

Society and Personals

The Leap Year dance which the girls of the younger set have been arranging has been postponed until after Christmas and will probably take place some time in January after the return of the students to the city. The time is so short before Christmas that the examinations, etc., at the various schools would interfere seriously so the dance which promises to be a very delightful affair, is postponed for several weeks.

The Woman's club held its last meeting until after the holidays the first of the week, with an interesting program the subject of which was Savonarola. Mrs. Eugene B. Glenn was leader and the meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Robert S. Carroll. The program was as follows: Conditions in Florence and Italy at Time of Savonarola.

Savonarola's Conception of His Mission—His Weaknesses and Limitations. Savonarola as Compared with Savonarola's Effect upon His Age and the World.

The afternoon at the Country Club Mrs. Theodore F. Davidson will be the hostess and will serve tea to the members. The weather has not been especially sultry the past few days and if the grayness and drizzle persists this afternoon, the tennis courts and golf links will be deserted in favor of the tea table. The winter place tennis tournament for mixed doubles begins today. The drawing will be made for positions at half past four o'clock. The tournament will be of special interest and will continue for a number of weeks. There will be no golf tournament this afternoon.

Very shortly the round of Christmas tree parties will begin and already the children are sending out invitations to parties which will be given next week. The holly and mistletoe has never been more beautiful and full-berryed than this winter and the wagons filled with various greens stationed at various street corners, are a constant reminder that the most important holiday of the year is close at hand. The pretty custom followed in some of the northern countries might well be adopted in other climes, of digging up little cedar and pine trees by the roots, wrapping the earth clad roots in carpet and afterward planting the tree in the yard. Sometimes the children name the trees, giving them their own names or some favorite legendary character. In after years the large groves at the old homes hold a world of tender memories and are greatly cherished.

Bingham school will close December 21st and the cadets will return to their homes for Christmas, remaining away until January 4th when the school re-opens. The faculty of the school will also depart for their respective homes to spend the holidays several days later. The Asheville school closes Wednesday for a three weeks holiday and the large number of students will require several special Pullman cars to convey them to their various homes.

St. Genevieve's college will not have a public entertainment this Christmas, but instead will give for the students, a very pretty Christmas Tree party at the convent in Victoria. The party will be given Tuesday from six until nine o'clock in the evening. An immense cedar tree will be beautifully decorated with the usual glistening ornaments and illuminations and each of the students will receive a gift from its fragrant branches. The seniors and also the juniors have arranged plays which will be given with the usual careful attention to costuming and detail which have hitherto characterized the college dramatic performances. After the distribution of gifts Mother De Planck will have refreshments served. The seniors will remain for a dance which will enjoyably end the party. Wednesday afternoon the small children of the Hillside convent in town, will have their Christmas tree party. St. Genevieve's will close Wednesday for two weeks, and the majority of the girls will return to their homes for Christmas.

Mrs. R. F. Campbell will lead

the wicker service at the young Women's Christian Association tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. This will be a musical service devoted to study of the history of some well known hymns. Miss Elizabeth Ramsey will give readings from the hymns and there will be special music.

PERSONAL MENTION

Capt. and Mrs. J. A. Perry leave Tuesday for Rye, N. Y., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lambert leave next week for Wilmington, N. C., where they will spend the winter.

Miss Elsie Powers, who has been visiting friends in the city for several days, has returned to her home in Raleigh, N. C.

Mr. Haywood Parker leaves today for Dunedin, Fla., where he will spend Christmas with Mrs. Parker. Mrs. Parker and the children will remain in Florida until April.

Mr. Robert Bingham, Jr., of Bingham school leaves shortly for Louisville, Ky., where he will spend the holidays with his parents, Judge and Mrs. Robert Bingham, at the Gault House.

Mr. Norman McLeod, of Cleveland, O., has leased the George Lambert residence which his family will occupy until the spring.

Miss Ruth Martin, who has been spending several weeks in the city, has returned to her home in Chicago, for the holidays.

Mrs. Henry Garlick and her daughter, Miss Matilda Garlick, of Hyde Park, Chicago, Ill., are guests at Ravenscroft for the winter. Mr. Garlick is expected to spend Christmas with Mrs. Garlick and Miss Garlick.

Dr. S. Elizabeth Winter returns from Philadelphia, where she has been on business for several weeks, the first of next week.

Mr. Bruce Webb accompanied by a friend, Mr. Theodore Moore, of Miami, Fla., are expected home from Bell Buckle, Tenn., to spend the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Webb.

Miss Lillian Weaver, who has been visiting Miss Nan Roper in Petersburg, Va., for several weeks is at present with her sister, Mrs. Mortimer, at Lumberton, N. C., and will return to Asheville the first of next week.

Mr. Harold Seymour leaves today for Cleveland, O., and will be out of town several days on business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Waddell, Jr., who have been on a hunting trip near Greensboro, N. C., are expected to return to the city the first of the week.

Water Color Exhibit

Today at Battery Park WATER COLOR EXHIBIT. Loula Rowell the well known landscape painter will exhibit his water colors of Western North Carolina scenery at the Battery Park hotel this morning from 10 to 12:30. Mr. Rowell has spent more than twelve years painting in this section and his pictures are wonderfully truthful in color and atmosphere. There is great demand for his water colors at this season, as they make charming and tasteful Xmas gifts.

Lots of New Shoes just opened at Redwood's, the makes of topnotchers who know style thoroughly.

IDOL OF PREHISTORICS

In excavating at Preston, Kansas, an image of what appeared to be a god or idol of some prehistoric race was dug up at a depth of seventeen feet below the surface of the ground in clay soil which has apparently not been disturbed for ages. Numerous fragments of the peculiar plaster-like material of which the image is made were found scattered through the soil.

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RATTLER CAUSED MUCH EXCITEMENT

Man Who Caught in Nearby Mountains Unable to Enjoy Other People's Company.

As the sheds surrounding the Southern passenger station yesterday afternoon shielded large crowds of passengers on incoming trains, one man carried a little box under his arm, which served to make him conspicuous. He was just an ordinary looking creature but those who happened to glance at the box were seen to quietly let him go his way alone. The box was not as large as an ordinary shoe box and was covered with close woven wire. In it there was coiled a large rattlesnake, which had every appearance of being in good health and the rattlers on the reptile shook rapidly. The man who carried the pet stated that he had captured him in the mountains around this section and offered to sell him cheap. There were few bids, however, those who were around the place having shown no desire to possess a pet snake.

The owner of the snake was referred to the colored porters of the various hotels of the city and was told that one of them had expressed a desire to get a nice snake. That man was not to be found, however, and when the snake charmer showed his "wares" to the porters, the fact that they were supposed to attract hotel guests was forgotten by them. They implored the snake-owner to leave the snake. He did so and carried the snake with him.

WATCHES FOUND MAY HAVE BEEN STOLEN

Twenty-Nine Rust-Eaten Time Pieces Found in Culvert on Pearson's Drive.

In the discovery of twenty-nine rust-eaten watches in a culvert on Pearson drive by a force of hands it is believed that a ray of light was shed upon the robbery of M. W. Noblitt's jewelry store on South Main street more than a year ago, when about thirty-five watches were stolen. Mr. Noblitt stated yesterday that he had identified some of the watches as the ones taken from his store. He has one in his shop that came to him a short while ago and from this he hopes to discover the person or persons making the robbery. Captain C. N. Lominac, who was present at the time of the discovery, is inclined to the view that the robber hid the watches in the culvert and was afraid to return for them.

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SUIT FOR FOUR MULES

Joseph B. Chambers has instituted suit against W. A. Cole for four mules. In claim and delivery proceedings, T. Hardy Chambers, agent for the plaintiff, filed an affidavit with the clerk of superior court setting forth that four mules were conveyed to the plaintiff in a chattel mortgage executed by the defendant over a year ago. Sheriff C. F. Williams was ordered to take the mules and deliver them to the plaintiff, whereupon the defendant furnished bond in the sum of \$800 in order to contest the matter.

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TWO SEIZURES

Revenue Agent R. B. Sams, in receipt of the report of the seizure of two large illicit distilleries in Floyd county, Va., by Deputy Collector Ashworth and Special Employee Pritchard. The report stated that three men were arrested and seventy-seven gallons of illicit distilled whiskey were seized. Both plants were unusually large.

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