

# SOCIETY News

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**Ponder-Mull Wedding.**  
The following announcements have been received in the city, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Ponder announce the marriage of their daughter, Orrian Inez to Mr. Joseph Roy Mull on the eve of December the nineteenth, 1929.  
At home Fallston road, Shelby.

**Miss Emma Joe Beam Entertains.**  
At the home of her grandfather, Mr. D. A. Beam, little Emma Joe Beam entertained with a lovely three course dinner New Year's day. Misses Betty Coble, Carolyn Mabry and Mary Wells. Afterwards the little hostess gave a movie party at the Webb theatre.

**Subtle Erwin Invitations.**  
The following wedding invitations have been issued, reading: Rev. and Mrs. John William Suttle request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mr. William F. Erwin on Saturday evening, Jan. 18, 1930, at 7 o'clock. First Baptist church, Shelby, N. C.

**Dinner Party.**  
Mrs. Major Hopper honored her daughter, Miss Ruth Hopper and house guests last Wednesday with a delightful six o'clock dinner, entertaining at her home on N. LaFayette street. The Christmas decorations of red and green were cleverly carried out in the five course dinner. Guests included: Misses Mabel Hord, Ruth Bost, Misses Julia and Hilda Williamson and Mr. Nat Hartly of Athens, Ga., Messrs. Poston and Leon Williamson of Newton and Miss Hopper.

**Birthday Party.**  
Mrs. Fred Baber honored her little daughter, Jean, on her third birthday anniversary with a party entertaining at her home on Cleveland Springs road Friday afternoon. Mrs. Baber was assisted by Mesdames George Hoyle, Wilbur Baber and John McClure in entertaining the thirty little folks in their games and also telling stories. The refreshments were served in the dining room which was arranged in the Christmas decorations. The center of the table held the birthday cake with the three burning candles. Delicious ice cream cakes and suckers were served.

**Prof. and Mrs. Irvin Honor Teachers.**  
Prof. and Mrs. J. Y. Irvin delightfully honored the teachers of their son, John Irvin Jr., Friday evening, entertaining at their lovely home east of the city, with a rook party. Mrs. Irvin was assisted by her sister, Mrs. W. B. Nix and Miss Lucile Nix in entertaining and serving an elaborate salad course, followed by ambrosia fruit cake and minis. The guests included, Prof. and Mrs. B. L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Doggett, Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Falls Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Easom, Misses Stevenson, Cowan, Mary Hardy, Agnes McBrayer, Lucile Nix and Mr. Walter E. Abernathy.

**Miss Blanton Gives Bridge Luncheon.**  
Miss Millicent Blanton charmingly entertained Friday with a 10 o'clock luncheon at her home on W. Marion street honoring Miss Elizabeth Suttle who will be married January 18 to Mr. William J. Erwin. The dining table was beautifully arranged with lace mats and centered with a huge bowl of pink radiance roses with pink lighted tapers at either side. Covers were laid for ten. Miss Blanton received in black flat crepe while the bride-elect wore a tan silk sport dress with accessories to match. She was presented with chiffon hose. Miss Ruth Moore of Forest City won the high score bridge prize and was presented with a piece of brass.

**Mr. and Mrs. Wray Give Dinner Party.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wray of Gastonia entertained the members of their immediate families with a lovely dinner party, which was given at the Country club in Gastonia. Thursday evening at 6 o'clock. The banquet table was arranged with Christmas decorations, and centered with a large bowl of poinsettia blossoms and greenery, the Christmas colors of red and green, being cleverly carried out in the nut cups and elegant five course turkey dinner. Covers were laid for: Mrs. Mary E. McBrayer, Misses Agnes and Ruby McBrayer, Mr. and Mrs. Lander McBrayer, Evans McBrayer, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McBrayer, Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Mauney, Mesdames Mayme Wray Webb, H. I. Hudson, L. A. Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Doggett, Mrs. Margaret Gardner of Greenville, S. C., and Mrs. G. B. Cabanis of Charlotte and Mr. and Mrs. Wray.

**Mr. Farrell Weds Miss Ross.**  
A wedding centering the interest of friends throughout the state was solemnized at 11 o'clock Saturday in Charlotte at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marton Ross, on Briarcliff place, when their sister, Miss Iola Edna Ross, became the bride of John Farrell, Father Ambrose Gallagher, of St. Peter's Catholic church, officiated. Only members of the two families and a few close friends were present.  
Mrs. Farrell is the elder daughter of Landrum Ross, and the late Mrs. Ola Shuford Ross, of Shelby. She is a charming young woman and is admired by a host of friends.  
Mr. Farrell is the third son of Mrs. Frances Farrell and the late David Farrell. He is connected with the General Electric Supply company, being sales representative for western North Carolina.

**Social Calendar For Week.**  
Tuesday 3:30 p. m. The Daughters of American Revolution will meet at the club room. Mrs. J. H. Quinn, chairman of hostess committee.  
Tuesday 3:30 p. m. The Mother's club will meet with Mrs. Chas. Burrus at her home on Cleveland Springs road.  
Wednesday 3:30 p. m.—The Cecilia Music club will meet at the home of Mrs. Earl Hamrick on N. LaFayette street for Choral practice.  
Thursday 3:30 p. m.—Afternoon division No. 2 meets at the club room. Mrs. Chas. Laughridge, chairman of hostess committee.  
Thursday 8 p. m.—The evening division of Woman's club meets at the home of Mrs. R. T. LeGrand, on South Washington street.  
Friday 3:30 p. m.—The Chocora club meets with Mrs. Paul Webb at her home on North Morgan street.  
Friday 3:30 p. m.—The Twentieth Century club meets with Mrs. J. D. Lineberger at her home at Cleveland Springs.

**HOLLANDERS FIGHT SEA TO SAVE LAND**  
Detroit.—One of the greatest engineering problems in Europe, one that has reached the first lap in solution, has to do with draining the Zuider Zee in Holland, according to Prof. N. Y. Polak of Rotterdam, who was at the Hotel Statler recently. Prof. Polak is in the United States with a party of his own countrymen on a tour of investigation and sight-seeing. They are paying particular attention to business methods.

"Holland is one of the few countries in the world that is not land poor," Prof. Polak said. "It has a constant battle between the sea and the land and constant watchfulness and work has been necessary to keep the former from submerging the latter. But we have always wanted and needed more land, although our methods of intensive cultivation has virtually given us a larger productive area than many countries which possess vastly more."

"For generations talk has been indulged in of draining the Zuider Zee and thus adding, with the aid of more dyke, a considerable area to our tillage acreage. Engineers speculated and devised plans, but nothing came of these intermittent activities until the formation of an association almost fifty years ago. Then investigation took on an organized complexion. A plan has been adopted that starts with the construction of a main dyke about nineteen miles long, and this will not be completed for perhaps five years. From this lateral, dykes will be constructed resulting in the inclosing of certain areas. As soon as one is thus prepared the water will be pumped out."

"But this is only a beginning. The land will then have to be purified by removing the salt which was deposited by the sea water. After that has been accomplished the first real work of making it arable will be undertaken. Other similar areas will be drained and prepared as rapidly as possible."

"This whole project will involve an expense of \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000, but it will add 10 per cent to the tillable land of the country, and result in many economic changes, to say nothing of the alteration of our coast line. The land recovered will belong to the state, and while no scheme has been worked out for its disposal, the general belief is that it will be broken up into small holdings."  
"We have seen some of the engineering work here where remarkable results have been obtained in recovering, reclaiming and even what might be called 'making' land, and I am sure that American methods will be adopted to hasten the work of draining the Zuider Zee."

## Simmons And Bailey Race Is Discussed

Prospective Insures Real Primary In State, Opinion Of Paper.

**Greensboro News.**  
Mr. Hoover in 1928 got 350,000 North Carolina votes and Mr. Smith got up towards 290,000. The estimate of 80,000 Democratic in the Hoover votes has been widely accepted. The Republican vote for Smith has been regarded as negligible.  
The Democratic scam was led by Senator Simmons; the 288,000, nearly exact, in the Smith column, is considered as representing the regular Democratic strength as expressed at the polls the year before last. Lately there have been estimates of the size of the Democratic revolt as 100,000, or even considerably more.

Josiah William Bailey announces that he will be a candidate in the primary this year against Senator Simmons. If the lines should stand as in 1928, the proportion of regulars and revolts being maintained, Mr. Bailey gets that nomination by more than three to one. If Mr. Simmons should go whatever distance remains, into the Republican party, and if the Republicans should accept him—theoretically possible, at any rate—the ratio still holding, Mr. Bailey as the Democratic standard bearer would go under the wire a poor second. If Mr. Bailey should be nominated, Mr. Simmons run as an independent by any name, and the Republicans should nominate a man who would poll their party strength, the lines holding, and giving as the Hoover Democrats vote the compromise figure of 90,000, the general election result would be in the proportions of Bailey 288,000, Republican candidate 260,000, Simmons 90,000.

Strictly speaking there cannot be said as yet to be any issue behind the Bailey challenge of Senator Simmons, the challenger having but entered the lists, an entrance robbed of dramatics by weeks of preparatory discussion. However, the principal indictment against the incumbent in these discussions has been a departure from regularity, which he has for decades preached as a cardinal political virtue. He, regular of the regulars, refused to accept a party majority verdict; the Democrat of the Democrats, was found giving the aid and comfort of his personal influence and weight of his party position as a public office to the enemy. On regularity as the issue, the alignment would logically be the same this year as it was in 1928. Unfortunately for purposes of prognostication, logic is not very dependable in politics.

The primary is stimulative of participation by the people in their government. Popular government by default has been the rule in North Carolina. There is no reason to doubt that the candidacy of Mr. Bailey insures a real primary election in the Democratic party. Perhaps it is better to have a contest on issues that do not belong in party politics than to have no contest at all—for beneath this question of party fealty are the questions on which the people really divided in 1928; but there is no warrant at present for declaring what the issues will be.

### The Scandal Remains.

**Salisbury Post.**  
The District of Columbia grand jury, as might have been expected, finds that it cannot indict anybody on the basis of Senator Brookhart's revelations concerning the "liquor party" which certain Wall street gentlemen put on for a group of U. S. senators.  
Its report points out that the lack of evidence and "the extraordinary lapse of time between the alleged violations and the revelation of facts" make it impossible for the grand jury to act.  
This, of course, was to be expected. Senator Brookhart's service in speaking as he did—for we believe that in so speaking he did perform a service to the nation—lay in the emphasis which it put on the hypocrisy that is so prevalent at Washington. The prohibition law is violated frequently there, and the violations are witnessed—to say the least—by the very men who are sworn to make and uphold, our laws.  
The grand jury's failure to indict doesn't alter that situation.

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## Manners Of Modern Girl Are Criticised By Queen Marie

Roumanian Queen Discusses Flapperism In Interview. Has Faith Yet.

Bucharest, Roumania.—Emancipation of women and lack of manners should not be confused by young women of today, Queen Marie, of Roumania, told the United Press in a special New Year message to modern women.  
The queen, whose beauty and cleverness once weighed heavily in Balkan politics and who must be counted in every estimate of the Roumanian political development, has little use for the "noisy, ignorant and self-assured type of young woman," but she firmly believes in the merits of the modern generation.

It was with evident reluctance that Queen Marie gave her opinions of flapperism, the royal spokeswoman of the court indicated. The queen's opinions were given through the court spokeswoman, in reply to questions submitted by the United Press.  
"There are many more vital problems of the hour than that of flapperism," the queen protested. Indeed, Queen Marie consented to express her views on this topic, it was strongly emphasized, "only because Her Majesty's sympathies are extended so readily to the young, to their ambitions, hopes, aims and activities."

"Young girls," declared the queen "should certainly be sufficiently well educated to be allowed to go about alone and behave themselves."  
Again, Queen Marie disclaimed any vestige of sympathy with what she termed "those self-sure young things who sprawl unbecomingly on all sofas, grant no respect to their elders or sit on tables with legs crossed and cigarettes hanging from their lips."

"Emancipation of women and lack of manners are not the same thing, as some members of the young generation seem to believe," the queen remarked.  
Her Majesty's profound sympathy with young people, the Queen elucidated, is reflected in her own attitude toward her daughter, Princess Ileana.

"Princess Ileana," the Queen said, "is allowed to act independently. The Princess works for the Y. W. C. A. for schools and hospitals, is the sponsor of the Naval League and the head of the Girl Guides."  
"In all these affairs," Queen Marie added, "I agree that she should act on her own initiative."  
The Queen divulged, however, that she does not permit Princess Ileana to smoke.

Foreign travelers in Queen Marie's country have often been struck by marriage customs which, to the Westerner, appear primitive and antiquated. It is still usual for parents to arrange marriages without their children's knowledge or consent. Betrothed couples still frequently see one another for the first time at the altar. In this connection dowries play an enormous role, both among the millions of peasants who offer their brides, money, land or cattle, and among the wealthier middle class and aristocracy, where business or bank accounts commonly eclipse considerations of affection in wedlock.

Queen Marie discussed these aspects of marriage frankly.  
"No sensible woman with a warm heart, such as that of Queen Marie, could be opposed to marriage by inclination," the United Press was told.

Explaining the marriage customs of Roumania, the Queen said: "Foreigners should be sure to remember that many European countries do not possess legislation, such as that of the United States, which may oblige a divorced husband or one guilty of desertion to support his wife. Lacking such laws, a dowry which grants a woman the possibility of independence is not quite useless."  
"That women should nevertheless cultivate vocations is entirely natural," Queen Marie added.  
The Queen, in conclusion, evinced a desire to discuss the treatment which the American press has accorded herself and her family.

"That treatment," said the Queen "has not always been fair. On occasions I have been amazed by the absurdity of reports published abroad concerning myself. We may smile at some elaborate nonsense, but it can become irritating, too."

In this connection, Queen Marie mentioned reports that she had been sent into exile by the Roumanian government, that she has been contemplating retiring to Switzerland and that, after a quarrel with her daughter-in-law, Princess Helena, the Queen had been ejected from Balic castle on the Black Sea. The Queen explained that Balic castle belongs to herself, was built by her and is her private property.

"Little King Michael and his mother never live in the same place as the Queen," the United Press was informed, "except when they are her Majesty's guests, as they often are, at Balic or at Bran Castle in Transylvania."  
"Alas for lovers of scandal," Queen Marie asserted, "Princess Helena and I do not quarrel and I have never dreamt of taking the little king's education out of the very able hands of his mother."

After thus giving free rein to her grievances regarding fanciful news

reports about herself, Queen Marie, recalling the "wonderfully friendly reception they gave me in the United States," requested the United Press to convey hearty greetings and warm wishes for Christmas and for the coming year to America.

### Prohibition Facts.

**Winston-Salem Journal.**  
Judge Watson of the local municipal court was agreeably surprised when, on the morning after Christmas, only five persons charged with drunkenness, appeared before his tribunal. "Is this all of them?" His honor inquired. So well pleased was he with the situation that he discharged the defendants on condition that they keep sober until next Christmas—presuming, perhaps, that if they could hold out that long they would be cured of their leaning toward inebriety. It was a wise decree and in keeping with the spirit of Christmas.

That it was one of the quietest Christmas seasons in the rural sections of the county in years was the testimony of Sheriff John B. McCreary. "People may say what they please, but there's not nearly so much liquor being drunk now as formerly," said the sheriff. "In the old days you could find drunk per-

sons staggering around everywhere at Christmas time. Now you hardly find a drunk person anywhere."

"Uncle Ed" Rothrock has been on duty at the city lockup at night every Christmas for the past thirty-four years. "It's the quietest Christmas I have ever had," says Uncle Ed. He had only twelve prisoners Christmas night and the number was the same the night after.

Theory, idle talk and facts are three quite different things in connection with prohibition. Facts are given above. They are proffered by reliable officials of county and city. It is needless to comment upon the story these facts tell.

### His Own Version.

Abe was about to depart on a holiday to the continent. Sol had come to the station to wish him good-bye. As the train was about to move off Sol said, Vell, cheerio, old chap, and remember the old proverb, Ven in Rome do the Romans.

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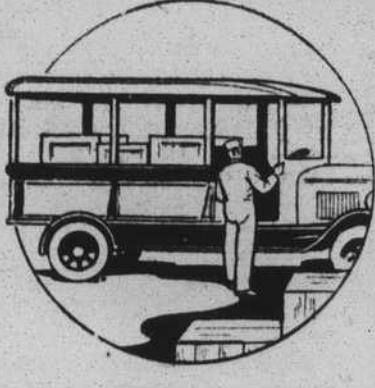
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