

Society News and Club Activities

STUDY OF ARCHEOLOGY AT CLUB MEETING

An interesting study of archeology on the topic "Recent discoveries by excavation," was presented by Mrs. J. M. Gaines at the regular meeting of the MathatAsian club held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. B. Jones. The discussion included an account of recent excavation discoveries and a study of the relics of the earlier races of mankind.

Routine and other business matters were in charge of the president, Mrs. Pat Kimzey.

Following refreshments served by the hostess, the club adjourned until the next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Julian Glazener, with Mrs. Ernest Tilson as program leader.

FORTNIGHTLY CLUB IN INTERESTING MEETING

The fortnightly meeting of the Fortnightly club was held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. E. Waters, with all members but one present.

Included in the business transactions, in charge of the president, Mrs. Cordia King, was decision of the club to join the Penny Art Fund, by contributing a penny a year from each member for the promotion of art in the state.

A program of unusual interest and information was led by Mrs. Frank Osborne on the subject of a study of Italy, its resources, natural scenery and description of several of the principal cities and resorts in Italy. The discussion was one of a series of studies in world travels the club is engaging in this year.

Refreshments served at conclusion of the program concluded the afternoon's meeting until the next fortnightly meeting, February 8, at the home of Mrs. J. C. Wike.

BIRTH OF DAUGHTER IN PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Whitmire, of Rixford, Pennsylvania, announce the birth of a daughter, Ruth Laverne, on Sunday, January 21st at the West Side hospital. The young lady was named for the sisters of Mr. and Mrs. Whitmire.

Mr. Whitmire will be remembered here as the second son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whitmire, of the Cherryfield section.

FISH FRY IS ENJOYABLE EVENT

A highly enjoyable social event of the week was the fish fry given by members of the Eastern Star Thursday night at the home of one of the members, Mrs. W. W. Pruette.

The husbands of the members were specially invited guests, all reporting a delightful evening partaking of the fish and other good things to eat and in playing various games during the evening. About 30 members and guests enjoyed the pleasures of the occasion.

U. D. C. WILL MEET SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Regular meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held Saturday afternoon at the library at 3:30 o'clock.

All members are requested to be present Saturday of this week.

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CIVIC CLUB TO MEET MONDAY AFTERNOON

February meeting of the Women's Civic club will be held Monday afternoon at the library, at 3:30 o'clock.

American Citizenship committee will have charge of the program, which promises to be both interesting and informative. All club members and any prospective members are urgently requested to attend this meeting next Monday afternoon.

CHILDREN CONFEDERACY MEETING SATURDAY

A re-organization meeting of the Children of the Confederacy was held Saturday afternoon at the U. D. C. library, with the leader, Miss Annie Jean Gash, in charge.

An interesting program on Lee, Jackson and Maury was presented. It was decided to postpone the election of officers until the next meeting, which will be held on Saturday afternoon, February 10, at the home of Mrs. J. M. Allison.

Ice cream was served the children at conclusion of the meeting.

WEDDING OF INTEREST OCCURS ON MONDAY

A wedding of interest in this community and elsewhere was that of Monday afternoon, January 29, when Mrs. Willie Fae Baker, of Brevard, became the bride of Mr. Samuel Price Faulkner, of Florence, S. C., and Akron, Ohio. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Alvin Rockwood, on Probert street in the presence of members of the family. The Rev. J. H. West, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, officiated.

Mrs. Faulkner is the daughter of Mr. J. C. King, of Brevard. She formerly resided in Florence, S. C., but for the past several years has made her home in Brevard.

Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner left immediately after the ceremony for a short honeymoon trip in northern points, after which they will make their home in Akron, Ohio.

CORN-HOG CONTRACT ON BUSINESS BASIS

The corn-hog adjustment contract may be regarded as a simple business deal between the farm and the Secretary of Agriculture, it is pointed out by W. W. Shay, swine extension specialist at State College.

The contracting producer agrees under the contract to make a definite reduction for 1934 of 20 percent in his corn acreage and twenty-five percent in his hog production for market. He also agrees to abide by other sections of the contract, such as regulation of the use of contracted acres.

The Secretary of Agriculture is obligated under the contract to make certain payments to the producer for fulfilling the contract terms. For each acre of land offered by producers and accepted for contract, the Secretary will pay in one or more installments a total of 30 cents per bushel on the estimated yield of corn from the contracted acres. The Secretary obligates himself to pay 15 cents per bushel more, less the producer's pro rata share of local administrative expenses, on or after November 15, 1934, upon such proof of compliance with the contract as may be required.

The Secretary also agrees under the contract to pay the producer a total of \$5 per head on 75 percent of the annual average number of hogs produced for market by the producer from 1932 and 1933.

Of this amount, \$2 will be paid as soon as practicable after the contract is accepted. The remainder, less the producer's pro rata share of local administrative expenses, will be paid in two installments, the first on or about November 15, 1934, and the final payment on or about February 1, 1935.

A premium on hogs and a rental payment for corn land taken out of production in 1934 is offered North Carolina farmers along with those of the middle west.

"I would suggest that farmers of North Carolina who are growing either corn or hogs for commercial purpose to make plans to sign a corn hog reduction contract, especially where they are also signing either the tobacco or cotton contracts for 1934," says W. W. Shay, swine extension specialist at State College. "The Agricultural Adjustment Administration is attempting to reduce the production of corn and hogs with the view of increasing the prices of the two commodities. Therefore the AAA will pay rent for corn land according to its fertility and will pay a premium on hogs if the growers will reduce the number of pigs farrowed and sold."

Shay offers to give any corn-hog farmer definite information about how the plan is to be worked if the matter is taken up with him early enough for the movement to get started in this State.

To obtain benefits under the corn plan, for instance, Shay says the grower must agree to reduce his corn acreage by 20 percent under the average of 1932 and 1933. He may then collect at the rate of 30 cents a bushel for the corn which this rented land was capable of producing. Thus, if a man grew an average of 100 acres of corn in 1932 and 1933 and reduced this amount to 80 in 1934, he may collect a rental payment for the 20 acres on the basis of what the land had produced. If the land had produced 40 bushels to the acre, the rental for the 20 acres would amount to \$240—a very good rental

NEW BATTLESHIPS CALLED FOR IN BILL

Airplanes Will Be Added To Defense Forces of the United States

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The house voted today a naval strength which far surpassed the cold statistics of the bill.

It debated, passed and sent to the senate the Vinson treaty navy bill calling for 102 new fighting ships to bring the numerical strength of the United States navy up to 240 ships by 1939, but behind these statistics was a fighting strength vastly augmented by the improvement in warfare design since the days of 1919.

Tremendous cruising range, high speed, longer, more accurate range, deadly gunfire and keener mechanical eyes of scouting units have been designed for the navy since the World war ended and naval treaties trimmed fleets.

Numerically, the number of fighting ships when the navy reaches its treaty strength will be less than half that of the navy in the fall of 1919, 240 compared with 559 ships then listed as "fit for service." The increase in effectiveness is another story.

Navy officials decline for obvious reasons to discuss the speed and cruising range of the new ships, either on the ways or to be put there under the Vinson treaty measure. Generally, it is understood, the speed has been increased in a proportion less than that of the cruising range. The substitution of oil for coal as fuel is the answer for the increased cruising radius.

In this broadened cruising range of United States ships is found a partial answer to one of the naval strategy problems—lack of naval bases except in the remote Pacific.

The new ships have "blister" hull construction, double hulls with oil to take up the concussion of underwater explosions that ordinarily crumple plates.

In the air, the treaty navy will

with augment its offense and defense, build a third aircraft carrier to float a new swarm of planes and on the defensive side, equip itself with anti-aircraft large caliber and machine guns of new design and highly improved accuracy.

The two aircraft carriers now possessed by the navy are the remains of one of the naval men's pet types of fighting ships.

The United States possessed, either under construction or in operation, a half dozen of these ships at the close of the war. The Washington naval treaty sent four battle cruisers to the scrap heap; two were saved for conversion into the present carriers Lexington and Saratoga.

The battle cruisers, a hybrid craft, had the strength of a battle ship and the fleetness of a cruiser. More than ten years ago these 43,500-ton fighters developed better than 33 knots an hour and speed has been boosted since. The treaty navy bill provides for no battle cruisers.

The 1919 figures for naval strength included several types of vessels in addition to battle ships and battle cruisers—capital ships—which were not included in the proposed Vinson treaty navy, subchasers, patrol vessels and gunboats. Many of the original craft, however, are still in operation.

The 1,184 airplanes the Vinson bill would add to the fleet would be radically different craft from those that spotted the enemy and on occasions attacked his ships in World war days. The regular equipment of the larger fighting ships with one or more planes for scouting purposes has come into general naval usage by the navies of the world since that time.

Don't pay too much for your money.

Ellerbe Springs has been purchased as a community center for Richmond County. The springs feed into a five-acre lake, says the farm agent.

Alert farmers are demanding that dolomitic limestone be used in their fertilizer this spring in lieu of inert sand and other filler, according to recent reports.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

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