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Monroe, N. C.

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The Women's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Episcopal church is serving a luncheon Friday, December 3rd, in the Parish House. The dining room will open at 11:00 o'clock and luncheon will be served until 4:00 o'clock. The cost will be 50 or 75 cents according to your choice.

Mrs. Evans Hostess

Mrs. Albert Evans was hostess to her bridge club Saturday afternoon at her home on South Church street. Mrs. Olin B. Sikes won high score prize.

After the games a lovely dessert course was served. Those playing were Miss Marian Lee, Miss Lucy Lee, Mrs. W. R. Kirkman, Mrs. Floyd Laney, Miss Ruth Garren, Mrs. Paul Gamble, Mrs. Jack Cochran and Mrs. Olin B. Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Brown of Charlotte spent Thanksgiving here with Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boyte.

Dr. and Mrs. T. R. Kendall left this morning for Forsyth, Ga., where they will make their home for the winter and perhaps longer.

Mr. and Mrs. Sikes Sanders and two children, Johnny and Nellie Sue, spent Thanksgiving in Chesterfield, S. C., with Mrs. Sanders' brother, T. C. Melton and family and attended a reunion of the Melton family.

Miss Katherine Lee of Kershaw, S. C., and Miss Florene Smith who are students at Queens College, Charlotte, spent Thanksgiving here with Miss Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Smith and family.

Mrs. J. S. Stearns will leave tomorrow for Winston-Salem where she will spend a few days with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Frank Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wall and two children, Vernon, Jr., and Miss Mary Elizabeth, spent the week-end in Winston-Salem with Mrs. Wall's four brothers, W. S. R. E. V. C. and O. F. Taylor and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Wall and children spent Thanksgiving in Charlotte where they were the guests of Mr. Wall's brother, Harold Wall and Mrs. Wall.

Lt. and Mrs. Wilton Damon, spent the week-end in Greensboro, where they were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Damon.

Mrs. Harry Lee and two children, Johnny and Susan Anne, who have been spending some time here with her mother, Mrs. C. A. McRorie, left Saturday for Columbia, S. C., where they will make their home with Major Lee, who is stationed at Camp Jackson.

Mrs. Charles Napier returned home last night from Alexandria, La., where she has been spending several days with her husband, Lt. Napier.

Mrs. Claude Morrison who has been making her home in El Paso, Texas with her husband, Lt. Morrison, will leave there about the middle of this week for Monroe and Marshville to spend some time. Lt. Morrison is moving to Louisiana where he will be on maneuvers. Mrs. Clegg Sell who has also been in El Paso with her husband, Staff Sgt. Sell, will accompany Mrs. Morrison here to be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal P. Love, Staff Sgt. Sell is also moving to another flying field.

Birth Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. J. Emmett Griffin announce the birth of a daughter, Carolyn Elizabeth, Wednesday, November 24, 1943, in the Ellen Fitzgerald hospital.

Mrs. Victor H. Wood spent the week-end in Charlotte, where she visited Mrs. Hallie Belk Daughtridge.

Misses Helena and Janice Whitener of Charlotte, spent the week-end here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Whitener. Mr. Whitener and three children, Pat, Nancy and Alice of Walkersville, spent Sunday here with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whitener.

Message To U. D. C. Members

Those who found it impossible to attend the November meeting and wish to send a package to the Confederate Woman's Home at Fayetteville may take it to T. C. Anderson's office in the wholesale department of the Monroe Hardware company. Please attend to this right away as the box should be sent soon.

Parent-Teachers Association

The Parent-Teachers Association will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 in the John D. Hodges school auditorium. Mrs. A. P. Smith will review the book, "The Other Wise Man." All members are asked to bring a gift for the soldier.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Norwood and two children, Charles, Jr., and Margaret Louise, of Old Port, and Mrs. L. H. Wyndham of Savannah, Ga., who had been spending Thanksgiving holidays here with their mother, Mrs. Sam J. McGuire, left for their respective homes yesterday.

Jimmy Lee spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lee at their home in Reidsville.

CAN VITAMINS CHANGE GRAY HAIR?

According to Good Housekeeping tests with Children's Pantalone on gray hair... Age—did not seem to affect results. The earliest response occurred in a 30 year old; the latest in a 72 year old. Color—began to appear near the roots of the hair. The color may not appear all over the head at the same time. Symmetrical areas, perhaps on the temples or the back of the head, may show traces of color first, after which the color will spread to other parts of the head. Time—varied from 1 month to 6 months. Results—87% of those tested had positive evidence of a return of some hair color. Note—Pantalone is GRAYVITA, which contains 10 mg. of Vitamin B12 (cyanocobalamin) plus 400 U.S.P. units of B6 (pyridoxine). 10 day supply, \$1.50, 30 day supply, \$3.00. Please, write GAMBLE'S DRUG STORE

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Showalter of Fairmont, West Virginia, are spending several days here on business and visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams had as their guests yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Smith and son, Edward, of Charlotte.

Lt. and Mrs. Charles Phillips of Columbia, S. C., came the last of the week to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hampton Price. Lt. Phillips went on to Chapel Hill to attend the wedding of his brother, Craig Phillips which took place Saturday. Lt. and Mrs. Phillips returned to Columbia Sunday.

WRECK OF BERLIN MAY BE END OF NAZIDOM

Tells Of Vast Havoc Created By Destructive Bombing By Allied Forces.

The air battle of Berlin may well prove to rank with the decisive battles of this global war. Berlin is in a state of chaos. The vast city of 4,500,000 inhabitants is stunned, inactive, inert, almost apathetic.

Those of our military experts who insist that Germany could be knocked out from the air have in Berlin a new talking point besides blasted Hamburg. The German capital is distinctly groggy—and Berlin is the heart and brains of Adolf Hitler's Nazi Reich.

The final punch may have to be delivered by a land army. But the armies and armadas of the air, sent now for three successive days to the German capital from England, have delivered blows from which the enemy is reeling.

Berlin, unlike Washington, is more than Germany's political capital. German finance is centered there. Business takes its cue from there. A large part of Germany's vast war production machinery is domiciled in and around Berlin.

Twelve main railway lines, converging upon Berlin make it the most important communications junction point of the Reich. Tempelhof air-drome is at the crossroads of Europe. A system of rivers and canals connect Berlin with the Baltic and North seas.

With the wiping out of such world-famous provincial papers as the Frankfurter Zeitung and the Cologne Gazette, the German press, or what is left of it, is practically identical with the Berlin press. National and state theatres, operas, and symphony concert orchestras give Berlin a unique place in the cultural life of the Reich.

Over and above all this, it is a truism that the capital of a totalitarian country is far more important to the regime which controls it than is the capital of any real democracy nation. For totalitarianism means the utmost concentration of power in the hands of the dictator and his underlings at the nation's capital. Eliminate the capital suddenly, and the rest of the country is without guidance.

From all I have seen of Nazism in practice I feel safe in asserting that the much-advertised Hitlerian "leadership" principle does not produce leaders, but robots; that it does not further personal initiative, but develops buck-passers. Hence if the national capital with its Fuehrer, the source of all Nazi authority, fails to function properly, nothing within the Reich proceeds as it should.

Even on the purely administrative side, the destruction of the government buildings in the Wilhelmstrasse, on Leipziger platz and the Leipziger Strasse and along the historic Under den Linden has thrown an enormous monkey wrench into the machinery of Nazi bureaucracy.

Shortly before I left Germany in 1942 I was told of the completion, in Berlin, of the most modern telephone exchange in Germany, if not in all Europe. I was given to understand that the number of daily calls to the capital had reached astronomical proportions, because the authorities at the seat of the central government were constantly being appealed to for decision by ari-zu-leaders in the provinces.

These sub-leaders were so fearsome lest they do something displeasing to Hitler, Goering, Himmler, Goebbels, and the rest of the coterie of top-notchers that they appeal to Berlin on every occasion.

They had no state parliaments or municipal councils to share responsibility with them, for all direct people's representation had been abolished in a national Parliament, become merely an audience before which Adolf Hitler can step conveniently to harangue the nation and the world. It has ceased to have legislative functions.

All dispatches from abroad agree that the telephone and telegraph system of the German capital is in a state of complete demoralization. That fact alone is calculated to lead to all sorts of complications.

No Peg Leg, No Rescue

New York—Trapped in a blazing tenement, Vladislaw Michalowski, 58, refused to budge without his wooden leg. A fireman groped his way around the room until he found it. Then, tucking the wooden leg under one arm, he slung Michalowski over his shoulder and descended a ladder to the street.

So many girls know all about CARDUI

Have YOU tried its 2-way help? See directions on label.

Hopeless Tuggers Scare Sheriff

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho—Suddenly coming up on two lines of children holding a tug-of-war rope which stretched across a dark street, Sheriff Harry Haner jammed on the brakes of his car and leaped out. The children scattered, laughing—there wasn't any proe.

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PANTIES
Children's Knit Panties 25c

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BELK BROTHERS

Monroe, N. C.

Busy Salt Lake City—How's this? According to police records, a man was married on Friday, arrested on Saturday, sentenced (for petit larceny) on Monday, but freed on November 20 to begin a honeymoon that was to last until Tuesday, November 23, when he was inducted into the army.

Special merit badges authorized for foot soldiers.

Scarcity of tires growing in U. S. manufacturers warn.

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SOCIAL NEWS

BY MRS. EUGENE ASHCRAFT
Phone No. 445

LOOK AMERICA!

Look America, look towards the sky. Tell me what you see there! Bombers, and scouters and fighting planes. Ready a fight to share. Brave men of destiny soaring high. Protecting you, guarding you. Onward they fly!

Look America, look on your land: Tell me what you see there! Tanks and guns and mechanized troops. Me that will do and dare: Fighting for freedom and liberty too. Doing all this and more for you.

Look America, look on the sea: Tell me what you see there! Ships and destroyers and submarines. And sailors alert and aware. Striving a common foe to beat. Sounding on always, but never retreat.

Look America, just once more, And tell me what you see! Look at your people whoever they are. Wherever they chance to be. See how they're working and praying for you. Giving their best to the red, white and blue. Then lift your head and be thankful please. You can't lose this war with folks behind you like these. —Carol Bessent

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Orr and son, Albert, Jr., spent Thanksgiving day in Charlotte where they were dinner guests of Mr. Orr's father and sister, H. H. Orr and Miss Madeline Orr.

Mrs. W. R. Lampley is spending some time at Pine Bluff where she is visiting her husband's parents, Mr. Mrs. Lampley.

Mrs. J. L. Matheson of Wadesboro, and her son, Pfc. Matheson who is stationed at a Camp in Massachusetts, and is spending a furlough with his mother, spent a few days the last of the week with Mrs. Matheson's brother, T. C. Horton and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Griffin visited Mrs. Julia Griffin in Wingate on Thanksgiving.

Joe Paul Gamble, Jr., spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Charlotte with his cousin, Phillip Gamble.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Gettys and two daughters, Anne and Jean, of Charlotte, visited Dr. Gettys' brother, D. B. Gettys, and family last week.

Mrs. W. W. Crews returned home from Greensboro the last of the week, where she spent Thanksgiving holidays with her daughter, Miss Jean Crews, who is a student at Woman's college of the State University.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Price and daughter, Miss Janet, of Lenoir, spent Thanksgiving here with Mrs. Price's father, Lee Griffin and Mrs. Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Arrant of Mint Hill visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Harris Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Henderson spent Thanksgiving day in Burlington where they were guests of their daughter, Mrs. C. C. Sikes and family.

Mrs. Hubert Burdie of Andrews, S. C., visited her brother, D. B. Gettys, and family here last week.

Misses Harriett and Elizabeth Alexander, who are teaching in Salisbury, came last Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving holidays here with their sister, Miss Ollie Alexander and other relatives.

Mrs. Fred Crisman has returned to Rantoul, Ill., where her husband is stationed, after a several days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gaddy on Pageland road, and her sister, Mrs. S. C. Duncan and family on Lancaster Avenue.

Mrs. R. H. Hargett returned home last week from a month's visit with her sister, Mrs. John Speight, and family, in Richmond, Va.

Miss Sarah Clapp of Gastonia, spent a few days here last week with her sister, Miss Ruth Clapp, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. C. Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Barnett and daughter, Miss Grace, of Charlotte, spent Thanksgiving here with Mrs. Barnett's mother, Mrs. J. E. Efrid.

Miss Theo Elliott spent Thanksgiving holidays in Charlotte where she was the guest of Miss Nancy Tidwell.

W. B. Elliott and son, Jack, of Lancaster, S. C., spent Sunday here with Mrs. and Mrs. Parks Elliott.

Mrs. DeWitt Klutz and Miss Margaret Stevens, of Charlotte, were the guests of Mrs. C. B. Adams on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Core Mae Dove, Mrs. Marie Dove Williamson and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Walters spent Thanksgiving in Kannapolis with Mrs. Dove's son, Bill Dove and family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Honeycutt and son, Moffatt, spent Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Honeycutt's sister, Mrs. Ream in Charlotte.

Miss Octavia Hunnicutt of Charlotte, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Hunnicutt.

Mrs. T. C. McDowell left some time ago for Richmond, Va., where she is on an extended visit with her son, T. C. McDowell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey Kendrick and small daughter, Martha, left last Wednesday for Cross, to spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. Kendrick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Radcliff. Mrs. Kendrick remained to ride the rest of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Coppel and children spent Thanksgiving in Cherryville with Mrs. Coppel's mother, Mrs. M. B. Kendrick and other relatives.

Mrs. H. J. Hinson has been called to Erwin because of the critical illness of her brother, Oscar Hinson.

Mrs. Sam Lome, of Grier, S. C., was the week-end guest of Mrs. H. E. Coppel at her home on Tallyrand Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Memory returned to their home in Wilmington last week after a several days visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Griffin.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Austin, Jr., of Kannapolis, spent Thanksgiving here with his mother, Mrs. V. C. Austin.

V. C. Austin left Thursday for Fort Myers, Fla., where he is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Fred Benton and Mr. Benton.

Mrs. Cora May Dove had as her guest for a few days, her sister-in-law, Mrs. Marie Dove Williamson, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Elizabeth Mears, who is teaching in Cramerton, came Wednesday for the Thanksgiving holidays here with her sister, Mrs. Hall Efrid and family.

Mrs. Rutha Dyal left last Wednesday for her home in Cheraw, S. C., where she spent the holidays with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Dixon had as guests for Thanksgiving day, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Staten and two daughters, Misses Mary Elizabeth and Olivette, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Staten of Marshville, and Mrs. Kate Mills, of Greensboro.

Williams-Gilliam

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Marsh Williams announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Ann to John Reece Gilliam, son of Mrs. John Gordon Gilliam and the late Mr. Gilliam of Elkin. The wedding will take place in December.

Pfc. and Mrs. Sam Barnes, Capt. and Mrs. Dana Peeks, Mrs. Robert Howell and Miss Letha Starnes were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Medlin Thanksgiving Day.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL PARISH HOUSE BAZAAR & LUNCHEON

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3rd
11:00 A. M.—4:00 P. M.

MENU

75c LUNCHEON
Chicken Salad Potato Chips
Deviled Eggs Rolls
Fruited Jello
Coffee

50c LUNCHEON
Ham Potato Salad
Apple Sauce Rolls
Fruited Jello
Coffee