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## GEORGE E. BISANAR

### Local and Personal

Mrs. R. H. Yoder of Winston-Salem was a visitor in the city today.

Mrs. D. L. Russell and Mr. Glenn Russell spent yesterday in Gastonia.

The Hickory public schools will close Friday afternoon for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Lizzie Kate Foard spent Sunday at the home of her father, Dr. E. T. Foard, near the city.

Mrs. L. V. Sellers left this morning for Cheraw, S. C., to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Funderburk.

Mr. H. P. Williams returned today from Ninety Six, S. C., where he spent several days with relatives.

The condition of Mr. Daniel Keyser, who has been critically ill for several weeks, was somewhat worse today.

Misses Lucile Scarboro, Naomi Trent and Lucy Poindexter, and Mrs. R. A. Grimes were Charlotte visitors Saturday.

Miss Louise Jones of Salisbury spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Jones, on Fifteenth street.

Mrs. M. M. Graham has arrived in the city from Lancaster, Pa., to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Abernethy.

Mrs. C. A. Logan of Springfield, Ill., who has been visiting relatives here went to Columbia, S. C. to visit before returning home.

Mrs. B. F. Campbell, who has been in the city for a week visiting relatives left yesterday morning for her home in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Sluder of South Carolina are spending several months in the city, stopping with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Deitz on Fourteenth street.

Mr. M. L. Goodman of Mississippi is spending some time in the city visiting relatives. This is Mr. Goodman's first visit back in fifteen years.

Mrs. W. N. Martin and Miss Nancy Lang Martin have returned from Greenville, S. C., where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lang for several days.

Miss Grace Patrick left this morning for Montreal, Canada, to visit Mrs. Kennon Smith. Enroute home Miss Patrick will stop over in New York and Washington to visit friends.

Mr. W. C. White, principal of the West Hickory graded school, left today for Asheville, where he will spend some time resting. His physician advised him to quit teaching for a few weeks because of nervousness, but Mr. White expects to be back after the holidays. In the meantime the school will be conducted until his return.

#### Mrs. Shuford Entertains

One of the most enjoyable social events of the past week was given Friday afternoon by Mrs. A. A. Shuford, Jr., when she entertained at 6 tables of bridge. The prize for the highest score, a bowl of blossoming narcissus, was won by Mrs. Alex Hall and Mrs. S. H. Farabee drew the consolation, a mahogany candlestick. At the conclusion of the game a beautiful two course luncheon was served.

Those playing were Mesdames Geo. N. Hutton, W. N. Martin, T. C. Blackburn, T. A. Mott, E. B. Menzies, S. H. Farabee, Hazel Aiken, O. H. Hester, Roy Abernethy, F. A. Henderson, R. G. Henry, R. A. Grimes, W. T. Blalock, Geo. C. Yoder, Geo. L. Lively, H. D. Abernethy, I. B. Ingold, E. B. Cline, F. A. Abernethy, B. B. Blackwelder, Alex Hall, Misses Margaret Taylor and Underhill. Guests not playing were Mrs. R. E. Martin, Mrs. James C. Shuford and Miss Virginia Sellers.

#### RECEPTION POSTPONED

The reception to have been given at the home of Mrs. W. L. Abernethy tomorrow by the Woman's Missionary Society for Mrs. C. S. Kirkpatrick has been postponed until further notice because of a death in the congregation of the Fifth Methodist church.

#### AUXILIARY MEETS

The Girls' Auxiliary of the First Baptist church met Friday afternoon with the leader, Mrs. A. F. Wagner at her home on Twelfth avenue with eight members present. The subject for study was "China" and several interesting papers were read. At the close of the program the hostess assisted by her little daughter, Barbara Reuter, served an ice course.

#### YOUNG-SIGMON

Newton, Dec. 13.—Carmie Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Young, of this city, and Miss Mary Sigmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Sigmon, who live near this city, were united in marriage last night at 8 o'clock at the home of Rev. W. J. Boger, pastor of St. James Lutheran church, Mr. Boger performing the ceremony in the presence of only a few intimate friends of the contracting parties.

Mr. Young is a member of the firm of W. H. Young and Sons, who do a general mercantile business, and is a splendid young man. His bride has held a position with the firm for several years and is an attractive and popular young lady.

After the wedding the newly married couple motored to the home of the bride's parents where they will reside.

### SEITZ-PUNCH

Mr. Cromer Seitz and Miss Iva Punch of Newton route 4 were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Punch, Friday evening at 4:30 o'clock with a host of their best friends in attendance. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Fink of Rutherford College.

#### WITH MISS RUSSELL

The Senior Luther League of Holy Trinity Lutheran church was entertained at an enjoyable business and social meeting Friday night at the home of Miss Elizabeth Russell. About 10 members and visitors were present.

A business session was held when reports were heard and matters of interest transacted. During the social hour a number of games were played and musical selections, both vocal and instrumental, were enjoyed.

In conclusion the hostess served dainty refreshments.

#### PHILATHEAS MEET

The Philathea class of the First Baptist church held a business and social meeting at the home of Misses Frank and Rose Martin Friday evening. After prayer, scripture reading and roll call, reports were made by the different committees. It was decided to send a Christmas box to the little orphans at the Thomasville orphanage that the class had adopted. It was also voted on to send money to Otten to buy flowers for the soldiers for Christmas. The fifteen members present enjoyed a pleasant social hour during which sandwiches and punch were served.

#### EDUCATING DETECTIVES

Springfield Republican.

One reason why New York prefers writers of detective stories with such a fascinating series of unsolved murder mysteries may perhaps be found in the article which Police Commissioner Enright contributes to the Detective Story Magazine. It bears the illuminating title "College men don't make the best detectives." Some of these men, he says, "are still pounding a beat after years on the force." Some, he admits, have succeeded, but these latter "have got ahead in spite of their college education and not because of it." It might interest the commissioner to make a statistical comparison between New York and London, first with respect to the number of unpunished crimes and second with respect to the quantity of "book learning" available at headquarters. For such a comparison the commissioner would have to call in outside talent for the department has scrapped its statistical bureau, but the result would be enlightening, and it would perhaps show that educated brains are not fatal, even on a police force.

That detective work is as he says, "a matter of instinct rather than of education" is of course true. A college graduate as such is no more likely to succeed in it than business or in a profession like medicine or the law. But experience has shown that an educated man with a talent for business or a profession is not handicapped by his "book learning." It is notorious that some of the best lawyers in the United States are college graduates, and it may be believed that the American police system, which just now is under heavy fire, would function better if as in the case in Europe more use were found for men of the broad knowledge and mental resourcefulness which a good education ought to give.

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### FLOATING CREMATORY FOR USE OF JAPANESE

Tokio, Nov. 13.—Tokio will soon have a "floating crematory" the first of its kind in Japan. Two specially constructed vessels of 150 tons each with facilities for cremating 30 bodies at a time will be used. The vessel will be anchored at a wharf at Shibura and, after funeral services have been held on board, they will leave for a point about seven miles off the way for the cremation.

### MANY GERMAN SOLDIERS REMAIN IN HOSPITALS

Berlin, Nov. 25.—Two years after the war 45,000 seriously wounded German soldiers are reported still in hospitals. Some of them have gone through from 20 to 30 operations, the German Officers Association reports, and thousands who were less seriously wounded have been sent to their homes. The association's report says "the future of these men is as very dark" and has appealed to the German public to make donations for Christmas gifts to them.

### WELSH FARMERS BRING OUT GOLD SOVEREIGNS

London, Nov. 26.—The golden sovereign has almost vanished from circulation in most parts of Great Britain since paper currency has been issued, but in the west of Wales gold is as plentiful as it was before the war, says the Daily Chronicle.

There the British sovereign causes no surprise at all when change is given and both the sovereign and the half sovereign are passed frequently from hand to hand until the banks get hold of them.

With the exception of Spanish currency, it is probable there is as much a standard of gold currency in Wales as in any part of Europe today. Welsh farmers have earned big profits in the last few years, and hoarded them. It is these hoards of gold which are now making their appearance.



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