

SOCIETY

News

MISS MAYNE ROBERTS—Social Editor—Phone 256.
News Items Telephoned Miss Roberts Will Be Appreciated.

Miss McCullers Entertains.

Miss Salou McCullers, popular teacher in the Piedmont school delightfully entertained her pupils with a tacky party Wednesday evening at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Hord. Many games and contests were enjoyed after which the hostess was assisted by Miss Emma Lou Sloan and Mary Ellen Lee in serving a delicious salad course.

Christmas Party.

The children and parents of the Junior department of the Central Methodist Sunday school enjoyed a Christmas party in their department on Monday evening. Mrs. Grover Beam, the superintendent, assisted by a number of helpers arranged a number of interesting games at the close of which refreshments were served.

B. E. Abernethy, Weds In Charlotte. Gastonia Guest.

Miss Edith Kendrick and Mr. B. E. Abernethy, both of Gastonia, were married Monday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the manse of the First Presbyterian church in Charlotte, the Reverend Doctor Albert Sidney Johnston officiating.

The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kendrick of Union Drive. She is a graduate of the city high school and Kings Business college, Charlotte, and holds a position in the offices of Solicitor John G. Carpenter. She is a charming and attractive girl, and is admired by a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Abernethy is a son of Mr. T. H. Abernethy, of Shelby. For the past two years he has been connected with the Cocker Machine and Foundry company of this city. After a motor trip to Florida Mr. and Mrs. Abernethy will be at home in Gastonia.

Present for the ceremony were Misses Mabel Derr and Irene Bell, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Kieckler and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davis, all of Charlotte.

Mrs. Riley Honors Mesdames Gardner And Bridges.

The hospitable home of Judge and Mrs. J. L. Webb on South Washington street was cherry and bright with beautiful Christmas decorations, lighted red candles and open fires yesterday afternoon when Mrs. M. Webb Riley charmingly entertained the Cecelia Music club and a number of invited guests, honoring Mrs. O. Max Gardner and daughter, Mrs. Eugene Burgess of Brooklyn, N. Y., who are spending the Christmas holidays at home. Part of the regular program on Schumann was used, combined with a lovely Christmas program given by visiting artists in the city. Miss Bertha Bostic first gave a life sketch of Schumann and his wife, Clara Schumann.

Mrs. Grady Lovelace next sang, "The Birthday of a King," by Newlin. Miss Myrtle Warren a talented singer of Gastonia, sang, "Night of Nights," by Van DeWater. Mrs. Ben Suttle playing her piano accompaniment. Mrs. Joe Cabaniss from Hartford, Conn., an honorary member of this club beautifully sang, "Songs My Mother Taught Me," and "Coming Home." Mrs. Frank Love of Lincoln, also an honorary member played the piano accompaniment for Mrs. Cabaniss. Mrs. Riley received her guests in a brown chiffon afternoon gown. Mrs. Gardner wore cerise velvet and Mrs. Burgess wore blue crepe.

Max Gardner jr., assisted by his little friends, Ben Gold jr. and David Royster passed the doilies after which sandwiches, coffee, fruit cake, ambrosia and nuts were served. The invited guests included: Mesdames Thornton Bostick, Chas. Roberts, Mrs. Clyde Hoey, Jr., John Fox jr., Toms Dover, Misses Reeka Gardner, Myrtle and Lottie Warren and Miss Attie Bostic, all charming visitors in the city during the Christmas holidays. Other guests were Mesdames C. R. Hoey, E. Y. Webb, Chas. Hoey and Miss Isabel Hoey.

All Standing Off.

From The Durham Herald.
The Roxboro Courier is skeptical about the correctness of the report that Durham will not have a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress. We are not in a position to definitely call our esteemed Person contemporary on that, but so far as we have been able to gather from nosing around among the boys here, there is just one chance, and that not so good, that Durham will put out a man for the office now held by Major Stedman. And in passing, we note that Person county will have no candidate, as The Courier is suggesting that Major Stedman be kept in congress for the rest of his life.

Penney Comany Distributes Bonus

Nearly Half Million Dollars Is Distributed—Local Force On The List.

The customary Christmas bonus of the J. C. Penney company to its employees totals \$481,175.50 this year, and is shared in by 5510 associates.

Employees receiving bonuses include associates in the company's 1400 stores throughout the country and in the New York, St. Louis and district offices.

For many years the J. C. Penney company has made it a practice to give yearly bonuses. The amount of each employee's bonus is determined by the number of years of service and salary. All associates sharing in this year's bonus were in the employ of the company on January 1, 1929.

Six employees of the local J. C. Penney company store participated in the bonuses given by the company this year, according to E. E. Scott, manager. Maximum bonuses for length of service went to Mrs. A. W. Archer. The woman employee receiving the largest bonus for sales volume was Mrs. Mayme Wray Webb. Other participants in bonus checks were: Miss Fern Beigh, Miss Mary Pegrum, Miss Ella Lipcomb, and Mrs. Mary L. Commitz.

Easier Ways.

From The Boston Transcript.—A plumber in Bavaria made gold out of a piece of lead pipe, so the story goes. Plumbers in this vicinity find working by the hour an easier method.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR.



Music hath many charms at the University of Kentucky, but this pretty co-ed is one of the least resistible. She is Miss Lewra Pettigrew, of El Paso, Texas, and was recently re-elected sponsor of the University of Kentucky's ninety-piece band. She will furnish the chief inspiration for the musicians during the year 1930. Miss Pettigrew is enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Old Letters Of Jefferson Cite His Religious Beliefs

One In Collection Sold Asked That Publisher Say Nothing Of His Beliefs.

New York Times.

A New York collector of Americana has acquired recently an extensive collection of letters by John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Monroe, John Quincy Adams and other famous men, a large proportion of which appears to be unpublished, it was learned recently.

Of the sixteen Jefferson letters in the collection only four have been published, so far as could be learned. In one of those which have not been printed Jefferson discusses the several portraits which were painted of him by Gilbert Stuart, and in another communication refers to his religious beliefs.

The collection was formed between 1815 and 1830 by Joseph Delaplaine publisher, who was born in Philadelphia in 1777. Early in his career he opened a book store in his native city and in 1813 undertook to publish serially a "Repository of the Lives and Portraits of Distinguished Americans"—a collection of engravings with biographical data. In collecting information for this work he corresponded with some of the most distinguished men of his day and had the foresight to preserve their letters. Until recently these letters, bound in a single quarto volume, remained in the possession of his descendants. They, however disposed of the letters, which subsequently passed into the hands of Thomas F. Madigan, autograph dealer, 2 East Fifty-fourth street, who sold them to the collector.

For the most part, these letters deal with portraits and lives of the writers. The series by Jefferson is the largest. For the convenience of Delaplaine, Jefferson even went to the trouble to write out his life and in another letter enclosed a long extract from his diary. In a list of laws which he drew up and introduced into the Virginia legislature he cites as possibly another accomplishment: "To the above may be added the draught of the Declaration of Independence."

On May 30, 1813, Jefferson wrote from Monticello to Delaplaine: "You favor of the 23rd is received in which you enquire whether there is an approved portrait of myself, by whom painted, & in whose possession? Mr. Stuart has drawn two portraits of me, at different sittings of which he prefers the last. Both are in his possession. He also drew a third in water colours, a profile in the medallion style, which is in my possession. Mr. Rembrandt Peale also drew a portrait in oil colours on canvas while I lived in Washington. Of the merit of these I am not a judge, there being nothing to which a man is so incompetent as to judge of his own likeness. He can see himself only by reflection, and that of necessity full-faced or nearly so."

Three years later (Dec. 25, 1816) Jefferson complained of his heavy correspondence. Both this and the foregoing letters are believed to be unpublished. In part, he wrote:

"The first part of my other letter will have the effect of an indirect appeal to the mercy and commiseration of those who are torturing the remnant of my life by letters and applications, generally respectful, often kind, but always increasing my exhaustless labors, and unintentionally prostrating all the ease

and comfort of my life. If the expressions in that letter should have the effect of saving me from thus being killed with kindness, your book will become a blessing to me, as I hope it will to yourself."

In this same letter Jefferson speaks thus of his religious beliefs, "To the enquiries in yours of Nov. 23, I answer, 'Say nothing of my religion. It is known to my God and myself alone. Its evidence before the world is to be sought in my life. If that has been honest and dutiful to society, the religion which has regulated it cannot be a bad one.'"

One of the letters which has been published is one of the most interesting that has ever passed through the hands of Mr. Madigan during his twenty-five years in the autograph business, he said. In a few sentences Mr. Jefferson clarified whatever doubt may have been in the mind of his correspondent about the authorship of the Declaration of Independence. In part, Jefferson wrote:

"Your statements of the corrections of the Declaration of Independence by Dr. Franklin and Mr. Adams are neither of them at all exact. I should think it better to say generally that the rough draught was communicated to these two gentlemen, who, each, made 2 or 3 short verbal alterations only, but even this is laying more stress on mere composition than it merits, for that alone was mine; the sentiments were of all America."

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed of trust executed by N. O. White and wife, to me as trustee, on January 28, 1923, and recorded in book 144 of deeds, page 290, of the register's office of Cleveland county, N. C., and default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said deed of trust, and having been called upon to execute said trust, I, as trustee, will sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction at the court house door in the Town of Shelby, N. C., on—

Monday, January 27, 1930, at 12 o'clock M., the following described real estate, situate in No. 4 Township, Cleveland county, N. C., and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a stone, J. R. Dover's corner on the North side of a branch, thence North 78 East 103 1-2 poles to a stone, thence North 3 East 27 poles to a stone, thence North 72 1-2 West 19 poles to a sourwood, thence North 14 1-2 West 34 1-2 poles to a stone in Hendrick's line, thence with his line North 88 West 110 1-2 poles to a stone, S. R. Anthony's line, thence with his line South 5 1-2 West 48 poles to a post oak stump, Hogue's corner, thence with his line South 87 1-2 East 16 1-2 poles to a stone, thence South 2 1-2 West 58 poles to a White Oak in Dover's line, thence with said line North 61 1-2 East 23 poles to the beginning, containing 64 1-2 acres more or less.

There is a prior mortgage on the foregoing property for the sum of \$1600.00, and recorded in Book 150, page 70, of the register's office of Cleveland county, N. C., and the purchaser will buy said property subject to that or any other prior encumbrance.

This December 23rd, 1929.
R. L. RYBURN, Trustee.

Only 2 More Days In This Stand.
On Jan. 1st EFIRD'S Will Open In The Present Paragon Dept. Store Stand.

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SHELBY'S
BIGGEST
SALE.
2 DAYS ONLY.

2 More Days

EFIRD'S

Removal SALE

SATURDAY and MONDAY

The Two Biggest Bargain Days In 10 Years. Come In And Get Your Share of

Ladies Ready-To-Wear, Shoes, Clothing, Blankets

Cotton Piece Goods, Silk

Hosiery, In Fact

Everything Must Go

Fixtures, Toilet And Shelving FOR SALE

Tuesday Morning Dec. 31st We Move To Our New Store
Location Now Paragon Dept. Store Stand

EFIRD'S DEPT. STORE

LaFayette St. Shelby, N. C.