

Volkamenia Literary Club Notes

By MRS. MANIE T. GEER
The Volkamenia Literary Club enjoys an exclusive distinction. It is alleged to be the oldest such club in the city of Durham. Due to the loss of its history, the date of origin was estimated to have been 1903. Founded by Dr. James E. Shepard, some of the charter members were the late Miss Hattie Jenkins, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald Dames and two lawyers Mr. Newsome and Mr. Rich.

Educators, business and other professional people make up its membership.

For years, one of the major aims of the Volkamenia Club was to inform or refresh its members through great literature. At its bi-monthly meeting various members of the club would review a scholarly

book such as Durant - The Story of Philosophy; Daniels - The man of Independence; Hordon - Religions of the World; Catton - A stillness at Appomattox, etc.

In more recent years, the emphasis of the club shifted to Black Literature. Black authors are invited to attend the club meetings and discuss their books, their poems or special interests.

The community work of the club is as follows: annual donations to the United Fund; YWCA - Harriett Tubman Branch; NAACP; John Avery Boys Club; the Braille Fund; the Committee on Negro Affairs and the NCC University Prize in English.

Mr. W. J. Kennedy Jr., the outgoing president, was succeeded by Mrs. Essel Dunlap.

Writers Forum

By George B. Russ

COME YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME --



MRS. ANNIE BRYANT

the new world. A week of giving thanks is better, however this is not enough.

History show various accounts of Thanksgiving. Congress recommended an annual Thanksgiving during the Revolution and a special Thanksgiving in 1784 for the return of peace.

Washington set aside a Thanksgiving Day in 1795 for the general welfare of the people.

Since 1863, we have followed, consistently, the last Thursday in November as a day of general Thanksgiving for personal and national blessings. All of the foregoing reasons for thanksgiving are noble, however, we should make Thanksgiving a daily function. Not only by words of mouth, but through kindly deeds, happy thoughts of ourselves and others. These will shine brightly in our eyes and smiles to assure a kindred soul that God dwells within. Also, our thanksgiving should brighten the way for those who have lost their way or feel that hope, in a world of despair, is not like the jack o'lanterns we often trail in the darkness.

Mrs. Annie Bryant is a shining example of one who makes every day a day of Thanksgiving. The lady is a handicap -- a cripple. And for 20 years, she was blind. Seven of these blind years were spent nursing her sick husband, Mr. George Bryant. Unable to hire professional services or depend on friends and neighbors, Mrs. Bryant did her nursing, laundry work, cooking and house-keeping. And the lady is a champion housekeeper. Her Ridgeway apartment is spotlessly clean; a place for every-

thing and everything in place. A miraculous thing happened to her shortly after the death of her husband. Her sight was restored through prayer and an operation. Her outlook on life is optimistic; she radiates cheer and good will; her laughter is soft and full of genuine mirth. There is a natural orderliness in all Mrs. Bryant does; the decorous manner in which she dresses; Bible Reading helping others. Turning the other cheek is her basic philosophy.

Mrs. Annie Bryant is a member of Union Baptist Church; a member of long standing -- since 1940. She is a member of the church's "Pastor's Aide Club."

To one and all, Writers Forum wishes for you a joyful, piteous, enthusiastic Thanksgiving Day.

Bulwer-Lytton -- English novelist wrote: "Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity."

NLHE Names New Planning Coordinator

D. Sanders Brenneman, a recent graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, has joined the staff of the National Laboratory for Higher Education (NLHE).

NLHE President Everett H. Hopkins said Brenneman, 24, will serve as coordinator of planning for the laboratory. Brenneman's responsibilities include corporate long-range planning and providing assistance to program divisions in

program planning.

A native of Morganton, Brenneman earned his B. A. in social science at Davidson (N. C.) College and his Master of Business Administration degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

In the summer of 1969, Brenneman served as a local government intern in Morganton. In 1970, he conducted a summer project to study the Broyhill Furniture Industries

upholstery distribution system and to make recommendations to management.

At Davidson, Brenneman received three varsity letters in football and won two awards recognizing academic achievement by an athlete.

Brenneman is married to the former Katharine Kimbrough of Columbus, Ga. The Brennemens live in the Colonial Apartments in Durham.

Russell Mem'l Notes Anniversary

Rev. L. H. Whelchel, Jr., pastor and congregation of Russell Memorial C. M. E. Church will celebrate their church anniversary on Sunday, November 21, 1971. This celebration will begin with the 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. Immediately after morning worship, the pastor and congregation will fellowship in the dining room for a church family dinner.

At 3:00 P.M., the Rev. W.

T. Bigelow and congregation from the Greater St. Paul Baptist Church will render service.

The evening worship service at 6:00 p.m. will be conducted by the Youth Church of Russell.

The public is cordially invited to share in this celebration.

Greece decrees tough press law.

Bayh quits race, cites wife's illness.

Have you ever watched the expression on the face of a happy person who has just exclaimed, "what do you plan to do for the Thanksgiving holiday?"

The lethargic reply is, "I'll just be thankful to be alive to see the day."

Now, we have two dour faces. Surely, just to be thankful to see the day is not enough. All the pleasures we enjoy are our finest expressions of thanks for life and home and inner peace and plenty.

Looking forward to an extra day of rest from our work-a-day toils (enslavements) and, big dinners with roast turkey, rich stuffings, sugary-buttery yams, vegetables seasoned with ham-hock: our favorite pies enriched with butter 'n spices 'n everything nice -- is wonderful. But an extra day of rest, plenty of good things to eat, cheerful friends to share the fruits of our labors gives us additional incentive for wanting to be numbered among the living; but, this is not yet enough.

The Pilgrim Fathers at Plymouth, in the year 1621, made a week of Thanksgiving. A week of feasting and worship as a sign of their appreciation of God's blessings in

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Jerry and Brenda Harris, boy; Jerold and Peggy McCaw, boy; Robert and Janice Harris, boy; Jerry and Marjorie Carden, boy; Robert and Jeannine Flynn, boy; James and Linda Brooks, girl; Ronald and Linda Baxter, boy; Robert and Beverly White, boy; Timothy and Deloris Smith, boy; Alex and Margaret Agerston, boy; Ray and Leonel De Berry, boy; Willie and Freda Andrews, boy; Joseph and Ernestine McDowell, girl.

Friendly Ladies Club Holds Meet With Mrs. Harris

The Friendly Ladies Club met Sunday, November 14 at the home of Mrs. Alder Harris, 1222 Fayetteville St. After the devotionals the meeting was opened for business. We were glad to have Mrs. Hastie Price back with us after being ill.

Members present were: Mesdames Viola Thompson, Elizabeth Edwards, Myrtle Taylor, Alder Harris, Hastie Price, Mary Hayes, Druella Richmond, Susie Dillahunt, Renee Rose, Carrie Sanders, Leora Dobson, Ruth Davis, Lillie Newkirk, Lina M. Sanders, Carrie Green, Gertrude Cannady, Eva Lyons, Mattie Tillman, Almata Hinton, Evangeline Page, Ella Crawford and Beatrice Dunlap. Guest was Miss Annie Crews and Little Miss Pamela Page.

A delicious repast was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Windell Bullock, 2307 Lincoln St.

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Terry Carden