

IN SOCIETY

Polk County Club To Meet at Mimosa

The meeting of the Polk County Club will be held at the Mimosa Hotel, a great crowd is expected to attend this meeting, when the selection of officers will be made for the ensuing year.

Christmas Social Calendar Will Be Interesting

The Christmas holidays will be a continuous succession of interesting affairs. A dance has been planned for the 22nd of December to be given by the workers of the Christmas Seal sales. Good music has been secured for the occasion, and an admission charge of one dollar for the dancing couples will be made and fifty cents for the spectators that wish to attend this notable event.

Dr. and Mrs. Grey Expecting Company For The Holidays

Dr. and Mrs. William Grey, are expecting for the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. John Grey.

Mr. and Mrs. Huntley And the Lindsays Will Be in Tryon For the Holidays

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Huntley, and the Edwin Lindsays, will be in Tryon for the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Huntley will be remembered by Tryon's social set as Miss Lindsay, her marriage here some time ago was one of the outstanding social events of the season.

Woman's Auxiliary Selects Officers At Meeting Recently

The Woman's Auxiliary, met Tuesday at the Parish House, at this meeting the nominating committee submitted the following names for officers: Miss Minerva Avant, president; Miss Harriett Taylor, vice president; Mrs. W. A. Dobbin, secretary; Mrs. Douglas Blais, Treasurer; Miss Louise Pitkin, custodian, U. T. O.; Miss Mary Pitkin, secretary of the church periodical club; Miss Elma Hansen, chairman of prayer partnership.

Woman's Auxiliary to Feature Prayer Partnership

One of the main features of the work of the Auxiliary for the coming year, is to be the Prayer Partnership Plan, each auxiliary having certain missionaries in the field for the prayer partnership. The Rev. J. Dyer, J. Wush, China, and Miss Vaughan Kelly, Bagio, Philippine Islands are the prayer partners for the Auxiliary for the Holy Cross Church, these members and corporately at each meeting.

Volunteers Wanted For Sale at Post Office

The Evergreen sale starts at the Post Office, on December the 15th. Evergreens will be sold, holiday boxes wrapped and a number of volunteers are needed for the success of this sale.

Mrs. Berry Gives Small Reception

Mrs. R. M. Berry, gave a small reception for her brother, Mr. McLeod Brady, and his wife on Thursday. The guests bringing largely old friends from Detroit, Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Brady have taken the Green Cottage for a month.

Dr. Henderson To Return to Tryon

Dr. Henderson, the author, is to return to Tryon very shortly, this will be heralded as great news to many Tryonites, for he is very popular here.

More Visitors For Tryon

Miss Folger and Mrs. Abbott, of Maine, have taken rooms in Miss Fassett's new house. Mrs. Bryant and Mrs. Winters, are at the Circle Inn. Mrs. Washburn, returned from Duluth, on Sunday and Mr. John Washburn from Boston on Tuesday. Miss Thurber of Detroit, will be here until after Christmas.

Children of Pine Crest School To Entertain Wednesday

Wednesday before Christmas, the children of Pine Crest School will give an entertainment for the benefit of the fund that they earn through their efforts each year, to care for the orphans assigned them. Carols and a little sketch is being arranged by Miss Faccott. Much interest is centered on this event, as the Pine Crest Children are loyal workers and have accomplished many good deeds.

Mrs. E. P. Williams And Mrs. Wm. Graham, Jr. Entertain At Bridge

Mrs. E. P. Williams and Mrs. Wm. Graham, Jr., gave a most delightful bridge affair Monday afternoon, at Circle Inn. There were eight tables in play, with Mrs. Paul Smith and Mrs. Oliver Andrews winning the top score, and Miss Canfield the consolation.

The Baptist Bazaar A Great Success in Every Way

One of the most successful entertainments ever given in Tryon was that of the Baptist Bazaar. The entertainment was given for the benefit of charity, and was held on last Friday afternoon and evening. It brought in the first real spirit of the approaching holidays.

Informal Dance to Be At Thousand Pines On December The Twenty Fourth

Mrs. M. O. Kelly, will entertain at Thousand Pines, on December 24th, for her granddaughter, Miss Martha Luback and her ward, Miss Jane Oakley. This will be one of the informal dances for the younger set of Tryon, and has all evidence of being a very enjoyable affair.

Mrs. Paul Smith Will Be Hostess At Luncheon

Mrs. Paul Smith, will be hostess to a number of friends at a luncheon given at her home at one o'clock.

The Lanier Club

The meeting of The Lanier Club, December 2nd was of unusual interest. Mrs. E. L. McKee of Sylva, President of The North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs addressed the audience, talking about organization and kindred subjects, and begging her listeners to use their influence for the furtherance of the five bills which the women have sponsored. These bills were defeated at the last assembly of our State Legislature but are to be again brought up for consideration. It is reassuring to know that our representative from his district, Mr. W. P. Little, stands pledged to their support.

Mrs. McKee is the ideal club woman essentially feminine, graceful, earnest, humorous, devoted to her home and to her community. Tryon club women, have not, perhaps, taken as much interest in the Federation as might have been expected from women so public spirited, but they must have been impressed by their opportunities for wider usefulness as they listened to Mrs. McKee. The next meeting of the Lanier Club will be held at 8 o'clock in the evening, December 16th. Major Bernard Sharp will speak, his subject being "National Defense: Does It Mean War?" Gentlemen are practically invited to be present. No admission will be charged. The Lanier Club wishes to share its programs so far as possible, with the men.

MUSICAL BUMP

The public school band movement now sweeping the nation is developing for America a "musical bump" that will eventually rival that displayed by the most colorful and tune-loving countries of the Old World, according to Frederick Nell Innes, internationally famous bandmaster of the 80's and now head of the Conn National School of Music, Chicago.

"The time is near at hand when even the smallest of communities will have its band," says Mr. Innes. "And they will be capable organizations, too. Never has there been such an indication of a widespread interest in band music. A school is as proud when their band wins the state championship as they are when their football eleven cleans up on every other aggregation in the section.

"The students are seeing music not only as a cultural pastime, but as the possible key to a remunerative profession.

"It is time the tide was turning. A year ago the average American spent but 10 cents on band music, while \$1.50 was being spent on pianos, and \$1 on talking machines. Those figures are due for material changes, and it will be the boys of the land who will change them."

LOST OR STRAYED

"I see where the bank is looking for a cashier."

"I thought they hired one last week?"

"That's the one they're looking for!"

Her Garden of Dreams

By CLARISSA MACKIE

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THE family laughed at Joan's garden of dreams—they called it Joan's garden of dreams," and they teased her about it in a kindly way. They all loved it and sat in it when they could, but Joan Worth was the one who loved it best, who worked in it, and dreamed over it, always seeing beauty in it at any season of the year.

"Joan's children have gone to bed under a white blanket," smiled Mrs. Worth when the first snow came. The others looked out, seeing the arbor a great hump of snow, and garden benches misshapen oblongs. Every bush and vine wore a bridal veil of white, or sparkled with icy diamond drops. The sun shone wanly.

"Well, Joan, my dear," said Nan briskly, "what has your garden to offer today? A bouquet of icicles?"

Joan looked out of the window—"I believe I can get a winter bouquet—there are some dried clematis seeds and downy fluff, the barberry bushes are full and red."

"Is there any romance in your garden of dreams?" asked Nan gently. Joan's thin face flushed and her eyes were very soft.

"I am sure it must flower there, Nan! You remember your Stephen used to sit there with you—" she smiled as Nan looked down at her engagement ring.

"That is true," said Nan softly. "Stephen always said the garden had a great deal to do with his courtship! But, my dear girl, I am not talking about us; I am speaking about a romance for you in your garden! Are you sure there is not a root somewhere?"

Joan laughed. "There's love in a mist—and love lies bleeding," and bride roses," she said mischievously.

Nan looked up shrewdly. "Those flowers are all asleep—like you, Joan Worth!" she declared, and stopped teasing Joan. She felt sorry for her younger sister who was so timid and retiring that only a very bold and persistent lover could win her love. "And where is such a man?" Nan asked herself—"Stephen was the last eligible man in Little River—"

And then she thought of Stephen's cousin, Mark Raymond—she had only met him once but he was a large, blond young man with an aggressive nose and chin and persistent blue eyes. "I must ask Stephen to bring him over the next time Mark comes to Little River," she thought, and planned some pretty frocks for the unsuspecting Joan.

The afternoon that Stephen brought Mark Raymond was a Saturday half-holiday. Nan had persuaded Joan to wear a vivid orange flannel frock which made the girl look like some brilliant-plumaged bird. Donning an old russet cloak, she prowled around the garden, seeing it sometimes as it would be when the first buds pushed through.

She was planning the garden for another summer, when a quiet voice spoke. "Any room for weeds in your garden, Miss Joan?" She turned quickly to meet the admiring eyes of Mark Raymond—she had not seen him for several years—she had been a small girl then at her first grown-up dance, and Mark had taken pity on her mortification at being a wallflower, and had given her the most delightful evening of her quiet life. She was glad to see him.

"There is always room for friendly weeds, Mr. Raymond," she said. "I will have to explain—right along here is the place where my dahlias stand, all in a row like soldiers, and as I raised them all myself for several years, I have named the different varieties after the twelve disciples—see the stakes with the labels?"

Mark went down the row, glancing at the labels—he read them aloud, "Matthew, Mark, Luke, John—" and so on. "So I am not a weed after all," said Mark Raymond. "I am a nice dahlia in a lady's garden!"

"You are named for a saint," said Joan primly.

"Of course, I am only a humble namesake," he said meekly, his blue eyes never leaving her vivid face, wondering why he had ever called this child plain! "Seems only last week that you and I had our famous evening at the charity ball," he went on.

"It is ten years ago," Joan said, and when he did not answer she looked up to find him regarding her with the queerest expression—mingled admiration, wonder, amazement, as if he had just discovered a great treasure. Perhaps he had—for Joan was twenty-two, and the sweetest girl he had ever seen. What had he been doing all those years while she was growing up? Perhaps she was engaged, as well as Nan! He must find out. His aggressive chin was not there for nothing at all! "So it is you that are engaged to old Steve," he murmured mendaciously.

"Mercy no," said Joan briskly. "It is Nan—and we must go in now and have some tea."

They came up the garden path together, talking, and Nan, waiting for them, turned away from the window, while Stephen stirred the fire. "How about it?" asked Stephen, grinning.

"It will be all right—I saw his eyes—we will have a double wedding. Steve!"

"In the rose garden," added Stephen.

More than a quarter of a billion dollars was handled last year by the money transfer service of one of the telegraph companies.

Tires in Hot Weather

Many motorists still believe that in hot weather the air in a tire expands to the danger point. It is true, of course, that on a warm day the air does expand, but so slightly that its effect is negligible. The practice of running tires at less than the recommended pressure instead of effecting a saving has cost motorists thousands of dollars, for internal tire heat results not from the temperature of the outside air but from constant bending of the tire as it rolls along the

BAND IS BETTER THAN THE 'GANG'

Why United States Is Becoming Most Musical Nation in World.

Radio, the phonograph and the public school band are conspiring to make the United States the most musical nation in all the world, according to C. D. Greenleaf, of the Conn Music Center.

With the ether wave charged with melodies—with the phonograph bringing into the living room the gayety of the million-dollar jazz band—and with son regarding the post of first cornetist in the High School band as a position as vital as that held by the



C. D. Greenleaf.

quarterback of the football eleven, the band instrument manufacturers are reporting a demand for their wares such as they have never before known.

U. S. Creating Music.

"After hearing more music than any other generation has ever heard, America is expressing an ardent wish to 'blow its own horn,' in the actual sense of the phrase," says Mr. Greenleaf. "The creative spirit is lifting its head and today the United States is housing more musicians and embryo musicians than ever before."

"Scarcely a day goes by during which the American family isn't treated to the most pleasing of harmonies. This harmony is recruiting a vast army of men, women and children, who are setting out to create their own music. It is one of man's inherent instincts, this desire to produce pleasing tunes.

"No matter how far short he may be from the accepted standards of his instrument, the player derives far more satisfaction and pleasure in the knowledge that he is creating music than he could possibly feel from the strains of the modern masters, artificially reproduced."

Music as a Vocation.

"Our schools have been developed so that now a child can learn to be a carpenter, mechanic, printer, or any one of a number of other professions, all at the public expense, which is as it should be," says Mr. Greenleaf. "The day is at hand for school authorities to extend the same opportunity to children who desire to take up music as a life work.

"Music is a healthful influence. Parents are learning that the band is better than the 'gang' for their youngsters.

"Music is a mental stimulant. A survey recently conducted in the schools of a mid-western city revealed that children who had studied music averaged considerably higher in all lines of school activities."

Nineteen Miles an Hour Is Most Dangerous Speed

When the automobile speedometer hovers around 19 miles an hour, it is the most hazardous pace at which a motorist can travel, in the opinion of John N. Mackall, chairman of the Maryland state roads commission, who asserts that 95 per cent of all traffic accidents occur while cars are proceeding at this speed. He said:

"Ninety-five per cent of the automobile accidents occur as a result of a speed of 19 miles an hour, as statistics show on the sworn testimony of those who figured in the accidents.

"I am not interested in speculations as to the most comfortable rate of speed when a crash occurs. What I am interested in is to avoid the crash by regulation of traffic at a uniform and reasonably rapid rate of speed. I cannot say definitely what is the most desirable minimum. That must be decided by tests.

"It is certain, however, that a rate of 25 or 30 miles an hour would tend to eliminate the jockeying for position in line which results when one automobile creeps along at 15 or 20 miles an hour in front of other machines which want to get somewhere.

"With a rate of speed sufficiently rapid to obviate the necessity of one machine getting out of line to pass another, the greatest cause of automobile accidents would be removed."

To Spend Half Billion on 1926 Music Lessons

Elkhart, Ind.—Half a billion dollars will be spent by Americans for music lessons between now and next June, it is estimated by the Conn Music Center. The estimate is based on a statistical study by J. P. Blake of St. Louis.

According to Mr. Blake, there are 250,000 teachers of music who regularly practice their profession in the United States. These teachers average 20 pupils each. Allowing an average of two lessons a week for each student for the 25 weeks between now and June, means a total of 250,000,000 music-lesson hours, which at the average fee of \$2 per hour, brings the income of the music teachers up to \$500,000,000.

TIRED DRIVERS COURT DANGERS

Fatigue Plays Important Part in Causing Automobile Accidents.

Fatigue plays a far more important part in causing automobile accidents than is generally recognized. A motor truck owner was driving to a distant city at night to be there for a load early in the morning. He had been working hard all day and was fatigued.

At a grade crossing he came into collision with a train and was killed. It is quite likely this man went to sleep at the wheel. In any case he was ordinarily a careful and cautious driver. He knew the road well. He was familiar with the crossing. There is every indication that the accident was due solely to fatigue.

A party of tourists started out to make a long motor trip. In order to make it in the shortest possible time they decided to keep going night and day. One would drive while the others slept, or at least tried to sleep. The journey ended in a fatal accident before the goal was reached.

Needs Recharging. The human system is a good deal like a storage battery. When the current in the battery is low, it fails to turn the starting motor. Even the light may be dim. That battery will not work well again until it is recharged.

The only way a fatigued man can become alert again is to have his vitality recharged through complete rest. The imperfect rest he gets while riding in a car is not rest enough. He needs good, sound sleep and plenty of it.

A young person can usually regain his vitality more quickly than one along in middle life or an old person. He sleeps sounder and he responds more quickly to rest.

Persons of all ages, however, are subject to fatigue. The only difference between ages is the rate of recovery.

Reactions Slower.

At the beginning of a long trip any driver is far less likely to meet with an accident than he is as he nears the end of a long, continuous drive. At the start, he is alert. If there are careless and reckless drivers on the road he is able to avoid a collision. After 100 or more miles of driving he is far less alert. His reactions are slower. When he gets in a tight place he fails to respond and the chances are greatly against him if an accident is imminent.

This means that a person should avoid driving when fatigued, when tired out because of having driven a great distance already or having done work that proved tiring. If he has not had his usual amount of sleep he is also fatigued and should avoid driving.

The distance a person can drive without becoming fatigued will vary with different people. A person who is driving every day and who is driving long distances can drive more miles a day without fatigue than a person who drives only a few days a week and then but short distances.

FIND YOUTH IS 'HORNING' WAY AROUND WORLD

"Hornoring one's way around the world" is rapidly becoming a popular means by which young America is gratifying its "going abroad" hunger according to information reaching the Conn Music Center, Elkhart, Ind. Music is not only the wherewithal which makes it possible for him to satisfy his desire for travel, but it is also keeping his pockets rather well lined.

The American band is found aboard the ships of every flag, and in the capitals of the nations of the Orient and Occident. Members of orchestras provide music aboard boat at comfortable salaries and further increase their earnings through concerts in foreign ports. The story of America's symphonic jazz has penetrated every

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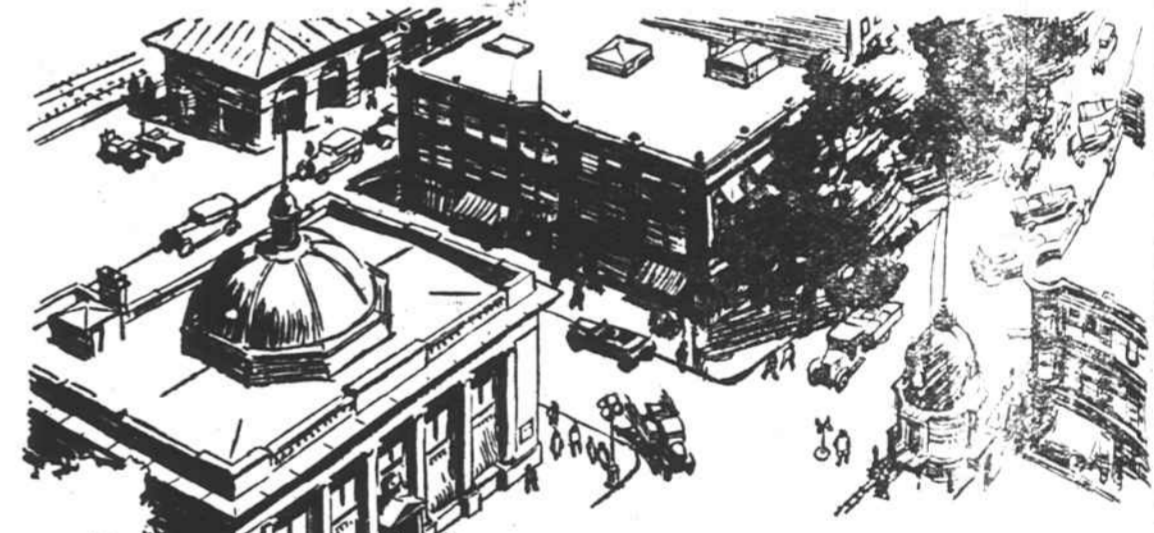
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