# VOICE OF THE PUPIL

# COUNT TOLSTOI AND BOLSHEVISM

In the first issue of our paper some person terribly misrepresented Count Tolstoi's stand on Bolshevism. The noted Prussian is represented as saying that Bolshevism is "fine and noble." This mistake is probably due to the fact that Count Tolstoi had such a foreign accent to his English that it was hard to understand him. However, for the benefit of those who did not hear him the facts should be made straight.

Now, Count Tolstoi was educated and trained to a great extent by his father. who was a highly educated man. The elder Tolstoi often grappled with the problems of life until he had mastered them, and so, he developed a broad mind. Of these battles the most important was his struggle for the truth of religion, which paid, although it took a long time. Such a personality was bound to reflect on the life of his son. The younger Tolstoi inherited a great reasoning power. This. coupled with his knowledge of his native country, gives him a clear understanding of existing conditions under the Bolsheviki. In his speech he positively denounced the Bolsheviki, saying that it can not last since it is based on lawliness, disorder, nationalization of everything, and the attendant corruptness of such an organization. He pointed out that a vast majority of the population opposes Bolshevism, that under the Bolsheviki factories only worked on about a 50 percent basis, and that hunder and anarchy stalk abroad over a land where money buys nothing.

Furthermore, he claimed that Russia paid more dearly in the recent war than any other nation, and that she has suffered more post-war reaction than any other nation. In closing he voiced on optimistic belief that the better element will eventually gain the upper hand in Russia. He appealed to the United States to aid, encourage, and befriend Russia, who is on the eve of establishing an orderly republic.

# TEACHERS ENTERTAINED

BY ROTARY CLUB

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The teachers of the Greensboro public schools were guests of the Rotary club at dinner at the Country club last evening. President H. S. Richardson, presiding. The occasion was purely social in intent, with only incidental educational aspects merely. The Rotarians, of course, did not essay to instruct the teachers, and it was out of hours for the teachers, who were supposed to lay aside their profession for a bit of relaxation. However, the amendment proposals obtruded them to come.

J. E. Lathem was called to tell the guests something of Rotary, and read the accepted definition of an organization whose central thought is service. Rotarians, he said, seek to work for community betterment through the various special organizations in the special fields, without especially emphasizing Rotary work in this work.

The meeting was turned over to A. M. Scales and Fred Archer, educational committee, and Mr. Scales, as general chairman. placed it in the hands of Mr. Archer. First. Mr. Scales discussed plans that are making to induce the general assembly to do all that is needful for the state's colleges and for primary education. Mr. Archer briefly outlined

# HIKERS PLAN FALL OUTING

Girls Interested in Walking Organize Clubs.

What would you give for a nice long hike some Saturday morning when the air is crisp and the sun is just peeping over the hills? What would you give for a breakfast cooked in the woods over a bed of red coals, bacon fried crisp and brown and hot coffee, while the birds above you begin their morning song? Such a walk and breakfast would tempt almost anyone, and these are just the things the girls of Greensboro High School are planning to do this year.

The hiking club of G H S held its first meeting Monday, Oct. 18th, and organized into class groups. The Seniors elected Elizabeth Harrison for their president; the Juniors, Carlotta Barnes; the Sophomorse, Hortense Coleman, and the Freshmen elected three captains, as they had such a large number and had to divide themselves into three groups. These captains are: Cuba Seburns, Flax McAlister and Jennie Trotter.

Miss Madge Rudd is in charge of all the hiking. However, there will be a teacher for each group. These groups are planning to have at least two hikes a week, and then at the end of the month they are going to have "breakfast in the woods."

Hiking doesn't mean just merely walking, and so the girls who hike are going to study the wild things of nature. They are going to study squirrels, rocks, trees and flowers that haunt the beauty spots in and around Greensboro. This will cause a great deal of rivalry, so prizes are going to be awarded for the highest scores made.

"A sound mind and a sound body." Greensboro High School believes that this quotation is true, for she is planning to have not only more successful athletic teams, but also more athletics, so that every member of the school may belong to some athletic organization. Those who cannot take part in the more strenuous games such as basket ball, volley ball or tennis can take part in the Swedish gymnastics or hiking. The latter is thoroughly interesting and should be enjoyed by every girl in G. H. S. The Girls' Sophomore Hiking Club was organized on Monday, Oct. 17. Miss Hortense Coleman was elected manager. For coaches, Miss Kellam and Miss Barnes. Every Wednesday the girls will go on a hike, and once a month on Saturday a dinner will be had in the woods.

the plans of the Greensboro board for an expenditure of \$2,025,000 on the city's schools. He then called up and introduced the principals and a number of the teachers.

The meeting had an excellent music program, and some comedy features that got across, most of them at the expense of the luckless minority of bachelors in the club. Miss Goff, of the teachers, sang several songs that were greatly enjoyed. She was accompanied by Miss Thomas. Solos by Fielding Fry, songs by the club quartett and choruses by guests and club, were other features of a thoroughly pleasurable evening.

Auntie (explaining the Bibical story) "Lot was to take his wife and daughters and flee. There's Lot; there is his wife; and there are his daughters, a little way

The small Nephew: "Yes, but where is the flea?" -Exchange.

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### THE ORIGIN OF HALLOW'EEN

If we trace Roman history back to the Druids we find the origin of Hallow'een or All Hallow Even. On November 1st the Druids held a feast in honor of Pomona, the goddess of fruits and seeds. The stores which had been laid up in the summer for winter were opened at this time: therefore fruits and nuts were very appropriate.

They also lighted their bonfires in honor of Baal about this time. Each family lighted its own fire. When the fire was dying out each member of the family would throw a white stone in it. They prayed that they might be able to find all of the stones next morning. If any of the stones were missing next morning, they believed that the owner of it should die some time during that year.

The British people kept this custom until a very recent age. They lighted their fires and feasted. Sometimes they threw nuts into the fires. If the nuts burned fast, the owner should be prosperous; if not, the owner should be unlucky. After the fires had gone out they raked the ashes up together and carefully placed their stones in them. If the stones were in another place next morning, the owr ers should die during that year. Someames they marched around the city with lighted torches.

As the years passed the custom changed. The spirits of the dead and living also roam about and plan mischief now. Fortunes are told, animals are dressed, and sometimes races are run in record time. All kinds of jokes are pulled off at the expense of those whom they are pulled on.

# ENJOYABLE HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Rooms 5 and 6 of the city high school enjoyed a delightful masquerade and Hallowe'en party at the home of Miss Flax McAlister in Irving park Saturday evening. After a number of games, including wink, bobbing for apples and eating hanging doughnuts, refreshments, consisting of cream and cake, peanuts, apples and doughnuts, were served by the by the guests represented gypsies, clowns, young hostess. Some of the costumes worn Spainiard, maids, the wind, negroes, cowboys, bats, imps, ghosts and Hallowe'en sprites. Those enjoying the hospitality of the McAlister home were Lucile Boone, Ruth Thompson, Elsie Fluharty, Margaret Thompson, Alice Carmichael, Dorothy McNairy, Elizabeth Causey, Regina Beck, Elizabeth Wilson, Jennie Trotter, Katherine Sloan, Margaret Perkins, Frances Garner, Louise Daniel, Elizabeth Webster, Cuba Seburn, Margaret Stockton, Helen Smith, Fannie Anderson, Roberta Porter, Flax McAlister, Eunice Stamey, Mr. Woods, of the high school, Bascom Ogburn, Jimmie Mullins, James McAlister, Curtis Wilkins, Ceasar Cone, Norman Block, Herman High, Nelson Myers, Charles Lipscomb and Rufus Little.

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