

SOCIETY

THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS.

My little boy beside a desk at school
 Reads tales of Goldilocks and Riddle-
 hood;
 He counts the busy hours, and finds
 them good;
 And nothing fears more than a broken
 rule.
 East London, and just such another
 school,
 With sunny curly heads bent over
 books,
 And loving glances following teach-
 er's looks,
 And thoughts of mother in the even-
 ing's cool.
 The roof split open with a crash and
 rent,
 And little children screamed with
 dreadful noise,
 And from their mangled bodies
 blood gushed hot,
 And on the floor a little severed
 hand—
 So small it might have been my Billy-
 boy's!
 Herod! God may forgive you, I
 could not.
 —ELEANOR PRESTON of The Visi-
 tantes.

The board of directors of the Y. W. C. A. will meet tomorrow afternoon, at 3.30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. L. Bolton and daughter, Annie, of Union, S. C., are visiting Mrs. O. E. DuRant, No. 405 South Fifth Avenue.

The Every Day Gladness Circle will hold its regular monthly meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock, at the home of Miss Devie Blackwell, 405 Dock street.

Tonight, at 8 o'clock, will be presented the illustrated lecture of the Reformation, St. Matthews Lutheran church. It promises to be well worth seeing by every one.

Tonight at 8 o'clock, the members of the Bladen Street Methodist church invite their friends to be present to witness a unique entertainment.

The Woman's Auxiliary of Winter Park Presbyterian church will hold its regular monthly meeting tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Chadbourn Building. All the women of the congregation are cordially invited to attend.

Tonight, at 8 o'clock, the Girls Glee club, of the Y. W. C. A. will meet at the building for important practice and study of new songs. Any music taken at past meetings is asked to be returned.

The Ministering Circle of King's Daughters will have a sale and social tea on the 6th day of December for the benefit of the Visiting District Nurse. Announcement of the place will be made later.

The members of Bladen Street Methodist church wish to remind their friends of the interesting program and delightful social meeting this evening at 8 o'clock, when all members of the church are requested to be present to enjoy the exercises of the evening.

There will be an illustrated Reformation lecture this evening at 8 o'clock at St. Matthews Lutheran church. Some 60 slides will be used in producing the pictures. There will be no charge for admission, but an offering will be taken. The public is cordially invited to attend.

REFORMATION CANTATA.
 Last night's practice of "The City of God" brought the cantata almost up to performance pitch, and the interest evinced by the members of the chorus insures a production that will be quite worthy of the occasion. It was decided last night to have a practice on both next Monday and Tuesday nights, the 19th and 20th, as the cantata is going to be given on Monday night, the 26th instant.

The Red Cross Unit of St. John's mission will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. All who are interested are cordially invited to come.

Rev. E. S. Alderman, D.D., pastor of the First Baptist church, Spartanburg, S. C., accompanied by his son, Rev. Alfred G. Alderman, have arrived in the city for a shore visit to Dr. Alderman's mother, Mrs. Alfred Alderman. Rev. Alfred G. Alderman will speak at prayer meeting services at the First Baptist church in this city tonight at 8 o'clock.

PATRIOTIC MUSIC.
 Following the suggestion of the chairman of the Music Department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the Music Department of the North Carolina Sorosis will give a patriotic program of American music at the social meeting of the club on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the club rooms.

The program has been arranged by Mrs. Robert G. Grady, chairman of the music department and Mrs. Horace Pearsall, and is as follows:

America—By the Club.
 Hail Columbia—Mrs. Edwards and chorus.
 Star Spangled Banner—By the club.
 Columbia Gem of the Ocean—By the Club.
 Dixie—Victoria.
 Bonnie Blue Flag—Mrs. Boylan and chorus.

Tenting on the Old Camp Ground—Miss Dulluck.
 Yater, Miss Post.
 Mrs. Edwards, Miss Bulluck, Mrs. Post.

Battle Hymn of the Republic—Mrs. Boylan and chorus.
 Battle Cry of Freedom—By the Club.

The Vacant Chair—Mrs. Edwards.
 The story of each song, the circumstances under which it was written and in brief some information in regard to the author will be given by Miss Gibson. As the program is of unusual interest, it is hoped that a large number of the club members will be present.

SLAYER UNKNOWN.
 Coroner's Jury Returned Verdict in Melvin Case.

The coroner's jury investigating the death of Willie Melvin, colored, who died at the James Walker Memorial Hospital yesterday, rendered a verdict "that the deceased came to his death from a gun shot wound in the hands of a party whose name is unknown to the jury."

After being impaneled yesterday, the jury adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning when the verdict was arrived at as stated. The following served on the jury: George S. Nevins, foreman, H. K. Nash, secretary, and Messrs. L. O. Ellis, C. H. White, H. R. Gardner and A. L. Dasher.

France in Arms.
 To a few invited guests at the Grand today at noon was shown the coming great five reel piece, "France in Arms." This piece, a Pathé, is from the French view point, and is more than realistic in its presentation of the war, from the manufacture of the munitions, airplanes, preparation of food supplies, the training of men, to the bewildering showing of cannon, the trench warfare, aerial destruction and all that goes to make up the frightfulness of war. France in Arms will thrill every one who sees it, and at the same time bring home the vividness of the conflict now raging in France.

CARD OF THANKS.
 I desire to extend my thanks to the many friends and acquaintances who through their subscriptions to The Wilmington Dispatch in my name, made it possible for me to win the Briscoe auto as first prize in the recent Dispatch Circulation Contest.
 PAULINE UNDERWOOD.

SUFFERED FIVE YEARS

With Liver Trouble, Writes Arkansas Lady, Before Trying Black-Draught, Which Gave Relief.

Hindsville, Ark.—Mrs. Haley Becker of this place, in writing of her use of Theford's Black-Draught, says: "I suffered over five years with liver trouble, before I commenced using it, and the first box helped me. I have been using it for eight years. When I began taking it, I weighed 90 lbs., and now I weigh 180 lbs. I am 37 years old, and my youngest child is 9 years old, and I recommend my medicine to all suffering friends. I and my husband recommended it to my brother a year ago for the rheumatism and he began to take it and now he is well. I think it is the best liver medicine on earth."

Do you suffer from such troubles as biliousness, indigestion, dizziness, etc? Is your tongue coated? Do you have a bitter taste in your mouth? If so, very likely your liver is responsible.

Theford's Black-Draught, which has been in successful use for so many years, is a medicine especially adapted to the treatment of many liver troubles.

It is purely vegetable, and acts as a gentle liver tonic, helping to restore the normal healthy action of the liver, so that it performs its important work of safeguarding the system from self-poisoning.

Try Black-Draught. At all druggists. Adv.

PRIZE WINNERS IN POULTRY EXHIBIT

(Continued from Page Three.)
 Norfolk, Va., first Dark Cornish, \$5 cash.
 (Each of the above winnings carry with them championship ribbons.)
 Greatest number of entries of one variety, Mrs. R. W. Scott, Bolton, 50 entries Plymouth Rocks, \$50 cash.
 Best parti-colored bird in show, John G. Helvin, Norfolk, Va., first Cornish Cock, \$5 cash.
 Best solid color bird in show, E. R. Oettinger, Wilson, first Single Comb Minorca hen, \$5 cash.
Silver Cups Offered.
 Progress cup, given by Honnet, 1867—William H. Clum, Rahway, N. J., on Black Java Cocker.
 Huggins cup, given by Geo. W. Huggins, jeweler—Best pen Partridge Cochin in show, won by Mrs. R. Sanderson, Duraw.
 McEachern cup, given by John S. McEachern—Best pen white Plymouth Rocks, won by Mrs. R. W. Scott, Bolton.
 A. O. Schuster cup, given by A. O. Schuster, Jeweler—Best pen Single Comb Black Minorcas, won by E. R. Oettinger, Wilson.
 Five hundred notecards and envelopes, given by Wilmington Printing Co.—Best pen Barred Plymouth Rocks, won by R. R. Hickson, Cheraw, S. C.
 Best display, won by J. W. Abbt, Port Norfolk, Va., \$10.
 Best display water fowl, won by R. W. Montgomery, Wilson, \$5.

NO CHANGE IN STRIKE

But There Is Hope That Something Will Be Done Shortly.

So far as surface conditions indicate there is absolutely nothing doing in the strike of the railway clerks, but there is an insistent rumor that something is going to happen in the next few days, that will lead to a settlement of the controversy between the striking clerks of the Coast Line and the company.

While there has been no meeting between the company officials and a committee of the clerks, it is known that the representative of the Department of Labor has been in conference with the officials of both the railroad and the clerks' union, though it is not known what was accomplished at any of the meetings.

Officials of the Coast Line, when seen today stated that the conditions on the line were entirely satisfactory and that the strike really did not affect their business. That the continuation of their line was entirely due to failure of their connections and to scarcity of labor other than clerks.

Vice president Lyman Delano and Vice President R. A. Brand left on their private car for Washington last night, and it is understood that they are conferring with government officials with reference to the strike situation.

The transfer clerks at Rocky Mount and Florence are all out and the shipper at those points have wired the government complaining of the situation. It is not known what steps the government will take, if any, and the events of the next few days will be of all absorbing interest.

TOWN TOPICS.
 Boy Scouts Drill Thursday—The Boy Scouts of this city are asked to meet at the W.L.I. armory tomorrow afternoon at 3:15, to drill under the direction of Cap. E. A. Metts. All will be required to be in uniform on the drill.

Anti-Saloon League—Governor Bickel has appointed Messrs. Geo. W. Tread and C. C. Covington of this city, as delegates to represent North Carolina at the national convention of the anti-saloon league, that meets at Washington, D. C., December 16-17.

CRIMINAL COURT HAD SHORT TERM

Adjourned Late Tuesday After Two Days' Session—Grand Jury's Report.

Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases was in session just two days and adjourned late yesterday afternoon.

The jury in the case of William Coleman failed to agree, a mistrial was ordered and the case will go over till next term.

On three charges of housebreaking, Edward Livingston was sentenced to an aggregate of four years and 10 months in jail, with recommendation that he be sent to the farm.

Kenneth Wright, found guilty of larceny, was sent to the roads for one year.

Charles George, charged with larceny, was acquitted.

The report of the grand jury, which is signed by I. W. Solomon, foreman, and F. W. Gerken, secretary, follows: "To Hon. W. A. Devin, judge presiding."

"We, the grand jury for this term of the Superior Court, beg to submit the following report:

"We have passed on seven bills, finding six true, and hold one in suspense till other witnesses are found. We have visited and inspected the county institutions, and desire to report as follows:

"We found the street from Fifth and Nixon to Smith's creek bridge in a bad condition and recommend that some steps be taken to have this street improved as soon as possible, owing to the great amount of traffic over it daily.

"We also note that Seventeenth street from Market to Ann has been partially improved and believe that this work should be continued through Carolina avenue to connect with Wrightsville avenue, and in this connection call attention to those in authority to the horse stables, large in Carolina avenue and pond connected with it.

"We have visited the Federal Point road and we are glad to report that the main county road is now undergoing repairs from the seven mile point to the intersection of the Carolina Beach boulevard.

"This boulevard is in a deplorable condition and inasmuch as a county school is being maintained at the end of this boulevard we suggest that the proper authorities see to it that this road is improved at once, in order that the school children will not be endangered coming and going to school.

"We examined the jail throughout and found everything in as good a condition as could be expected, the prisoners cared for as well as circumstances will permit, and provided with necessities needed.

"Everything in the court house seemed to be alright except the heating system. This is inadequate, and should be replaced with a larger one just as soon as the commissioners' way clear to purchase one.

"We find condition of the juvenile delinquents most deplorable. We congratulate Recorder George Harris and Probation Officers Odie R. Hinant and J. E. Johnson on the remarkable manner in which they are handling and controlling the 50 odd boys now on probation and under their supervision, but believe that our community should take steps to provide an institution for the care of these youthful violators of the law, and train them to some useful vocation in a manner that will make them good useful citizens.

"We found everything in the county stockade in good sanitary condition. The prisoners stated that they were getting plenty to eat and good treatment. Mr. Mac Godwin called our attention to a leak in one cell in the basement, and stated that in wet weather the water stood in the basement about ankle height. Mr. Dempsey was very courteous, showing us around everywhere, and we congratulate him upon the good condition in which we found everything.

"We desire to thank your honor for your able and instructive charge, which was such a help to us in the discharge of our duties. We also wish to thank the solicitor and sheriff for their able assistance."

IMMANUEL ENDEAVORERS.
 Thursday Will Be a Big Day at Immanuel Presbyterian Church.

In the series of conferences on various departments of church work being held this week at the Immanuel Presbyterian church, Thursday afternoon and night will be given principally to Christian Endeavor work.

Thursday afternoon at 8 o'clock there is to be a Junior playlet, "The Children's Claim," presented by the Juniors of the First Presbyterian church. The playlet will be followed by a conference on Junior work and a talk to the Juniors.

Thursday night at 8 o'clock there will be a song service. Then there will be an address, "How the Christian Endeavor Society Can Help the Church," by Mr. W. A. Gamble, Jr., a dialogue, "Peter Grub and Ina Rooster" by Mr. Fred Runkler and W. A. Gamble, Jr., and a conference on Christian Endeavor methods, led by Miss Isabel McDouglas. Miss Carrie Newkirk, Mr. T. C. Findlay, Mr. James L. Wells, and Mr. W. A. Gamble, Jr.

YOUNGEST CAPTAIN IS SOME FIGHTER

Captain Charles D. Harris, of Georgia, Is Only 20 Years of Age.

(By George Martin, United Press Staff Correspondent.)
 Washington, Nov. 14.—The Germans may not be very much frightened when they look up some morning and see a mild, short, slender, boyish-faced kid coming toward them over the top. But they'd better be.

He's the youngest captain in the American army. Also the shortest. But oh! my! He looks like a lamb and fights like a cyclone.

Charles D. Harris, of Georgia, aged 20. That's him.
 Captain Harris graduated from West Point in September. He took high honors. He was graduated into the Engineer Corps, than which no West Pointer could ask more.

He told his superiors that he was in a hurry to get to France; that he had urgent business there with a man named Fritz. So they put him in the first regiment bound forward.

He's on his way; and meantime, here are a few more points for Fritz to consider pending his arrival. Young Harris was cheer leader at Uncle Sam's officer factory, thus being branded the most popular man in his class. "Shorty" was also the best swimmer, the best horse back rider, and one of the best.

He is the fourth of his line to serve the colors. He is a son of Col. P. C. Harris, and a nephew of Wm. J. Harris, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission.

Chairman Harris, by the way, is well represented in this war. Two of his brothers, Major Seale Harris of the Medical Corps and Major Hunter Harris, Camp Gordon, Ga., infantry branch. But his favorite among his relatives in uniform is "Shorty."

Diet Reverses Itself.
 (By Associated Press.)
 Helsinki, Monday, Nov. 12.—The Finnish Diet by a vote of 104 to 81 decided today to annul the recent selection of three State directors for majority will have to abandon its effort to establish an oligarchy in Finland. The repeal was demanded by telegrams and resolutions received from industrial centers throughout the provinces declaring the country was on the verge of civil war.

SICK HOGS NEED MEDICINE

Local Farmers Following Lead of Virginia Ham People and Use Anti-Choleric Hog Remedy.

PREVENTS CHOLERA AND PLAGUE

When a hog looks drabby-eyed, hair is turned the wrong way, won't eat, or shows other signs of cholera or swine plague he needs medicine, much as a human being. Unless steps are taken to relieve the hog of those symptoms there will be a lot of money lost in dead hogs.

In Virginia hog cholera is practically unknown in the famous Virginia Ham section due to the almost universal use of Anti-Choleric Hog Remedy. For relieving the hog of constipation, driving out intestinal worms, increasing appetite, and aiding the hog's digestion Anti-Choleric has met with phenomenal success, according to the testimony of thousands of the breeders in that section.

Anti-Choleric Hog Remedy is not a food. It is a medicine prepared after years of scientific study and research by two of the brightest brains that money could hire. That it is efficient is proven by the experiences of the Virginia Ham people and a great percentage of the breeders here in North Carolina.

In using Anti-Choleric Hog Remedy there is no operations, serums, injections, etc., to be administered. Simply mix it in the hogs' food and watch results. It can be attended to by any of the children.

Anti-Choleric Hog Remedy can be obtained here at Elvington's drug store. A large sized trial package for \$1.—Adv.

PERSONAL MENTION.
 Mr. Kenneth Mann, of Camp Sevier, is at home here for a few days' visit. Lieut. W. R. Dasher, Company C, is spending a few days at his home in this city.

Mr. J. E. Burriss, a member of the medical unit, N. C. A., at Camp Sevier, is passing a few days here with relatives.

Sergeant F. B. Pittman, and Corporal Jacob Pittman, who have been visiting here a few days with their mother, Mrs. N. T. Pittman, have returned to Camp Sevier.

First Lieut. F. F. Birkright, of the United States Marine, Washington, D. C., was a visitor here today, at his sister's home, Mrs. N. T. Pittman. Lieut. Birkright has been transferred to Atlanta, and stopped over here a day on his way to his new assignment.

Early season football games of the Northwestern University warriors indicate that the Evanston team this year will have to take a decided brace to equal the fine record of the 1916 "N" eleven.

UNIVERSITY BOYS ARE IN TRAINING

Three-Fourths of Students Are Taking the Military Course.

(Special to The Dispatch)
 Chapel Hill, N. C., Nov. 14.—Nearly three-fourths of the students of the University of North Carolina are now taking the new course in military training. Four companies drill daily on the athletic field or work in constructing military trenches for the trench warfare. Captain J. Stuart Allen, of Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, is in charge of the instruction, and much progress has been shown in the eight weeks of actual drill.

During the past week national and regimental colors were presented to the student battalion of two alumni of the University. These colors were competed for, Company A winning them for the first time. After six weeks they will be competed for again. On Friday of last week the companies held an exhibition drill for the Orange County Rally Day visitors.

The students have been busy constructing all kinds of military trenches for the past month. The trenches are now nearing completion and trench warfare will be taught at an early date. Two deep dugouts are also being constructed and barbed wire entanglements will be put up this week. The training is making use of modern war methods as far as it is possible to do so, and Captain Allen's long experience at the front in Flanders has enabled him to give most helpful instruction through his lectures on modern methods of fighting. Two field maneuvers have already been held, and night maneuvers are planned at an early date.

The whole spirit of the campus has assumed a more military air, and the khaki clad students give an atmosphere of camp life. Target practice will soon begin, and instruction in modern methods of bayonet fighting have already begun.

The new plan of the extension work which the University proposes to do this year has just come from the press and an outline of the work is clearly set forth. An attractive bulletin has been prepared, describing the scope and purpose of the LaFayette Association. Through this association the University will co-operate with the public schools in relating community endeavors to problems of national life and the special problems of war. The University News Letter has also made plans to set forth for its 15,000 readers some of the factors involved in the present war and the reasons why America must now exert her full strength. The best that is being thought and said concerning national problems at the present time will be given publicly by The News Letter.

Town, University and Chapel Hill community came together last week to observe the fifth annual rally day. A large crowd thronged the town and campus. Exhibits of products of the farm and the home were held in Memorial Hall, entertainments were provided by the students and an exhibition drill was given by the military organization. Prof. M. C. S. Noble was in charge of the exercises of the day.

Talk is heard in pugilistic circles of a possible clash between Billy Miske and Fred Fulton. Miske took the measure of Carl Morris and is now anxious to tackle the Minnesota giant.

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 THE DIAMOND BRAND
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Mrs. Elizabeth Reuther, 1002 11th St., N. W., Washington, D. C., writes: "I endorse Peruna as a splendid medicine for catarrh and stomach trouble, from which I suffered several years. I took it for several months, found my health was restored and have felt splendidly ever since. I now take it when I contract a cold, and it soon rids the system of any catarrhal tendencies."

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PIPE FITTER OF WILMINGTON FEELS LIKE DIFFERENT MAN

After Taking One Bottle of Peplac, Mr. Gurganus Cured of Kidney Trouble and Made Happy Again.

There are so many of the romances of these days by the large number of these such marvelous benefits from the would be required to give all the testimonials. They are all good, and so good coming from people here in Wilmington, that they are making Mr. Peplac the eyes of our people, forming a wonderful mission in the world.

No Medicine Has Ever Earned Such Praise.
 Read what Mr. C. Gurganus, 1014 Castle street, pipe fitter for the city of Wilmington, who has lived here for fifteen years, and a popular gentleman of the city, has to say about his experience with Peplac: "For twenty years I have suffered with kidney trouble, causing a general run-down condition of my system. Appetite was extremely poor, and as for sleeping, that was beyond me. A friend told me to buy a bottle. I have not since finished my first bottle, but the kidney has proved Peplac to be a wonderful medicine. I feel like a different man. Kidney trouble does not bother me any longer, my appetite is improved; I sleep sound and feel myself growing in strength each day. I am in hopes that my attention will be of interest to others who may be afflicted in like manner."

Learn more about Peplac from your neighbor, or interview the Peplac expert at the Bellamy Drug Store or ask about it at all first class drug stores in Wilmington or near-by towns.
 —Adv.

Women Prepared!
 Thousands of women in the South have overcome their sufferings, and have been cured of woman's ills by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This temperance medicine, though started nearly half a century ago, sells most widely today. It can now be had in tablet form as well as liquid, and every woman who suffers from backache, headache, nervousness, should take this "Prescription" of Dr. Pierce's. It is prepared from nature's roots and herbs and does not contain a particle of alcohol or any narcotic. It's not a secret prescription for its ingredients are printed on wrapper. Send 10c. for trial package to Dr. V. M. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

NASHVILLE, TENN.—I have used Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and found it would do what I needed to do. It did more good than the doctors; I had several and none of them did me any good. Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the only thing for weak, hysterical women. I feel like a new woman after taking it. I weigh 155 lbs. and never felt better in my life.
 —MRS. AGNES TATUM, 171 S. Green St.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—I have taken Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets for constipation, sick headache, dizziness, colds and grip and received great benefit. Also have used the "Favorite Prescription" and "Golden Medical Discovery" in the family with great results and feel safe in recommending these remedies to anyone.
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