

MISS FLORENCE PEOPLE SPEAKS AT WOMAN'S CLUB

Well-Known Author Reads Several Short Stories to Delight of Audience.

LEAP-YEAR BALL AT TEMPLE

Miss Alice Henning Munson Leads Dancing With Charles G. Harris. Many Affairs of Interest to Women To-Day—Personal Mention.

Miss Florence Selden People, herself an author of note, and own sister to the creator of "The Prince Chap" and the "Littlest Rebel," gave a reading before the Woman's Club yesterday afternoon. Miss People is a member whom the club delights to honor, and a large audience was present to hear her. She read two charming stories, full of the subtle humor and delicate imagery of their author.

In quaint, graceful phrasing one set forth the joy and woes of a plumber. It was a very humorous little incident from every-day life, but the most appealing was the genuine boy story, with which the program was concluded. Miss People wore among boys, and the atmosphere created in "Mrs. Carlton's Home Run" was most refreshing. It was a thrilling, gripping tale of boy life, full of local color and tender philosophy, and Miss People's hearers waited in breathless interest for the climax.

Miss People has a delightful personality and she prefaced the reading of her stories with interesting remarks about the way they happened to be written. She never writes a story without a real reason for doing so, a rare trait in a writer. Mrs. Arthur Scribner introduced Miss People to an informal reception followed the program.

Attending Dances.

Miss Gladys Shaw left town yesterday for Annapolis, Md., where she will attend the midwinter dances at the United States Naval Academy. Miss Shaw will be in the city for a few days, returning to Richmond on Wednesday. She will visit relatives in Washington.

Salute for England.

Miss William Summers, of Richmond and Norfolk, is to sail on February 12 for London, England, where she expects to make her future home. Mrs. Summers, who was before her marriage Miss Mary Huxter, of Richmond, has identified herself with musical circles in Norfolk and will pursue her studies while abroad. Mr. and Mrs. Summers have been guests of relatives in Oklahoma for a short stay, and will depart for Europe.

Leap Year Ball.

Miss Alice Henning Munson led the Leap Year ball last night, dancing with Charles G. Harris. The ball took place at the Masonic Temple, and the dancing set of Richmond was out in force to attend it. The hall was attractively decorated for the evening and carnival favors were distributed among the dancers, which added much to the pleasure of the guests present.

The dance was gotten up by Miss Charlotte Jones and Dorothy Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hubbard. The affair was a success, and the marshals of the german were Misses Ann Roy Johnson, Martha Turcell, Ursula Johnston, Anne Myers, Alice Burwell Reed and Mary Minor Morris.

Miss Munson wore a gown of rose-colored chiffon, with a corsage bouquet of orchids.

Invitations for Dance Recalled.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Percy Christian, of 2327 Grove Avenue, invitations have been recalled for the dance, which was given in honor of Miss Rosa Moseley on February 18.

Affairs of To-Day.

Miss Lou Belle Cateby Jones will lead this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the studio, 6 North Second Street, on "A Bit of Love" by John Galsworthy. A great many tables have been reserved for the annual dancette of the Florence Nightingale Circle of King's Daughters, which will take place this evening at the Richmond Hotel. All sorts of novel features have been planned and society will be out in force to attend it. The list of patronesses for the Valentine Museum, will lead an open discussion on "The Valentine Museum and the Art Treasures Contained Therein." Members are asked to assemble promptly. At the conclusion of the discussion tea will be served by a committee of students.

IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Mrs. J. Haskins Hobson has returned to her home, "Mt. Airy," after a short stay in this city. Misses Lucy Gwathmey and Margaret Smith, of West Grace Street, left yesterday for New York, where they will study music. Miss Elise Schenckberg, who has been the guest of Mrs. J. Edward Martin here, has returned to New York. Miss Martha Valentine has returned to Richmond.

Truslow—Anderson.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] PETERSBURG, Va., January 31.—At the manse of the Second Presbyterian Church on Sunday, Rev. J. A. McClure officiating, Miss Veirdie Anderson, of this city, and Henry Clay Truslow, of Fredericksburg, were united in marriage. The bridegroom is in the employ of the Richmond branch of the British-American Tobacco Company, and they will live in that city.

SKETCHES FROM LIFE -- By Temple



"First Lesson"

turned man, William J. Moll, as a Crusader.

Favors were distributed during one of the figures of the grand march, which was led by Mr. Richardson and Miss Stearns, at 11:30 o'clock. All the couples then unmasked and supper was served, after which dancing was resumed and continued until a late hour, ending in a beautiful display of indoor fireworks, streamers and confetti.

Those dancing were: Miss Mary Strother with J. Thomas Priddy, as Spanish lady and gentleman; Miss Marie Bronaugh with Perry Seay, as lady of 1848 and Uncle Sam; Miss Gracie Hodge with Joseph Baker, as Spanish dancer and Robin Hood; Miss Nan Moss with C. M. Anle, Jr., as fairy and Dutchman; Miss Bertha Moll with William Dunn, as Martha Washington and Turkish gentleman; Miss Helen Brown with Alvin Pearman, as Dutch girl and sailor; Miss Mary Huxter with Herbert H. Harrison, as birds in the gilded cage; Miss Hilda Will with Charles Pearman, as Persian lady and Uncle Sam; Miss Louise Hewitt with Allen Womble, as Holland peasant girl and Scotch Highlander; Miss Jeanette Stearns with William J. Moll, as lady and crusader; Miss Capitola Stone with James A. Stone, as Columbia and Pierre; Miss Virginia Bland with Morgan Strother, as Bo Peep and prince; Miss Pauline Whitesell with Taylor Wilson, as fairy and John; Miss Adella Howland with John E. Parker, as princess and page; Miss Minnie Merle Porter with Julian Porter, as Harlem girl and peasant; Miss Ethel Priddy with A. W. Martenstein, Jr., as Night and Day; Mrs. Wartenstein; Miss Clara Jeter with Hannon Lambeth, as Autumn and Chinese nobleman; Miss Anne Fletcher with J. R. Berryman, as Lady Fatima and Scotch Highlander; Miss Genevieve Stearns with E. Ray Richardson, as Vanity Fair and Voke; Miss Marjorie Gray with M. C. Beckner, as Autumn and lady and Napoleon; Miss Theresa Linder with Fritz Will, as Dutch girl and Lafayette. The chaperons were Mesdames C. H. Harman, W. T. Priddy, Brawner Cates and J. S. Seay. A number of guests and friends were among those present.

Miss Mitchell's Recital. Miss Roberta Mitchell gave her first winter recital in her studio, 1829 Hancock Avenue, last Monday afternoon. A few of the parents and friends were present and the part of the class playing were Misses Doris Crawford, Lucille Mayfield, Elva Padgett, Gladys Thomas, Master Alfred Heslep and Robert Mitchell.

WOMEN'S MEETINGS.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of managers of the Baptist Home for Aged Women will be held this morning at 11 o'clock at the home.

The regular meeting of the Council of Jewish Women will be held in the Sabbath school room of Temple Beth Shalom this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The program will be: Edgar Allan Poe, by Dr. Stuart, of the Richmond College; piano solos, by Miss Woodward, Little Miss Vin Hillman and Winston Bolling. Social hour.

The regular monthly meeting of the Catholic Woman's Club will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the club rooms, 205 East Franklin Street.

The regular monthly meeting of the Branch R. Allen Auxiliary to the Virginia Home for Incurables will be held to-day at 11 o'clock at Murphy's Hotel.

The A. P. V. A. will hold its monthly meeting this morning at 11 o'clock in the John Marshall House.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society Auxiliary, No. 2, of the residence of Mrs. Norman Johnson, will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlor.

Circle No. 5 of All-Saints' Guild will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Norman Johnson, 10 North Boulevard.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Garnett Tabb, of 2625 Monument Avenue, are spending a few days at Pinchurst, N. C.

BRANDEIS'S NOMINATION BEFORE SUBCOMMITTEE

Members, Appointed by Acting Chairman Overman, Admittedly Friendly.

FIRST MEETING ON THURSDAY

No Requests for Hearing Yet Made. Dimensions of Fight Will Depend Largely Upon What American Bar Association Has to Say.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WASHINGTON, January 31.—The opponents of Louis D. Brandeis, nominated to be associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, admitted to-day that he would be confirmed.

Acting Chairman Overman, of the Judiciary Committee, this morning appointed as a subcommittee to consider the appointment the following Senators:

Chilton, West Virginia, chairman; Fletcher, Florida, Walsh, Montana, Democrats; Clark, Wyoming, and Cummins, Iowa, Republicans.

Although Senator Overman had announced himself as opposed to the appointment, the subcommittee is admitted to be friendly to Mr. Brandeis. Senators Chilton, Fletcher and Cummins are said to be favorable, with Walsh noncommittal and Clark opposed.

Senator Chilton announced this evening the first meeting would be held on Thursday. No requests for a hearing have yet been received, but any such requests from persons having good cause to come before the committee will be granted.

"If the other four members of the committee feel I do about this appointment, a report will be made to the full committee very soon," was the comment made by Mr. Chilton.

TO DELAY ACTION

The full membership of the Judiciary Committee has not yet expressed itself, but it is believed that as matters stand, a majority is against confirmation. One or two members who are claiming to be noncommittal probably will be won over, and it would occasion no surprise if the nomination were reported to the Senate with a favorable recommendation. In any event, an important member said to-day there will be no attempt to delay.

Even if the committee is opposed, the nomination will be reported back adversely or without recommendation, and the Senate left to take such action as it desires.

A prominent Republican member of the Senate, who expressed himself as "inexpressibly shocked" over the appointment, said this afternoon that the dimensions of the fight against confirmation would depend largely upon what the American Bar Association has to say. This association has a committee that looks after judicial appointments of high rank, and where it believes an unwise selection has been made, the matter is called to the attention of the committee. Should the association oppose Mr. Brandeis, the fight against him may be more determined than under other circumstances.

FRIENDS MEET ARGUMENT OF THE OPPOSITION

Friends of Mr. Brandeis in the Senate met every afternoon of the opposition with the statement that "if you are afraid to have this defender of the rights of the people on the Supreme Bench, you must be with the predatory interests that control Wall Street."

This is having weight. A number of Senators who profess to believe Mr. Brandeis is not temperamentally fit for the position, are afraid of having their opposition credited to other motives. Rather than meet this criticism, they will support the President. If Mr. Brandeis is confirmed, one of the administration Senators will have the injunction of secrecy removed from the vote, and the count-

Fight His Confirmation



(Photo from Underwood & Underwood.) LOUIS D. BRANDEIS.

try will know just how every Senator voted.

It was claimed to-day that among the Democrats, only Senators Overman, Hardwick, Smith, of Georgia, and Bankhead are likely to vote against confirmation. Republican progressives who are counted upon as sure to support the appointment include La Follette, Clapp, Groanna, Poindexter and Norris, with Kenyon and Cummins reasonably certain to vote the same way.

PETERSBURG POLICE COURT HAS MANY MINOR CASES

PETERSBURG, Va., January 31.—In the Police Court to-day about 100 cases were disposed of, mostly of trivial character. Ten white men were fined for shooting craps, and one white man, W. L. Cavill, was fined \$50 for selling liquor on Sunday and without a license. Most of the offenders were Hopewell and Du Pont people, who had been paid off on Saturday.

Fined for Disorder.

T. D. Ricker was fined \$10 and costs and placed under a \$100 bond for thirty days by Justice Crutchfield yesterday on a charge of being disorderly and interfering with Sergeant Clarkson and Policemen Harris and Willis in the discharge of their duty. Ricker noted an appeal.

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LANSFORD, PA., January 31.—The famous mine fire, which has been raging for more than sixty years, and which started at Summit Hill, near the spot where Philip Ginter discovered anthracite coal in 1791, has burned through the immense concrete wall which the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company sank in front of it, deep down into the earth, several years ago, at a cost of more than \$1,000,000. It is now threatening the mammoth vein in the Panther Creek Valley, the largest and richest vein of anthracite in the world. The wall, which was sunk to a depth of 100 feet, was fifteen feet thick, of solid concrete, and experts believed that the subterranean fire would never eat through it.

A large force of men are at work drilling holes deep into the earth, and into these openings water and slush is being poured directly on the subterranean fire, in the hope of preventing a rapid spread.

Already this fire has destroyed millions of dollars' worth of coal, while the sixty-year fight to extinguish it has cost enormous sums.

COLONEL PRAISES DOCTORS

Wishes All Professions Had Same High Ethical Standards as Medical Profession.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, January 31.—Theodore Roosevelt's views on physicians were set forth in a speech at the opening of the new Orthopedic Hospital here to-day. Five hundred people attended the exercises, at which Colonel Roosevelt was the principal speaker. The hospital was completed at a cost of \$553,000.

"I have yet to know a doctor who could be stigmatized as a malefactor of great wealth," said Colonel Roosevelt. "I wish all professions had the same high ethical standards as the medical profession. A doctor does his work because it is worth while doing. The fee is secondary. I don't mean fees should be disregarded entirely. A man is a fool who doesn't take a fee. Fools have no place in the public service. Doctors who do bad work are nuisances to the community, and should be abated."

Date Set for Hearing.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., January 31.—Joe Upechuch, the young man who was driving the auto that killed Miss Clara Mae Wishart, of Charlotte, last week, will have his hearing on Friday morning. The charge is manslaughter. He is under \$500 bond.

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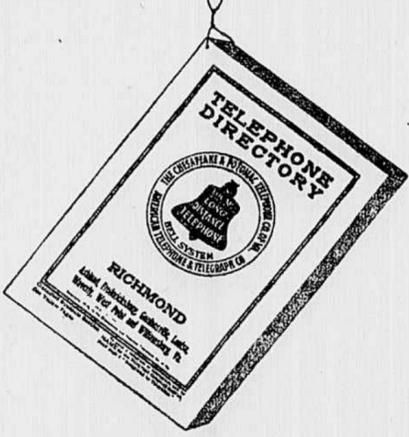


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