Among the Clubs

Cercle. Des Precieuses Ridicules held its first current meeting of the season November 1. The election of officers and business discussion was followed by an hour of social converse, reading of letters received from Belgian soldiers and instrumental music: "Romance" (La Farge), Mme. Simpson, and "Valse Francaise, Jo T'Adore" (Wittmann), Mlle. Becker.

The Petworth Woman's Club met Monday evening at the school building with sixty members present. Mrs. S. W. Norton, the president, was in the chair. One new member, Mrs. Effie L. Pattie, was admitted and the names of six candidates proposed. The music committee is organizing a chorus which is to be directed by Miss Ida O'Neal. The club voted to donate $5 toward the work of Friendship House. The constitution of the club was read by the secretary, Mrs. Knowlton, and that later was signed by the new members.

A lecture under the auspices of the educational committee was given by Walter B. Patterson on "The Exceptionable Child." Mr. Patterson is supervisor of atypical schools both here and in the larger cities. The civic committee will entertain with a Christmas party December 1.

League of American Pen Women.—At the business meeting of the league Monday evening at the Public Library five new members were elected: Mrs. Hughes Cornelius, Los Angeles, Cal.; Edith Lyle Salter, Carmell, Okla.; Mrs. Mary Ridpath Mann, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Inez Milton and H. M. Hoar, Washington, D. C.

Reports were heard from heads of committees and it was announced that the new year book would shortly appear. The social program of the year has been practically agreed upon and includes addresses from a number of writers and others interested in subjects of interest to literary workers. An elaborate musical program is being undertaken under the direction of Mrs. Susanne Oldberg, and it is hinted that an operetta may be given with a cast composed of the league's own musical talent.

A series of round table discussions was started, which will be continued throughout the winter. The subject of next month's discussion will be "Newspaper Experiences," under the leadership of Mrs. R. T. Beck.

An unusually large collection of magazine articles and books written by league members was displayed. Mrs. Katherine B. Knight spoke of the significance of these contributions and the relation of league members to the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Montgomery County F. W. C.—The Civic Study Club of Garrett Park held its annual election of officers October 27. Mrs. J. Ross Thomson was re-elected president; Mrs. Owen K. Truitt, vice president in charge of study class; Mrs. Lewis W. Call, secretary treasurer; Mrs. Jason Defandorf, director of the county federation, and the heads of committees as follows: Social service, Mrs. Thomson; press and resolutions, Mrs. Call; civics, Mrs. Truitt, and domestic science, Mrs. Springer.

The Reading Club of Forest Glen met November 2 at St. John's rectory, with Mrs. Chesley as hostess. After business was transacted, the following articles were read: "Voice Voyages," by Mrs. Simpson; "The Tile Fish," by Mrs. Rider; "Enthusiasm," by Miss Fenwick; "Vocational Education," by Mrs. Schooley; "Origin of the Red Cross," by Mrs. Chesley. The next meeting will be held November 16 with Mrs. Engle.

The As You Like It Club of Germantown held its fortnightly meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Frank Schaeffer, November 1. Mrs. Robert Hickerson read selections from "A Kentucky Cardinal." Mrs. Edwin Houck read a paper on the "Song Birds of Western Maryland and the Game Birds of the Eastern Shore," and Miss Virginia Jones read several poems.

The Woman's Club of Rockville met at the home of Mrs. Duncan Bradley November 2. Papers were read by Mrs. W. H. Talbott on "Discoverers and Explorers"; Mrs. W. W. Welsh on "Barbara Frietchie," and Mrs. Otho Talbott on the "Story of American Pictures."

The Home Interest Club of Forest Glen met recently at the home of Mrs. Osgood Dowell of Woodside. The program consisted of piano selections by Mrs. Strickland of Linden and a talk on "Color in Art," by Miss Annie Wilson, chairman of the art committee of the county federation. The poem by Mrs. J. U. Burket in memory of the late Mrs. Eugene A. Van Vleck, a member of the club, was read by Mrs. Burket at the request of several members. At the next meeting of the club, to be held with Mrs. Burket in Linden, Dr. Bird, president of the Social Service League, will speak.

The Newcomb Club met Friday afternoon at Ellaleigh Farm, Miss Bessie Hodges, hostess. It was guest day, and there were a number of visitors. Mrs. Chandler, president of the County Federation, gave a talk on club work and club unity. Mrs. Small, secretary of the County Federation, also was a guest and gave a short talk. Mrs. F. H. Wilmot of Haswell, Col., sang a group of songs, and Mrs. Edgar J. Heaton read a paper on "Industries Which Have Sprung Up in America as a Result of the European War." At the close of the program refreshments were served by the hostess, who was assisted by Miss Margaret Cumpston and Miss Nellie Flournoy.

Gov. Thomas Welles Society, C. A. R.—Anna Margaret Hendrix was hostess to forty-five members and friends of the society for its November meeting. The president, Mrs. Emig, presided. Miss Van Ness presented the names of Virginia Clarke, Christiana Jones, Mary Armes and Katherine Wuttke for membership. Papers were filed for Frances E. Campbell. The society has requested all district C. A. R. societies to unite with them in accepting the invitation of Dr. Charles Wood of the Church of the Covenant to attend services November 26, at 3:30, when he will preach a patriotic sermon to the Children of the American Revolution. Anita Elske brought greetings from Mrs. Flora Hanson and her children, who are C. A. R.s, whom she visited recently in Evanston, Ill. The program consisted of a piano solo by Herbert Sanford and a violin solo by Anna Margaret Hendrix, accompanied by Mrs. Lentzy. Greetings were extended by Mrs. G. D. Ellsworth and Mrs. James I. Parker, vice regent and regent of Constitution Chapter, D. A. R., Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins and Mrs. James E. Dalgleish. Mrs. Flora B. Grimes gave a talk on the "Old Trails In and Surrounding the District of Columbia." Little Eunice Lee Evans invited the children to be her guests in December.

N. D. C. delegates to the annual convention of the District division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy were chosen by Southern Cross Chapter Wednesday afternoon. The delegates were Mrs. William Oscar Roome, delegate; Miss Mary R. Wilcox, alternate; Mrs. Blanche West, delegate, and Mrs. Albert Ford Ferguson, alternate.

The corresponding secretary, Mrs. Minnie Ola Barron, reported a benefit card party given by her at the Congressional apartments last Saturday afternoon. The party was attended by members of the several chapters in this city and of Baltimore.

In addition to the election of delegates other business of importance was transacted at the meeting, which was held at the residence of the chapter president, Mrs. William Oscar Roome, 911 North Carolina avenue southeast. The annual convention of the District division will be held at the Confederate Memorial Home.

The Washington Branch Auxiliary to the Railway Mail Association met November 2 at the residence of Mrs. S. A. Cisler and Mrs. Thomas on Capitol Hill. The president, Mrs. Charles Steinmeyer, presided. Methods of raising money for the organization were discussed. The committee in charge reported two calls on sick members and the taking of flowers to each. New members were enrolled. The members were invited to attend an entertainment to be given by the Railway Mail Association later in the month at Old Masonic Temple. Refreshments were served. The west study of the Public Library has been selected as a regular meeting place, the next session to be held December 7 at 2 o'clock.

Columbia Chapter of the W. C. T. U. is meeting with its members this year, the first occasion being with Mrs. E. S. Henry. Election of officers resulted in no changes except treasurer, Mrs. G. W. Shull being elected for that office. The November meeting was at the home of Mrs. E. B. Johns, and the principal business transacted was election of superintendents of the various branches of the work. The hostess served refreshments. The chapter will meet the first Thursday in December, with Mrs. Catlin, 1736 13th street.

Elizabeth Jackson Chapter, D. A. R., will hold commemoration exercises at northeast milestone, No. 4, Sergeant road, November 18, at 3 p.m. All daughters and their friends are cordially invited. Autos will meet guests at the terminus of the Brookland car line. If stormy, the services will be postponed.

The Washington National Radical Skule Verein, a society which aims to establish a modern school for Jewish radical education, met last Sunday evening at Old Masonic Temple. M. Frellicoff made a short address outlining the purpose of the society, and two one-act Yiddish plays, "The Motorman" and "Good Comrades," were admirably acted by a cast consisting of Mrs. Mary Fagin, Miss Hattie Wolf, Miss Minnie Tolkins, and Messrs. Atkin, Berkowitz, Cogan, Fagin, Glickman, Shere, Retand, Wolf and Barskin. Sol S. Gluck recited "The Wandering Jew," and other recitations were given by Miss Janette Frellicoff of Baltimore. Musical numbers were contributed by Israel Cooperstein, violinist, and Elvera Katzman, pianist.

The Twentieth Century Club.—The archeological section of the club will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock, at the home of its leader, Mrs. John Lowe, 2622 Woodley place. The subject will be the "Ice Age," treated by Mrs. C. Dwight Marsh. All members of the club are cordially invited.

The Washington Readers' Club will give its first public recital of the season in the lecture hall of the Public Library Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. A cordial invitation to be present is extended to all persons who are interested. Prof. Edward C. Townsend, president of the club, will preside, and the program will be given by four members of the club, Mrs. Emily Frech Barnes, Mrs. Emma W. Anderson, Willey O. Ison and Mrs. Emmet Hamilton. Much interest was hown by the public in the former recitals of the club, and there have been many requests that a series should be given this year. As the result of these requests the members of the club have consented to appear again this season. The next recital will be in January and the third in March.

The District Woman Suffrage Association met recently with its president, Mrs. Henry Churchill Cook, in the chair. Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey and Mrs. Berrien made addresses, and Mrs. Samuel Burleigh Milton sang. The next meeting will be held December 14 at the New Ebbitt.

The Young People's Branch of Mt. Pleasant W. C. T. U. will meet Tuesday, at 8 p.m. at the home of Miss Mabel Reiss, 1806 Belmont road. A cordial invitation is extended to all who sympathize with endeavor along temperance lines.

Wm. McKinley Circle, No. 2, Ladies of the G. A. R., will hold its annual inspection services tomorrow evening. Mrs. Virginia C. McClure of Peoria, Ill., national president of the order, will arrive tomorrow and will inspect the four local circles during the week. She will be the guest of Mrs. John A. Logan and Mrs. Mary Logan Tucker while in the city.

Plans for organizing a new circle are in progress, and when perfected will be the fifth circle necessary for the organization of a department of the order in Washington.

The Fairfax Co. Chapter, D. A. R., was entertained November 4, by Mrs. Walter D. Blackburn, assisted by her sister, Mrs. A. D. Torreyson, at her home, Ellenwood, Cherrydale, Va. After its regular business meeting Miss Louise Huntington read a paper descriptive of "Names and Places in Fairfax County." Those present were Mrs. Jane K. Smoot, ex-regent; Mrs. Kate Strong Summey, regent; Mrs. B. W. Summey, Mrs. Mary K. Welburn, Mrs. Avis M. Shear, Mrs. Avis W. Graeff, Miss Mary L. Huntington, Mrs. Virginia Quick, Mrs. Katherine H. Walters, Mrs. Millscent M. Willis, Mrs. Lillian B. Ellison, Miss May Barland, Mrs. Ellen S. Blackburn, Mrs. Blanche S. Torreyson, Mrs. George S. Corey, Mrs. Stella S. Roe and Mrs. Elizabeth T. Schutt. The house was decorated with autumn foliage and flowers, and a wood fire in the big English fireplace added its cheer. Refreshments were served.

The Col. Ann Hawkes Hay Society, C. A. R., was entertained Saturday at its second meeting of the season by Mrs. Moffat and Mrs. Smith. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Merchant, who was assisted by Mrs. Wheat, the vice president. After the singing of "America" and other patriotic exercises, a political debate, with Godwin Dunn, Hadassa Fleming, Miner Stout and Humphrey Walsh on the affirmative, and Phebe Fleming, Edith Dunn, Phil Moffat and Margaret Richardson on the negative side, was held. Refreshments were served.

Columbia Heights Art Club was entertained Thursday at the home of Mrs. Fred Hopkins, 1362 Otis street. The president, Mrs. Wolhaupter, introduced Mrs. Fred Heisler as chairman of the day. Mrs. Bare, who was to have given a paper on art, being absent, Mrs. Heitmuller gave a talk on the subject. Mrs. J. Finney Engle, an honorary member, gave a lecture on "The Merchant of Venice," and roll call was responded to by quotations from that play. Mrs. Joseph Milburn sang "I Know a Bank," by Parker, and "To a Swallow," by Leibling. Refreshments were served. Members and guests present were Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. J. Edson Briggs, Mrs. J. D. Croissant, Mrs. J. F. Engle, Mrs. W. C. Foote, Mrs. Frizzell, Mrs. Hardy, Mrs. Heisler, Mrs. Heitmuller, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. McKee, Mrs. A. P. Tasker, Mrs. Tracy, Mrs. Winter, Mrs. Yeomans, Mrs. Wolhaupter, Mrs. Milburn, Mrs. Morrow, Mrs. Ambler, Mrs. Lampson, Mrs. Bentley and Miss Doyle.

Phil Sheridan Woman's Relief Corps, No. 12, was inspected at its meeting Tuesday, with Carrie M. Gury, president, in the chair. The meeting was attended by the department president, Mrs. Jennie T. Thomson, and her staff, and a large number of visiting members. The corps was found to be in a flourishing condition, showing a large amount expended for relief during the year. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of a pearl necklace to Mrs. Katherine M. Phillips, pianist, in appreciation of her long and faithful service, by Mrs. Lida A. Oldroyd, past national junior vice president. Mrs. Phillips has served the order in this capacity for twenty-five years. Short talks were made by many past officers and refreshments were served.

The Ladies' Co-operative Improvement Society of Silver Spring, Md., met Thursday at the home of Mrs. R. G. Langley, with Mrs. W. B. Newman presiding. After routine busines there was a talk by Mrs. Means, nurse of the Social Service League of Montgomery County, telling about her work and the needs of the league.

This was followed by a talk by Dr. Byrd, president of the Social Service League, who gave a graphic account of its origin and growth.

A social half hour was passed with the hostess, who served supper, assisted by her daughters, Miss Audrey and Miss Josephine.

The Excelsior Literary Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Inez L. F. Grasatt, 648 South Carolina avenue southeast. The president, Mrs. Grace M. Daish, presided. Arrangements were completed for the planting of a tree at Mount Vernon for the D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Addie W. Foster in charge. Mrs. A. Roger Tracy is to furnish an oak tree. Mrs. Daish reported the death of Mr. Ferren, the husband of a former president of the club, and a letter of condolence and flowers were ordered sent. A paper on "Christian Homes" was read by Mrs. C. N. Chipman. Roll call and refreshments followed.

U. S. Grant Circle, No. 1, Ladies of the Grand Army, will meet Tuesday evening at Grand Army Hall.

Mrs. Virginia C. McClure of Peoria, Ill., national president of the Ladies of the G. A. R., will inspect the circle. Miss Rose M. Sefton, president of the circle, will initiate several new members.

Patriots' Memorial Chapter.—Mrs. E. E. Browne, wife of Representative Browne of Wisconsin, entertained Patriots' Memorial Chapter on the evening of November 7, at her home in Highland avenue, Cleveland Park. The regent, Mrs. Conway, presided over the business meeting and introduced Mr. F. S. Gichner, who talked upon a subject most interesting to District Daughters—the preservation of the District milestones and the further protection of said stones by the placing of an iron fence about each. Refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

The Shakespeare Society of Washington met Wednesday evening at the Colonial School by invitation of Miss Charlotte Everett, the principal. The guest of the evening, Rev. Dr. Lyman Whitney Allen of Newark, N. J., gave a talk on "The Evolution of Shakespeare's Soul and the Evolution of Shakespeare's Plays." Miss Christine Church sang a number of Shakespeare songs, accompanied by Miss Edith Athey. Frank Yeigh of Toronto, Canada, described a visit to Stratford-on-Avon, and H. B. Meyer reported the progress of the work of founding in Washington of a national memorial Shakespeare building, which, at Mr. Meyer's suggestion, has become a feature of the Shakespeare Society. Miss Everett was assisted by the teachers and students of the school in receiving the guests.

IN THE SCHOOLS

FRANK C. DANIEL, principal of McKinley Manual Training School, is arranging to have a series of lectures, many of them illustrated, given at the school this year. Most of them probably will be on scientific subjects.

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Senior students of the Wilson Normal School held an "acquaintance party" Wednesday afternoon, at which the members of the junior class were guests. An adaptation by Miss Virginia Perkinson from "Daddy Long Legs" was a feature of the entertainment. Following this, games were played and dancing held in the gymnasium, refreshments being served later.

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Franklin Jackson, the only male student at the school, portrayed a female character in the adaptation from "Daddy Long Legs." Others having leading parts were Misses Dorothy Hulfish, Theresa Matthews, Ruth Dick, Dorothy Gessford, Rilla Engle, Luella Jacobs, Beulah Harvey and Loretta Hannan.

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Members of the Business High School Dramatic Society are to present "Miss Civilization" and "Poor Old Jim" in the near future. Friday afternoon Miss Constance Collier, who played in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," given here last week, delivered an address at Business under the auspices of the dramatic organization. Members of dramatic associations of the other high schools, as well as the student body of Business, were extended invitations to be present.

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These officers were elected Tuesday by the senior class of new Central High School, which is to graduate in February: President, Ralph Heltmuller; vice president, Miss Virginia Griffith; secretary, Miss Eleanor Washington; treasurer, Charles Curtis; prophets, Misses Margaret Hildreth and Landon Trudgian.

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A number of persons connected with the schools went home to vote Tuesday. Wide interest in the election was taken throughout the school system.

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A large number of seventh and eighth grade pupils from the Ross were guests at the Wilson Normal School camp, on the upper Potomac, last week. In addition to receiving a nature study lesson on trees, the boys and girls had a wood-gathering contest and cooked their lunch.

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Girls of Business High held their first rifle practice of the season Wednesday afternoon.

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An assembly of the students of the first three semesters of Tech was held the early part of last week. The student body is too great to allow for all to be assembled in the hall at the same time.

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Arrangements are being made for a debate between teams representing Central High School of this city and the Baltimore City College of Baltimore. This is an annual affair.

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Thanksgiving day, with its attendant holidays, is now coming into view. Lessons soon will be replete with seasonable allusions.

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These officers of the four-year February graduating class of Business High were elected Friday: President, Carl Glessner; vice president, Miss Evelyn Kerr; secretary, Miss Katheryne Dunkel; treasurer, Justin Cox; executive committee, Ray Palmer, chairman; Misses Anna Saye and Edna Marcey.

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Officers of the senior class of Western High have been elected as follows: President, Harry Chamberlaine; vice president, Miss Margaret Mulholland; secretary, Miss Marion Johnson; treasurer, Alexander McKelway; dramatic committee, Nevins Gardner, Eugene Stevens, Misses Eleanor Garner, Margaret Braitmayer and Katharine Stouffer.

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The stone tablet marking the date and purpose of the erection of the old Miner building at 17th and Church streets, which is being demolished, has been removed to the new Miner Normal School, where it will be inserted with appropriate ceremonies later in the school year. The original Miner School was founded by the philanthropic labors of Miss Myrtilla Miner, who left an estate in trust for the education of colored youth in service to the race. The work is being carried on by the trustees of that estate, known as the Miner board.

Miss Miner came to Washington from New York state in 1851.

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Maj. James E. Walker, head of the 1st Separate Battalion of the National Guard of the District of Columbia, as well as being the supervising principal of the thirteenth division, was tendered a reception recently, upon his retun from duty on the Mexican border. Upon a call from John Bruce, principal of the Randall School, and acting supervisor during Maj. Walker's absence, the teachers made plans for the reception, Miss Mary E. Smith being in charge.

The office of Maj. Walker was decorated with American flags and autumn leaves. Mr. Bruce delivered an address welcoming Maj. Walker on behalf of the teachers. Henry Lewis, one of the teachers, sang.

Maj. Walker responded by urging the teachers to display loyalty and patriotism in the future as in the past. He said that the 1st Separate Battalion had gone to the border prepared to do whatever was necessary to uphold the honor of the flag.

Upon motion of Harry Lewis, principal of the Garfield School, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Bruce for the work which he had done while he was acting supervisor.

Miss M. A. D. Madre told of the work which Mrs. James E. Walker had done for the relief of the families of the men on the border. Arthur C. Newman, who was adjutant to Maj. Walker, gave a brief address, in which he urged loyalty. Following the meeting, Maj. Walker, Mrs. Walker and Mr. Newman received the teachers. Refreshments were served.

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Acting upon the suggestion of Rev. Dr. John Van Schaick, president of the board of education, a committee of colored teachers, Misses M. E. Gibbs, Blanche L. Nalle, Julia H. Smith and Mary E. Randolph, secured permission to pursue extension work in modern psychology as taught in the Miner Normal School by Prof. Charles M. Thomas. The classes meet on Saturdays from 10 to 12 o'clock. Classes in other subjects desired by the teachers who aim to improve themselves in service are being organized.

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The Agassiz Club, consisting of members of the senior class of the Miner Normal School, gave the children of the practice schools a nature-study entertainment under the title "A Dream of Halloween" recently.

The executive committee of the club, Misses Inez M. Burke, Della Bennett, Rosa B. Burrell, Helena C. Clark, Isabel V. Hall, Lydia A. Montgomery, Eleanor Rivers and Eleanora M. Thornton, had charge of the program.

G. W. U. Notes.

Edwin W. Mulligan of the senior class at the Medical School has returned to the university after taking work at the University of Maryland Medical School.

The following graduates of the Medical School, class of 1916, have passed the examination for admission to the practice of medicine in the District: Drs. M. Kurzva, W. H. Norton, R. T. Powers, C. L. Rosenberg, J. Shilen, V. J. Stachniewicz and E. K. Stratton.

The junior class of the Medical School is to give a dance Tuesday night at the suburban home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Davis.

Medical School students have organized a foot ball team to afford scrimmage practice to the varsity team. Fifteen students have reported for practice.

M. I. Berman, class of '19, Medical School, is resident student at the Emergency Hospital.

The freshman class at the Medical School will give a dance early in December, probably at the Potomac Boat Club. Invitations soon will be issued.

Joe Kreisleman of the class of '19, Medical School, has resumed his college work after undergoing an operation.

The School of Graduate Studies has announced two new courses: One on the theory and practice of radio-telegraphy, conducted by Prof. Louis Cohen, and one on modern painters, English and French schools of the nineteenth century, conducted by Miss Gertrude R. Brigham.

John D. McCormick, who received the degree of civil engineer in 1915, has returned to the university to take special work in mechanical engineering.

P. D. Sale, who received the degree of civil engineer last spring, is engaged in column formulae research work at the bureau of standards.

Miss Lucy Burleson, daughter of Postmaster General Burleson, who was graduated from the university in 1915, has returned from Texas and recently paid a visit to her friends at the university.

G. Vail Minnick and J. Marshall Gaines, who were graduated from the College of Pharmacy last spring, now are enrolled at the Medical School.

James W. Kelly, who was graduated last spring from the College of Pharmacy, is in the bureau of plant industry at the Department of Agriculture.

Ralph S. Kiefer of the Pharmaceutical College now is employed at the W. S. Thompson Pharmacy.

C. L. Bowman has been appointed by the junior class of the College of Pharmacy as representative on the banquet committee.

George Fezemore Goetzman, who was graduated last spring from the Dental School, and Miss Ivy Levine Cross were married recently. They spent their honeymoon in Baltimore.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity has announced the pledging of Raymond Harsch, Roy O. Garver, William R. Smith, Arthur Townsend, Douglas Starr, L. S. Trundle, K. C. McGregor, C. M. Funkhouser, Howard C. Beck, Robert H. Fravel, Everett Helmuth and N. J. Stockett.

LITTLE STORIES FOR BEDTIME

BY THORNTON W. BURGESS.

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A Broken Nap.

Buster Bear is a queer fellow and a very independent fellow. For the most part he does what he pleases and when he pleases. You see, he is so big and strong that he fears no one save man, and when there are no men about there is nothing to prevent him doing exactly as he pleases in the Green Forest. So he eats when he feels hungry and he sleeps when he feels sleepy, and it doesn't make the least bit of difference to him whether it is daylight or dark, for Buster is like Reddy Fox and Billy Mink and Peter Rabbit and a lot of others who can see at night or when jolly, round, bright Mr. Sun is smiling down from high up in the blue, blue sky.

On this particular afternoon Buster Bear had chosen to take a nap. He had been up all the night before, and he expected to be up all of the coming night; so he had chosen to sleep during the day. Now Buster's bed was in the middle of a great windfall, which, you know, is a pile of trees blown down by the wind. It was deep in the Green Forest, where few ever came, and Buster had made a very comfortable bed of leaves there. It was just the kind of a place to sleep in undisturbed. So Buster had spent most of the day there, sleeping in solid comfort.

Late that afternoon he began to dream. He dreamed that he was being hunted by men with terrible guns, and

THEN HE BEGAN TO GRIN AND FINALLY CHUCKLE.

that he was running for his life. The worst of it was those hunters were following him by means of dogs. He wasn't afraid of dogs themselves, but he was afraid of the hunters, and he knew that the dogs would lead them straight to him; so instead of standing to fight the dogs he was running with all his might. He could hear the voices of the dogs drawing nearer and nearer, and he was just trying to make up his mind whether or not to climb a tree to get away from them when his eyes flew open, and there he was, safe and sound in his bed in the windfall. It was all a dream.

But was it? Buster blinked fast to make sure that he was awake. He certainly was in his bed in the middle of the windfall. There was no dream about that. But neither was there any dream about that eager "Bow-wow-wow-wow-w-w!" That was the voice of a real, live dog, and it was coming nearer and nearer. Hastily Buster scrambled to his feet. Were hunters after him, after all? Should he run or should he fight? Sudden anger swept over him and made his little eyes fairly snap. He had caught a glimpse of a little red form making straight for that old windfall, and on its very heels the dog who was making all that noise. In a flash he understood. Bowser the Hound was not after him at all, but was chasing Reddy Fox.

A feeling of great relief swept over Buster Bear and with it a feeling of anger. What did Reddy Fox mean by leading Bowser the Hound there, of all places? Was this one of Reddy's sharp tricks. It was bad enough to be waked out of a comfortable nap, but to have a noisy dog led straight to his bedroom was too much, altogether too much. Buster growled, and it was a deep, angry growl, terrible to hear. It was at the sound of this that Reddy Fox realized that he had come to the wrong place, and he forgot that he was almost too tired to run another step. It was right then that he slipped out of that windfall, running as if he had suddenly recovered all his strength. And it was right then that Bowser the Hound put his tail between his legs, and with the hair along his back standing straight up with fear, turned and ran the way he had come, yelping as if he expected something terrible to happen at every jump. In fact, he did. He expected to feel the terrible claws of Buster Bear.

With a still deeper growl Buster jumped out where it was clear and he could see better. Then he began to grin and finally to chuckle. Having got over his own fright, he was tickled to see the fright of Reddy Fox and still more so to see the way Bowser the Hound was running, as if he expected every jump to be his last one.

"I guess," said Buster Bear slowly, "that they won't bother me again very soon." And Buster guessed just right.

Around the City

As the prisoners crossed the pavement from court to police van everybody in the string of lookers-on knew that the girl—the one with head up and eyes down—had been run in for theft.

"Stole a hat from her service place—new one, with red feathers—and a buckle."

"Poor kid! Policeman looks real sorry for her, don't he?

"Better be sorry for the woman she stole the hat from—brand-new."

"That's what I say! If you don't pinch 'em, they'll steal the very dress off'n your back."

"Got a hard face, ain't she?" The woman who shrilled this defect had a face of her own that no one could conscienciously call soft. "I betcher she's use to swipin'."

"She hasn't got a hard face, any such thing! She looks scared to death, poor child."

"Real pretty hair, hasn't she, poor thing? I wouldn't like to be that woman who got her into jail, when judgment day comes around."

"You are right! She oughter have give her a good talkin' to, and——"

"Shuh! If she stole it she stole it. And let me tell you, hats cost money. I don't see no call to go mushy over no convicted larceny like that. You can see guilt starin' outer that girl's eyes."

"All that I can see is tears, ma'am. And I don't know how any woman can help being sorry for a poor young thing like that, whether she's guilty or not. None of us are any too good."

The one man with a remark on file picked up the tools he had rested on the pavement and went his way. And it seemed to one woman—a plain human, still in summer straw—that the middle-aged back and laboring clothes took on the majesty of that other white-robed figure who said to that other crowd a long time ago, "He that is without sin." But there's no accounting for the uncharted fancies of a woman who will wear a straw hat in November—so——

"I never stole so much as a pin in all my life." The woman of this proud record had on a new plush coat and a hat with coque plumes enough to start a pillow factory. "And I never expect to——"

"Well, that's nothing to your credit, if you have always had good and plenty. I don't think it's fair to judge people like that. You've got to fight a temptation

Had been run in for theft.

and overcome it before you can condemn those who are tempted and fail."

The young woman who had said it squirmed through the little heap of humanity until she got to the policeman, who let her reach in the van and pat the hand of the girl inside. Maybe it wasn't much of a help, but——

"Doggone it, I wish I could help her——"

"So do I, Maggie. Lor, ain't things funny! There's that poor girl going to the jug for stealin' a hat I wouldn't touch with a palrer tongs! I hate red on a hat."

"I like pink, though. Yes, indeedy, I often wonder what makes people do the queer things they do."

And the woman of the uncharted fancies said to herself: "If ever you do find out, you will have solved the riddle of human nature."

Then the van wheeled off and that was all there was to that.

You don't often see an old gentleman combing his whiskers on the Avenue.

He didn't explain to the passing crowds just why he was bucking into conventionality like that, but, being election day, maybe he felt that it was the nearest a District man could come to voting for Hughes.

Of course, it mightn't have been that, because he didn't say a word one way or another. He just kept on combing his whiskers.

A man with a nose like a peony bud and a flag-decked hat awry on a head that suggested Milwaukee was bumming along with the crowd.

He didn't walk as the crow flies, but sort of waved himself, as if his patriotism had gone to his legs. And as he came to a newspaper screen that was figuring the

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way New York was going the man mumbled to himself, or, more likely, to the spirits he had imbibed:

"Got it in the neck all ri'. Oughter be licked. 'F I couldn' run a country bett'rn he's done I'd go on home."

He didn't have the exact appearance of a statesman who could run a country, and he sure didn't look as if he had a home to go to, but—it didn't matter, anyhow, for no one paid the slightest attention to him except one woman in the crowd. And she didn't count.

They were at the matinee waiting for the curtain to rise.

It was a restful green curtain, and in its center blazed a gilt lyre set in a wreath of gilt leaves.

The lyre must have caught the man's interest, for he drawled out in that half-yawning way some people have of killing time:

"Wonder what made 'em paint a gridiron on that drop for—huh?"

The woman was plainly a person with a taste for observation.

"Oh, it's just a monergram like you see lots of places. I've got one of 'em on my piano rack, and I uster have a pin like it, gold, and grandpa's hair. Lawsie me! I wonder whatever became of that pin—first time it's come into my mind since."

"I get you—sort of coat-of-arms, huh? Gridiron as a sign of the hot shows he's giving us, huh? Good for Blank. Real pert idea."

Perhaps it wasn't the management's real reason, but, as far as two people in that audience was concerned, it was a perfectly good one.

WITH THE RIFLE CLUBS.

The past week was a comparatively dull one for rifle work on the local ranges, especially on the Poli Theater range. Men coming down town with the intention of shooting several courses seemed to drift off to where election bulletins were posted and then promptly forgot temporarily that such a thing as a gun existed. Both the indoor ranges were closed Tuesday night.

All the local clubs are preparing to send teams to participate in the annual indoor match, which is to begin about the last part of next month, or the first of next year. As far as is known now, the match will be shot on the Poli Theater range. Clubs will be notified in regard to entry in the match in plenty of time to sufficiently prepare for participation.

As further proof that the rifle shooting game rapidly is becoming one of the premier sports of the country, Brig. Gen. Fred H. Phillips, secretary of the National Rifle Association, shows in his annual report that on October 1 there were 92,364 enrolled members.

According to the report, the association has added to its membership within the past year one state association, 762 civilian clubs, eight college clubs, twenty-four high school clubs, four military school clubs, thirteen boys' clubs, twenty-one military organizations and seventy life members.

The association now has twenty-four state associations, 1,401 civilian clubs, 72 college clubs, 111 high school clubs, 36 military school clubs, 22 boys' clubs, 51 military regiments, 70 other military organizations, 619 life members and 644 annual members.

A. B. Gleason of the Military Service Legion Rifle Club led the shooters at Eastern market range last week, with a score of 197 points. A. A. Ruark of the Farm Management Rifle Club was second with the same aggregate score, but made one point less than Mr. Gleason on the rapid-fire course. J. E. Parham, Home Club, was third, with 190 points.

Other qualifying scores were: W. C. Robertson, Army and Navy Union, 188; W. E. Gregg, Army and Navy Union, 186; M. H. Wilcher, Technical High School, 186; A. M. Ashley, Secretary's Office, 184; R. V. Trussell, Government Printing Office, 182; R. W. Black, Bureau of Animal Industry, 176; W. A. Jenkins, Technical High School, 166; F. R. Cammick, Bureau of Animal Industry, 158; P. H. Quinn, Secretary's Office, 160; J. W. Knecht, Army and Navy Union, 156; R. T. Brennan, Secretary's Office, 151.

Corp. McGrory, in charge of the Eastern market range, wishes to correct an impression that the range is to put up turkeys as prizes for shooting soon. According to a notice last week unofficial matches with turkeys as prizes were contemplated, but they are to be bought by popular subscription by those who are to participate in the matches. The proposition still is in a tentative stage, but is likely to become a reality. Corp. McGrory declared that it is up to those who intend to stage such matches.

Extensive improvements are to be made in both the Poli Theater and Eastern market ranges, according to Sergt. Hale, who has supervision over both the ranges. The installation of a heating system and a boxed firing line are among the improvements scheduled for the theater range, and heating apparatus is to be installed in the market range. Sergt. Hale also expects to procure some necessary new furniture for the ranges. The proposition of using a large room adjoining the range under Eastern market as a meeting place for the various clubs is being considered.

The Home Club Target Association is contemplating holding a shooting contest for Thanksgiving turkeys on the Poli Theater range. Some of the shooting enthusiasts already are preparing for the event.

ACTIVITIES OF THE BOY SCOUTS.

Council Meeting Announced.

The local council is to meet Monday evening, November 20, at 8 o'clock, at the New Willard, according to announcement by President Arthur C. Moses. Officers for the coming year are to be elected and activities for the future are to be planned. Plans are to be made for procuring at least 1,000 new members to the local organization by July, 1917.

Tentative plans for a Boy Scout pageant are under way, according to Deputy Commissioner J. W. Patton. It is planned to have representatives from every troop in the city participate, headed by the newly organized local scout band. One section of the proposed pageant is to be devoted to showing scout activities, when boys will represent seamanship, carpentry, electrical work and other merit badge work. Further details will be announced later.

Colin H. Livingstone, president of the Boy Scouts of America, desires 200 Washington boys for work Thanksgiving day. They are wanted to take baskets of food to poor families. Local headquarters officials urge that volunteers send in their names as soon as possible.

Scout Troop No. 1 of Falls Church, Va., is being organized by Prof. Fletcher Kemp, principal of the Falls Church schools, who will be scoutmaster. The following boys have enrolled their names and several others are on the waiting list, lacking a few months of having attained the required age: George Cousins, John Cousins, Warren Erwin, Allen King, Allen Chanel, Marshall Jones, Charles Hirst, Charles Wuhler, Rudolph Taylor, Victor Kirby, Paul Grimes, Donald Lee, Frank Steadman, Herbert Spaulding, Alexander Bloxton, Bolston Foster, Herman Evans, Henry Joynt, E. Lowe, Herbert Lowe, Reginald Turner, Moyer Copeland and Lloyd Case. An assistant scoutmaster, patrol leaders and other officers are to be chosen this week.

"The meeting on November 3 of Troop 39 was held far out on Connecticut avenue, around a large campfire in the woods, Julian Steward, an eagle scout yet to be presented with his badge, was unanimously voted into the troop. Extracts from 'The Real Diary of a Real Boy' were read before the meeting closed. Many of the boys had blankets and 'grub,' and camped out with Scoutmaster Bailey all night.

"Harry Late possibly may become assistant scoutmaster of Troop 39. The November issue of the Trail is out, and the December issue is expected to appear around Thanksgiving."—Ulric S. Genslinger, scribe.

Band Practice Changed.

Members of the newly organized local scout band are to meet for practice at 6 o'clock Wednesday evenings in G. A. R. Hall hereafter, according to an announcement from the local headquarters. Arthur C. Moses, president of the local council, addressed the boys at practice Wednesday.

So far as known there is only one other local scout council band in the country, that in Buffalo, N. Y. The Washington council band is necessary for the present, but troop bands, such as exist in many cities, may be things of the future.

In order to be members of the local band scouts must place their obligations to that organization above those of their respective troops. It is believed, however, there will be but little con