Early Sunday Experienced Zero Weather.

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—The mercury at zero shortly after 8 o'clock this morning established a new low mark for December weather. The coldest on record for December, hitherto, was nine degrees above zero on December 31, 1899.

The severe cold wave is general over North Carolina.

In Raleigh, the shortage of fuel, compounded with the extreme cold weather, made it necessary for practically all the churches to suspend Sunday services.

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Killed near Baltimore.

The remains of Raffaele Migliare who was killed near Baltimore arrived in this city Saturday for burial. Mr. Migliare had been working at one of the government plants near Baltimore and was standing on or near the track waiting for a train when the fast express struck him and five companions. He leaves a widow and six children, the wife can speak only a few words of English and is prostrated with grief. The funeral was conducted by Rev. T. H. King and the remains laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery. The deceased was an Italian stonecutter and worked at the quarry here before going to Baltimore.

NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of The First National Bank of Mount Airy will be held in the Banking House Tuesday afternoon January 8th, 1918, at 4 o'clock.
T. G. Fawcett, Cashier.

Children's Party.

Little Miss Alice Herman was hostess to the Juvenile Missionary society Saturday afternoon, December 22nd, at the Methodist parsonage, the occasion was the final ingathering of nickles and dimes by the children to complete their pledge of forty dollars for missions this year. When it seemed the children could not bring up their pledge the pastor's wife, Mrs. G. D. Herman, distributed little books called "Gleaners" and the children were instructed to solicit help from relatives and friends, and to save some of their own spending money, but not to ask strangers or members of other churches, and on Saturday afternoon to bring their money to the party. The children were royally entertained with games and goodies. Snapping favors were the cause of much merriment and little red stockings filled with home made candy and stuffed dates, and little Christmas buttons helped to make the occasion a real Christmas party.



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