

# SOCIETY

**A LETTER FROM HOME.**  
 'Tis an ancient phrase that you of ten hear,  
 From a man inclined to roam,  
 When good luck gives his cause to cheer:  
 "Like money sent from home."

Money, 'tis true, makes a man rejoice,  
 And for me, I'm sure it would,  
 But after all, if you had your choice,  
 Why a letter would do more good.  
 For word from home sticks in your heart,  
 And you know with love 'twas sent,  
 But you and the money soon must part,  
 For it's not long till it's spent.  
 Selected.

Mrs. T. W. Wood is the guest of relatives in Kinston for several days.

There will be a meeting of the music department of the North Carolina Sorosis in its club rooms Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Philathea class of the Calvary Baptist church will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. A. Sullivan. This is the regular business meeting and social of the class, and all the members are urged to attend.

**Kennedy-Batton.**  
 Miss Suddie Batton, of Sea Gate, and Mr. Lacy Kennedy, of the United States Navy, were married this morning at 10 o'clock, Judge Bornemann officiating.

Invitations have been received in the city for a dance at Southport next Saturday evening to be given by the Masons among the soldiers at Fort Caswell, the event to be in the nature of a farewell party, according to the "hunch" of some of the boys who believe that they are "going over" very shortly. For the benefit of the many ladies who are expected to attend from this city a special car will be attached to the afternoon train. Preparations are being made for their entertainment at Southport. Chaperones for the occasion are as follows: Mrs. Philip Delano, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Newcomb, Captain and Mrs. Ladd, Capt. and Mrs. Harrelson, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Godwin, Mrs. Guthrie and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Newkirk.

## EXTRA SHOVELFUL

**Timely Posters Being Distributed by Fuel Administrator**

Fuel Administrator M. S. Willard announces the receipt of a number of lithograph posters, having to do with the campaign for fuel conservation, which he is distributing to coal consumers of the city, especially manufacturing plants. Mr. Willard asks that manufacturers consuming coal apply to him for one of these posters.

The poster is a forceful presentation of the idea for fuel conservation, and is one that will appeal to all who see it. It shows a fireman shoveling coal into a furnace, with the shadow of Uncle Sam standing at his back extending a restraining hand on the shovel arm, stating that "Uncle Sam needs that extra shovelful." At the bottom is the following wording:

- "Help Uncle Sam to win the war by following these directions:
- 1.—Fire small amounts of coal often.
  - 2.—Keep fuel bed even by putting coal on thin spots. Avoid raking and splicing.
  - 3.—Keep fuel bed about six inches thick.
  - 4.—Look out for air leaks in brick-work.
  - 5.—Increase or decrease steam pressure by opening or closing draft damper in uptake.
  - 6.—Clean fires when the demand

## PATRIOTIC PENNY.

District A, Mrs. C. M. Weathers; Miss Omah Williams and Mabel Eure, \$4.07; Miss Elizabeth Nutt, \$1.78; Miss Emma Bowden, \$3.04; Miss Fannie Thompson, \$1.75; Miss Helen Weathers, \$1.91; Miss Elizabeth Sloan, \$3.40; Mrs. Leftwich, \$3.66; Miss Elizabeth Rhodes, \$2.00.

District B, Miss Annie Kelley; Miss L. Jordan, \$4.00; Mrs. F. Scott, \$2.40; Mrs. W. W. Whaley, 76c.

District C, Mrs. Atkinson; Mrs. Council, 45c; Mrs. Blanton, 13c; Mrs. Lorenzo, 60c; Miss B. Bailey, \$1.20; Mrs. J. A. Oldham, \$1.32.

District D, Mrs. V. Hall; Mrs. J. G. King, \$5.33; Miss Rosabelle Kirkham, \$1.15; Mrs. T. E. Davis, \$1.22; Miss K. Hankins, \$1.65.

District E, Mrs. Luther Toon; Miss M. Alderman, \$1.04; Mrs. A. C. Craft, \$1.00; Mrs. C. H. Fore, 60c.

District F, Mrs. Hellen; Mrs. M. H. French, 62c; Mrs. M. H. Thompson, \$1.36.

District G, Mrs. Weatherby; Mrs. Weathersby, \$1.05; Mrs. T. H. Hawkins, \$2.07; Mrs. Parker, 47c.

District H, Mrs. McCarty; 7c. District Carolina Place, Mrs. Wright; 20c.

District I, Mrs. Muse; Mrs. E. C. Hudson, 40c.

District J, Mrs. Fletcher; Miss J. Harper, 40c.

District K, Mrs. Outlaw; Miss Pearl Davis, 9c; Miss Mae Davis, 22c; Mrs. E. J. Marshburn, 50c; Mrs. R. F. Malard, 57c.

District L, Mrs. R. A. Burnett; Miss Burnett, 71c; Miss Kohler, 53c.

Districts M, N, P and S; Mrs. Hatch, 32c; Mrs. Morriss, 53c; Mrs. Hamilton, 15c; Mrs. R. L. Davis, 47c; Mrs. Henry, 9c; Mrs. Anderson, 7c.

District Q, Mrs. W. S. Moore; Mrs. C. E. Burnett, 50c; Mrs. W. S. Moore, 26c.

District R, Mrs. J. W. Thomas; Mrs. J. W. Thomas, 36c.

District Greenfield, Mrs. Whitted; Mrs. Davis, 40c; Lillian Stone, 15c. Sunset Park, Mrs. McMillan; Mrs. McMillan, 30c.

District Brooklyn, Mrs. J. W. West; Mrs. Savage, 51c; Mrs. Harrington, 31c; Miss Kelley, \$1.19; Miss Newton, 26c; Mrs. Avant, 80c; a friend to Brooklyn unit, 37c.

Voluntary Contributions: Miss L. A. Murchison, \$2.00; Mrs. C. H. Fore, \$2.00; Allies Card Club, \$5.00; cash 6c; Harry Payne, Jr., 15c; Mrs. W. D. McMillan, Sr., 25c; Mrs. E. W. Fuller, 5c; Miss Elizabeth Meares, 11c; Soldiers' Comfort Club \$16.49.

for steam is small, and while cleaning have the draft damper partly closed."

Masonic Temple, Jan. 15, 1918. WILMINGTON LODGE, NO. 319, A. F. AND A. M.

Regular communication this evening at eight o'clock, for the transaction of such business proper to be presented.

All members are urged to attend. Visiting brothers welcome. By order of the W. M. C. P. GORMAN, Secretary.

## SUPERIOR COURT IS RAPIDLY DISPOSING OF CRIMINAL CASES

**William Henry Howard Draws Ten Years for Killing Another Negro**

## FEW IMPORTANT CASES REMAINING

**Case of Perjury and One of Bigamy Most Interesting of the Matters Yet to Be Heard**

Ed C. Meshaw, a young white man, will be tried at the present term of New Hanover Superior Court on the charge of bigamy, the grand jury having returned a true bill in the case. The bill of indictment recites that Meshaw did marry one Lucile Jordan while still married, his wife being alive and not divorced from him. The defendant was arrested in Lumberton on last Saturday and brought back to this city to face the charge. Both of his wives were witnesses against him before the grand jury.

This case, the one charging non-support against William Coleman and the perjury charge against Mrs. Evans, her daughter Marie, and a Mr. Twitty, are the three most important cases remaining to be heard at the present term. Pleas of guilty have been entered in a number of cases, and the court is very rapidly disposing of the business before it.

Mary Bell Davis entered a plea of guilty to the charge of perjury. Sentence has not been imposed.

The jury this morning decided that John Robinson, a negro, was not guilty of the charge of carrying a concealed weapon, the case having grown out of a dispute between the defendant and two other negro men with regard to the latter hauling some slabs from a lumber yard where the defendant was employed.

George Miller, charged with illicit distilling, waived the finding of a true bill by the grand jury and entered a plea of guilty to the charge of having whiskey in his possession for sale. The plea was accepted by the State, and a fine of \$25, and the costs, imposed by Judge Lyon.

Hezekiah Pollock pleaded guilty to the charge of selling whiskey and also to one of distilling. Sentence has not yet been pronounced.

The jury in the case against John Stanley and Willie Perry, charged with housebreaking, returned a verdict of guilty. Sentence not pronounced.

William Henry Howard, a young negro who gave his age as 18 years, yesterday afternoon entered a plea of guilty of murder in the second degree, and he was sentenced to 10 years at hard labor in the State prison at Raleigh.

## ROAD SENTENCE GIVEN FOR STEALING WHEEL

**Six Months Imposed By Recorder in Case Against Young White Man**

M. C. Jones, a young white man, was adjudged guilty by Recorder Harris this morning in three cases, wherein he was charged with the stealing of bicycles, and in one case was given a sentence of six months on the county roads, prayer for judgment being continued in the other two cases. The defendant was represented by J. C. King, Esq., who gave notice of an appeal to the Superior Court, and the case will probably be disposed of in that court during the present term.

The three cases were continued from yesterday morning in order that further testimony might be offered. When called this morning, however, counsel for the defendant stated that there would be no more testimony, and the motion for dismissal of the case was renewed. The Recorder promptly overruled this motion, ordered the entry of guilty and passed sentence.

Four young negroes faced the court on the charge of gambling. Lined up before the court today they at once admitted their guilt of the charge. "Playing a little skin, were you?" queried His Honor, and one of the boys admitted that such had been their occupation when caught. "Let them pay the costs, prayer for judgment continued," was the judgment of the court, and smiles overspread the dark faces as visions of road work were dispelled.

Dock Marshall, charged with a nuisance, in that he had allowed a vicious dog to run at large much to the danger and annoyance of his neighbors, was dismissed.

Annie King, charged with the theft of three pounds of hog meat from V. L. Shepherd, according to the warrant upon which she was arrested, was allowed until tomorrow morning for further time in preparing a defense against the charge.

The boy killed Willie Melvin on November 11 last during a quarrel that arose in the process of a "crap" game. It was several weeks before the police apprehended him, the other negroes in the game not knowing his name. When he was brought before the Recorder he admitted having killed Melvin, and wanted to plead guilty to the charge there.

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## MRS. LIPPITT DEAD.

**Highly Esteemed Lady Passed Away at Her Home Yesterday.**

Mrs. W. H. Lippitt died last night at 8 o'clock, at her home, No. 115 South Second street. She was one of the older residents of the city and was highly esteemed by all who knew her.

Funeral services will be conducted from the residence tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. W. H. Milton, D. D., rector of St. James' Episcopal church, of which the deceased was a most faithful member. Interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

## SHOERMANN ON HIS WAY TO WASHINGTON

Richmond, Va., Jan. 15.—Walter Shoermann, who was arrested near Morrison, Va., on the charge of attempting to set fire to the army magazine near that place, and who was brought to Richmond and held in jail until this morning, is being taken to Washington this afternoon in charge of Federal officers, presumably on the way to Baltimore.

## GRACE TRUSTEES MEET.

Board Elected Mr. D. C. Love to Succeed Late Mr. J. F. Post. Mr. DeWitt C. Love has been elected to succeed the late Mr. James F. Post, chairman of the board of trustees of Grace Methodist church. Mr. J. W. Yates was elected to succeed Mr. Love as a member of the board.

## AMBASSADOR STOPS

Washington, Naon, of Argentina, of his resignation Buenos Aires for home this returns here on conference and Foreign Ministry.

## A FUEL STOP

Spartanburg of motive power the Carolina, road is responsible coal being tied at Dante, Va., result of which mills have closed in upper South day and tomorrow is afforded.

**STORE CLOSED THIS WEEK TAKING INVENTORY**

**Watch for Our Opening Announcement**

A. D. BROWN

**The Sale of Silks Damaged by Water Begins Tomorrow Morning at Nine**

*The Silks that were Damaged by the Overflow of Water Last Friday night will be Placed According to the Amount of Damage done to the Silk and to the Former Selling Price of the Silks especially have advanced materially since these were bought.*

*The Sale will be held in the rear of the store and owing to the limited space that can be given would ask every customer to have patience and everybody will be waited upon.*

*The rules for this sale will be strictly Cash, None Delivered, None Guaranteed, No Exchange.*

*Among the Assortments are Taffetas, Messaline, Satin, Lining Satin, Trousseau Crepe, Chine, Crepe Meteor and Charmeuse. They will be assorted into Five Lots as follows:*

One lot of silks and satins, damaged by water, 27 and 36 inches wide, values to \$1.75, to close out at yard .....	<b>35c</b>
One lot of silks, not quite so badly damaged, all 36 inches wide, values to \$2.00, special at yard .....	<b>75c</b>
One lot of silks, some damaged and some only slightly water marked, all 36 inches wide, values to \$2.50, priced at yard .....	<b>95c</b>
One lot of silks, damaged to a greater or less degree, some only spotted on the edges, values to \$3.00, 36 to 42 inches wide, special ..	<b>\$1.20</b>
One lot composed of high grade silks that formerly sold from \$2.00 to \$5.00 a yard that were damaged more or less by water, 36 to 45 inches wide, priced to close quickly at yard .....	<b>\$1.55</b>

**Half Price Sale of Dress Trimmings Begins Tomorrow**

A large number of handsome trimmings put on one of our bargain tables tomorrow. This is a clearance of metal and other wanted effects. The sale will last for three days. You are buying your silks you will do well to buy the trimmings also, because of these unprecedented attractions.

Another assortment of wide flouncing trimmings for evening wear are priced at one-fourth.

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