

Society

Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones are expected here next week to spend the Christmas holidays at their home, Airline-on-the-Sound.

Mr. Marion J. Smith has arrived from school at Oak Ridge to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Smith.

Many friends will regret to learn of the critical illness of Mrs. O. O. Watts, at the James Walker Memorial Hospital.

The Brotherhood of the Winter Park Presbyterian church gave a delightful entertainment last night, at which the members of the Boy's Club were guests of honor.

Announcement is made by Adjutant Yates of the Salvation Army that those attending the services at the headquarters at Front and Dock streets tonight would, through the generosity of a liberal-hearted citizen, be served with hot rolls and coffee.

LEAP-YEAR TOURNAMENT.
This afternoon the leap year mixed foursome golf tournament is being played on the links of the Cape Fear Country Club. Playing started at 2:15 o'clock. Owing to the shortness of the afternoon and the large number that are participating, only nine holes will be played.

Scott's Hill, Dec. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foy entertained a number of friends at their beautiful home at Scott's Hill from 7:30 to 10 o'clock Thursday in honor of their wedding. For the occasion the interior of the home was beautifully decorated in Southern smilax and ivy.

At 9 o'clock the spacious dining-room was thrown open and the guests were ushered to a table laden with rare dainties and delicious refreshments.

Many kinds, styles and designs of wooden articles suitable for a housewife were received by Mr. and Mrs. Foy, together with many wishes for a long and happy married life.

Health and Hygiene

HEALTH BOARD TO DO LIFE EXTENSION WORK.

State Board of Health Will Inaugurate in Alamance County Unit of Life Extension Work—Dr. Ellington in Charge.

To prolong life and make it more useful is the object of the Life Extension Unit, a new feature of health work that is soon to be inaugurated in Alamance County by the State Board of Health. Dr. A. J. Ellington, of Wake Forest College and Columbia University, has been put in charge of the work, which will begin in February or not later than March 1. Doctor Ellington has done service for eighteen months in the New York City Hospital. He has also studied with the New York City Health Department and the Life Extension Institute preparatory to this work in North Carolina.

The plan of this unit of health work, popularly known as periodic medical extensions, uses the county as a basis. At the county's expense, every white person in the county between the ages of 20 and 65 years will be given a physical examination to detect any defects or impairments leading to any serious degenerative disease. No treatment or operative procedure will be undertaken and suit-

USE OF NATIONAL FORESTS FOR POWER.

Washington, Dec. 16.—In the fiscal year 1916, says Henry S. Graves, chief of the forest service, in his annual report, twenty new water power projects which utilize National forest land began operation. This was an increase of 181.2 per cent. in the total number. In the fiscal year 1915 the number of new projects which began operation was 12. Forty-two per cent. of the total developed water power of the United States utilize National forest land, the Forest Service figures show.

Development of relatively small projects is particularly in evidence, according to Mr. Graves, in the Rocky Mountain States, California leads in the amount of power under permit and in operation. The number of transmission line permits in effect was increased by 13 during the year. The 40 applications for power project permits received in 1916 included 8 from Alaska—a notable evidence, according to the report, of increased local interest in power development on National Forest lands there.

Concerning the report prepared by the Forest Service in response to a resolution of the Senate calling upon the Secretary of Agriculture for information regarding the ownership and control of water power sites and any facts bearing on the question as to the existence of a monopoly in the ownership and control of hydro-electric power in the United States, Mr. Graves says: "This report presented in far greater detail than has ever been attempted before an exhaustive analysis of the general power situation. It showed a marked concentration of definite and complete control of a large percentage of developed water power by a very few companies. Data presented regarding interrelationships through common directors and principal officers indicated a marked tendency toward association or community of interests, particularly between the principal holding companies. The movement toward concentration in commercial generating stations of all the primary power employed in the electrical industries, and in manufactures was found in all sections of the United States, the rate of concentration during the period 1902-1912 being highest in the South Atlantic States and the extent of concentration greatest in the Western States.

"The rate of increase in water power development for public service use from 1902-1912 was approximately three times as great as in steam power. Primary power installation from all sources and for all uses increased from 1902 to 1912 more than 2 1/2 times as rapidly in the eleven Western States as in the remainder of the United States, while the increase for primary electric power for the same period was 440 per cent. for the Western States as against 226 per cent. in the other States. The development per capita of the Western States in 1912 was 2 1/2 times as great as in other parts of the country.

"The report showed a considerable over-development in nearly all the power centers of the Western States—California, Oregon and Washington in particular showing installations far in excess of maximum demands."

able advice concerning personal hygiene and proper living habits will be given. Wherever subjects are found that demand treatment, they will be referred to a physician, dentist or oculist of their own choosing.

The examination, which will be made in a well-equipped office with modern laboratory facilities, will be first, to detect minor physical defects which decrease one's capacity for work



MAY MARSH
In the "Birth of a Nation," Academy of Music Two Days, Starting Christmas Matinee.

DAILY LESSON IN HISTORY.

One Hundred Years Ago Today.
1816—The ocean-going barge Mission arrived at Cincinnati with a cargo of dry goods from London.
Seventy-five Years Ago Today.
1841—William C. Macready observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of his first appearance on the stage.
Fifty Years Ago Today.
1866—The frigate Ironsides, well known for her services in the civil war, was destroyed by fire at League Island, in the Delaware river.
Twenty-five Years Ago Today.
1891—The anti-lottery and pro-lottery wings of the Democratic party in Louisiana held separate conventions to nominate State tickets.

or pleasure, second, to detect the earliest of disease tendencies and physical impairments which may later lead to serious and fatal diseases; third, by teaching practical personal hygiene. To this end, an examination of the urine, sputum and blood as indicated of the patient will be made. The degenerative diseases that are to be guarded against, and whose mortality rates in this country are every day climbing, are cancer, tuberculosis, kidney diseases including Bright's, organic, heart diseases, diabetes, apoplexy and arterio sclerosis or hardening of the arteries. Conditions leading to these diseases will be detected and the remedy made known.

CARD OF THANKS.
I desire to express my heart felt thanks and appreciation to all my friends for their kindness and sympathy shown me in the recent illness and death of my devoted husband T. W. Mintz.
(adv.) MRS. T. W. MINTZ.

Peterson & Rulfs, headquarters for Christmas slippers. 14-16-17-20-22.

Raise for Glass Workers.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 16.—Operatives in the factories of the American Window Glass Company went to work today under a new schedule calling for a 10 per cent. increase in wages. The advance was made by the company to meet the high cost of living and also because the glass industry in America has been enjoying a period of unparalleled prosperity since the war began in Europe. Eight thousand workmen employed in the company's plants in Pennsylvania, Indiana and several other States are benefited by the raise.

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THEATRE

The D. W. Griffith spectacle, "The Birth of a Nation," will begin Christmas day a limited return engagement with two performances daily. During the engagements all over the United States the lobbies of the theatres have been thronged during the entire day by those who were eager to purchase seats. "The Birth of a Nation" is the marvel of theatrical managers the country over.

It is a big theme that has been handled by Griffith and his effort has measured up in every respect to the stupendous historical story that was his subject. There is no one who will not declare that this Griffith spectacle is the greatest yet made known to the stage. Actual participation in a battle on a European field would give the onlooker no more complete idea of the conflict of armies than may be had in viewing contending Union and Confederate troops in "The Birth of a Nation." In this spectacle one sees the South of ante-bellum days, of the War and of the Reconstruction period. Through all Abraham Lincoln is the central figure. Remarkably true to life is the impersonation given of that great Emancipator and it is a moment of poignant tragedy when he is seen to fall a victim to an assassin's bullet.

The stirring scenes depicting the night rides of the Ku Klux Klan are deeply impressed upon each beholder and there is, by the same token, as lasting an impression made by the romantic tale which ornaments this historical creation.

The musical score prepared by Joseph Carl Breil, played by a symphony orchestra of thirty, is of great value in a dramatic way. As for the cast it should be said that its superior is not to be found in any other production. Who, then, wonders because "The Birth of a Nation" is epoch making in the world of the theatre? There will be two performances daily, beginning sharply at 3:15 and 8:30 p. m.

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BIKERS READY FOR SIX-DAY GRIND

New York, Dec. 16.—Just one minute after the mystic hour of twelve tomorrow night a pistol shot will start a dozen sturdy-limbed cycle racers on their six-day grind around the steep oval saucer track in Madison Square Garden. It will be the twenty-fourth annual renewal of New York's big cycling event, and from present indications it is likely to equal any of its predecessors in the matter of speed and thrills.
The field this year includes nearly all of the familiar old heroes of the six-day races, with a sufficient number of newcomers to add an element of uncertainty to the results. Picked as the favorite team are Grenda and Goulet, who won this year's event at Boston and also pulled down first money in the New York contest of three years ago. Other contestants whose names are familiar to all patrons of the sport will include Walthour, Moran, Root, McNamara, Wiley, Lawson, Kaiser, Cameron, Drebach, Egg and Ohrt.
The prizes this year are the richest ever offered for the six-day event. Stakes worth \$15,000 will be distributed. The winning team will get \$5,000, the second team \$3,000, third money will be \$2,000, and the remainder will take the form of special prizes for sprints of one to ten miles during the progress of the race. In addition to prizes some of the riders are paid bonuses and, taking it all in all, it will be a very profitable week for them.

GIFT SHE WOULD LIKE

No doubt you have already racked your brain trying to answer this question and many of you have not decided just what it will be. But to our minds nothing could be more appropriate than a complete Toilet or Manicure set of

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EXCURSION TO HAVANA
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21.
For the Christmas and New Year Holiday excursion to Cuba, the Atlantic Coast Line will sell excursion tickets from Wilmington to Havana, including meals and berths on steamships, at the fare and on the date named above, limited returning until January 7, 1917.
Fares will apply via Jacksonville, thence via the East Coast and the "Over-Sea Railroad," or via the West Coast of Florida, through Port Tampa, but not going via one route and returning via the other, and tickets will be good to stop over at all stations en route, either on the going or return trip, or both.
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When one party is using the telephone the line is "busy" although the telephone called may not be in use. When one receiver is left off the hook the line cannot be used by either party.

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CHRISTMAS EXCURSION FARES.

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Birmingham	24.20
Charleston	8.15
Chattanooga	22.35
Cincinnati	27.95
Columbia	8.05
Fayetteville	3.75
Florence	4.75
Fort Myers	35.15
Jacksonville	19.90
Memphis	34.85
Miami	37.50
Nashville	27.75
New Bern	3.90
New Orleans	37.65
Norfolk	9.95
Raleigh	5.65
Richmond	10.15
Rocky Mount	5.35
St. Augustine	21.65
St. Louis	37.10
St. Petersburg	29.10
Savannah	12.75
Sumter	6.35
Tampa	29.10
Washington	15.75

And proportionate excursion fares to nearly every point in the southeast. Tickets will be sold December 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, limited returning until January 10, 1917.

\$38.10 New Orleans, La.
Account Annual Meeting Western Fruit Jobbers Association. Tickets will be sold Jan. 27 and 28, limited Feb. 5.

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