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Local and Personal

Miss Dorothy Kennedy spent yesterday in Newton.

Mrs. G. C. Keckott of Statesville is a Hickory visitor today.

Mrs. M. A. Best and Mrs. Roy Emms spent yesterday in Newton.

Mrs. D. J. Sox of Mortimer is spending several days in the city with friends.

Mrs. C. M. Campbell of Charlotte is the guest of her sister, Mrs. V. D. Brown.

The Knights of Pythias will meet tonight at 7:30 for work in the first bank. All members urged to attend.

Mr. W. B. Dove, secretary of state for South Carolina, spent last night with his sister, Mrs. W. R. Weaver.

Mrs. R. L. Staley of Spencer arrived in the city this morning to spend the week end with Mrs. Carrie Gamble.

Mr. L. G. Branch who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is out again, his friends are glad to note.

Mrs. Frank Henderson will entertain the Philathae class Friday evening at 7:30 at her home on Thirteenth avenue.

Mr. W. L. Mitchell will be at Grimes drug store tomorrow and Saturday for the purpose of registering voters.

Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark and children left yesterday on a motor trip to the mountains in Avery county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Busby have returned from their wedding trip and are stopping at the home of Mr. Busby's mother, Mrs. Laura Busby on Twelfth street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bowles went to Statesville yesterday to visit relatives. Mr. Bowles returned in the afternoon but Mrs. Bowles will remain over for a longer visit.

Mrs. Edgar Yoder will entertain this evening with a dinner party in honor of Mrs. Carrie Gamble's house-guests, Mrs. Felix Franklin Smith of Melrose and Mrs. R. L. Staley of Spencer.

Rev. W. W. Rowe went to Maiden this afternoon where he will preach tonight in Memorial Reformed church. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Keom is having services this week assisted by different ministers.

Mrs. W. B. Ramsay and Mrs. E. M. Craig are attending a meeting of the Presbyterian Synodical of North Carolina which is in session at Concord. Mrs. Ramsay is rounding out her fifth year as president of the synodical.

With Miss Springs  
The Virginia Dare Book Club held its regular meeting with Miss Virginia Springs Wednesday afternoon. Ten members answered roll-call with an interesting list of current events.

Following the roll call the hosts read an interesting paper on the life of Francis George, author of "The Only Nigger." A pleasant hour of conversation was enjoyed, then the hosts, assisted by little Miss Betty Bass, served a dainty ice course. Miss Elizabeth Wolf will have the next meeting October 27.

Mrs. Allen Hostess  
Mrs. J. F. Allen was hostess yesterday afternoon to the Round Dozen Book Club. Eleven members were present and two visitors, Mrs. M. K. Sombier and Harrisburg, Pa., and Mrs. Wm. Cox, were given a cordial welcome.

Quotations from books just read were given at roll call. The book for the afternoon was "The Prairie Mother," by Arthur Stringer and the hostess gave an interesting sketch of his life. Discussions and criticisms of the book were given followed by the reading of a clever magazine story, "These Most Commoned." While current events were being discussed a delicious salad course was served by the hostess, assisted by Miss Mary Polk Wooten. The next meeting will be held on October 27 with Mr. W. B. Council.

With Mrs. Abernethy  
The Cosmos Book Club met yesterday afternoon with the president Mrs. F. A. Abernethy, with nine members present. The hostess' book "A Poor Wise Man," by Mary Roberts Reinhardt, was discussed and an interesting sketch of the author was given by Mrs. Ralph Abernethy. Mrs.

George read a clever magazine story "Mary Allison's Emancipation," by Lucy S. Farnum and after current events the guests were invited into the dining room where a lovely three course luncheon.

Mrs. N. W. Bass and Mrs. Walter Taylor, two new members, were cordially welcomed into the club. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. C. J. Beck on November 3.

The book selected for the year are "A Poor Wise Man" by Mary Roberts Reinhardt, "The Ton of the World" by Ethel M. Dell, "Kinship of the Dust" by Peter B. Kyne, "The Great Impersonation" E. Phillip Oppenheim, "The Valley of Silent Men" by James Oliver Curwood, "Festive Days Home" by John Fox, "Tired of France" by Basil Elmer and "The Master Men" by Hal Cain.

ABSENTEE VOTER'S LAW HELD VALID

The North Carolina supreme court in Raleigh in an opinion handed down upheld the validity of the absentee voter's law and silenced for all time the legal objections to the act. Justice Brown wrote the opinion for the court. Chief Justice Walter Clark also writes a concurring opinion in the case which came up from Wake county superior court on appeal of J. J. Jenkins, Republican candidate for state treasurer, who sought injunction proceedings to restrain the state board of elections, the state auditor and treasurer from printing and distributing the ballots. Justice Brown interprets the constitution as to the matter of secret ballots as entirely a matter of option with the voter. The ballot may be cast by the person voting or may be deposited in the box by officials holding the election, purely within the discretion of the voter.

Attention is called by the chief justice to the existence in a number of states of a similar law which permits voting by mail and nothing is found in the North Carolina law as overriding the constitution. No conflict is seen by Chief Justice Clark in the two expressions "in which he offers to vote" and "every person offering to vote," which served with the secret ballot contention as basis for the suit.

The framers of the state constitution in 1875 probably had in mind an absentee voting law in operation at that time in other states, the chief justice thinks, and the opinion makes the point that if the framers had in mind the thought to reflect in the election the expression of the majority, the absentee voters law is necessary.

THE BOYS APPRECIATION

Oteen, Oct. 1920  
Mrs. K. C. Menzies, Hickory, N. C., Dear Madam—Ward I-3 has once more been remembered by the patriotic ladies of Hickory, and cakes, chicken, biscuits and other delicacies were received by us the other day through our head nurse, Miss Donnelly. You may be assured that we appreciated and enjoyed all those things a great deal and, representing all my comrades of Ward I-3, I wish to thank you heartily for your good thoughts.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO OTEEN

The following contributions were sent to Oteen Ward I No. 5 through Mrs. Geo. Yoder's Unit Hickory canteen, in September:  
Mrs. J. M. Alfred, candy; Mrs. Geo. Bailey, candy; Mrs. Lov Bolick, \$1; Mrs. A. A. Shufford, \$2; Mrs. Geo. Gray, candy; Mrs. W. L. Mitchell, cake; Mrs. Geo. Yoder, cake; Mr. J. E. Barb, chicken; Mrs. J. W. Shufford, chicken; Miss Mary Rosebrough, \$1; Mrs. H. C. Menzies, 2 chickens and biscuits; Mrs. C. H. Gettner, cake and flowers; Mrs. L. E. Fields, cake; Mrs. K. C. Menzies, 3 chickens and biscuits; Whitener and Martin, candy; Mrs. W. L. Abernethy, chicken; Miss Ellen Stuart Menzies, candy; Mrs. C. L. Robertson, chicken; Mrs. G. H. Gettner, cake; Mrs. Jox, 50c; Mrs. J. L. Miller, \$1.

Another nice box sent to Ward I No. 5 and one to I No. 3, September 30. Those contributing to these boxes were:

Mrs. G. H. Gettner, cake and fried chicken; Mrs. G. N. Hutton, cake and flowers; Mrs. Della Bumgarner, candy; Mrs. R. H. Thomason, cake; Mrs. C. C. Best, chess pies; Miss M. F. Gettner, a ham; Mrs. W. L. Abernethy, \$2; Mrs. Charles Gettner, chicken, candy, cookies and flowers; Mrs. B. M. Bumgarner, \$1; Mrs. Geo. Barber, candy; Mrs. K. C. Menzies, cake and rolls; Mrs. Charles Menzies, cake and biscuits; Yoder and Clark, boxes; Whitener and Martin, boxes; Miss Mary Allen, cake; Miss Effie Morrison, scrap books; Mr. C. Ellington, waxed paper; Miss Frances Fields, \$1 and candy.

Every few days we receive words of appreciation from some of the boys, for all nice things that Hickory has been doing for them. We wish also to express our thanks to the Record for its efforts, through the paper, to help us secure these delicacies for our boys.

The Ladies of the Unit.

NEGRO LAWYER WILL OPPOSE CARTER GLASS

Rosnoke, Va., Oct. 14—J. R. Pollard, a negro lawyer of Richmond, will oppose Senator Carter Glass for the United States senate in the November election, having duly filed the necessary papers so that his name will appear on the official ballot, it was learned here. It is understood there are negro candidates in the first, second, third and fourth congressional districts, who will meet the race with Pollard as "lily black" Republicans, in opposition to the "lily white" faction of the party in Virginia.

Mrs. G. W. Payne and daughters, Margaret and Evelyn, are spending the week end in Charlotte.

BIG CROWD HEARS COX AT CATAWBA

Col. Albert L. Cox of Raleigh spoke to a large audience of men and women voters in the school house at Catawba last night. The building was crowded to capacity, the halls and aisles being filled and many men being unable to find standing room. The speaker was presented by Mr. J. L. Murphy of Hickory after Mr. Walter Speer had opened the meeting.

Colonel Cox explained revaluation and the league of nations and told his audience, amid frequent applause, why these measures were essential to the welfare and progress of the people of Catawba county. He found agreement with his position and received many compliments on his speech.

A Record reporter talked with several citizens of Catawba last night and found them interested in revaluation, education and roads. They were especially anxious to have a fine graded and high school at Catawba and it is expected that steps will be taken to secure a building in keeping with the importance and progressiveness of this fine little town.

Mr. L. E. Abernethy carried the speaking party from Hickory to Catawba. Colonel Cox was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Shufford, who had left today for Aconetown, where he spoke this afternoon. He will speak at Marion tonight.

JUDGE BELL DECLINES THE ROLE OF SOLOMON

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 14.—State Senator W. J. Williams left Montgomery for Aniston, where he will make such investigation of the matter of cotton gins of that county as will be possible, and attend a mass meeting of citizens, which is slated for Wednesday night at Aniston.

Mr. Williams, who has been on a tour of inspection in Cullman and Morgan counties following night riders activities in various sections thereof, brought back visible evidence of the warnings that are being posted on gins and other property in the state of one of the placards, which reads: "Do not operate this gin until cotton goes to forty cents per pound."

No additional reports of activities of persons threatening the property of gin owners in Alabama had reached Montgomery early today.

Miss Grace Seabach left this afternoon for Gastonia to visit her sister, Mrs. James Estridge, going down especially to have her tonsils removed.

The burning of the Bismark looks like a sequel to Steam Flow.—Boston Transcript.

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