

# CONCERNING MYERS PARK

"The Charm of the Country With the Conveniences of the City."

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### A Combination

"I like the country, but it is so inconvenient," we hear someone say, when comparing the relative desirability of a country and town home.

Living in the country is inconvenient for getting back and forth, for school, church, mail, deliveries and companionship of friends; and stormy weather often maroons a country home for days at a time.

The opposite extreme of conditions is the city where clanging cars and noisy horns and whistles disturb one's rest, where smoke fills the air and dust comes in every open window.

But such a place as Myers Park supplies the happy medium between the two, giving in reality "the charm of the country with the conveniences of the city." There you have wide views and smoke-free air, there you have quiet and trees and flowers and freedom from the rush and hurry of a city life. And there you have also paved streets and water, gas and electric lights, schools and quick deliveries, neighbors and other advantages of living in a well populated community.

How would you like "a country home on a city street?"

### On the Inside Looking Out

We were standing at the corner of Harvard Drive and Queen's Road East, a few days ago talking to a resident of Myers Park.

From where we stood we had a wide view of the surrounding country, and we looked all about us, at the distant city, at the white paving of Morehead Avenue, curving through the woods near to town, at Dilworth at the open country to the south and at the handsome houses just completed across the street from us.

"Do you like it here?" we asked, indicating with a gesture the whole panorama.

"Do I like it?" our companion replied. "Really, sometimes I feel sorry for people who do not live here."

### A Home

"I find an old deserted nest Half hidden in the underbrush, A withered leaf in phantom jest Has nestled in it, like a thrush With weary palpitating breast. An empty nest! It used to bear A happy burden when the breeze Of summer rocked it, and a pair Of merry tattlers told the trees What treasures they had hidden there."  
—Suburban Life.



### Reasons

Different persons have different reasons for wanting things.

A Charlotte resident told us the other day that she wanted to move to Myers Park because we gave a subscription to some home or gardening magazine, as a present.

What she really meant, though she may not have known it, was that the giving of this magazine was typical of the interest the Stephens Company takes in the welfare of the Myers Park people, and of their untiring efforts to make Myers Park the homestead that supplies all needs. And for these—she wants to move there.

### Another Feather in Her Cap

We congratulate the Grand Opera Music Festival Association on their success in procuring for Charlotte some of the finest artists in the world and an orchestra which alone would be worth the residents of other towns coming to hear. This marks another step towards making Charlotte, not only the leader in business lines, but the center of art and music for this section of the country.

The Festival Association has asked for the support of Charlotte people in this venture and in the strength of this support will be answered the question of whether Charlotte people recognize a good thing when they see it.

### AROUND THE PARK

#### Work Resumed

We can find the big trees we need, we can get the machines and the horses and the experts, but of course we cannot produce favorable weather; and the bad weather of the last ten days has made the tree-moving work almost impossible.

But with the return of sunshine and rise in temperature the work has been resumed and the long line of beautiful willow oaks on Selwyn Avenue is growing longer every day.

#### Have you noticed it?

#### Your Number

Or the number of your favorite lot in Myers Park may be found on the green triangle lot sign bearing in white figures, the number of the block and lot, as shown on the Myers Park maps. These maps may be found in our offices and in the offices of several real estate firms in the city, and we would be glad to give you, at any time, full information as to how you could buy your favorite lot and build there.

### OFFICE TALK

#### Put to Test

The ability of the Service Department to serve the people of Myers Park was demonstrated during the past week. A cold snap like the one we had finds many persons unprepared for it, and the telephone rang many times a day, bringing inquiries about stove wood and plumbers and coal and other problems arriving with the cold weather.

And the usual questions continued just the same—questions about planting grass and ploughing vegetable gardens and spraying fruit trees and ordering shrubs with red berries.

And we were in a position to find answers for all of them.

#### Due Recognition

The current issue of The Garden Magazine, among its club notes, schedules the meeting dates of the Garden Club of Myers Park with meetings of other Garden Clubs and Agricultural Associations all over the United States.

This proves that outsiders also recognize that The Garden Club of Myers Park ranks in importance with associations much larger and older than ours.

### The S. B. C.

This is an organization known as the Sidewalk Board of Censorship. We all belong to it and hold a meeting every time we go for a walk or ride.

We do not say in formal terms "This has my approval," or "I recommend that this opinion be adopted," or "Let us investigate further

into the whys and wherefores," but we mean these when we say, "I like the way they've fixed that yard," or "Don't you think that roof is a sight?" or "Why in the world do you suppose they put that house there?"

Did you ever wonder why we are all such ardent members of the Sidewalk Board of Censorship? It is because every one of us is deeply interested in homes, our own or that of someone else. If we have a home we can appreciate the fine points and attractions of other and enjoy comparing them with our own. And if we have not a home, we are even more interested in how other persons are building theirs; we put ourselves in the place of the builder and, in imagination, turn and twist and remodel the plan to suit our tastes and requirements. Consequently, few of the homes inspected from the sidewalk pass the Board of Censorship as most homes are built to fit an individual family.

Why not try to suit yourself with a home in Myers Park—a home bought, planned, built and developed according to your own ideas of what a home should be.

### HINTS FOR FEBRUARY GARDENING.



#### Be Ready

with beds, seeds, fertilizers, tools, plants, hot beds and cold frames for the Spring planting. Now is the time to order and prepare.

#### Transplant

Into permanent beds perennial poppies, digitalis, (fox glove) Canterbury bells or any other hardy plants that have come up from last year's seed.

#### Transplant

flags, or iris, now, if necessary.

#### Order Sweet Peas

and plant them this month, if you did not plant any seeds last fall.

#### Plant

coreopsis seed out of doors.

### OUT HERE



#### A Happy Medium.

"The city's too crowded, the country too far. Myers Park is between and reached by the car."

C. W. R.

## ECHOES FROM CLUBDOM

BY MRS. GORDON M. FINGER.

### Music Study Class.

Valentine Day will be marked by a meeting of the Music Study Class of the Woman's Club, with a special program of vocal and piano numbers. In addition to the instructive part of the course, Mrs. A. C. Orndorff, the chairman, also has provided an interesting musical game. The sessions last only one hour and are followed by afternoon tea in the Woman's Club, where the meetings are held. All members of the club are invited as well as music students of the city. The Rural Side of Home Economics Thursday.

The home economics department of the Woman's Club will hold its February meeting at the club Thursday, February 15. Mrs. Charles B. B. will act as hostess, transferring to a pleasant activity from her own residence, as originally planned, to the club's new quarters.

Some rural phases of home economics work will be considered "Professions for Women in the Home Economics Field" is the subject of a paper by Mrs. Gordon Finger. Miss Annie Lee Rankin, home department leader for Mecklenburg county, will be providing a demonstration of the breadless flaxseed and corn meal bread which is one of the most nutritious and healthful of all breads. Miss Rankin will also tell of the benefits of the flaxseed, which is a most convenient or as a means of economy. She will also tell of the first incumbent of her position in the club's office in this county. The meeting begins at 10:30 o'clock. Tickets are in over the Charlotte postoffice.

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The ladies of the county are rally invited to attend, especially members of those clubs visited or organized by the Charlotte Woman's Club. Mrs. Leon Smith, president of the Pineville Woman's Club, was the first county visitor since the club quarters were opened, and it is hoped many will follow her example and drop in when in the city, even if they do not come especially for that purpose.

Help the City Health Department. The most enthusiastic civics gathering of the year was a meeting of the clean-up committee at the club, Thursday morning. Mrs. W. H. Jass, president. There were present Chief Amos Cook, representing the city health department, Secretary Harris of the Chamber of Commerce, and Leslie Caraway, representing the Southern Public Utilities Company, in addition to the woman's committee. Mrs. T. W. Lingle, president of the federation, dropped in to help an arrangement.

The week of March 4-11 was set for a who's best campaign against dirt and unsightliness. Charlotte is said to be so clean that the March wind will miss the usual papers to pile in eddies of soiled ugliness. The people of Spring and flower wants to keep up unimpaired by resting and mending. The "lady" yards want to lose their lingering shade of being seen their marks of having been the forgotten stragglers of neglect and destruction. Write the city's best for a reportable sign.

The equipment of the city is very fine, a number of men and teams are inadequate for the clean-up work of a general clean-up and all persons will unite to aid the city in this work.

A committee called on Mr. Montgomery the day before yesterday at the Charlotte Railway, and the city committee in the business of the city.

The Boy Scouts are to again have a large share in the details of plans which the committee are now working out and in which the health department is co-operating and will bear a large share in the accomplishment.

Baby Week Campaign. The following self-explanatory communication has been received from Elizabeth Schwaberg, chairman of health of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs:

"The chairman of health in the

North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, wishes to call the attention of each club to the fact that from May 1 to 6, it is proposed to have a Nation-wide 'Baby Week Campaign.' See to it that each city and town of the State observes this week in some way. 'Baby Week' should be a community campaign. Let all the health forces combine in carrying out the plan.

"Write to the children's bureau at Washington, D. C. and you will get the help to carry out a successful campaign. If the date selected does not suit your community, change it, but do observe some time.

"Begin to plan now and get every one interested and at work. Get in line with the other States that are going to observe the campaign which has a twofold purpose: (1) To give the mothers and fathers the most important facts with regard to the care of the baby; (2) to bring home to the community a knowledge of the facts regarding the needless deaths of its babies and a realization of the ways in which it must protect them. A baby week should not be a temporary flurry and excitement, but should lead to permanent work for the babies.

"Infant mortality is the most sensitive index we possess of social welfare and sanitary administration. Aepros of co-operation and incidentally, of the General Federation of Council in New Orleans. Mrs. Robert R. Cotten, director for North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, writes: 'Dear Clubmembers: When the General Federation of Women's Clubs placed one woman from each State upon its board of directors, it hoped by so doing to draw the women of all the States nearer to the General Federation and to each other, and thus unify the women of the United States for more concerted action on all lines. I was given the honor of representing North Carolina women on that board of directors, and have given much thought as to how I can bring our women into closer touch with the National body. I have concluded that one of the best things I can do toward that end, is to get a number of North Carolina women to attend the Council of the General Federation, which will meet in New Orleans in April, 1917. If you will send me your name and address, I will send you a copy of the program and a list of the names of the other women who will be attending.

### BACKSLIDERS WILL BE HAULED BEFORE COURT

At Joint Meeting of Christian Endeavor Societies, Charges Will Be Preferred.

All Christian Endeavorers of the county of Mecklenburg have been ordered to come into a court which will be held in Westminster Presbyterian Church on Monday, February 12, or show cause why action should not be brought against them for malicious non-feasance.

Such is the proclamation issued by G. M. Beatty, president of the Charlotte Christian Endeavor Union. The occasion is the annual meeting of the union and the election of officers for the ensuing year. After the regular business meeting and the election of officers Judge T. D. Hall assisted by

### Wouldn't You Like to Get Rid of That Catarrh?



High Sheriff Montgomery, will take charge of the meeting and hold a mock trial for the pleasure and entertainment of all Christian Endeavorers of the city and surrounding churches. Others participating in the trial will be F. H. Redding, prosecuting attorney; R. E. Forbis, attorney for the defense, and Ed DeArmond, who stands charged with malicious non-feasance, and non-attendance, holding a responsible office in the Christian Endeavor Society. Elaborate preparations have been made and an enjoyable occasion is anticipated by the members of the various Christian Endeavor Societies and their friends.

The meeting will be held promptly at 7:45 and the mock trial will be held immediately after the business session.

### INTERCESSORY SERVICE WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

The Episcopal Churches of Charlotte will hold a joint service in St. Peter's Church this evening at 7:45 o'clock. This service will be under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliaries of all the Episcopal Churches, being the second of a series of intercessory services to be held during the year.

Rev. Robert White, of Haymarket, Va., will be the speaker at this service. Mr. White was a missionary of the Episcopal Church in the Philippine Islands for many years and has done work in the missionary field elsewhere.

The Episcopal clergymen of the other churches will take part in this service and the music will be furnished by the joint choir of St. Peter's, St. Martin's, and the Church of the Holy Comforter in Dilworth.

Mr. White will also be in Charlotte on Monday night at 8 o'clock in St. Peter's parish house, on his work in the Philippine Islands. This talk will be illustrated with lantern slides.

### They Looked Backward Then, Too.

(From The New York Tribune.) The files of the anti-Lincoln papers are not in our office. But it is a safe guess that dozens of editorials appeared between 1860 and 1865 on the effect that slave holding, which was good enough for Washington and Jefferson, ought to be good enough for their loyal followers.

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