

CARD CARNIVAL

And Afternoon Fox Trot Planned for Next Thursday

Social Entertainment to be Given at the Club House by Ladies for Benefit of the Red Cross

The unusual success attained by the Whist and Dancing party given last week at the Country Club by the ladies of the Pinehurst Branch of the Red Cross Society last week has encouraged all hands to urge its establishment as a permanent feature of the Season. From a financial point of view it proved a gold mine for the providing of essential supplies needed in the Nation wide work of making bandages for the field hospitals in France. Even as much to the point, it made an instantaneous hit with every class of people in the town. The Bridge fiends were fascinated. The young people acclaimed another chance to gather and dance and make holiday. And the whole population rejoiced at the opportunity to see the rest of the population, and to gossip and knit and drink tea and greet old friends, and mosey about from group to group, and cuss the weather. Here was a ball, and a reception and a council of war all in one—here was charity and diversion and duty so carefully mixed that the duty did not hurt. Here was laughter and action and old cronies, tea and coffee, bright fires and the kettle drum—and all seasoned with the call of the hour and the needs of our boys. Why, it is *the* thing.

Being the thing it will be repeated next Thursday afternoon, January 10th at the Country Club from 2.30 to 6.

From 2.30 to 4.30 the cafe and dancing hall will be devoted to Bridge Whist and 500. The ladies of the section are advised to engage their tables and make up their parties in advance. These arrangements may be made with Mrs. J. D. C. Rumsey, the treasurer, or any of the ladies on the Red Cross Committee. The price of admission will be \$1 apiece.

From 4.30 to 6 the room will be cleared for dancing and tea will be served in the cafe. Admission 50 cents.

OBSERVE

BRIDGE WHIST AND 500 FROM 2.30 TO 4.30.

DANCING AND TEA 4.30 TO 6.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE RED CROSS

AT THE COUNTRY CLUB

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10.

ADMISSION FOR CARDS \$1. FOR DANCING 50 CENTS.

Distinguished Visitors (Concluded from page two)

N. J.; Miss Gertrude Mullick, Concord, Mass.; W. V. Kellen, Boston, Mass.; G. B. Bliss, Z. R. Bliss, Providence, R. I.; R. E. Jeffery, Mrs. R. E. Jeffery, Boston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Pope Leatman, Miss Jane Leatman, Dale Purves, Philadelphia, Pa.

MIDDLE WEST

C. D. Lancaster, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lucking, Detroit,

Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Cramer, Caverth Cramer, Lake Forest, Ill.; Geo. V. Duyan, Chicago, Ill.

SOUTHERN STATES

Lt. E. H. Vredenburg, Monison, Va.; D. E. Phillips, Wilmington, N. C.; Geo. Hodges, Washington, D. C.; J. Kent Hawley, Richmond, Va.; Richard Crane, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Street, Atlanta, Ga.; A. C. Currie, Sumter, S. C.; O. Tebbits Lester, Piedmont, W. Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ritchie, Charleston, S. C.

CANADA

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cunningham, Kingston; Mrs. Chas. P. Mullick, St. John, New Brunswick; Dr. John Macdonnell, Canada.

Arrivals at the Pine Crest Inn

Mrs. J. A. Pierce, Rochester, Vt.; Mrs. E. F. Pierce, Rochester, Vt.; Miss Walsh, Toronto, Canada; Mrs. W. E. Barnett, New York City; J. P. Evans, Raleigh, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Ward, Boston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stevens, Brookline; H. C. Lagerblade, Pinehurst, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Ray Hege, Clemmons, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Berlekamp, Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Davis, Columbia, S. C.; Mr. W. E. Barnett, N. Y. City; Jno. C. Ramsour, Hamlet, N. C.; W. C. Jones, N. C.; F. C. Mitchell, Louisville, Ky.; T. H. Howse, B. J. Howse, Toronto, Can.

The Croaker

Once, on the aide of a pleasant pool
Under the bank where 'twas dark and cool,

Where bushes over the water hung,
And rushes nodded, and grasses swung,
Jest where the creek flowed outer the bog,
There lived a grumpy and mean ole frog,
Who'd set all day in the mud and soak,
And jest do nothin' but croak and croak.

Till a blackbird hollered, "I say, yer know,

What IS the matter down there below!
Are you in trouble, er pain, er what?"
The frog sez, "Mine is an orful lot;
Nothin' but mud and dirt and slime,
For me to looks at all the time.

It's a dirty world!" so the old fool spoke,

"Croakity—croakty—croakty—croak!"

"But yer lookin' DOWN!" the blackbird said;

"Look at the blossoms overhead,
Look at the lovely summer skies,
Look at the bees and the butterflies;
Look UP ole feller. Why, bless my soul,
Yer lookin' down in a mus'rat hole!"
But, still, with a girglin' sob and choke,
The blamed ole critter would only croak.

And a wise ole turtle, who boarded near,
Sez ter the blackbird, "Friend, see here;
Don't shed no tears over him, fer he
Is low-down jest 'cause he likes ter be;
He's one er them kind er chumps that's glad

Ter be so mis'erable-like and sad;
I'll tell you somethin' that aint's no joke;

Don't waste yer sorrow on folks that croak."

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