

CROSS'S COLUMN

THE COLONEL'S SON is in nursery school, and "Teacher" is being courted by a young lieutenant under the Colonel's command. When the Colonel saw the lieutenant reading a letter from the nursery school, he inquired if there was a message from his son.

"Yes sir," replied the lieutenant, glancing uncomfortably at his fellow officers.

"You haven't delivered it," said the Colonel. "What was it?"

"I'm—I'm not sure I ought to deliver it, sir," said the lieutenant, his face turning very red.

"Certainly you ought," said the Colonel. "Go ahead."

"Then, sir, here is a gwate big hug and a gwate big kiss just for you!"

A LETTER FROM G. M. H.: . . . We went to hear Dean Landis, of the Harvard Law School . . . He spoke on the seriousness of the war situation, saying "It's not necessary to delude the children," and "Children are less afraid than we think" . . . He said we should talk to the children about priorities, and that we should teach children to accept deprivation gracefully. We should teach them obedience, he said, so that there would be less panic if it became necessary to move large numbers of people. He advocated less prejudice in the home, less anti-semitism, etc. . . . so that children would learn tolerance and be less apt to hate . . . He advocated celebration . . . national celebration . . . each December fifteenth, for the Bill of Rights . . . 150 years old now . . . with a thorough understanding of what it means to us . . .

IN GREENSBORO several Yankee soldiers were explaining why they liked southern hospitality. The best thing about it, they said, was the hottuns. When asked what they meant by that, one said "Well, we don't know what they are, but they're passed all during the meal, you eat 'em with butter, and the hostess always says "Do have a hot 'un!"

A LITTLE GIRL whose nickname was "Squeaky" came home from school with the news that she had a new teacher whose first name was worse than hers . . . Teacher's name was louse.

"Louse?" questioned her mother. "I'm sure you're mistaken. How does she spell it?" "L-O-U-I-S-E, louse!" said the child triumphantly.

ANOTHER THIRSTY WOMAN: The story of the girl whose thirst led her to eat the Easter eggs reminded B. W. of another thirsty woman. This one was visiting at Nag's Head. She had spent the day in blistering sunshine, had received a severe sunburn, and had taken several drinks in the hopes of dropping off to sleep. She woke in the middle of the night, very thirsty, and reached over the bedside table to find a container of water that she remembered seeing there. It was too much trouble to turn on a light, and since she found the container without difficulty, she drank the water and went back to sleep. Next morning she opened her eyes and gazed with pained surprise at the container. Then she shrieked. Her hostess rushed into the room.

"Elizabeth!" shrieked the guest. "How many goldfish were in that bowl last night?"

"Two," replied her hostess. "Their bodies are resting in the bottom of the bowl."

"Thank God," said the woman reverently.

Circle Meets

Circle No. 3 of Woman's Society of Christian Service of Rosemary Methodist church held the meet-

ing of the month in the home of Mrs. H. E. Cameron on Monroe Street.

Immediately following the regular business meeting, refreshments were served. Fourteen members were present.

Hostess To Club

Thursday evening Mrs. H. E. Cameron was hostess to her bridge club and additional guests.

Mrs. Graham Lynch was winner for high score and Mrs. Sam Lewis for second.

A sweet course with coffee was served at the conclusion of the game.

Guests for the evening were Mesdames A. M. Wooten, Rudolph Northington and Miss Clyde Fulghum. Members present were Mesdames Loyd Allen, H. E. Gibson, Sam Lewis, J. P. Little, Graham Lynch, W. H. Tickle, J. J. Thompson, J. D. Edwards, and Miss Bernice Hitchens.

St. John's Catholic Church

(Rev. Peter M. Denges, Pastor)
3rd Sunday in Advent.
Sunday Masses, 8 and 10 a.m.
Week-day Mass, 7 a.m. Mass on Sat. for Children, 8 a.m.

Catechism in Weldon Monday at 3:30 p.m.; in Roanoke Rapids after Mass on Saturday.

Confessions daily before Mass; also on Saturday evening beginning at 7 o'clock.

Wed., Fri. and Sat. will be the Ember Days of winter, days of fast and abstinence.

Novena devotions, in honor of our Mother of Perpetual Help, will be held on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Study Club will meet in the rectory on Friday evening after services.

Jay Sanders, director of St. John's choir, announces a final rehearsal for the Christmas Mid-night Mass on Friday at 8:15 p.m.

Miss Nannie Gary, of Halifax, and Miss Sudie FitzPatrick, of Crowell's Cross Roads, will sponsor a Yuletide social at the rectory on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 8 p.m. A handsome door prize will be awarded.

Father Denges invites everybody at all times to the Catholic Church.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Traynham were visitors in Richmond Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes Bunch of Fort Bragg and Wilson were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bunch.

Funeral Services Wm. H. Wheeler

William Henry Wheeler of Conway died at the home of his son, Willie Wheeler, at Lasker on Dec. 3. He would have been 92 years of age on December 23rd.

Funeral services were held from the New Hope Methodist Church by the Reverend Mr. Brothers of Conway.

He is survived by the following children: Mesdames Wyatt Garner and Lewis Massey of Roanoke Rapids; Gilbert Wheeler of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Paul Wheeler of Fort Story, Virginia Beach; Mesdames Paul Burgess, Buddy Burgess, Claude Smith and Joe Brown of Conway; Mrs. Ed Copeland of Palmyra; Mrs. Ella Askew and Willie Wheeler of Lasker.

Thirty-five grandchildren, forty-one great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild survive, also.

Oleen - Harris

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Harris announce the engagement of their daughter, Katie Mae, to Lt. George G. Oleen of Cleburne, Kansas. Lt. Oleen is now stationed at Camp Polk, La. The wedding will take place in early January.

Williams - Johnston

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Johnston of Thelma announce the marriage of their daughter, Matty, to Berkley Estes Williams of Roanoke Rapids on November 30, at the Baptist parsonage at Weldon. The Rev. W. W. Finlator officiated. The young couple is at home in Roanoke Rapids.

Wednesday Night Bridge

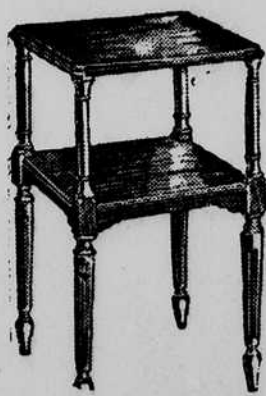
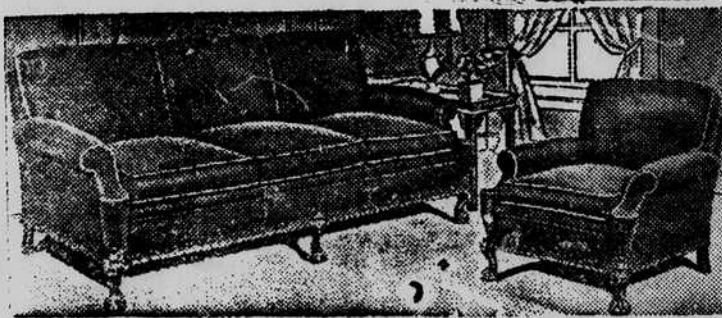
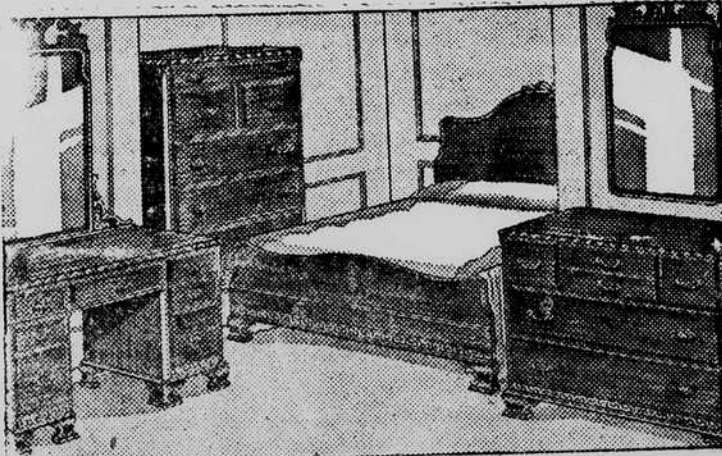
Mrs. J. A. Wood entertained the Wednesday Night Bridge Club last week.

There were three tables arranged for the players. After several progressions, the scores were added and high score prize presented to Mrs. Calvin Kennemur, second high to Mrs. Francis Starke, and traveling prize to Mrs. A. L. Gilliam.

A sweet course with coffee was served.

Miss Henel Apple and Mrs. Ruth Allgood were guests for the evening. Members playing were Mesdames R. M. Pope, M. F. White, Calvin Kennemur, S. E. Crew, Francis Starke, T. M. Bullock, Charles Fitts, A. L. Gilliam, H. E. Gibson and Miss Janie Laster.

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