

SOCIETY

"I'm Sorry, I Was Wrong."

There may be virtue in the man whose always sure he's right, Who'll never hear another's plan And seek further light; But I like more the chap who sings A somewhat different song; Who says, when he has messed up things, "I'm sorry, I was wrong."

It's hard for anyone to say That failure's due to him— That he has lost the fight or why Because his lights burned dim, It takes a man aside to throw The vanity that's strong, Confessing, "Twas my fault, I know, "I'm sorry, I was wrong."

And so, I fancy, those who use This honest, manly phrase, Hate it too much their way to lose, On many future days, They'll keep the path and make the fight, Because they do not long To have to say—when they're not right— "I'm sorry, I was wrong."

—Chicago Evening Post.

Miss Lottie Frink has gone to Jacksonville, Fla., on a short holiday visit.

Mrs. R. E. Cox and little daughter, Miss Rosalie, are visiting friends and relatives near Rose Hill.

Miss Mae Frink has returned from Charlotte, where she spent Christmas with friends and relatives.

Miss J. A. Bordeaux left yesterday afternoon for Jacksonville, Fla., on a holiday visit.

Miss Annie Arelene Davis and Miss Minnie C. Davis are visiting friends in Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. Mottie Hatchell, or Wopewell, Va., is spending the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. W. K. Mintz, on North Fifth street.

Mrs. C. H. Orrell and little son, of Columbia, S. C., returned home Saturday, after a delightful visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Montgomery, at Winter Park.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Ketchum and children passed through the city yesterday on route to their home at Lanvale, after spending Christmas with relatives at Kerr.

Lieutenant Leonard C. Wessell, of the United States Navy, is paying a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wessell, No. 119 South Fifth street.

The Lutheran church will hold a "Watch Service" tomorrow evening in the church. The service will begin at 9 o'clock, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The Menzies Missionary Society of St. Paul's Lutheran church will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All the members are urged to attend.

The annual social meeting of the Dorcas Society of St. Paul's Lutheran church will be held on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The members are asked to remember the meeting, and be present.

The Young Men's Chapter of the Children's Confraternity will meet at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. W. M. Creasy, No. 809 Ann street, tomorrow afternoon at 7 o'clock. A full attendance is requested, as matters of importance will be considered.

Rev. W. C. Benson and family are spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. D. B. Futral, 102 Orange street. They expect to leave in a few days for Swansboro, to which place Mr. Benson was assigned by the recent Methodist Conference held at Greenville. The best wishes of many friends will follow them in their new field of service.

The Cantwell dancing class will have a New Year's dance on Monday evening at 11 o'clock at the hall. Dancing will begin at 9:30 and the dancers will greet the advent of the new year.

Mayor Parker Quince Moore has been confined to his home for the past two days with an attack of grippe. His many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

WILLIAMS ROUSE

Rose Hill, N. C., Dec. 29.—A marriage of interest to a wide circle of friends was solemnized in the Baptist church here Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock when Miss Nettie Rouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Rouse, became the bride of Mr. Luther Wallace Williams, the officiating minister being Rev. J. H. Booth.

The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion with ferns and Southern smilax, the altar and windows being draped with bamboo. As the bridal party entered, Ledebur's wedding march was rendered by Miss Lila Williams, sister of the groom.

The bride's costume was a lovely going-away ensemble suit trimmed with fur, with hat and gloves to match. Miss Effie Rouse, her sister, was maid of honor and entered first; she was followed by the bride leaning on the arm of her father, the groom having entered with his brother, Ralph B. Williams, as best man.

After the ceremony was solemnized the bride party left the church as the strains of Mendelssohn wedding march was rendered by Miss Williams.

The bride is an accomplished and attractive young woman and has a host of friends here and elsewhere. The groom for a number of years has been a successful business man in this locality.

MR. PHILLIPS HOME.

Special Agent Has Been After Men Selling Liquor to Soldiers.

Special Agent Dorsey E. Phillips, of the Department of Justice, returned last night from a trip of several days to many cities in the State, including Greensboro, Pinehurst and Charlotte.

COLUMBIA HAVING HER COLDEST SNAP

(By United Press.)
Columbia, S. C., Dec. 29.—With the thermometer registering 15 degrees above zero, Columbia is tonight in the grip of the coldest wave of a very cold winter. Snow fell for about three hours this afternoon and a blinding north wind accompanied it.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. W. S. Canady, of Phoenix, was a shopping visitor here yesterday.

Mr. E. Edwards, of Charlotte, was here yesterday, leaving for home in the afternoon.

Mr. D. W. L. Skipper, of Town Creek, was in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. J. Johnson, of Winnabow, was a visitor here yesterday.

Mr. I. T. Bullard, of Route 1, Whiteville, spent several hours here yesterday. He was returning home from Wilcox where he spent Christmas with relatives.

Mr. J. B. Pickett and family, of New Bern, after a pleasant visit with relatives here, have returned home.

Prof. T. Wilson, of Cleveland, Ohio, spent Christmas with friends in Wilmington. He has left for home expecting to visit friends on the way.

Mr. R. B. Branch, editor of the Red Springs Citizen, of Red Springs, N. C., after a delightful visit of several days in the city with his daughter, Miss Vera Branch, who is in training at James Walker Memorial Hospital, has returned home.

COLLEGE MEN AT ANNUAL MEETING HEAR GOOD TALKS

Scientific Training Stressed in Address by Mr. Hugh MacRae

A. AND E. ALUMNI ELECT OFFICERS

High School Boys and College Students Guests of Alumni At Enjoyable Spread Last Night

Featured by good things to eat, several excellent talks and the enthusiasm which is characteristic of college men the New Hanover Alumni Association of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering held its annual banquet and business meeting last night at the Y. M. C. A. A combination of the worst weather the city has experienced in a number of years and the fact that a large number of the members of the local association were out of the city caused a smaller attendance than usual, but the meeting was filled with the spirit that animates this State institution which is rapidly forging into leadership among similar institutions in the South.

Dr. Wallace Carl Riddick, President of the college, was to have been the guest of honor of the association last night, but he was compelled to send this regrets, having been called to Washington today by a message summoning him to the Capital City for an important educational conference there. Senator W. B. Cooner, a member of the Board of Trustees, who was also expected to be present, was called out of the city on important business. Capt. J. W. Harrelson, a former member of the college faculty who is now stationed at Fort Caswell, was prevented from attending because of the quarantine against the city still maintained by the commandant of the fort. But the best wishes of each were sent to those gathered for the annual meeting around the banquet board, and it is safe to say that each was present in spirit, while being prevented from being present in body by unforeseen circumstances.

Mr. J. L. Becton, president of the local association, presided, and when full justice had been done the good things provided in the way of refreshments, he called upon Mr. Hugh MacRae, present as a special guest of the association, who delivered an inspiring address upon "Scientific Training."

Mr. MacRae pointed out the tremendous handicap under which the South as a whole has labored because of the viewpoint for so long maintained that the man who does things with his hands is not quite so good as he who works more with his brains alone. The time was, he declared, when it was considered that there were only three callings for the life-work of a gentleman, the law, the church or medicine. The farmer edged into the class provided he were big enough a one to be a planter, which meant primarily a large land which so largely influenced the owner rather than a scientific producer. Because of this false ideal, which so largely influenced the young men just starting in life, the South lacked a young manhood trained in scientific or engineering lines.

The training along these lines, Mr. MacRae went on to say, is especially at this time the most important of all educational training, for the point had been reached where the producer has become the cornerstone of our existence, both individually and nationally. The old way of looking upon education is giving way before the stern necessity that demands men with trained minds, and trained hands, who can utilize the forces of nature to the fullest extent, and particularly is there an imperative need for the scientific farmer who knows his soil, and who can make it produce to the utmost, while at the same time conserving the riches abundantly, and not become merely worn out land, as has been true of so much of the land that has been wastefully farmed.

The need of trained engineers, and the viewpoint of such men, for Wilmington was particularly emphasized. Mr. MacRae declared that this city offered splendid opportunities for development, but that the growth of the city had been hampered by the fact that there were entirely too few people free with the vision to see, and the ability to undertake. The efforts of the A. and E. Alumni Association in this city to add to the number of such men by inducing them to attend the college was highly praised, and Mr. MacRae declared that in his opinion no better thing could be done for the city than to greatly increase the number of men with engineering education. To aid in this he expressed the hope that the city schools would add elementary scientific courses for the training of the boys of the city, in order that their minds might be given a turn in this much needed direction.

Mr. H. E. Bonitz, the oldest alumnus of the college in the city, and one of the few alumni in the State having a son now in the college, spoke eloquently along the same general lines, urging the boys of the High School to select the college for their higher education, and pointing out the leading places in the industrial life of the State and the nation which graduates are now filling. Mr. Bonitz read a number of interesting statistics showing the very large number of graduates who are now serving in the army, nearly 200 of them now bearing commissions in the various branches of service.

Mr. Malcolm G. Little, principal of

CITY TO GET BUSY IN THE MATTER OF FURNISHING FUEL

There Seems to Be Sufficient Wood, But Dealers Are Not Getting It

CITIZENS MAKING THEIR OWN DELIVERIES

Dealers, Especially Coal, Unable to Make Deliveries and Purchasers Are Going After It

For several days long rows of automobiles have been parked at the various coal yards of the city, and, taking their turn, have hauled away supplies of coal in their machines, thus relieving the coal companies, which have been unable to handle the deliveries promptly.

The fuel companies have announced that they will charge an additional \$2 per ton when they make the delivery themselves, though there is no reduction in the price of the coal when the purchaser carries it away.

A meeting of City Council was called for yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock to take up the fuel problem with Fuel Administrator M. S. Willard. Though Mr. Willard was present, and the city attorney was on hand, only two councilmen attended and there was no meeting for lack of a quorum.

The fuel problem was informally discussed and those present went into conference. It seems to be the general impression that the city will have no trouble getting wood, when it desires to go into the business of buying and selling wood. So far the city has let the matter with the dealers, but since they have been unable to handle it satisfactorily, the city is going into the business on its own account. For various reasons, the dealers have been unable to secure deliveries of wood to the city, it is said that these reasons will not obtain when the municipal authorities go in to the market for wood. It is said that the dealers have been trying to obtain wood at an unreasonably low price, though it is declared that there are other reasons even more worthy why they have been unable to get shipments.

ADDS NEW TELLER WINDOWS.

Greatly Increased Business at American Bank & Trust Co.

Owing to the greatly increased business at the American Bank and Trust Co., corner Front and Market streets, it has been necessary recently to add two more teller windows for the accommodation of the ever increasing number of depositors. It is stated that at present the deposits are the largest the bank has ever had. Officers of the institution are optimistic as to the future business conditions of this section.

"GUIDE RIGHT."

Third of Series of Special Sermons by Dr. J. J. Hurt Tonight

At the First Baptist church tonight the pastor, Rev. J. J. Hurt, D. D., will deliver the third and last of a fine series of special sermons devoted to the holiday season. Dr. Hurt's sermon this evening will be on the subject, "Guide Right—A Militant Message for the New Year."

There will be special music by the choir tonight, and it is announced that the Boy Scouts of the church will have a special interest in the service.

The High School, expressed the hope that the city school system would shortly be able to provide the elementary scientific training as suggested by Mr. MacRae. He stated that the trend in educational efforts now is distinctly toward giving a thorough course in applied sciences, both in the grammar grades and in the High School as an important part of secondary education, but that until the necessary equipment could be provided for the local system that the school could not give such training.

Several of the students home from college for the holidays made brief remarks, together with others of the alumni present, and the meeting closed amid a general expression of thanks for the occasion offered for the old men to gather with the present prospective students. A number of the High School boys were present as guests of the association, together with the following boys who are home from college for the holidays: Robert Williams, F. A. Montgomery, G. W. Tiencen, Gray Hicks, Arthur Humphrey, John Bonitz, W. C. Harrell and G. G. Avant.

The alumni present were Messrs. H. E. Bonitz, E. P. Bailey, D. R. Foster, J. L. Becton, J. J. Polsson and R. B. Wilson. Guests of the association were Messrs. Hugh MacRae, M. G. Little and C. C. Johnson.

Following the banquet and address a business session was held at which the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, E. P. Bailey; vice president, J. J. Polsson; secretary-treasurer, J. L. Becton.

Dartmouth's football schedule for 1918 shows that it will again close its season with a game against Brown at Boston.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

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2. To pay less for what you buy.
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LUTHERAN.

St. Paul's, corner Market and Sixth streets, Rev. P. B. Clausen, pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock, with Holy Communion. Preparatory service at 10:30 a. m. Topic of sermon, "He Fillet the Hungry With Good Things." Evening service at 8 o'clock. The address will set forth some Christian hymns. The Menzies Missionary Society will meet next in the Lutheran League will meet and annual social of the Dorcas Society will be held Thursday at 3 p. m. The Duthur League will meet Friday at 8 p. m.

St. Matthew's Evangelical corner Fourth and Harnett streets, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor. Services 11 a. m. Student George Bowden, of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Columbia, S. C., will preach. At 7:30 p. m. there will be Christmas services by the Sunday school with a special program, called "White Gift Service." Sunday school at 3:30 p. m. Luther League, "Watch Night" service Monday at 9 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

CHRISTIAN.

Advent church, corner South Fourth and Church streets, Rev. J. T. Johnson, pastor, residence 425 S. Fourth street. Sunday school 10 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m., subject for morning sermon, "Redemption"; preaching at night at 7:30, subject of night sermon, "The World War Proves the Need of a Righteous Vision"; prayer meeting Wednesday night, subject "Children of Light." Scripture references will be given out to read by numbers. Monday night there will be a watch meeting at the church beginning at 9 o'clock. A cordial welcome to all. Special music and singing at night.

First church, Dock street: Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Reynolds. Subject of evening sermon, "Mother." Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Christian Endeavor 6:45 p. m. Junior Endeavor 8:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

METHODIST.

Bladen Street, corner Fifth and Bladen streets, Rev. E. C. Sell, pastor. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 3:30 in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited. All are welcome.

Fifth Avenue, Rev. J. H. McCracken, pastor. Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. M. T. Plyer, pastor of Grace Methodist church, will preach. Rev. J. H. Shore, presiding elder of the Wilmington district, will preach in the evening at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.

EPISCOPAL.

St. James', Rev. William H. Milton, D. D., rector. Holy Communion at 8 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:45 p. m. Everybody welcome. Come and bring a friend.

St. Paul's, Sixteenth and Market streets, the Rev. D. L. Gwathmey, rector. Sunday after Christmas, Holy Communion at 7:30 in the morning; Sunday school at 9:45; morning prayer and sermon at 11; evening prayer at 8 o'clock. On New Year's Day, the Feast of the Circumcision, there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 in the morning. Visitors are

always welcome at the services. Every seat is free.

St. John's, Third and Red Cross streets. The Sunday after Christmas, Dec. 30, 1917. Holy Communion 7:20 a. m. Morning prayer, 11 a. m., sermon by Bishop Darst. Evening prayer 8 p. m. The Sunday school will present its Christmas offering at 4 p. m. for the relief of the Armenians and Syrians. Visitors are invited to all services.

BAPTIST.

Calvary, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor. Sunday worship at 11 a. m. and 7:20 p. m. Sermon subject in morning, "Transferred;" at night, "The Pitfalls of Sodomy;" Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., Mr. J. W. Hollis, superintendent; Junior B. Y. P. U. 6:45 p. m.; Sunbeams on Monday 3:30 p. m.; Senior B. Y. P. U. Thursday night. A cordial welcome extended to all.

First, corner Fifth and Market streets, Rev. John Jeter Hurt, D. D., pastor. Preaching by the pastor at 11 and at 7:30 o'clock. Morning subject, "Striking a Balance With God." Evening subject, "Guide Right"—a militant message for the New Year. The Boy Scouts of the First Baptist church will have special interest in this service. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U. meetings at 6:30 p. m. Let all who will attend any or all of these meetings.

Union Prayer Service.

The next union prayer meeting will be held in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian church, Third and Orange streets, the Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor, on Monday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve, at 5 o'clock. All are invited to these services.

BAPTISTS MET AT CALVARY CHURCH

Fifth Sunday Meeting of Wilmington Association Was Held Yesterday

The Wilmington Baptist Association held its Fifth Sunday meeting yesterday at Calvary Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor. The morning session was held at 10 o'clock, and the afternoon session at 2 o'clock. The morning session was devoted to the consideration of the recommendations of the last meeting. The discussion was led by Mr. G. E. Leitwich and was participated in by all present.

Rev. John Jeter Hurt, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church, led the discussion at the afternoon session on the subject of "Church Methods." He cited interesting details of the work and was heard with much interest.

Among those who were present at both sessions and participated in the discussions were, Rev. J. R. Hill, A. S. Sullivan, Rev. H. H. Powell, Willard; Rev. T. H. Todd, Seagate; Rev. H. H. Walker, Long Creek; Rev. Jones, Kelly; Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Summerrell, of Seagate.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS ARE UNDELIVERED

Major Harris Still Has Several Pension Checks Awaiting Owners

With Christmas, 1917, fast receding into the annals of the past, and taking its place in history among with nearly 2,000 that have preceded it, Major W. N. Harris, Clerk of the Superior Court, still finds himself the possessor of several Christmas gifts for folks who have failed to call at his office. And they are very material gifts, too, being warrants of the State Treasury of North Carolina for rather a large number of good American dollars.

The gifts in question are some of the pension checks, intended for the old Confederate veterans and the widows in this county. The checks amounting to considerably over \$1,000, were received for distribution by Major Harris early in December. They came in plenty of time for each of the individuals represented on the pension list to get them and to use the popular injunction, "No Christmas shopping early." And most of those for whom there were checks were quick to call for them, but several did not.

One of the checks will never be delivered to the one whose name it bears, for before he could receive it he had answered the last roll call—taps had sounded over his earthly remains, and he had reported for duty to the commander on the other side. This was Comrade Robert Chasler, whose death occurred in Raleigh a few days ago. The pension check held in the office here for him will be turned over to relatives.

There are four others remaining. Major Harris' possession of these checks will be a pleasure of their own. These are for R. S. Cowan, J. Newton, William W. Benson and Mrs. M. A. Russ. Friends or relatives are asked to call their attention to the fact that they can get their check by calling, or sending for it.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank all of our friends for the many kind deeds shown during our recent bereavement. MR. AND MRS. E. A. ORRELL AND FAMILY.

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MONDAY Sale of Remnants and Odds and Ends Continues

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