

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Dr. William Houston Moore has returned from a business trip to Philadelphia. Mr. L. S. Belden, Jr., student at the University of North Carolina, has returned to Chapel Hill.

Mr. Robert Strange, of Fayetteville, was here yesterday to attend the Noe-Price wedding last night. Mr. Graham Kenan and bride have returned from their honeymoon trip, and are at home at No. 202 South Third street.

Mr. Arthur Blumenthal, member of the Senior class of Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., has returned to the University after a visit home.

Mr. Jas. T. Barker and son returned last night to Baltimore, after spending the holidays here with Mr. Barker's daughter, Mrs. R. C. Merritt, No. 115 North Fifth street.

Mrs. J. F. Leitner, after spending a month with her parents at Harlem, Ga., has returned to the city, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. L. H. Roberts, who will be her guest for several weeks.

Mr. Robert Strange, Jr., returned to Chapel Hill yesterday afternoon to resume his studies at the University. As manager of the University baseball team, he is optimistic regarding the outlook.

At the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacRae, on Market street, Miss Agnes K. MacRae was hostess yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock to a party of friends at a delightful luncheon.

Miss Florence Hawkins returned yesterday to the State Normal and Industrial College at Greensboro, after spending the holidays here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hawkins, No. 805 Chesnut street.

There will be a meeting of the Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church in the church parlors at 4 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of discussing the Talent money plan, recommended by the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church. All the ladies of the church are cordially invited to attend.

Much to the surprise of her many friends was the marriage Tuesday night of Mrs. D. L. Fillyaw, of this place, to Mr. S. S. Harrison, at Rocky Mount, whither Mrs. Fillyaw had gone to visit relatives. Romance is added to the event by the statement that the two were sweethearts in their youth. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison will make their home here and will arrive in a few days.

Complimentary to a number of young ladies of Whiteville, who are visiting friends here, a party was given at Burgaw Wednesday evening. At 9 o'clock the dancing began and at midnight supper was served, after which there was dancing until an early hour. Several young people of the city were present in the orchestra, of Wilmington, furnished the music.

HOLIDAY SOCIAL EVENTS. MANY AT WILSON, N. C. Wilson, N. C., Jan. 2.—The opening of the New Year was marked by several social functions. The Senior Class of the Wilson High School were delightfully entertained at the home of Miss Connie Bishop and a happy programme of music and contests was enjoyed. Misses Annie Starr and Nannie Rountree presided at the punch table and dainty refreshments were served.

The annual German given by the Wilson Club was a happy event and largely attended. In the beginning of the evening's frolic, the announcement was made that none of the objectionable dances, such as "Turkey trots," "Bunny huggs" and "walk Georgies" would be permitted. The announcement was greeted with applause.

Mrs. William Clark entertained the Round Table Club with a delightful afternoon programme and served refreshments after an enjoyable hour of games. Mrs. W. T. Clark was the winner of the score prize.

Mr. R. L. Gray, formerly of The News and Observer editorial staff, but later with the Baltimore Sun, and now connected with the Munsey publications, is visiting friends here before taking his latest position with the Boston Globe.

MISS SUSIE A PRICE THE BRIDE OF REV. T. P. NOE. Last evening at 6:30 o'clock the wedding of the Rev. Thomas P. Noe and Miss Susie A. Price was solemnized in the Church of the Good Shepherd, of which the groom is rector. Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, bishop of the diocese of East North Carolina, officiated. Officers of the church, Sunday school and of the mission—the Church of the Ascension—acted as ushers, these being Messrs. Lord, James Burries, D. D. Barber, E. Irving, Roy Harp, Herbert Hewlett and Charles Hubbard. Miss Mary Taylor was maid of honor. A great many beautiful presents were received by the couple, from members of the church and other friends in and out of the city. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Noe left for Southern cities for their honeymoon.

It is of interest to note that this was the first wedding to take place in the church, which has recently been finished, at Sixth and Queen streets. Mr. Noe is one of the ablest and most active ministers in the diocese of East Carolina and is very popular not only among his parishioners but among the people of the city generally. His bride is a woman of many womanly qualities and is well-known in the city and is popular among a wide circle of friends.

Special Musical Programme. Mr. Leonard Clark will sing "You Are My Baby" and the orchestra will have a great programme at the Grand Theatre today. (advertisement.)

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—E. H. Cranmer, Esq., of Southport, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

—Mr. C. C. Wheeler, of Southport, was among last night's guests at The Orton.

—Mr. B. B. Suge, of Greenville, N. C., arrived last night and is a guest at the Orton.

—Mr. Gilbert Foard, of the Carolina Insurance Company, left last night for Whitney, Rowan county, on business.

—Mr. Pierce M. Holmes returned last evening from New York where he has been spending several days as the guest of his aunt, Mrs. George Mallett.

—Mr. F. D. Chispepper left yesterday for his home near Spring Hope, Franklin county. He has been with the Southside Drug Company for several months.

—Among yesterday's guests at The Orton were Wm. M. Bryan, Southport; D. L. Wells, Wallace; L. R. Varsler, W. G. Barnes, Lumberton; P. L. Land, Charlotte; E. A. Hawes, Jr., Atkinson; John W. Cole, Rockingham.

—Arrivals at The Southern yesterday included J. H. Copell and R. W. Hammock, Florence, S. C.; A. G. Goodman, Town Creek; E. L. Henry, Kelly; G. B. D. Parker, Chinoquepin; E. W. Noble, Rocky Mount; D. S. Black, Burgaw; N. L. Tatum, White Oak; F. F. Faircloth and Frank Smith, Clinton; Jack Brown, Durham; J. B. Byrd, Chadbourn.

FULL SPEED TO LIGHT HOUSE.

Lightkeeper Loses Job—All on Account of Baby's Birth.

New York, Jan. 2.—Nathaniel Jones' display of flags to celebrate the birth of a baby to Mrs. Jones in the Watling Island light house, which they kept in the Bahamas, cost a British manufacturer a useless run and the light keeper his position, according to the story told by passengers arriving here on the steamer Arcadia from the Bahamas.

Inignorant of their significance, the lightkeeper had swung aloft two of the international marine code flags, signaling that he needed assistance. A German tramp schooner sighted the flags and notified the British marine authorities at Nassau.

The gunboat with 100 marines was dispatched under full steam for Watling Island only to find that the lightkeeper was celebrating the arrival of his baby.

The British naval officers, according to the story, did not take kindly to the joke, and as a punishment they had the lightkeeper removed to a smaller station.

T. W. WILSON'S GOLD SCARF PIN.

National Coat of Arms to Supplant the New Jersey Coat of Arms.

Princeton, N. J., January 2.—When Thomas Woodrow Wilson becomes President of the United States, the little gold scarf pin he has been wearing for three years will attain the end of its evolution.

When Gov. Wilson was a professor of Princeton University his stickpin was a miniature Princeton seal, bearing the coat of arms of William of Orange, Duke of Nassau, when he became Governor New Jersey's coat of arms was displayed; to wear while his President, Governor Wilson is having made a stickpin with a spread eagle and an American shield—the National coat of arms.

"I never liked ostentatious display," he said, "and such a little pin as I've been wearing as Governor of the State is not so conspicuous, and I like to feel that I have constantly with me something that is a symbol of my service."

SWINDLED BACHELORS

Florence Gamble Confesses to Getting Money by Correspondence.

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 2.—Florence Gamble, 32 years old, confessed to Federal authorities here today that she had corresponded with more than 500 bachelors over the country, from some of whom she received amounts ranging from \$15 to \$20. She withdrew her plea of not guilty to an information charging her with having swindled J. L. Prater, of Arlington, Texas, out of \$30 through her matrimonial schemes.

She was bound over to the Federal grand jury and furnished bond of \$1,000.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Rev. J. M. Plowden will preach at New Hope church Sunday, January 5th, at 11 o'clock.

—The schooner Richard F. C. Hartley, Capt. Swain, cleared yesterday for New York with cargo of 436,000 feet of lumber. The cargo is by Robert R. Sizer & Co., and Messrs. Maffitt & Wood are agents for the vessel.

—The conference announced to be held yesterday between the committee from the Board of County Commissioners and Senator-elect Marsden Bellamy and Representative Woodus Kellum, to discuss the question of salaries for the county officers, was postponed until tonight.

—An option was filed for record yesterday from Mr. John L. Boatwright to Mr. H. F. Munson on the lot at the southwest corner of Fourth and Orange streets. The property is 72 feet on Orange street and 81 feet on Fourth street. The price that is to be paid for the property, in the event the option is taken up, is \$8,000.

—The first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Home Savings Bank, Wilmington's youngest financial institution, will be held Monday, January 13th. The first year's business is said to have been very satisfactory indeed and splendid reports will be submitted at the meeting by the officers.

GRANTED WRIT OF ERROR.

Means Dynamiters' Request for Superseades Goes to Court of Appeals.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 2.—After attorneys for the 33 convicted dynamite conspirators had withdrawn their application for a writ of superseades, Federal Judge Anderson today granted their prayer for a writ of error.

During the hearing W. N. Harding announced that Herbert S. Hockin would not ask an appeal in his case. The granting of the writ of error means that the request for a superseades writ will be taken to the Circuit Court of Appeals or one of the judges of the court.

Chester H. Krum was spokesman for the defense's counsel. Judge Anderson granted his request to strike out of the petition the prayer for a writ of superseades and allowed the writ of error.

Federal District Attorney Miller said he was ready to appear with the defense counsel before any court or judge at any time to argue the application for a writ of superseades.

Mr. Krum declared Mr. Miller would be notified as soon as the judge and time had been decided upon.

"Your honor," interposed Mr. Harding, of the defense counsel, just before the hearing was concluded, "I wish to announce that the defendant Hockin will not expect an appeal in his case. He is satisfied with the sentence imposed on him."

"Then he must be the only one," Judge Anderson said. "I am not sure," replied Mr. Harding.

"While I am not in a position to say at this time, there may be others who will not ask an appeal."

Application for a superseades in connection with the dynamite conspiracy case will be made in the Circuit Court of Appeals tomorrow. This announcement was made tonight after a conference of attorneys. Counsel for the defense and District Attorney Miller departed tonight for Chicago with the understanding that the matter would receive attention by the court tomorrow morning. The writ of error probably will not be presented to the Circuit Court of Appeals for several weeks.

Washington, Jan. 2.—With a view to preventing hazing at the naval academy, Senator Perkins, of California, today introduced a bill which would make a cadet dismissed for hazing ineligible for re-appointment and also ineligible for appointment as a commissioned officer in the army, navy or marine corps until after the graduation of the class of which he was a member.

New York, Jan. 2.—The resignation of M. C. Patterson, as vice president of the American Tobacco Company, was officially announced today. Officials of the American Tobacco Company said Mr. Patterson had resigned without assigning any reason for his act.

WILL PROTECT AMERICANS

Mexican Minister Reassures Taft of Madero Government's Ability

Washington, January 2.—Senator Pedro Lascurain, Mexican minister for foreign affairs, and personal representative at least for the time being of President Madero, came to Washington today to tell again to President Taft and Secretary of State Knox the story of his government's struggle with rebellion; to reassure them of its ability to protect American lives and property everywhere in that republic; and that incidentally he was whispering tonight to give it a grain of truth at the bottom of recent reports that intervention by the United States was not merely a threat but an alarming possibility.

Senator Lascurain had two opportunities to talk and to listen at the White House today, and he will be given an audience by Secretary Knox. Although White House officials had no statement to make tonight, it became known that President Taft made no specific demands upon the Mexican minister. He expressed particular interest in conditions in Northern Mexico and was assured that recent troop movements in that part of the republic and Madero's efforts to meet with the country's desires for protection there had proved fruitful. He was able, through reports to the State Department in the last few days partially at least, to confirm Senator Lascurain's assurance.

The President was glad to hear of the reported improvement in conditions in Northern Mexico and was said to have expressed the hope that the Madero government will be able to cope with the situation. So far he has seen no reason to expect that it will be unable to do so, but the assurances from the Mexican ministers were welcome. His coming to Washington was unheralded and his call at the White House was arranged only today. He first paid the formal requirements of all foreign officials who expect to discuss matters of State with the President. It lasted less than 10 minutes, but tonight he was in conference with Mr. Taft for almost an hour. It was explicitly stated, however, that the President had made no demands upon the government, had issued no "ultimatum" and that he was impressed with the story he heard of improved conditions. Just when Senator Lascurain will call on Mr. Knox was unknown here tonight.

CONTINUE INVESTIGATION.

Graft Charges in Navy Commissary Department Will be Probed.

Norfolk, Va., January 2.—Captain A. T. Marix, judge advocate general of the navy, who is taking an active part in the investigation of graft charges in the commissary department now being made by a court of inquiry, announced today that the court would probably be in session for 10 or 12 weeks. The court has been hearing evidence on board the battleship Vermont for three weeks, but will probably reconvene tomorrow on the battleship Louisiana. The Vermont sailed today for Hampton Roads, and will probably leave for Guantanamo on Sunday. There were two sessions of the court today.

Captain Marix, who recently returned from the North, is said to have obtained new evidence which strengthens the case against certain contractors accused of conspiring with commissary stewards to defraud the government by short weights, measures and inferior food furnished warships. Captain Marix said the court might go to other ports along the Atlantic coast to hear evidence before it finished its labors.

WOULD IMPEACH JUDGE.

Charges Will be Preferred Against Justice for Allowing Increased Rate.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 2.—The city commissioners of Kansas City, Kan., today adopted a motion calling for the appointment of a committee to prefer impeachment charges against Federal Judge John C. Pollock, for making an order last Monday permitting the Kansas City Gas Company to increase the wholesale price of natural gas in Kansas City to 31 cents a thousand cubic feet. The charges are to be sent to Congressman Joseph Taggart, at Washington with a request that they be laid before the House of Representatives.

Gaylord's Big Dep't Store

Takes this method of expressing its appreciation to the public for the liberal patronage it received during the Christmas holidays, it having been the biggest in the history of this big store, and at the same time to remind you that we are making arrangements to further deserve a continuation of the same by increasing our already large and varied stock, and giving you the best the markets afford at the most reasonable prices possible. Remember, our Consolidation Sale Begins January 2nd 210-212-24 North Front Street.

SUFFRAGIST PARADE.

Plans Completed for Big Demonstration Before Inauguration.

Washington, January 2.—Plans have been completed for the suffragist parade which on March 3 will traverse the route to be taken by the inaugural procession that escorts President Wilson on the following day from the capital to the White House. The programme which will be approved at a meeting this afternoon, includes a pageant which will illustrate the advancement of women at home and abroad, and a costume section, in which college women will appear in cap and gown, nurses in their costumes and caps, and women engaged in other employment in the dress characteristic of their calling. Mrs. La Follette, wife of the Senator from Wisconsin, is slated to lead a section for the women to abandon their coverings. Following the parade a mass meeting will be held in Continental hall at which Mrs. William Kent, wife of Representative Kent, of California, will preside.

PROBE STATE DEPARTMENT.

Sulzer Appoints Commission to Check Waste in New York State.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Governor Sulzer has appointed two of three members of a committee to make a searching investigation into all State departments and bureaus to ascertain where expenditures can be checked and the money of the tax payers saved and also to recommend to the Legislature the desirability of abolishing useless offices, consolidating wherever possible bureaus and commissions, with the sole object of more rigid economy and a greater degree of efficiency.

KEENE UNDERGOES OPERATION.

Financier and Veteran Horseman is Seriously Ill.

New York, January 2.—James R. Keene, financier and horseman, who has been dangerously ill here for several days, was operated on today. The physicians refuse to divulge the nature of the operation. An early evening bulletin from Mr. Keene's physicians saying he was just reviving from the effects of the anaesthetic and was very weak and restless, was followed a half hour before midnight by a bulletin that was scarcely more reassuring.

IRWIN FAVORS BERMUDA.

Will Make Recommendation That Yankees Train There This Spring.

New York, Jan. 2.—Arthur Irwin, business manager of the New York American League club, returned today from a trip to Bermuda, undertaken to determine the islands' suitability as to location of training quarters for the team. Irwin was enthusiastic over Bermuda, and thinks it is an ideal spot for a training camp. He will make a favorable report to President Farrell on his mission.

MARRIAGE DISPLEASED CZAR.

Why Grand Duke Michael Has Been Relieved of Command.

London, Jan. 2.—A dispatch to the Daily News from St. Petersburg says the removal of Grand Duke Michael, brother of Emperor Nicholas, from command of the chevalier guards regiment marks the imperial displeasure at his recent marriage to Mme She-metterskaja.

REMOVED FROM CAPITAL.

His banishment from the capital, the correspondent adds, doubtless is intended to prevent the grand duke's appearance at the forthcoming celebrations of the tercentenary of the Romanoff dynasty.

PROF. WILSON ELECTED PRESIDENT.

Prof. E. B. Wilson, of Columbia University, tonight was elected president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to succeed E. C. Pickering, of Harvard, and it was decided to hold next year's meeting at Atlanta, December 29th, 1913, to January 3rd, 1914. H. W. Springsteen, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, was elected general secretary, and W. A. Wersham, Jr., University of Georgia, secretary of the council. The office of treasurer was not filled. The convention will close Saturday.

AUSTIN, TEX., JAN. 2.—GOVERNOR COLQUITT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT HE HAD BEEN UNOFFICIALLY ADVISED THAT THE RESIGNATION OF UNITED STATES SENATOR BAILEY WILL BE FILED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND THAT HE WOULD APPOINT R. M. JOHNSON, EDITOR OF THE HOUSTON POST, TO COMPLETE SENATOR BAILEY'S UNEXPIRED TERM.

Advertisement for The C. W. Polvogt Company Annual Clearance Sale. The ad features two illustrations of women in elegant dresses. The text reads: 'The C. W. Polvogt Company "The Store That's Always Busy" Beginning Thursday, January 2nd, ending Saturday, January 11th, we will have our ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE Ladies' Coats, Coat Suits, Wool Dresses, Furs, Skirts, all at One-Fourth Off Marked Price. Ladies' Bath Robes, Gold and Silver Handle Umbrellas, at One-Fourth Off. \$2.50 Ladies' Messaline and Taffeta Underskirts, for \$1.75. \$2.50 Ladies' Long Kid Gloves, Black and Tan, for \$1.50. \$1.00 Child's Crib Blankets, for 75c.; 50c. Crib Blankets, for 35c. 75c. Flannelette Gowns, Pink and Light Blue, striped, 50c. BARGAINS In Every Department. Attend the Sale—January 2nd to January 11th. The C. W. Polvogt Company'