

Society News

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The Sea Gypsy

I am fevered with the sunset,
I am fretful with the bay,
For the wander-thirst is on me
And my soul is in Cathay.

There's a schooner in the offing,
With her topmasts shot with fire,
And my heart has gone aboard her
For the islands of Desire.

I must forth again tomorrow!
With the sunset I must be
Hull down on the trail of rapture
In the wonder of the sea.

Richard Hovey.

Study Church Survey

The second meeting of the class which is studying the survey of the Episcopal church's work was held Tuesday evening at the parish house at 8 o'clock.

The program, which was under the direction of Mrs. William Calder, was unusually entertaining and instructive. The subject of the evening was the work of the church among the American Indians. Stereoscopic views of the various tribes and the Episcopal workers were shown and Miss Bessie Burkheimer read an interesting lecture in connection with the slides.

Following this, Mrs. Nixon Davis gave a talk from her personal experience among our North Carolina Indians on the government reservation in Cherokee county, showing as examples of their skill beautifully made baskets and pieces of pottery. The North Carolina Indians were not included in the lecture, as they have not yet been taken under the supervision of the Episcopal church and many are in great need of religious education. Great interest was aroused by the account of their life and Mrs. Davis also touched on the subject of the Croatan Indians of this state.

Mrs. Hamilton Stieley charmingly sang the "Invocation to the Sun-god," by Troyer, which will be remembered as one of the most pleasing of Frieda Hempel's selections when she was in Wilmington. So well received was Mrs. Hamilton's rendition, that in response to the applause, she graciously gave as an encore "By the Waters of Minnetonka," Lieurance, which last ended the splendid program.

J. A. Tierney, assistant general manager of the North-American Fibre Products company, of Cleveland, is here in the interests of that company and announces that Marion Sanders Harris will represent the concern in Wilmington and vicinity.

Captain Samuel Ashe of Raleigh is visiting Dr. James Sprunt at Orton plantation.

Miss Sallie Futrell returned to her home here yesterday after a two weeks visit to Raleigh and Goldsboro.

To Entertain Federation

An effective and interesting executive meeting of the Sorosis was held Tuesday afternoon at the club rooms at which plans were discussed for the reception in June of the representatives of the North Carolina State Federation of Women's clubs. As plans are not definitely made, very little was given out for publication. The convention will last for four days, June 7, 8, 9 and 10. The recent and the business sessions are to be held at the Oceanic hotel, Wrightsville Beach, but many entertainments are also being planned in Wilmington, among them, the pageant of the Lower Cape Fear and an automobile trip to the most historic parts of the community. Music will be furnished by the music department of the Sorosis at various times during the four days.

Registered at the Orton

Edward N. Smith, Baltimore; B. F. Dupree, Rocky Mount; A. M. Lansford, Warsaw; C. W. Pate, Burgaw; J. T. Sprunt, Boyce, Va.; R. H. Wilson, Richmond; W. S. Lyon, Greensboro; George E. Haas, Cincinnati; R. H. Braie and wife, Bladenboro; W. J. DuBois, Lumberton; Charles Moore, N. C.; C. R. Corbet, Ivaehoe; J. W. Skipper, N. C.; F. M. Hester, Whiteville; H. C. Alvis, Milwaukee; Howard Schwarzman, New York; F. W. Davis, Keyser, W. Va.; B. J. Davis, Keyser, W. Va.

Mrs. T. R. White will leave tonight on a trip to New York, Philadelphia and Washington. Mrs. White is making this trip in connection with the work which she is doing for the Red Cross and will be away for several weeks.

Colonel W. P. Fort, who spent several days in Wilmington at the Orton, left yesterday for his home at Pikeville.

Mrs. J. M. Blount, of Washington, arrived at the Stuart house in Southport Tuesday. Mrs. Blount is a frequent visitor to Southport and her many friends will be glad to welcome her again.

Will Be Semaphoring Next

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 20.—An excited telephone operator in the Bell Telephone exchange called up the police department this afternoon and informed Officer Megonigal, on duty at the desk, that cries of distress were coming from the telephone in the house at No. 413 West Third street. She begged the police to hurry and save a life.

"A detail, consisting of Officers Cosgrave, Banes, Owens and Megonigal and several plain clothes men, jumped into the patrol wagon and lost no time in reaching the scene. The house was surrounded by the police and the terrified cries could be plainly heard.

"Repeated knocks brought no answer so the police forced their way into the kitchen. The cause of the trouble was soon discovered. The pet cat had caught one of its legs in the ice chest and in its struggle to get free had knocked the receiver from the telephone, which was lying on the floor, while the feline in its agony was crying into the mouth of the telephone for help. The family was away from home."

At Hotel Wilmington

Among those registered at the Hotel Wilmington are Max Gentini, Chicago; G. O. Rhodes, Richmond; James A. Dunn, Washington; J. E. Brady, Washington; I. C. Inman, Atlanta; R. Scott, New York; J. L. Pearson, N. C.; J. W. Baughman, Olean, N. Y.; C. W. D. Eaton, Louisville, Ky.; W. Y. Stout, Chicago; O. E. Burton, Atlanta; C. F. Weatherford, Montgomery, Ala.; F. E. McCook, Gainesville, Fla.; E. S. Martin, Richmond; Laura Love, Atlantic

City; T. L. Tuggey and wife, New Bern; Frank M. Barth, New York; William B. Rolly, New Orleans; D. B. Rhoads and family, Charlotte; H. H. Hart, Chicago; J. L. Parkerson, Baltimore; John J. Linahan, Atlanta; E. Rebecca Elkins, Fayetteville; G. S. Zorn, Louisville, Ky.; H. H. Wilmarit, Jacksonville; B. P. Murphy, Macon, Ga.; O. L. Clark, Clarkton; Thos. K. Doyle, Cleveland; J. P. Haupt and wife, Richmond; R. S. Harris, New York; O. R. Schell, Philadelphia; A. Hussman, Baltimore; G. H. Hillman, Nashville, Tenn.; Geo. E. Butler, Charlotte; A. J. Vogler, St. Louis, Mo.; Wm. H. Wassman, Atlanta; James Sinclair, Waycross, Ga.; C. D. Gallop, Elizabeth City; Z. B. Harper, Va.; A. I. Grossman, Detroit; Lewis W. Carter, C. L. Higgins, Raleigh; John M. Morton, Rowland, Va.; A. J. Williams, Philadelphia; B. R. Thurman, High Point; A. R. Rollins, Washington; P. F. Mahoney, Indiana; A. F. Barden, Warsaw; C. L. Bowlingam, Providence, R. I.; L. L. Lain, Baltimore; W. L. Horolin, Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Grimshaw, Philadelphia; Geo. B. Williams, N. C.; Marsden Peterson, Atkinson.

Misses Margery and Barbara Staton returned yesterday from New York, where they spent several days.

A Social Item of By-Gone Days

BOSTON, Feb. 22.—"Females of ye old Boston, staging a 'coffee party' in 1772, which rivalled in a small way the famous Tea Party of 1773, personally chastised a profiteer hoarder of foodstuffs and confiscated some of his stock," according to a letter from Abigail Adams to her distinguished husband, later second president of the United States.

"Writing at Boston, under date of July 31, 1772, Abigail wrote to John, then attending the continental congress at Philadelphia: 'There is a great scarcity of sugar and coffee, articles which the female part of the state is very loath to give up, especially whilst they consider the great scarcity occasioned by the merchants having secreted a large quantity. It is rumored that an eminent stinky merchant, who is a bachelor, had a hoghead of coffee in his store, which he refused to sell under six shillings per pound.

"A number of females, some say a hundred, some say more, assembled with a cart and trunk, marched down to the warehouse and demanded the key. 'Upon his finding no quarter, he delivered the keys, and they then opened the warehouse, hoisted out the coffee themselves, put it into a trunk and drove off. A large concourse of men stood amazed spectators of the whole transaction.'"

Rebekahs Will Entertain

The Rebekah degree will entertain Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, complimentary to their friends, who are assisted in the work this past year, either financially or by the use of their talents in entertainments. Those who have assisted in the work and not received personal invitations, are asked to accept this notice as one and be among those present.

Interesting Program

The regular meeting of the literary department of the North Carolina Sorosis will be held at the club rooms this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Christy will lead the discussion on "Children in Literature" and a large attendance is expected at this meeting of particular interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonner Bussells and infant daughter, of Fernandina, Fla., arrived in Southport yesterday, where they will spend some time visiting Mrs. Bussells' father, Richard Doshier.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF MANASSAS BATTLEFIELD

Movement on to Make Memorial of It to Confederates

A movement to purchase the famous battleground of Manassas and use it as a great memorial park is being fostered by Westwood Hutchinson, commander of the Manassas camp, U. C. V., and E. W. R. Irving, late historian in chief of the veterans' organization, according to letters received by prominent Confederate veterans in this and other cities of North Carolina. The plan, it is believed, will meet with the support of every survivor of the War Between the States who fought on the side of the Confederacy, for the Manassas battlefield is one on which Southern valor won everlasting fame.

Copies of the letter outlining the plans for making the battlefield a lasting memorial to those who fought in behalf of the Lost Cause have been sent to United Confederate Veterans, Sons of Confederate Veterans, United Daughters of the Confederacy and the governors of southern states. The letter follows:

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call for an organization meeting at the Raleigh hotel, Washington, on Saturday, March 5, the day following the inauguration of President Harding, the recipients of the letters are urged to see that the entire south is represented.

The letter follows:

"The undersigned, trustees, hold an option on the land on which the battle of First Manassas was mainly fought and on which Second Manassas closed, known as the Henry farm, containing about 128 acres, with the privilege of purchase within two years from January 1, 1921, at the price of \$25,000, the lowest figure that it could be had.

"At the instance of a few farsighted Daughters of the Confederacy, as will be fully disclosed by press notices from time to time, this option has been obtained for the purpose of buying this land for a great Southern Memorial park, commemorating the valor of Confederate troops during those battles, and as a tribute to the south to the history of the great war of which those battles were such an epochal part. Manassas battlefield belongs to the south, and for this reason it is hoped that each of the above named organizations and each southern state will send a representative to an organization meeting, at which plans will be arranged under which title will be eventually held, and pursuant to which monuments will be erected, and the splendid battle museum, which comes also within the land at this price, will be conducted.

"That organization meeting will be held in the upper parlors of the Raleigh hotel, Washington, D. C., March 5, 1921, 8 p. m.

"By means of this method all gear change is done away with, extra power for gradients being obtained by opening the throttle and so gaining more propeller power. The car has already been tried on the streets of Paris.

Possibly the more distant states might name members of the house or senate, who can reach the meeting, without travel or expense. The heads of the above named organizations are requested to name and notify representatives.

The time and place of this meeting are suggested to save time, vastly important in view of the option limit. We should not wait for the several reunions. Such a delay is not really necessary for permanent organization, which must precede the raising of the needed funds, which should be sufficient to pay for the land, build a home for museum, and begin the placing of monuments to mark some of the most historic spots."

FRENCH INVENT FLIVVER WITH AN AIR PROPELLER

PARIS, Feb. 22.—A light car which derives its motive power from an eight-horse power engine, driving a propeller, is the invention of Marcel Levat, a French airman.

The "Helica" is built with a streamline body, something like that of an aeroplane. Driver and one passenger sit side by side and are well sheltered from the draught of the propeller. The engine is an eight-horse power, two-cylinder, air-cooled, and enables the "Helica" to attain a speed of fifty miles per hour, while the gas consumption is well over seventy miles per gallon. The propeller, the diameter of which is less than that of the car, is protected by a framework so that careless people will not blunder into it when it is revolving.

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