

SOCIETY

THE SONG OF A KNITTER.

Knit, knit, knit!
On thy cold gray wool like the sea,
And I would that my tongue could utter
The thoughts that arise in me—

But one can not utter thoughts,
When knitting away like me,
For every sentence is broken
By "knit two, purl two, and three."

Oh, well for the fisherman's boy
That he shouts with his sister at play!
Oh, well for the sailor lad
That he sings in his boat on the bay!

They know not the stitches dropped—
Of ridges and ribs and purls;
They can, if they want to read
Or take thought of dress and curls.

But the stately dames knit on,
And the debutantes do, too,
And whether in auto, in train, or home,
'Tis all that they care to do.

And the shapely sweaters move on
'Till every one has his fill,
But oh for the sight of a quiet hand
And a needle that is still!

Knit, knit, knit!
Nothing but knitting, I see,
But the quiet grace of a day that is dead
Will never come back to me.

—Mrs. Aubrey Lee Brooks, in New York Times.

Mrs. G. W. Webb, of Castle Hayne, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Ida Herring left this morning for Roseboro, where she will visit friends.

Miss Mittie Robinson left this morning for Atkinson, where she will spend a week with relatives.

Miss Lucy Fussell, of Rose Hill, was the guest of Miss Nomia Green at Hotel Wilmington yesterday.

Miss Callie Robinson left last night for Richmond, Va., where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Mrs. J. G. King left this morning for Fayetteville, where she will spend a period with Mrs. J. E. Register.

Mrs. D. M. Murray, of Burgaw, returned to her home last night after a delightful visit with Mrs. J. C. Hobbs, at Winter Park.

Mrs. Alice Pierce, of Southport, passed through the city yesterday en route to Baltimore, Md., where she will make her future home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Brown, of Bowden, returned to their home last night, after visiting friends and relatives here for the past few days.

Miss Bessie Kelly, of Atkinson, returned to her home this morning, after spending several days in the city with her sister, Mrs. Leroy Stewart.

Mrs. R. B. Lewis and daughter, Miss Henrietta, who for the past 10 days have been visiting New York and Jersey City, have returned home.

Miss Lottie Howard, No. 3 Postoffice avenue, who has been the guest of friends and relatives at Warsaw for several weeks, has returned to the city.

Mrs. W. W. and J. W. Long, of Grensboro, passed through the city yesterday en route to their home from Fort Caswell, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mrs. W. M. Flowers, of Willard, passed through the city yesterday en route to her home from Florence, S. C., where she has been spending a period with relatives.

The ladies of St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral will hold their rummage sale at Fourth and Red Cross streets next Saturday. All donations should be sent to St. Mary's school.

NAME COMMITTEE GET PATROL BOAT

Think Government Should Place One Here; Captain Bailey Gives Opinion

Other than the naming of a committee to meet and confer with the members of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce on Thursday afternoon for the discussion of plans whereby it is hoped to have the government place a patrol boat here, this afternoon's semi-monthly meeting of the Rotary Club was without feature other than a splendidly prepared lunch which was attacked in much the same manner that the average girl expects the American troops to attack the line of Kaiserism when the big American drive is called for.

The possibility of securing a patrol boat for this port to take the place of the coast guard cutter Seminoles, which is away a greater part of the time, was brought to the attention of the club by Capt. E. P. Bailey, who stated that boats were being placed in various ports in this section and that the size of the boat was governed by the noise made by the city. With this to work on, he suggested a big noise and, acting upon his suggestion, President Roger Moore named a committee to meet with the executive committee of the chamber for further discussion of plans. Captain Bailey was made chairman of this committee and he has associated with him Rotarians Milton Calder and J. B. Huntington.

Rotarian Thomas Ames suggested that a committee be named to investigate the advisability of marking the route leading into Wilmington for the benefit of the motorists who come here each spring and summer, and his suggestion was acted upon. President Moore naming Mr. Ames as chairman of this committee and designating Mr. C. W. Polvogt and Dr. Patterson to work with him.

An additional member was added to the committee having in charge the destinies of the proposed automobile parking ordinance, this action being suggested by Rev. F. B. Clausen, who stated that the committee should carry the name of a man who would be affected by the ordinance, if passed. Mr. Williams of the Belk-Williams Co. was named.

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Mr. E. E. Stafford, of the Ordnance Department of the North Carolina National Guard, is in the city.

License was issued this morning by the Register of Deeds for the marriage of Mr. Will W. Miller and Miss Theresa McDougall.

Mr. and Mrs. David Elias, of Raleigh, N. C., are spending the day in the city, and are being greeted by their many friends.

Mrs. J. A. Oldham and children, who have been visiting friends and relatives in Mount Airy, have returned to the city.

This evening at 8 o'clock the ladies of Winter Park Baptist church will observe State Mission Day. Mr. O. B. Hinson will deliver a lecture on the subject of State missions. All are welcome.

There will be a call meeting of the members of the board of directors of the Y. W. C. A. at the association building tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, and every member is urged to be in attendance.

Registration of applicants for the physical culture classes and gym work of the Y. W. C. A. is going on all this week at the association and all young ladies interested are invited to visit the office and register or telephone No. 204.

Miss Marguerite Hewett, who has been spending her vacation in this city, will leave this evening for New York City, where she will resume her work as graduate nurse.

Miss Jettye Bridger, of Bladenboro, is the guest of Miss Susie Brown on Third street.

From The Lumberton Robesonian: "Messrs. A. V. J. Wishart and J. M. McCallum and Miss Flora Wishart will leave this evening for DeLand, Fla., where Thursday afternoon of this week Mr. Wishart will be married to Miss Ruth Virginia Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jackson. Mr. McCallum will be best man. Miss Wishart is a sister of the groom-to-be."

NEAT SUM REALIZED.
The splendid play given by the children at the home of Mrs. Robert Northrop, on Wrightsville Beach, last night, resulted in the sum of \$10.18 being raised for the benefit of the Beach Unit of the Red Cross Society. The children were highly praised for their good work and were frequently encored. The program follows:
Tableau—"A Bachelor's Dream"—Bachelor, Tom Wright; school girl, Mary Allen Skelding; baby tot, Esther Elliott; dancing girl, Catherine Cowan; tennis girl, Betty Willard; Japanese girl, Mary Allen Skelding; Red Cross nurse, Betty Willard; bride, Beverly Northrop.
Tableau—"Age of Innocence"—Esther Elliott.
Spanish Dance—Marjorie Bonitz.
Recitation—Marjorie Bonitz.
Fancy Dance—Catherine Cowan.
Lullaby—Marjorie Bonitz.
One-Step—Betty Willard and Tom Wright.
Fox Trot—Beverly Northrop and Tom Wright.
Tableau—"Bathing Girl"—Jessie Hall.
Red Cross Scene—Whole Cast.

COMMITTEE WAS NAMED.
Will Select Personnel For Traffic Committee.

Messrs. J. G. McCormick, H. E. Bonitz and R. A. Parsley are a special committee appointed by the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of selecting the personnel for a traffic committee for that body. The names chosen by the special committee will be turned in to the executive committee and the executive committee will make the choice.

This matter has been under consideration for some time and has already been taken up with the passenger traffic manager of the Atlantic Coast Line. The chamber considers this feature of its activities a most important part of its work.

THE TRAFFIC QUESTION.
Pennsylvania Paper Takes Crack at the Motor Truck Driver.

The following from The Chester (Pa.) Republican concerning the driving of automobile trucks over the streets of Chester is not amiss, since traffic is one of the very interesting questions that has been brought before City Council recently. Say The Republican:

"The speed artist who passes a standing trolley car while helpless people are alighting has less regard for the lives of the little children who might be leaving one of the public schools of the city should he be passing in his high-powered automobile or auto truck. You may say, Mr. Reader, that it is almost impossible for an auto truck to get up a high speed, but the Republican has evidence of times when even the big transportation truck has been forced to a speed beyond that permitted by law when out of the sight of police.

"There are too many drivers of machines in this city who seem to have lost all respect for the rights of others upon our city highways. The automobile and the auto truck are here to stay and must of necessity be a part of the business life of this and every other city in this State, but these machines must be operated by persons who will respect the law and do their utmost to safeguard life. The high speed at which many machines are sent over this city must be stopped. Charges of murder against such drivers, if they kill a pedestrian, would not be any too strong as a means to make them understand that the public highways are not maintained as speedways."

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AMERICAN DOCTORS ARE DOING A GREAT WORK IN FRANCE

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instance, as he has done many times before since the war began." Tales have become a part of the sent over from the United States to take charge of six British base hospitals have become a part of the smoothly running organization that the British have developed. The Americans feel that they are fortunate in their position. They realize that they have much to learn about war hospitals, and they are having the opportunity of learning rapidly from men who have had more than three years experience.

The British, on the other hand, recognize fully the sacrifices that have been made by the Americans, many of them eminent surgeons with big practices at home, to come to France to do their bit in caring for the wounded. Their services are appreciated and the attitude of the British medical service from the director general down has been most sympathetic and helpful.

The excellent work being done by the American units has frequently been the subject of the most complimentary remarks by all ranks of the British medical organization.

The service which the workers from the United States have performed is characterized as one of the bright spots in a war which is causing so much misery.

When the Germans began their ruthless sinking of hospital ships and it became apparent that it would be unsafe to try to transport wounded British soldiers and German prisoners to England, there was a hurry up call for the establishment of more base hospitals in France. America was asked for assistance and the six units were rushed across to Europe without stopping to bring their full equipment. They immediately took over large base hospitals and although they were handicapped for a time because of lack of supplies, their institutions soon ranked among the best, for while the units were inexperienced in war work, they were highly trained in hospital service.

Roughly speaking, the six base hospitals conducted by the Americans have beds for 1,500 patients each and there are many times when they are filled to overflowing, for base hospitals must care not only for their own wounded, but for Germans as well.

The six base hospitals have, in addition to their other work, furnished some 10 surgical teams for service in casualty clearing stations near the firing line. These teams usually consist of a surgeon, an assistant, a nurse and an orderly. American surgeons whose names are famous internationally are laboring beside youthful medical officers who have set under them in the class room at home. Dr. Crile, of Cleveland, Dr. Cushing, of Harvard, Dr. Brewster, of New York, Dr. Harte, of Philadelphia, Dr. Murray, of St. Louis, and Dr. Boeale, of Chicago—they call them majors over here—all have been in and are at present working night and day in casualty clearing stations which have been caring for the wounded in the last great offensive.

The surgical teams have had one characteristic experience. Their work is hampered and their lives are endangered by German airplanes who persist in hurling high explosives down among them. In one of the latest raids the German aviators killed or re-wounded many of their own men who were prisoners being cared for in one of these hospitals.

All the American doctors and nurses are enjoying their work thoroughly and they are keeping remarkably fit. Some of the American

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