

SOCIETY:

First Baptist W. M. U. Holds Meeting

The general meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Willie Feits, and was one of the largest meetings for the year having around fifty present, which included several visitors. Mrs. C. A. Jenkins, the president, was in charge of the business part of the meeting, and the program was arranged by the Business Woman's circle, of which Miss Marie Brewster is chairman.

The topic, "Go Witness" was presented in a most interesting manner as follows: A group of colored people, who were visitors, gave a period of Praise Intercession, after which all joined in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"; Miss Marie Haigwood gave the devotionals, this being followed by a musical meditation given by Misses Lucille Casey and Mary Nichols, who also were visitors; the unbroken chain of witness was presented by Miss Elizabeth Jones; some links from the chain by Miss Lunda Hendren; America's call for witness by Mrs. S. B. Moore; and My Marching Orders by Misses Hallie Wagh, Lucille Casey, and Mary Nichols. The closing prayer was offered by Mrs. C. E. Jenkins.

Educational Seminar To Be Held Friday In Wilkesboro

Plans are going forward for the Educational Seminar of the Methodist Woman's Society of the Elk-In district which is to be held in the Wilkesboro Methodist church on Friday, September 17. The morning session, which is to convene at 9:30 o'clock will be composed of four discussion groups as follows: Missionary Education, Young Women and Girls Work, Spiritual Life, and Christian Social Relations and Church Activities.

A number of the district officers will appear on the program, and in the afternoon Mrs. J. W. Payne will review the fall mission study book. Mrs. Payne is from Cherryville and is conference secretary of Missionary Education. Mrs. A. C. Waggoner, of the North Wilkesboro church, will present the China Emergency Fund.

The hostess church will serve a plate lunch for forty cents at the noon hour.

Tea and Topics Club Met Friday Evening

The members of the Tea and Topics club met at the Red Cross Work room Friday evening and

'SUBMARINE ALERT' IS TENSE TALE



The manner in which Axis spy ring here used short wave diathermy equipment—hitherto employed in the treatment for certain ailments—to tip off hostile submarines on our shipping is shown in Paramount's "Submarine Alert", opening Monday and Tuesday at the Liberty Theatre. Scene above shows Wendy Barrie and Richard Arlen, film stars, intercepting a wave to be used later in curing the "ring worms".

spent sometime in making surgical dressings, after which they had a short social period. Light refreshments were enjoyed at the drug store, the hostesses being Mrs. W. E. Jones and Mrs. I. E. Pearson.

Rev. and Mrs. Crane Honored Friday at Reception

A lovely reception was held in the Education building of the Presbyterian church Friday evening honoring the pastor, Rev. Sidney D. Crane, and his bride, who before her marriage in Greenville on Tuesday, August 31, was Miss Mary Council Horne. The Cranes returned from their wedding trip on the day of the reception and will be at home at the Manse on E Street.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. McDermid greeted the guests at the front door of the building and receiving with the honored couple in the auditorium were the elders and deacons of the church with their wives, the superintendent of the Sunday School, Mr. Lewis Vickery, and Mrs. Vickery, and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Stout, Mr. Stout being president of the Men's Bible class.

A color scheme of green and white was emphasized throughout in the decorations, and in the ice cream, cakes, and mints that were served during the evening by a number of the young women of the church.

Around 125 were present to extend congratulations to the groom, and to meet and offer best wishes to the bride, who was lovely in her white wedding gown. At the close of the evening a gift was presented to Rev. and Mrs. Crane from the church.

Hackett Address Birthday Given

(Continued from page three) the true success of our civilization.

"Greece and Rome passed away, and there ensued that period of darkness and ignorance whose cheerless depths no ray of light could penetrate. Its revival came along with an outburst of human intelligence, which marked an epoch in human growth and a zeal to surpass the civilization of Greece and Rome. From that time to this it has continued to expand and become grander until the present world conflict. When this is ended, it is our earnest hope that we will have a civilization unsurpassed by any in the history of the world, and will continue in universal love and perfection. With the discoveries and inventions of the past few years, we have conclusive evidence that not only man, but no nation can live to itself alone. The wireless telegraphy, the telephone, the radio, and the airplane, and many other new devices of different designs make the world, as it were, one people, and modern rules of government will have to be established. These great inventions, if used to the needs of humanity, would have added much to the comfort and pleasures of life. Of these, the airplane, which had its first flight on the eastern shores of North Carolina, created probably the greatest wonder, yet fifty years before its invention, it was the prophecy of one of England's poets, who wrote: "For I dipped into the future, far as human eye could see, Saw the vision of the world, and all the wonder that would be; Saw the heavens fill with commerce, argosies of magic sails, Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales; Heard the Heavens fill with shouting, and there rained a ghastly dew From the nations' airy navies grappling in the central blue; Far along the world-wide whisper of the south wind rushing warm,

With the standards of the peoples plunging through the thunder-storm;

Till the war drums throbbed no longer, and the battle flags were furled

In the parliament of man, the federation of the world."

"War has been made more terrible by such instruments of destruction. They outnumber the great inventions of all the previous centuries within historic time. At the same time they have been the true secret of the success of our civilization, and mark an epoch in our human growth. By the divine law of evolution, our civilization, too, shall in turn be outstripped. Around any circle another can be drawn. Each end is a beginning, and must be superseded by a better. With civilization, as with the physical world, every night brings brightness into a new day. Nature may sleep, but will awake again, more radiant and beautiful.

"I have tried to touch here and yonder on a few of the historical events of the past, and show you that civilization is the greatest force we have. I come now to the purpose, the main object of our meeting,—the long, useful, and patriotic life of Jesse Elihu Luther, who saw the first light of day one hundred years ago today. The long life and remarkable versatility of Mr. Luther could easily supply matter for a volume, rather than my brief sketch. The great events of the hundred years have had their influence upon the mind and character of this interesting man. Let me begin one hundred years ago today, and call to your mind a few of the happenings of that time and since. In 1843, Tyler was President of the United States, and Graham was Governor of North Carolina. Our nation was about one-half century old. Postage stamps were not used on letters and other mail until four years later. If you wished to mail a letter, you paid the money to the postmaster. The postage rate was by the miles your letter had to go. Six cents for not more than thirty miles, ten cents for fifty miles, twelve and one-half cents from eighty to one hundred and fifty miles, eighteen and three-fourths cents from one hundred fifty to four hundred miles, twenty-five cents for over four hundred. People thought they were fortunate to receive mail once a week. I make references to the postal rates, not only to remind you of the advances made in our postal affairs, but also for the reason that the gentleman whom I am discussing, once was a mail carrier, and walked and carried the mail on his shoulder from Wilkesboro to Boone.

"At the time of his birth, there was less than one hundred miles of railroad in North Carolina, and there was not a paved street in any town in our state. County roads were mere trails. He inherited naught of worldly goods, but much of those greater riches that so rarely come down from parents of wealth, to their sons. He was much attached to this section where he has lived so long, and made it the object of his labors. He set his life at the outset upon a plane of honesty, and there it has remained in all events. When the call to arms came to the southland, he offered it all he had. Today he is a sacred remnant of that mighty host under whose march the earth trembled. Lee, Jackson, Hampton, Hoke, and Gordon have passed away. Today, he is our Lee, Jackson, Hampton, Hoke and Gordon. He has seen his country in dissolution and destruction. He stood alone in the midst of it all,—nothing daunted, composed, courageous and diligent. He did his day's work well. There was no malice in his heart. Three-quarters of a century later he looked back upon the great period of his commonwealth's rise from the ashes, with a pride and satisfaction that he had been some

factor in its recovery and rehabilitation. He is the most striking figure that travels our mountain highway, and walks alone and unbending, save when he is stopped by someone who asks for advice or kindness.

"He, who has seen all his generation pass into dust, has found solitude and comfort without courting it. He takes life like a philosopher, unafraid, clear-eyed and strong. He has been in the greatest tumultuous struggle, and has done his part. In his hundred years of life, he has lived under the following Presidents of the United States: Tyler, Polk, Taylor, Fillmore, Pierce, Buchanan, Lincoln, Johnson, Grant, Hayes, Garfield, Arthur, Cleveland, Harrison, McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, Hoover, Franklin Roosevelt

and under the following North Carolina Governors: Morehead, Graham, Manley, Reid, Bragg, Ellis, Clark, Vance, Jarvis, Scales, Fowler, Holt, Carr, Russell, Aycock, Glenn, Kitchener, Morrison, McLean, Gardner, Eshmeas, Hoey, Broughton. He served and endured the Civil War, saw the first World War through, and is deeply interested in our present struggle. He has lived to see North Carolina rise superior to insurmountable difficulties. He was a friend of the brilliant Carmichael family of Wilkes county, the Gordons and Stokes. The noble and heroic men of your time will not be forgotten, by the people, and never will be, as long as the rugged peaks of their mountains pierce the sky, and the waters of Tompkins Knob roll murmuring to the sea.

"The warm and glowing love clings around these dear old veterans who are aged to us, while the fears of the wives and children embalm the resting places of the dead."

"When the silent pillars, lone and gray, Claim kindred with their sacred clay, Their spirits wrapped the dusty mountains, Their memories sparkle o'er the fountains, The meaneast rill, the mightiest river, Roll mingling with their fame forever."

"Mr. Luther, it is the earnest hope of all, that your remaining days may be so filled with contentment that nothing but the smile of Heaven could add to its pleasure."

From where I sit...
by Joe Marsh

Sam Abernethy always said: "Curiosity may kill a cat—but I'm no cat." Which is Sam's way of saying that when he's curious about something he goes out and gets the facts.

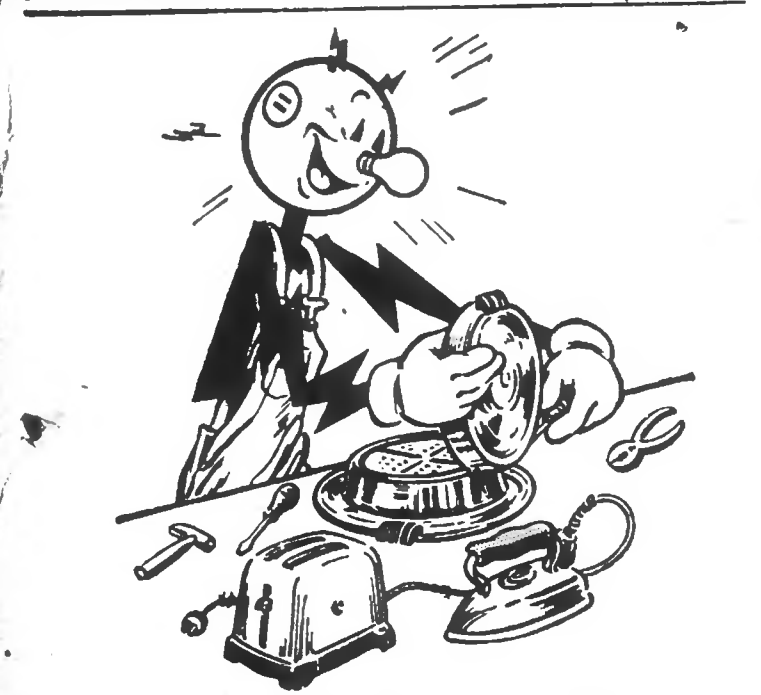
Seems our government feels the same way. After hearing rumors about our soldiers drinking too much—government people went after the facts. They got the evidence on what our boys drink... and don't drink.

The government found out our Army's the best behaved in history. More'n half of 'em drink beer—nothing stronger. And the government found that selling 3.2 beer in Army camps is one reason why our Army is so temperate.

From where I sit, there isn't much cause to worry about our men in the Army. Looks like they can take care o' themselves—and take care o' the Nazis and the Japs, too.

Joe Marsh

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