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NEWTON.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Newton, Nov. 27.—The Thanksgiving meeting of the Thursday Book Club was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of the president, Mrs. G. A. Warlick. There was a full attendance of the members as well as quite a number of guests. The beautiful parlor of this hospitable home was banked with handsome potted plants, conspicuous among which was a fine lemon tree laden with golden fruit. The hostess gave a brief sketch of the life of George Barr McCutcheon, the author of "The Daughter of Anderson Crow," the book of the afternoon. Current topics were the subject of the day and many exhaustive items were read. The study of North Carolina called for State institutions and several papers were read on the University, Greensboro Normal, Jackson Training School and Hospital for the Insane. A delicious salad course was served during the afternoon by the genial hostess, assisted by her accomplished daughter, Mrs. W. H. Everhardt.

Wednesday afternoon the children of the Newton graded school gave a most excellent Thanksgiving entertainment in the auditorium of their school in the presence of a number of the parents and friends. The recitations were all of a high order and the singing was very good. At the close of the exercises many of the parents presented books to the school in order to increase the school library, and efforts will be made to have the books of the old Newton Library turned over to the school, as the association has been dissolved for several years.

NEWBERN.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Newbern, Nov. 27.—Mrs. L. A. Mahler, of Raleigh, has returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. E. K. Bishop.—Mrs. Richardson Henderson, of Salisbury, has returned to her home after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. S. M. Brinson, on Broad street.—Mr. G. N. Bennett is in Cedar Point, Carteret county, where he is spending a few days with his parents.—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Marchant are visiting relatives in Norfolk, Va.—Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hahn, formerly of Newbern, but now living in Winston-Salem, spent several days last week in the city visiting relatives.—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crockett, of Hampton, Va., are visiting their son, Mr. W. Crockett.—Miss Daisy Rogers, of Kingston, spent her week-end at Craven county, in her attending court this week.—Col. W. R. Rodman, of Charlotte, spent several days last week on professional business.—Miss Lida and Lizzie Rogers, of Newport, who are attending school here, spent Thanksgiving at their home.—Mrs. C. T.

Watson, Miss Ruth Watson and Miss Jeannette Hill accompanied them home and spent Thanksgiving in Newport.

On Wednesday morning at St. Paul's Roman Catholic church Miss Margaret McSorley became the bride of Mr. W. J. McE Bennett, Father Stapleton and Gallagher officiating. Miss Julia McSorley, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, while Mr. C. J. McCarthy was best man, and Miss Julia Swert presided at the organ. Mrs. McE Bennett is a Newbern girl and quite popular, while Mr. McE Bennett has been for four years superintendent of the city water and light plant, coming here from Fort Wayne, Ind.

WILMINGTON.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Wilmington, Nov. 27.—Miss Julia Worth was the charming hostess of a very delightful bridge party on Thursday evening of last week, given in honor of two of the visiting young ladies, Miss Madge Johnston, of Rock Hill, S. C., who is the attractive guest of Miss Isabel Smallbones, and Miss Alice Huske, of Washington, D. C., the popular visitor of Miss Marguerite Walker. At the conclusion of a most interesting game, delicious refreshments were served, to the guests who were: Miss Johnston, Miss Huske, Miss Isabel Smallbones, Miss Marguerite Walker, Miss Christine Stevenson, Miss Acha Hicks, Miss Thelma Cantrell, and Messrs. Tom and Richard Neaves, Mr. Raymond Hunt, Mr. Kapalle, Mr. Marion James, and Mr. John Murchison.

Miss Agnes McQueen delightedly entertained in honor of Miss Mary Ella Moore on Friday of last week at a luncheon, on which occasion all of the bridesmaids were present. Miss Moore has been the recipient of many pleasant attentions, which attest her popularity in the younger set, and it is needless to say that Miss McQueen, in her usual charming manner, graciously entertained her guests, and that a most delightful time was spent by all present.

Their many friends in this city were interested to learn that Mrs. George N. Harris, Mrs. Harry G. Lattimer, Jr., and infant son, Harry G. Lattimer, Jr., Jr., arrived during the past week from Auburn, N. Y. Mrs. Lattimer will spend some time in this city, where she will later be joined by her husband, who will also visit his old home.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Marburg and family, of Baltimore, are according them a most cordial welcome in this city, where they are the guests of Mrs. Marburg's mother.

By Mrs. Mett's guests, who were: Miss Mary Ella Moore, the guest of honor, and Miss Alice LeGrand, Miss Virginia Bailey, Miss Agnes McQueen, Miss Helen Strange, Miss Theo Cantwell and Miss Jessie Crosswell, of Fayetteville, all of whom were members of Miss Moore's bridal party, and also Miss Annie Hill Holmes, Miss Olive Quince, Miss Sarah Crosswell, Mrs. Dunning, of Newton, Mass., and Mrs. W. G. Pulliam.

Friends of Miss Janie Cronly will be interested to learn that she visited Richmond on Thanksgiving Day to witness the Carolina-Virginia football game, afterwards going to Hampton, Va., where she is the guest of relatives.

Miss Marguerite Holliday returned to the city on Tuesday last after an absence of more than two months spent in Fayetteville, Lillington, and other places, where she was the guest of relatives.

One of the most beautiful dances that has ever taken place in the history of the club, was the dance given by L'Agile Cotillon Club on Monday evening last, in honor of the Moore Mills bridal party. Many couples participated in the joys of the occasion, and a large number of spectators was the gallery. The music was furnished by Hollowbush's orchestra, and the program was led by Mr. Paul Cantwell, who for several years has been the leader of the club, and whose ability and grace has been many times proven. A large number of visitors were present, these being: Misses Katharine Winslow, Margaret Harris, New Jersey; Sue Anderson, Ocala, Fla.; Jessie Crosswell, Fayetteville; Alice Huske, Washington, D. C.; Rita Meares, Ridgeway, S. C.; Bena Critz, Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Laddson A. Mills, Greenville, S. C.; Mr. Otis P. Mills, Jr., Mr. J. S. Bailey, Mr. Perry Beatty, Mr. Claude D. Smith, Mr. W. C. Cleveland, of Greenville, S. C.; Mr. J. R. McNulty, Mr. Henry A. Johnston, of Norfolk, Va., and Mr. Arthur Laddson Mills, of Greenville, S. C. The patronesses were Mrs. John M. Walker, Mrs. Annie Northrop, Mrs. Thomas M. Green and Miss Belle Anderson.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. VanBensaler Choate King will be glad to learn that they have returned from their bridal tour, and are at home to their friends at 65 Market street.

The marriage of Miss Mary Ella Moore and Mr. Arthur Laddson Mills, of Greenville, S. C., on Tuesday evening last was the occasion of unusual interest to the hundreds of friends of the young couple, both of whom are prominent in the social life of the Carolinas. The marriage occurred at 8 o'clock at Grace Methodist Episcopal church, which had been most elaborately decorated by Mr. Will Rehder, the pastor, with a profusion of Southern maiden, ferns and cut flowers, the whole being illuminated by numerous candles set in order along the rear chancel rail and near the pulpit. The bridal party was preceded by two charming lit-

tle flower girls, Misses Emily Fairfax MacRae and Mary Latta Moore, gowned in pure white with sashes of green, and carrying little baskets of white carnations. These were followed by the groomsmen, then by the bridesmaids and the maid of honor, who immediately preceded the bride, accompanied by her brother, Mr. Roger Moore. The groom entered from the Sunday school room, accompanied by his brother, Mr. Otis Mills, joining the bride at the altar. The bridesmaids were Misses Bena Critz, of Winston-Salem, Miss Jessie Crosswell, of Fayetteville; Miss Katharine Winslow, of Hertford; Mrs. Laddson Mills, Greenville, S. C., and Misses Virginia Bailey, Helen Strange, Agnes McQueen, Theo Cantwell, of Wilmington. The groomsmen were: Messrs. Perry Beatty and Claude D. Smith, of Greenville; Henry Johnston, of Norfolk; Joel Bailey, of Greenwood, S. C.; Laddson Mills, of Greenville, S. C.; W. C. Cleveland, of Greenville; Markley Crosswell and Louis T. Moore, of Wilmington. The bride was beautifully gowned in white satin, and carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor wore a beautiful gown of white crepe de chine, made en train, and carried bride's roses, while the bridesmaids were becomingly attired in director's gowns of Nile green messaline, made en train, and carried large bouquets of white chrysanthemum.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. A. Smoot, and immediately after the wedding a brief reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Susan E. Moore, after which the young couple repaired to Union station, where they boarded the northbound train for a visit of several weeks. The out-of-town guests who were present to attend the wedding, aside from those who were in the bridal party, were the following: Capt. and Mrs. Otis P. Mills, of Greenville, S. C., parents of the groom; Mrs. J. A. Fore, of Charlotte, an aunt of the bride; Mrs. A. W. Dunning, of Newton, Mass., and Miss Annie Moore, of New York, sisters of the bride.

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With Mrs. J. B. Sherrill as hostess the Virginia Dare Book Club enjoyed a most delightful meeting last Friday. The afternoon was devoted to a study of the American Indian, and most interesting papers were read on "Indian Education," by Mrs. H. M. Propst, and "Indian Art," by Mrs. W. R. Harris. The magazine reviews which have proved so helpful, were led by Mrs. George H. Rutledge. At the close of the literary programme the hostess led the way into the dining room which, in its decorations, suggestive of Thanksgiving, was prettily and artistically in the center of the table was placed a huge pumpkin, with twelve lighted candles on it (each candle representing a member of the club) and surrounding the pumpkin were apples, turnips, corn, bananas and oranges most effectively grouped. A most elegant collation was served.

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Miss Jenn Coltrane spent Tuesday in Charlotte, the guest of Miss May Otis. She represented the American girls in the "Reveries of a Bachelor," which was given there Tuesday evening.

Mrs. R. S. Wheeler—Miss Zula and Erma Whitfield, Messrs. Charles Fox, Charles S. Stone, in Charlotte, last week.—Miss Cora Smoot spent Thanksgiving in Salisbury with her brother, Mr. W. B. Smoot.—Mrs. A. E. Lantz and daughter, Miss Margaret, of Salisbury, spent Thanksgiving in the city, guests of Mrs. C. L. Smith.

ASHEBORO.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Asheboro, Nov. 27.—The Randolph Book Club held its regular meeting with Mrs. J. D. Ross on Friday afternoon, November 26th. "American Humorists" was the subject for the afternoon and very interesting papers on Mark Twain, Bill Nye, Peter Dunne, (Mr. Dooley) and Dorothy Dix were read by Mrs. H. E. Moffitt and Mrs. W. H. Moring, the latter also reading a very interesting personal letter from Dorothy Dix. Mrs. E. E. Kiphart then read selections from the humorists, after which "current events" were generally discussed. The refreshments of fruit, salad, fruit cake, pound cake and stuffed dates seemed just a hint of approaching Thanksgiving, and reminded the guests also that Christmas was not far off. Mrs. A. A. Ross, Mrs. J. V. Hunt, Mrs. C. A. Wood and Miss Esther Ross were the guests of the club for the afternoon.

Friday evening Miss Florence Blair, assisted by her sisters, Misses Etta and Annie Blair, gave a most delightful reception to the members of the graded school faculty. On arriving the young men were given cards on which was written the name of a President of the United States and the young ladies those having the maiden names of the President's wives. In this way partners were found for a contest entitled, "Celebrated Synonyms." Nearly all of the guests found the correct answers, and in drawing for the prize Miss Erma Whitfield was the lucky one, winning a box of Hygiea candy.

A delicious salad course, with corn, salted almonds and mints was served. The members of the school faculty include Prof. O. V. Woosley, superintendent; Misses Laura Stimpson, Maggie Lee Erwin, Ione Cates, Daisy Osborne, Agnes Moring, and Clara Moffitt. Misses Nannie Bulla and Florence Blair have charge of the music class. Besides the members of the faculty present, the guests were Misses "LUGGISH LIVER A FOE TO AMBITION."

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May McAllister, Edith Moring and Erma Whitfield, Messrs. Charles Fox, Henry Robins, J. A. Spence, Fred Hendricks, E. C. Amman, L. L. Whitaker, R. C. Kelly, David Bullard and Dr. D. H. Lockhart.

Mrs. J. V. Hunter entertained the members of the graded school faculty at a "thimble party" at her home on Saturday afternoon, November 21st. Everyone had some work and a general good time was had. Professor Woosley came in late and being the only man present was naturally "the man of the hour." A delightful salad course was served.

Mrs. W. H. Moring gave an "old ladies' party" at her home on Fayetteville street Thursday afternoon in honor of her mother, Mrs. W. H. Moring, Sr. A few young ladies were there, but most of the guests were grandmothers, the guest of honor being in the 88th year. Hot chocolate and cake were served by the daughters of the house, Misses Agnes and Edith Moring, and then some old time songs were sung, the guests listening with the dear, but almost forgotten strains ringing in their ears and feeling that for a few hours at least they had renewed their youth.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal V. Worth entertained a few of their young friends at a six course dinner on Wednesday evening. The polished table was almost covered with beautiful lace pieces and in the centre was an immense pumpkin filled with fruits and flowers, typical of the season. Smaller pumpkins were also used in the decorations and the soft lights from many shaded candelabra made the table a perfect dream of beauty.

The guests were Misses May McAllister, Nannie Bulla, Laura Stimpson, Maggie Lee Erwin, Etta Blair, Esther Ross and Messrs. J. A. Spence, H. M. Robins, R. C. Kelly, O. V. Woosley, D. K. Lockhart, W. J. Armfield, Jr.

Misses Estlin Ross was hostess to "The Hamblers" on Thursday afternoon, November 26th. After the regular programme was over gaily score cards were distributed and the guests invited to play "forty-two." This game is always interesting and exciting to those who like to play, and the guests played with typical holiday zest. After the games were over and the prizes distributed to the fortunate ones, dainty lunch cloths were spread and delicious fruit, salad, "Margarites" and habich water served. Twilight was falling when the guests happily bade their hostess good bye, thanking her for a most delightful and a happy Thanksgiving day.

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