

# CROSS'S COLUMN

## Plan Biggest Convention Of Young Demos

The largest convention ever held by Young Democrats of North Carolina, and perhaps in the United States, according to the prediction of the YDC President Ralph Gardner, is to be held in Winston-Salem, Sept. 18, 19 and 20.

Realizing that hundreds of the members are facing service in the army, the Winston-Salem club, host to the State Convention, is planning a stream-lined Convention. There will be a minimum of oratory, a maximum of entertainment and relaxation.

General Chairman Bill Davis today announced that the highlight of the convention will be a picnic and dance given the delegates by Mayor Dick Reynolds, who is also Nation Treasurer of the Democratic party.

Held at Reynolds Park, which the Reynolds family gave to Winston-Salem, this party will include a dance by a nationally-known "name band." The convention committee estimates that this party alone will cost the host around \$10,000. The band later will play for a dance on the roof garden of the Robert E. Lee Hotel.

For the park party, the large municipal amusement area will be turned over all day entirely to Young Democrats. They will be given a magnificent swimming pool, a golf course, bowling alleys, ferris wheels, merry-go-rounds, a skating rink, picnic areas, driving range, and all other facilities. For that one day, the city's new park will be reserved exclusively for Young Democrats.

Senator Josiah Bailey and Governor Broughton will be convention speakers. From 1500 to 2000 Young Democrats are expected to attend.

## Northampton Farm Women Go To Raleigh

Fourteen home demonstration club women of Northampton County have returned from the annual Farm and Home Week at State College, Raleigh. They were: Mrs. E. J. Vann, Conway Club; Mrs. W. T. Briscoe, Conway Club; Mrs. Tom Burgess, Conway Club; Mrs. C. A. Ivey, Conway Club; Mrs. Howard Revelle, Holly Grove Club; Mrs. Phillip Crewe, Pleasant Grove Club; Mrs. Madge Taylor, Pleasant Grove Club; Mrs. Wilson Boone, Rehobath Club; Miss Emma Boone, Rehobath Club; Mrs. W. C. Odom, Engletown Club; Mrs. M. B. Stephenson, Garysburg Club; Miss Clyde Reid, Garysburg Club; Miss Dora Clark, Pleasant Hill Club; Miss Brownie Coker, Pleasant Hill Club.

Mrs. A. N. Martin of Northampton, President of the 14th District Federation of Home Demonstration, gave the district report today at the State Federation Meeting. She also attended the Federation luncheon given at the Carolina Hotel.

Mrs. George W. Finch, Home Agent, accompanied by the following club members went last Thursday to remain through Friday's program: Mesdames A. H. Martin, Tom Gay, India Quinn, W. W. Grant, Jr.

E. L. Norton, County Agent; H. G. Snipes, Assistant County Agent; and Miss Clara Robertson, Assistant Home Agent, were there during the entire week.

## Local Girl Is To Become New WPTF Official

Rebecca Bounds, Roanoke Rapids native and graduate of the Roanoke Rapids High School, on August 18 becomes the Supervisor of Traffic at Radio Station WPTF in Raleigh, Director of Programs Graham Poyner announced today.

A former student of Poyner's during his years as a member of the Roanoke Rapids High School faculty, Miss Bounds will assume charge of one of the important "nerve centers" of the WPTF organization. Over her desk daily will flow a constant stream of NBC and local programs, commercial reservations, special announcements and the like.

She will replace the present Supervisor of Traffic B. Walter Huffington, who has resigned to become manager of Station WPID in Petersburg.

## TOWN TALK

M. C. Newsom, of Raleigh, spent the week-end here.

Tom Long spent the week-end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Manning and son, Billy, are spending the week at Mountain Lake, Va.

Mrs. Joe Williams spent the week-end at Carolina Beach.

Nick Long left Sunday for Virginia Beach, Va.

Mrs. Lela Cooper and Fred Cooper spent the week-end in Washington, D. C.

Forest Rook of Portsmouth, Va., is spending the week here.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Traynham are spending the week at Virginia Beach.

Thad Harris spent Saturday at Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mooney Greenburg and children, Moses, Esther, Gilda and Florine, spent Sunday at Virginia Beach, Virginia.

**HOW TO WIN FRIENDS AND INFLUENCE OFFICERS:** There is a twenty-mile speed limit at Camp, and the Major was in a hurry. The private who was on guard duty stopped the Major's car.

"You were going forty-five miles an hour, sir," he said.

"I was not. I was going twenty-two miles an hour," corrected the Major.

"O.K." said the private breezily, "But don't let it happen again, Lieutenant!"

**THIS LANGUAGE:** Billy was very much puzzled because the "Kiddie" Parade did not have any cats in it . . . but he evened the score by collecting all the shoes in the house and lining them end-to-end across the room to make a "shoe-shoe" train . . .

**"OFFICER, QUIET THOSE MEN!"** . . . woke us and the neighborhood recently . . . many wild words . . . three o'clock Sunday morning . . . a restraining voice . . . more loud argument . . . and next day the explanation: a little discussion over religion.

**TWO WOMEN** in a dry goods store were exchanging news about their respective families while the clerk waited patiently. It was not a light conversation, but a very serious re-connecting of the threads of friendship.

"Where did the company send George?" asked the older woman.

"They sent him 'way up to Delaware," replied the other.

"Tsk, tsk, tsk! What a shame. Up North with all those Yankees!"

**A HAUNTED DAGGER STORY** comes from the book "Magic and Mystery in Tibet" by Madame David-Neel, published by Claude Kendall.

Many of the magic ceremonies in Tibet are performed with a "phurba" or dagger of carved ivory or bronze. The new phurba is an innocent weapon, but after use in many ceremonies it acquires energy from the lama and becomes "possessed". It is then considered dangerous and may turn against its owner or anyone else. One day Madame David-Neel met a caravan carrying a phurba in a box. It had become possessed after the death of the Grand Lama. The monks were afraid to destroy it, yet were unable to leave it anywhere. Three men had died after touching it, and other calamities had followed. Madame David-Neel looked at the phurba and saw that it was valuable. She suggested that they camp for the night and let her think the matter over, as she was considered a "reverend lady". After nightfall she carried the weapon a little distance from the camp, stuck it into the ground, and sat herself upon a blanket to discover a way of getting them to give her the dagger. For several hours she pondered, unable to think of a plan. Suddenly she saw a lama creeping silently toward the dagger. He probably thought she was asleep, and he knew the value of the phurba. A hand reached out to grasp the dagger, but Madame David-Neel reached it first. Then she turned toward the thief. There was no one on the barren plain except herself. She hastened to the camp to give the alarm. Surely someone saw him return . . . but she found the members of the caravan terrified. They cried that it had been their Grand Lama. If he had tried in vain to get his phurba from her, then she was greater than he. The phurba belonged to her! She accepted it, but without her anticipated pleasure. Somehow, she thought, in grasping the dagger so tightly with her hand, the phurba had been felt to move.

The story is typical of the book.

John Connor, of Fort Jackson, S. C., spent the week-end here.

Lt. Jimmy Tucker, of Fort Bragg, spent the week-end here.

R. E. Merritt and Tommy Merritt spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Norfolk.

Misses Lois Batts and Virginia Wilson spent several days at Virginia Beach last week.

Mrs. H. E. Cameron and son, Hugh, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Johnson and Miss Clyde Fulghum returned Sunday from Carolina Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaker Teele of Richmond, spent the week-end here.

George Nash spent the week-end in Wadesboro.

J. R. Statler, of Martinsville, Va.,

visited Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher Wednesday. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Fisher and sons, Jack and Bennie, who are spending the week there.

Miss Mary Louise Ray returned Friday from Ocean View, Va.

Joe Dickens spent the week-end here.

Mrs. T. B. McLendon returned to Washington, D. C., Saturday. She was accompanied by her son, Tom, who will spend a week there.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Lancaster and son, Maxie, have returned from Castalia and Nags Head.

Mrs. Paul Ray left Sunday for Portsmouth, Va., where she will be the guest of Mrs. E. M. Bidgood.

## ANNOUNCING — The Establishment of RADIO REPAIR SERVICE

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