

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Be Humble, O America!
Be humble, O America! Let not
The idle boast, the weak vainglorious
blot
The fair white page of our achievement.
Us not in this triumphant hour forget
The years we, hesitating, held aloof,
While Nations trembled 'neath the
crown of hoof.

Forget not Belgium! With unerring
blow
She hurled her slender body 'gainst the
foe,
And, bleeding, writhing, paid the awful
toll,
To save a world and her immortal
soul.

Forget not France! Unfettering she
came,
Unfurled her banner, crying Freedom's
name,
For four long years she flashed her
fiery sword,
And checked the onslaught of that bar-
barous horde.
Bare are the fields where sleep her
hallowed dead,
But God has planted poppies on each
bed.

Forget not Britain! With her little
band
Of "Old Contemptibles" she took her
stand,
And, fearless, faced an overwhelming
fob,
Met thrust with thrust and blow with
furious blow,
Till, spent with toil, yet heeding still
the call,
She smiled at Death, her back against
the wall.

Be humble, O America! Our dead
Lie proudly side by side with those
who bled
That Liberty might live. Be it our
pride
We came not quite too late, but turned
the tide,
And led the way to Victory! Thank
God
That in that bloody path we, too, have
trod;
That in Gethsemane we, too, have
stood;
That that consecrated, crimson
floor,
That spread beneath the shrapnel's
blighting showers,
One splendid, brave, redeeming drop
was ours.

VILD, SAVAGE OWENS, in New York Times.
Mrs. Blake D. Applewhite has arrived from Cambridge, Mass., and will spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. LeGwin, in Sunset Park.

Charlotte Observer: "The host of friends of Miss Esther Springs will be delighted to know that she has recovered after being ill for 10 days with influenza, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Springs, on South Boulevard, Dilworth."

Greetings From England.
Mayor P. G. Moore is the recipient of a beautiful Christmas card, in the shape of a card six by eight inches, bearing the British coat of arms and bringing greetings and best wishes for the New Year, from the mayor and his wife of Bristol, England.

Mothers' Club Meets.
A meeting of the Mothers' club of Seagard will be held in the school building at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Miss Florence Jeffress, county home demonstration agent, will be present and will give a talk on "World Relief." A full meeting is expected.

Enlists With Y. W. C. A.
Miss Ida McLean Black, who has been employed with the Hugh MacRae company of this city for many years, was notified yesterday that she successfully passed the examination stood by her in Washington last week, and is qualified to serve as Y. W. C. A. worker overseas. Miss Black expects to sail to France during the early part of next month to aid in reconstruction work in that country.

Bazaar at Good Shepherd.
The bazaar which is being conducted at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets, has proven most successful thus far, but there are yet many useful articles that are going very reasonably when existing high prices are considered. The bazaar will open at 3 o'clock this afternoon and will remain open until about 10 o'clock tonight. There will be found on sale dolls, fancy work and many other articles of merchandise, while music will be provided for the entertainment of the "shoppers."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE WILL BE CLOSED JUST ONE WEEK
Greensboro, Dec. 19.—Greensboro College for Women will close for the Christmas holidays Friday and will resume work one week later. The Christmas holidays are shortened to make up for the time the college was closed in October on account of influenza, and the spring holidays will also be shortened, the commencement being held at the usual time. The State Normal and Industrial College closed yesterday and will resume work on January 7th, thus giving the students of that institution nearly three weeks vacation. This course was advised by the physician of that institution in order to get the students away

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Bowels Acting Properly?
They ought to, for constipation makes the body retain waste matters and impurities that undermine the health and play havoc with the entire system. Dr. King's New Life Pills are reliable and mild in action. All druggists. 25c.

NEGRO SHOT BY OFFICERS DIED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Coroner Holden Will Hold An Investigation This Morning.
James Davis, the negro shot Wednesday night by Sheriff Jackson or Deputy Sheriff A. W. Allen, after he had opened fire at close range on the officers, died about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at James Walker Memorial hospital, where he was carried by the officers for treatment. Coroner A. S. Holden took the body in charge, placed it in the morgue at the hospital and will hold an investigation at 11 o'clock this morning.

The shooting took place in the back yard at Davis' home at Rock Hill Wednesday night about 10 o'clock. The officers had gone in that community in search of a still which had been reported to them, when they encountered Davis in the back yard. He was armed and instead of complying with the demand of the officers to drop his gun he brought it into play with near-sighted results. One bullet passed through the sheriff's scarf worn around his neck, while another knocked Deputy Howe's hat off. The negro got in four shots before the officers "dropped" him.

Sheriff Jackson, accompanied by other officers, returned to the scene yesterday and destroyed more than 80 gallons of still beer which was located there Wednesday night.

The following is a list of those who have been in the market for an automobile, which will take place in the court house at 11 o'clock this morning: Robert C. Christie, William E. Schuler, James H. Morse, William E. Price, John N. Wells and David H. Wilcox.

WHITE MAN CLAIMS HE WAS CHEATED OF \$200 BY NEGROES

Spencer Murphy of Currie Tells Police A Remarkable Story of Loss.
Spencer Murphy, white man of Currie, Pender county, was neatly "flim-flammed" out of \$200 in cash money by two negroes in this city December 4, according to the report of police headquarters yesterday. The negroes sold him an automobile for \$300, he paid \$200 down and went after the other \$100, returned and has seen neither negroes nor automobile from that day to this, and here it is December 20.

According to Murphy, he was approached by two negroes giving their names as Henry Newkirk and Richard Smith, who inquired as to whether he might be in the market for an automobile. He might and he might not, he averred, and one word led to another until he beheld, they found themselves at Fourth and Market streets, where the pair exhibited to him an automobile in such good state of repair and preservation that their price of \$300 made it look like a bargain to him.

He reached for his roll, he said, and handed them \$200, and went right after the other \$100, but the trade for obvious reasons was never consummated. He wants the officers to help him locate the crafty negroes.

SLIGHT AUTO ACCIDENT

Hugh MacRae's automobile and one owned and driven by Moses Horne, collided on the Castle Hayne road, four miles from Wilmington, in a collision near the latter's home yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock. Mr. MacRae's car was driven by his chauffeur and occupied by himself, but no one was hurt, and very little damage was done to the cars.

MESSAGE OF THANKS FROM THE BRITISH

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to seek a way of becoming united with them again in a happy and peaceful life if it is true that the war has taught us such great lessons, why should we regret the anguish we have endured while learning them?" she queried.

"America was spared the real suffering of the war," the speaker continued. "And why? After thinking over the matter I have reached this conclusion: America was destined to be the rebuilder of the devastated portions of the world. If she had been in the war as long as Greece and Italy had grown worn and exhausted after years of weary fighting, who would have restored the world to its proper equilibrium. You entered the war in time to uphold the honor of your flag; you gave its folds an added lustre by your splendid service upon the fields of France, but you are just now entering upon your real destiny. There are three million hungry people in Europe who must be fed, and a tremendous task faces America in feeding these people and in alleviating the suffering of European nations. If you rise to your task and accomplish it in the same magnificent way in which you have already given your aid during the war, the whole world will rise up and call your name blessed."

As Mrs. Smith concluded her address, the audience burst into round after round of applause, showing that it was heartily in sympathy with the views expressed by the English-woman.

The meeting last night was held under the auspices of the county food administration and the Red Cross. The opening number, a selection by the Hemenway drum and bugle corps, was given in lieu of the numbers on the programs which were to have been ordered by the Victory chorus. R. W. Baxter, chorus leader, was unable to attend the meeting, which made it necessary to omit the musical part of the entertainment. After a short talk by Chairman J. G. McCormick, county food administrator, Lieutenant Terry Brady, who served over-seas with the killed Scotch-Canadian forces, made a short address in the interest of the Red Cross. The meeting opened with invocation by Rev. F. D. Dean and closed with a benediction by Rev. J. A. Sullivan.

One dollar will buy you a membership in the Red Cross.—Ad.

Picked Up Around Town

Final Advent Service.
The final service of the series of joint advent services which have been held during the week by the Episcopal churches of the city, will be held at St. Paul's church, 16th and Market streets, this evening at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

Basket Ball Tonight.
A double header game of basket ball will be staged at the "Y" tonight between the teams of Captains Register and Gerdes, and those of Captain Montgomery and Captain Davis. The game will begin promptly at 8:15 o'clock. All four of the teams are in good shape and fine exhibitions are expected.

Will Give Banquet.
Plans are on foot in the city to give a banquet or smoker to every college boy in Wilmington at some time during the holidays, and those promoting the idea request that the names of all catering boys be well advertised. The members of the S. A. T. C. be reported at the office of the board of education or at the Y. M. C. A.

There Was No Foul Play.
The idea that foul play perhaps had prevented the appearance of L. B. Willett at his wedding Wednesday afternoon was upset late yesterday when Miss Leola Griffith, the young lady he was to have married, received a telegram from Mr. Willett, dated at Hamlet. It is presumed that he was en route to his home at Georgetown, S. C.

Exercises in City Schools.
An informal Christmas program will be given in all the schools of the city during today and every committeeman is invited to attend the exercises in the school in his district. There has been no elaborate program arranged, the idea being merely to give the children an opportunity to recite some Christmas recitation or poem before the school.

New Christmas Money.
The banks are unable to pay out gold coins for Christmas this year but brand new silver coins and currency that never has been spent may be obtained and Christmas presents of these will doubtless prove highly acceptable. The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co. is advertising, also, the idea of a pass book showing a deposit of some amount—a dollar if no more—as a Christmas gift. Cash gifts or a pass book head the list of practical remembrances.

City of Savannah Expected.
The city of Savannah, the government steamer which has been used in transporting Porto Ricans from the islands to points in the United States, including Wilmington, for distribution to points where government work was in progress, is expected to dock at Southport next week to take back home the 200 or more islanders who were put off at Fort Caswell for treatment for influenza and pneumonia. A large number have died and were buried in the national cemetery here.

Arrested on Three Charges.
Sam Bradley, colored, was arraigned before Recorder Harris yesterday on three different charges, being convicted of shooting a fire arm in the street and riding a bicycle at night without a light, but was found not guilty on a charge of larceny. He was given a 30-day sentence at the county home in the two cases in which he was convicted. John Staten paid the cost for an assault on a female. James McMicle was found guilty of shooting a pistol on the street and was taxed with the cost.

Returns From Savannah Meeting.
G. Herbert Smith, a director of the South Atlantic Maritime association, returned to the city from Savannah where he attended a meeting of the directors and officers of the association, at which the attorney was instructed to make application for the charter. The purpose of the association is to work for the mutual development of the Wilmington, Charleston, Brunswick, Savannah and Jacksonville ports. Matthew Hale is the president, while there are five vice-presidents, one from each of the five cities. Dr. James Sprunt is one of the five. D. H. Lippitt is secretary and assistant treasurer.

Chicago Realty Man Here.
I. Whiteson, real estate man and investor of Chicago, has been here several days looking into Wilmington suburban and beach property with a view of becoming interested in this section. Mr. Whiteson is a member of the Cook County Real Estate Board and is one of the big progressive men in real estate circles in Chicago. He has attracted here through the efforts of the Wilmington chamber of commerce and will be here a day or two longer pursuing his investigations of several propositions which he looks for him and in which he may not be interested.

Rev. Mr. Howell at Gordon.
Rev. Andrew J. Howell, former Wilmington and Winter Park Presbyterian minister, who is now at Camp Gordon, near Atlanta, Ga., is doing nicely in his work there, friends here will be interested and glad to learn. A recent issue of Trench and Camp the soldiers' paper published by the

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To be possessed of a head of heavy, beautiful hair, soft, lustrous, fluffy, wavy and free from dandruff is merely a matter of using a little Danderine. It is easy and inexpensive to have nice, soft hair and lots of it. Just get a small bottle of Knowlton's Danderine now for a few cents—all drug stores recommend it—apply a little as directed and within ten minutes there will be an appearance of abundance, freshness, fluffiness and an incomparable gloss and lustre, and try as you will you cannot find a trace of dandruff or falling hair; but your real surprise will be after about two weeks' use, when you will find a few cents' worth of Danderine has really done for you—sprouting out all over your scalp—Danderine is, we believe, the only hair hair grower, dandruff and cure for itchy scalp and it never fails to stop falling hair at once.

If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and beautiful in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this.—Ad.

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Gift Suggestions

New Christmas Goods Came Yesterday

Yesterday more Christmas novelties arrived than have come in all week. Dozens of unique ideas were rushed here to fill the breach caused by early purchasing.

Two weeks ago we saw the possibilities of an exceptional busy Christmas, and immediately wired our New York connections to rush reinforcements in the way of up-to-the-minute novelties.

Below we list a few of the items that came in yesterday.

- Navy Blue Sport Umbrellas.
- Cretonne Novelties.
- White Ivory Toilet Articles.
- Taupe Fox Fur Scarfs and Seal Coatees.
- Boudoir Caps in Crepe de Chine, Lace and Chiffon.
- Children's and Misses' small Hand Bags.
- Lace Bureau Scarfs and Centerpieces.
- Ladies' Brocaded Velour Hand Bags.
- Ladies' Silk Crepe de Chine Underwear.



Ribboncraft Novelties in Dainty Packages

Never have we shown so many novelties in Ribboncraft as this collection which came yesterday. In each little box is a verse that helps the message of Christmas greetings reach it's proper destination.

- Ribbon Vanity Bags, priced at 35c to \$4.00
- Ribbon Pin Sets, Baby Pins, Lingerie Pins and Lingerie Sets and Clasps priced at 35c to \$1.50
- Ribbon Baby Sets, Armlets and Baby Rosettes, priced at 35c to \$1.00
- Ribbon Rosettes, Carriage Bows, Afghan Bows, priced at 35c to \$2.00
- Ribbon Powder Puff and Mirror Sets, priced at 65c to \$2.50
- Ribbon Garter Novelties, Roses and Rose Sprays, priced at 85c to \$2.00
- Ribbon Evening Bags, with vanity and puffs, priced at \$4.00 to \$6.50

Headquarters For Out of Town Shoppers

Bon Marche

Atlanta Constitution for the benefit of the men at Gordon, has the following note: "Secretary Howell, religious director, formerly at 157, has taken Secretary Faulkner's place. In the short time that he has been here, we can see in Mr. Howell that personality which makes success, and it is our opinion that 157 was very fortunate in securing him."

Returns to Practice Here.
Dr. John B. LeGwin who recently gave up his office here and volunteered in the service of his country, has returned to the city from Southport from the service and reached home this week to resume his practice as eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. Lieut. LeGwin was last at Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., and had traveled extensively in devoting his professional knowledge to the needs of the soldiers. He also attended lectures on several occasions and gained much valuable practice in the camps which he visited. He has a host of friends in the former patients in Wilmington and this section of the state who will most heartily welcome him back to his profession again.

Death of Mr. Hutchison.
Maj. Jos. W. Little attended the funeral in Charlotte Wednesday of his brother-in-law, Leonard L. Hutchison, of whom The Observer said in part: "As a member of one of the most prominent families of Mecklenburg county, Mr. Hutchison had lived as one of the best citizens of the city and county. He married Miss Annie Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Little, December 23, 1903, and to them were born three children, two of whom survive: Josephine, aged 5 years, and L. L. Jr., aged 2 years. Surviving also are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hutchison, who reside five miles from the city on the Statesville road, and three brothers and three sisters: Allen Hutchison, Roy Hutchison and Bruce Hutchison, and Mrs. Irene Hutchison Gray, of High Point; Mrs. Reed Sarratt and Mrs. Nathaniel Alexander, both of Charlotte."

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25 per cent. off on Suits
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—Supt. Washington Cattlet, of the New Hanover schools, returned yesterday morning from Raleigh where he attended a meeting of the State Association of County Superintendents.

One dollar will make you a member of the Red Cross.—adv.

CARD OF THANKS.
Words are inadequate for me to express the deep sense of gratitude I feel on account of the tender sympathy and loving kindness shown by so many friends during the illness and death of my daughter, Miss Fannie E. Spencer, but nevertheless I want all her friends and my friends to know that I shall never forget their goodness to me and to her. I want especially to thank the Uplian Bible class of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church and the young ladies who were associated with my daughter at the telephone office. God Bless them all.
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