

# ANSWER OF CITY ON BASEBALL TO BE GIVEN BY FANS TONIGHT

## Ten Thousand Dollars Needed to Finance Club and Several Shares of Stock Have Been Subscribed—Under New Direction Baseball Should Be Paying Proposition in Wilmington—Salary Limits Really Limit

Wilmington want baseball \$10,000 worth? That is the question that will be answered at the mass meeting of fans at the chamber of commerce building at 8:15 o'clock and the definite action must result. Since the start of the season rapidly approaching, ten thousand dollars will be needed to put a club in the Eastern Carolina League, which is certain to be formed if the city comes through with the request.

Two hundred public spirited citizens have expressed their interest in the matter. The number of shares of stock to be sold, at \$50 for each share, seems just a question of finding the five ones in the city to invest in the coming spring and summer. A number of professional members of the steering committee have declared their intention of taking stock while appreciation of the total number of shares has been tentatively suggested, which does not leave any great distance for the mass meeting to travel. This evening there is a small number of men who rank as A.A.I. when it comes to digging up dollars. At the meeting tonight these men diggers will be lined up and told to go to work on the desired number of shares should result. Wilmington is entirely too large a city and too progressive to pass up professional baseball, since the whole game has been thoroughly cleaned by the appointment of that fearless jurist, Judge Keesee Mountain Landis, as supreme director. The judge's decision last evening shows how he loves crooks and those with an inclination to lean just a trifle in that direction.

**Game Coming Back**

Baseball has come back stronger than ever this year—many leagues have had a readjustment of their classification and have been advanced, which means that more money will be spent on players' salaries than ever before and that faster ball will naturally result. The Piedmont League, the most compact circuit in the country, last season was a class D outfit. The Federal League statistics give it about 150 population over 150,000, the total needed to elevate it into the class

# OIL-BURNING ENGINES USED AT MOUNT OLIVE

## Placed in Municipal Plant to Furnish Power for Light and Power System

MOUNT OLIVE, Feb. 10.—Installation of two 150-horse power oil burning engines, to furnish power for the municipal light and power plant, are now about complete, and take the place of a steam plant that has been far from adequate for some time past.

A defective boiler in the heating plant of the graded school here has compelled a suspension of school for the past two weeks. It is hoped to have everything ready for school to reopen Monday.

The movement of seed Irish potatoes here is quite lively now, and, notwithstanding the untoward financial situation and market outlook, brokers say the prospect is for approximately two-thirds of a normal acreage.

Entrance into the store of Y. H. Knowles company, was effected in the rear Thursday night. Just what all the robbers took is not known, but a quantity of flour was taken.

As a result of rent snows and incessant rains, practically all highways leading from Mount Olive are in the worst condition they have been for years—almost impassable—and will become actually so speedily unless clear weather comes immediately. For the first time in many months, only one rural carrier tried to make his route with an automobile Wednesday, the other five having fallen back on old Dobbin and the buggy, so universally used before flivvers got so numerous; but some were skeptical of even Dobbin's ability to "pull through" today.

# ASKED FOR DRINK AND WERE GIVEN BUCKSHOT

## MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 10.—A sheriff's posse, is searching for Floyd Johnson, who is alleged to have shot four men at 3:30 p. m. today five miles west of Fort Pierce.

M. H. Dillmon, whose face was shot almost entirely off, is not expected to live; James Shelton is seriously injured in the back and one leg; Joseph McKinney was badly hurt by buckshot striking his head and eyes; Alfred Woods was shot through one leg; Woods is not seriously hurt.

The men claim they drove up to Johnson's house and asked for some whiskey. A truck loaded with liquor was standing in front of Johnson's house and Johnson is said to have believed they intended confiscating it.

The men were shot with a shotgun loaded with buckshot. None of them were armed.

No further trouble is expected, says a wire to the Miami Herald from Fort Pierce, as the excitement following the shooting has calmed down.

# JAZZ DRUMMER RETURNS

Director West, of West's orchestra, announces that he has again secured the services of W. G. Twining, well-known "jazz" drummer, and that the musician will make his initial appearance with the West orchestra at a souvenir dance to be given at Lakeside Park this evening from 8:30 to 12 o'clock. Mr. Twining has played in Wilmington before, but for the past some time he has been located in Atlanta. He will also be general agent and advertising manager for the West orchestra.

# "LANGUID"—THAT'S THE WORD

## Not Sick Exactly, Just Seem to Have No Ambition

## An Awful Feeling Seldom Necessary

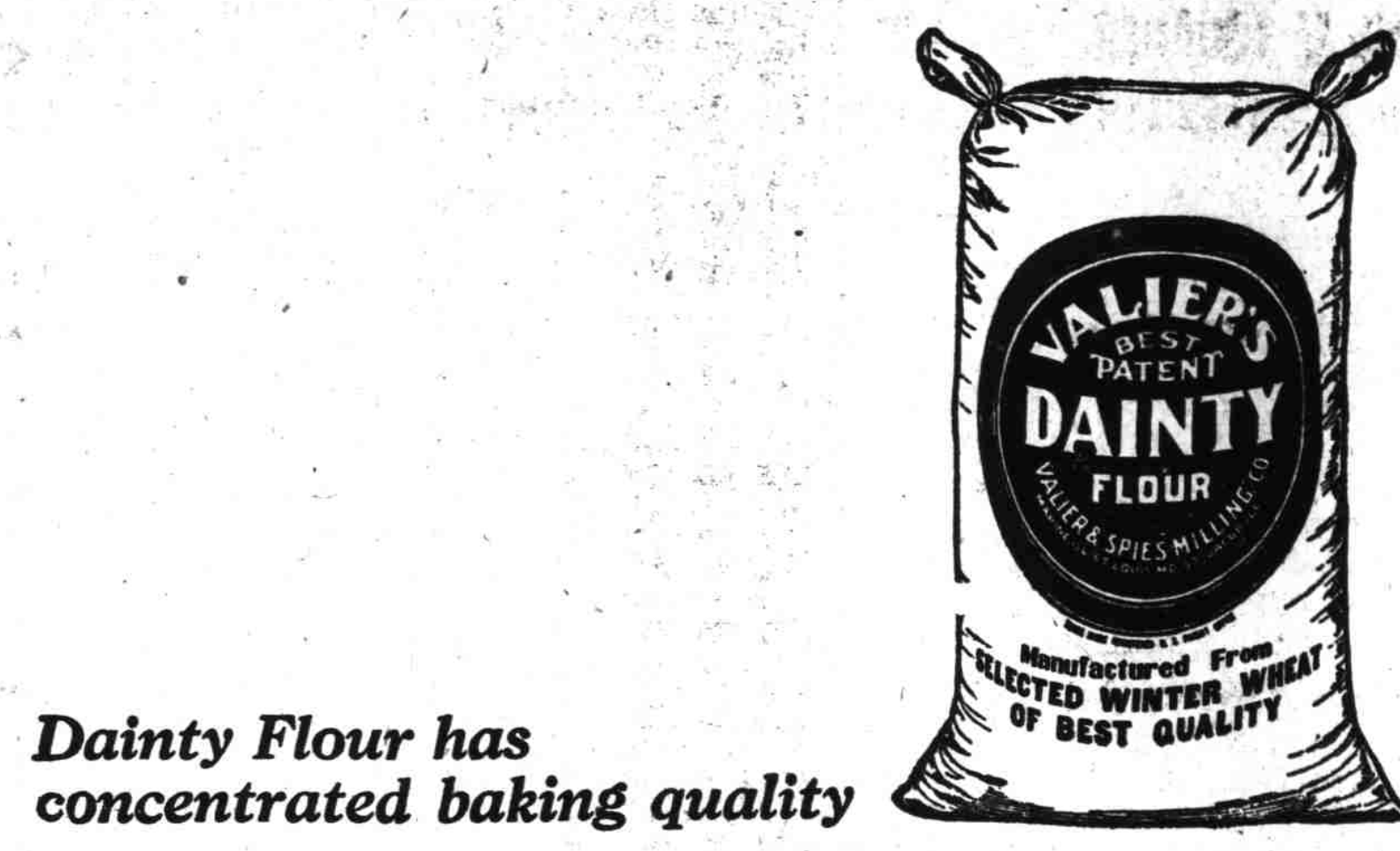
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# Local Legion Post Auxiliary Is Organized By Wilmington Women

## Officers Are Elected and Charter Is Presented, Mrs. J. V. Grainger Being Chosen President—Major General James I. Metts, U. C. V. State Commander, Makes Principal Address of Presentation Service

At a meeting marked by a most impressive ceremony and a large gathering of mothers, wives, sisters and other relatives of the Wilmington boys who served Uncle Sam during the World War, Cyrus Hogue, commander of the North Carolina American Legion, presented the charter to the organization of the Woman's auxiliary of the local post of the American Legion at its legion but in postoffice park last evening. On behalf of the ladies who organized the Woman's auxiliary, Mrs. J. V. Grainger accepted the charter. Mrs. Hogue, in presenting the charter, made some very appropriate remarks as did Mrs. Grainger in accepting it.

Major General James I. Metts, of this city, commander of the North Carolina division of the United Confederate Veterans, was the speaker of the evening. At the conclusion of his talk the charter presentation service was made, after which the members of the Woman's auxiliary elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. J. V. Grainger; Secretary, Mrs. L. Bluethe; Treasurer, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin; executive committee, Mrs. R. W. Hicks, Mrs. J. Loughlin and Mrs. Cyrus Hogue; committee on constitution and by-laws, Mrs. Walker Taylor, Mrs. R. D. Conroy and Mrs. Hogue.

In presenting the charter, State Commander Hogue congratulated the women of Wilmington upon their splendid organization and declared that success was inevitable. The speaker reviewed the work that the government is conducting at the many hospitals in the state for disabled ex-soldiers. He emphasized the fact that it was up to the American Legion, the Woman's auxiliary and the community at large to see that these soldiers received proper attention.

Mrs. Grainger, accepting the charter, declared that the work of the women of this community had just begun. She said that it was the duty of the women, not the men, to keep alive the sentiment of war upon Germany and her allies. Mrs. Grainger said that one of her sincerest desires was for the women of the auxiliary to help the ex-soldiers, particularly the disabled ones. She said that the government hospital for disabled soldiers at Sanatorium was in Wilmington than any other and consequently it was the one that the members of the local auxiliary should be most interested in. It was suggested by her that the members of the auxiliary be in touch with representatives of Aberdeen, a town near Sanatorium, and through them help the disabled soldiers at that hospital. She also suggested that each woman of the auxiliary should elect a certain soldier and do anything possible to make his stay at the institution pleasant.

After expressing his delight upon the part of the presentation of the charter to the Woman's auxiliary, General Metts, the principal speaker of the evening, said in part:

"It is something momentous, in the work that can be accomplished, and the affiliation of a band of heroic women with an organization of heroic men who are not endeavoring to perpetuate memory but are striving to do those things said and done as well as to assure the safety and the glory of our country. It is not the part of the American Legion to attempt to perpetuate memory. That is the duty of the State. The American Legion is to make sure, whose firesides are safe, whose very lives, in the last analysis, they saved. We must see that memory is ever grateful by the tens of thousands; hearts that beat warm in ad-

miration, as well as in appreciation, for the sacrifices of the boys of America who plunged into the terrible cataclysm of human anguish and human death.

"But it is well and to be gloried in that the men of the World War will continue to give the country the benefit of their services and will struggle to keep to the fore American principles, to make secure for all time to come the democracy they saved for the world upon the bloody battlefields of Europe.

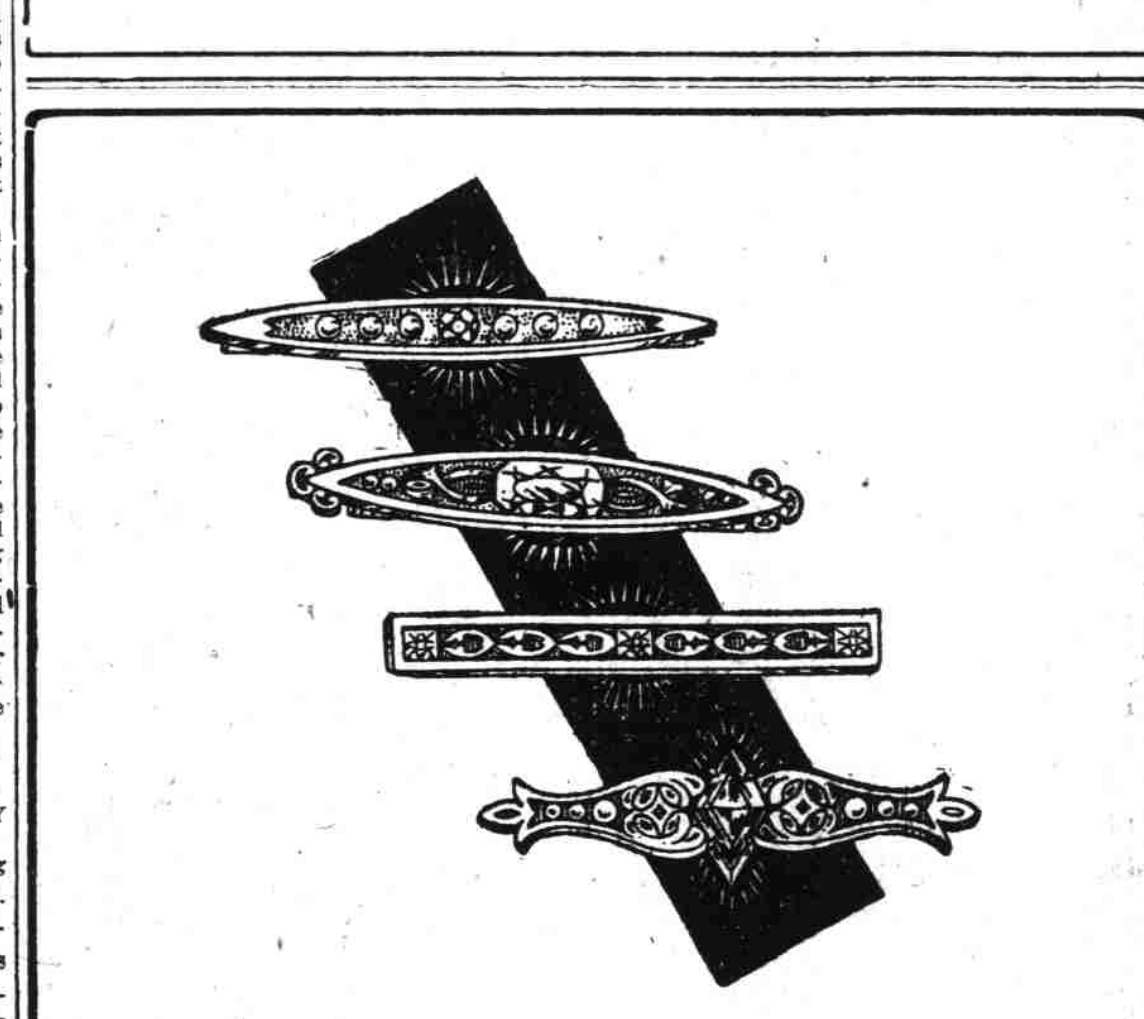
"It comes as a blessing, it seems to me, that the mothers, the wives, the sisters and the daughters of the valiant men who compose this organization and of many of those who made the supreme sacrifice yet who must live with the legion in spirit, should come forward to join the ranks; to add their counsel and their services. It is truly an inspiration and I shall ever hold dear the thought that I have had the honor of being here. And as I greet this splendid womanhood here tonight my mind runs back to scenes of over sixty years ago and there, amid the carnage of the strife, I behold, as a star of hope and encouragement to the boys who wore the grey, the sacrifices of the women of the Confederacy, and I know more than ever that the precious heritage left by them has been treasured and that the harvest is rich and bountiful.

"When the boys were drawn up in line in front of the city hall preparatory to going to France in 1917, I expressed the opinion to them that there would be no slackers or shirkers among them but that they would be true to their ancestors and the red blood that flowed in their veins. To my delight my prediction came true and was confirmed by the commanding officer in his letters as they advanced, broke the Hindenburg line and drove the Germans a thousand yards beyond their objective, making heroes of themselves. Parents, brothers, sisters, wives and relatives should be very proud of such noble kinsmen, who made a glorious history for America and it is for you to perpetuate and keep their deeds great in the eyes of the world in the future."

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