JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Art Alliance to Hold Second Musical Afternoon for Enlisted Men Next Sunday-Extracts of a Letter From Youthful Engineer

THE Philadelphia Art Alliance will hold the second of its Sunday afternoon musicales this coming Sunday at the Art Alliance Building, 1823 Walnut street. It is the purpose and wish of the committee in charge of these Sunday afternoon affairs to give to the men in the service who are interested in art the best music the city in charge and also to open the picture. It is the purpose and wish of the committee in charge of these Sunday afternoon affairs to give to the men in the service who are interested in art the best music the city interested and also to open the picture. can provide and also to open the picture galleries to them as well as the reading coms. Furthermore there are to be "eats." and we who know, do know that the way to reach men is by good "eats," Judging from the success of the first Sunday, when Thaddeus Rich played and Miss Van Barentzen and Mrs. Cook sang, a good many of the boys were reached then, all right.

THE committee in charge of these affairs includes Dr. George Woodward, Mrs. Sydney Thayer, Mrs. John Braun, Miss Beatrice Fox, Dr. Edward Keffer, Mrs. Elisha Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. William Arnett, Mrs. Edward Biddle, Mr. Frederick Durant, Mr. and Mrs. Shillard-Smith, Mr and Mrs. Sam Woodward, Mrs. John Gribbel, Mr. Ellis Clark Hammann, Mrs. Winthrop Sargent, Mr. Harold Peirce, Mrs. Henry Grove, Mrs. William Jay Turner, Mrs. Ernest Richards, Mrs. Madison Taylor Mr. Henry Drinker, Mrs. Edward Bok, Mrs. Tait McKenzie, Mrs. Henry Thompson and Mrs. Samuel Fleisher,

So THE third Biddle man, one of the three sons of the late A. Sydney Biddle and Mrs. Biddle (who was Miss Frances Robinson) Francis by name, is about to oin his brother Benedicks. The actual date has not been set for publication, that is, but 'twill be in April, from what the small bird told me. Francis Biddle's engagement to Katherine Chapin, a daughter of the late Mr. Lindsey Chapin, of New York, was announced several months ago. His brother, Moncure, married Miss Brenda Fenollosa several years ago and Sydney married Miss Olive Caldwell at Keene, N.

AS GUY EMPEY said in one of his lecman enlisting in the service should be that he possess a good sense of humor, for without that a soldler, though otherwise physically fit, is doomed in the trenches. It is looking on the bright side of things that keeps their spirits up and their nerves from going to pieces."

Young Frederick Van Alphen Straith-Miller, son of Mrs. Frederick de Vignon Straith-Miller, of Germantown, who volunteered in the Engineer Corps a week after the war was declared and sailed with Company E detachment of the Fifteenth Engineers early in July, wrote to his mother giving her a Thanksgiving menu that had been written by the men in his corps. The menu ran thusly:

Consomme a la Red Jasper followed by pickles (not soldier variety, but good to

Celery a la paymaster (very scarce). Rabbit with sand and gravel dressing (Pizzy promised to shoot these for us but we do not guarantee any results).

Cher river whale a la Jones (also not guaranteed). Commes de terre. (Being in France we

obliged to have part of our menu in French; we refer you to Chenot for interpretation) Bread a la muster roles.

Turkey a la Swindell (made in the United

Cranberry sauce a la "right dress." Sea Food a la barge (picked by Gorman

and Henise on the bottom of the Cher). Plum pudding (we have this on just to kid you along).

Nuts (many kinds) Vins (red, white or blue). Coffee (no meal complete without it). Billy Sunday cocktails a la H2 O (for the

old souses).

Then the letter told what they really did

have for Thanksgiving dinner in camp: "Turkey, mashed potatoes, candied 'yams, half a pie (each), apples, seven kinds of cakes, nuts, cigars and cigarettes. We had no such Christmas dinner, however, on account of the intense cold at that time; for with three men busy keeping the fire going by 'feeding' it kerosene and bacon fat it took three hours to bake a pie," he adds. Of course, some of the side remarks we do not "get" as we don't know the men, but we do "get" the spirit. The spirit of our American boys. With that, will it be ossible for us to be beaten? I should NANCY WYNNE.

Social Activities

Colonel William J. Elliott, Mrs. Elliott and Miss Betty Elliott will be at home this afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock at their home, 317 South Seventeenth street.

Mrs. O. Hamilton Colket has returned to ber home, 2010 Spruce street, from a visit to New York.

Mrs. Stanley G. Flagg. Jr., of 1723 Spruce street, has returned home from a visit to Atlantic City.

Mrs. John L. Clawson and her daughter, Miss Margaret Clawson, of 2015 Walnut street, have gone to Palm Beach, where they will remain for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ignatius F. J. Madison, of 128 Porter street, are receiving congratula-tions on the birth of a daughter on Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson W. Rogers, of Riverton, N. J., are spending the remainder of the winter at Green's Hotel.

The Ha-Tikvoh Zion Society, formerly the Ha-Tikvoh Junior Zion Society, is giving its third annual dance at Eagles' Temple, Spring Garden street below Broad. The erchestra led by Mr. C? Baron has been engaged for the evening. Among the South Philadelphia organizations which will be represented are the South Philadelphia Hebrew Association, the Shuvass Zion Society, the Stanford Ciub, the Poinsette Sewing Circle, the Atlas Club and many others. The proceeds of the dance will be given to the Palestine restoration fund.

Miss Rhoda Berryman, of Baltimore, Md., a visiting Mrs. Howard Regar, of Woodlawn avenue and Surrey road. Melrose Park,

Miss Marie Hunter, of Allegheny avenue and Frankford road, is spending several weeks visiting in New York.

Miss Alice Milleon, of East Westmoreland street entertained the members of her knit-ting club at her home yesterday afternoon. Mrs. C. Hilton, of G street and Allegheny avenue, is visiting friends in Washington, D. C., for an indefinite stay.

RED CROSS REPORTS OF NEW JERSEY TOWNS

Workrooms Filled With Busy Women Every Day and Some Evenings Each Week

BEVERLY—The Red Cross Chapter of Burlington County has now enrolled more than 15,000 members as the result of the big Christmas drive. From every town and village in the county splendid reports are coming into the chapter regarding the excellent work the various branches are doine. It seems that every branch is planning to do something in order to raise money to swell the funds of its treasury. The Burlington branch has given a number of benefits swell the funds of its treasury. The Burling-ton branch has given a number of benefits during the last three months. Last week the first "White Elephant" bazaar was held at the Masonic Temple. This was the first sale of the kind ever held in the county, and it was a very attractive and success-ful affair.

The Florence branch is doing splendid work, according to the report from the work-room. It is said of the members of this branch that no matter how important their own affairs may be the Red Cross work-comes first, and when any member is not attending the workrooms she has her share of the work at home. "We must not let the soldiers suffer." Is their motto.

The Roebling branch, with Mrs. Samuel Naismith as chairman, reports that the members are very active workers, not only in the workroom, but also in planning ahead for some affair that will bring funds into the treasury. The Florence branch is doing splendie

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The Delance and Riverside branch now beasts of 3000 members, this being one of the largest branches in Burlington County. Every member is an active one. The work-rooms each day are filled with workers.

The Riverton and Palmyra branch has also been very busy during the last few months. Every workroom is filled with each member attending the regular workdays and those who are employed during the day coming during the evenings. The committees in the various departments report that all the work is progressing satisfactorily.

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Many of the members are planning entertainments, lectures, card parties and dances to be given in order to raise money for the purchase of material for the workrooms. Every member of the Red Cross has been asked to keep in mind the soldiers who are fighting "over there" that their need of the help of every Red Cross member, and the last that every hour that is given to belon the comments. fact that every hour that is given to help the Red Crops in this work is going to benefit some soldier who is fighting for us.

RIVERTON, N. J.—Mrs. Philip A. Ram-som has left for Jacksonville, Fla., for a month's stay. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fitler are going to

Palm Beach, Fig., where they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dixon.

Mr. Francis Holvick, who is in one of the southern camps. Is spending a ten-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Street Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gale, of Moorestown, are at Atlantic City for a ten days' stay. Mrs. Neillie Cavanna entertained Mr. and

Mrs. Charles H. Padmore, of Wilmington, Del., over the week-end. Mrs. Harry C. Biddle has returned home from Montreal, Canada, after a three weeks

visit with Mrs. Walter Page.
Mrs. Robert Miller has left for Augusta,
Ga., to Join her husband, Lieutenant Miller.
Miss Mabel Cook is visiting at Brooklyn

Mrs. Paul Good is entertaining Mrs. Anna Spangler, of Des Molnes, Ia.

The engagement of Miss Erma E. Barras to
Mr. J. Paul Miller is announced.

Captain R. Biddle Frismuth and Mr. Wal-

ter C. Wright are spending a fortnight Monticello, Fia.

PALMYRA-Miss Anna Wilberhorn and Mr. William H. McConneil were married last Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. Charles W. Williams officiated. Dr. C. S. Voorhees has received a call to report for active duty in camp. Doctor Voor-hees has been commissioned as first lieu-tenant in the Medical Reserve Corps.

RIVERSIDE-Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Murray are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Miss Ruth Riley has returned to Kearney

Miss Ruth Riley has returned to Kearney after a week's stay as the guest of Mrs. Robert Kirkman.

Mrs. George Schafer, after a week's visit at the home of her mother. Mrs. Henry S. Markowski, has returned to her home in Rockville Center, N. Y.

DELANCO-Mrs. A. L. Demerest entertained Mrs. William Stewart, of Philadelphia, over the weekend.

tained Mrs. William Steward, or Philadelphia, over the week-end.
Miss Pearl Maguire has returned to Camden after visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Sheets at their home on Burlington avenue.
Mrs. Joseph Evans. of Medford, is being entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jones I. Edwards. fones L. Edwards.

WENONAH-Mrs. Frank Benson WENONAH—Mrs. Frank Benson enter-tained yesterday for luncheon and knitting. Her guests were Mrs. William Danley, of Penfield; Mrs. William Shipman, of Bryn Mawr; Mrs. Edward Benson, of Ambler; Mrs. Harris, of the Pinehurst, Philadelphia; Mrs. Frank Clouds, of Pitman; Mrs. Coles, of West Philadelphia; Mrs. Rulon, of Pit-man; Mrs. Lake Gilmour, Mrs. Charles Beat-ty and Mrs. Robert Haney, of Mexico.

ty and Mrs. Edward Pyle, of Wenonah,
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haney, of Marion
avenue, are being congratulated upon the
birth of a daughter, Margaret H. Haney,
Mrs. Harry Stout entertained Mrs. John
Mayhew, Mrs. James Cassady and Mrs.
Charles Lorence at luncheon on Wednesday,
Mrs. Charles Yost will be hostess this
week to The Sorosis, the members of which
will meet at her home on Marion avenue
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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Comey left last Saturday for an extended trip through Cuba.

Mrs. J. Ward Heritage and Miss Julia

Harker Heritage left today for a visit to
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Florida. They expect to be gone about two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Richman entertained the card club of which they are members last Saturday evening. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Geehr, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sapp, Dr. and Mrs. Lake Gilmour, Mr. and Mrs. James Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mulvey and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Jones.

Mrs. William Groff gave a recital on Wednesday evening in the Presbyterian Church. Her selection of songs and her singing of the same were very pleasing.

A shore supper will be given the community this evening to raise funds to help carry on the work of the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Ritson. Mrs. George Dilke, Mrs. R. & Bargazant and others.

PATRONESSES AT PRODUCTION OF "ROBIN HOOD" LAST EVENING



MRS. GEORGE DALLAS DIXON

MRS. ALEXANDER VAN RENSSELAER

ENGAGED GIRL IS ENTERTAINED

Washington's Birthday Furnishes Keynote for Decorations at Party in Tioga Today

Miss Charlotte Doak and Miss Betty Doak, daughters of Mrs. George A. Doak, of 5545 North Twenty-first street, will entertain this afternoon at their home in honor of Miss Charlotte Fleming, whose engagement to Mr. William Bishop has been announced. The decorations will be red, white and blue, in keeping with the celebration of Washington's Birthday. Their guests will include Miss Marguerite Smethurst, Miss Helen Schell, Miss Dorothy Nicholls, Miss Violet Carson, Mrs. Robert Shields, Mrs. Russell Hoffer, Mrs. Arthur Custer and Mrs. William

Miss Esther Kibler, of 2245 North Marshall street, will entertain the members of the Phi Kappa Club at luncheon temorrow. Her guests will include Miss Boral Davis, Miss Margaret Kimball, Miss Josephine Coudelt, Miss Elizabeth Eplett, Miss Marion Dietz, Miss Oiga Dorn, Miss Rita Renton, Miss Edith Hoppuck, Miss Anna Boggs and Miss Mario Flaher. Miss Esther Kibler, of 2949 North Marshab

Mrs. Lind Mason Baker, of West Erie avenue, and Mrs. Julius Class, of North Seventeenth street, left on Wednesday for a visit to Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Frank Barras, of 2328 West Tioga-street, entertained at luncheon yesterday the members of her Wednesday Club, who in-clude Mrs. Oliver Thornton, Mrs. John C. Allen, Jr., Mrs. Horace Kleinfelder, Mrs. Charles Zink, Mrs. Harry Haug, Mrs. Ben-jamin Foster, Mrs. Harry Rittenhouse, Mrs. William H. Whitcomb, Mrs. C. E. Schaeffer, Mrs. William H. Wilson, Mrs. Brisbach and Mrs. Frank Paul. Mrs. J. Harry Boyer, of 3507 North Nine-Mrs. J. Harry Boyer, of 3607 North Nine-

Mrs. J. Harry Boyer, of 3607 North Nine-teenth street, entertained at luncheon yes-terday, followed by sewing. Her guests in-cluded Mrs. George M. Sandt, Mrs. Charles M. Sandt, Mrs. James M. Snyder, Mrs. Emma Moore, Mrs. Heister S. Hunter and Mrs.

John Martin.

Mrs. M. Klein, of 1908 West Venango street, is extertaining Mrs. Charles Klein. Mrs. Daniel H. Redmond, of 4145 North

Broad street, will be the hostess on Feb-ruary 28 at the Chelsea Yacht Club card party at the Rittenhouse. Mr. and Mrs. William H. S. Bateman will give a dinner this evening at their home, 5136 North Broad street. The hostess will

present a handsome knitted blanket to the Navy Base Hospital No. 3. Three represen-tatives of that unit will be among the guests—Mr. Charles Lupkin, Mr. Conrad Peterson and Mr. Samuel Matthews. Other guests will be Dr. and Mrs. Charles

Other guests will be Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Fulmer. Miss Grace Fulmer. Dr. and Mrs. Louis B. De Cray, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest E. Wes-ver, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Leatherman, Mrs. C. Ristine, Mr. S. Logan Bateman, Mr. T. Huston Bateman and Mrs. Almeda Ennis.

Mrs. John McCracken, of 4607 Old York Mrs. John McCracken, of 4697 Old York road, extertained the members of her card club at luncheon and cards yesterday. Her guests included Mrs. William Baldwin, Mrs. Edward Cruger, Mrs. George A. Doak, Mrs. Harry Howland, Mrs. Herbert Fleming, Mrs. T. J. Mclivaine and Mrs. William Harrison Dougherty.

Dougnerty.

The members of the Tioga dancing class are continuing their informal dances fortnightly on Saturday in the Tioga Drawing

Germantown Wedding to Be Solemnized Today

A pretty wedding will be solemnized to-day at the home of the bride's parents, when Miss Clara E. Brambley, of 4226 German-town avenue, will become the bride of Mr. E. Alonzo Casselberry, of 1261 North Thirseenth street.

teenth street.

The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. G. W. Henson, of \$239 North Broad street, district superintendent of the M. E. The bride will be attended by Miss Ethel

Wood, of Germantown, and the best man will be Lleutenant Horace D. Butterworth, of the U. S. Signal Corps. Miss Betty Bram-bley, aged three years, will act as flower

girl.
Following the ceremony a reception will be held. After a wedding tour of the South. Mr. and Mrs. Cassellberry will be at home at 4930 North Front street, after April 15.

McGRATH-HOFFMAN

There was an interesting military wedding in St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church, Broad and Butler streets, on Monday afternoon, when Miss Mae E. Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hoffman, of 3822 North Broad street, became the bride of Lieutenant Edward J. McGrath, of 3744 North Fifteenth street. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Joseph Tynan.

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The bride's father gave her in marriage. She wore a traveling suit of plum-colored cloth with a hat to match and a corsage bouquet of white sweet peas and orchids. Miss Emma V. Hoffman the bride's slater, was her bridesmaid. She was attired in a coat suit of dark blue cloth and a dark blue hat. Her corsage was of pink sweet peas.

Mr. Irvin Hopsin, of New York, was the bridegroom's best man. Lieutenant McGrath, who is stationed at Seattle, Wash, left with his bride for that city after the ceremony.

liems of news for the speicts page will be presented and printed in the Evening Public Ledger provided they are written on one side of the paper only and are signed with following and telephone rambers of the scader, as it must be reachible to verify the notes. Address "Society Editor," Evening Public Ledger, 502 Chesters street.

INFORMAL TEA IN LANSDOWNE

Many Interesting Activities of Red Cross and Women's Clubs This Week-Current Events Talk at Twentieth Century Club

An informal tex was given on Tuesday ifternoon by Mrs. Julian J. Keenan, Jr. The ffair was in honor of Mrs. W. Paton Thomson, of New York, and Mrs. King, of Pitts-burgh, who have been Mrs. Keenan's guests. Among those who were there were Mrs. Wil-liam H. Mayer. Mrs. A. Culver Boyd, Miss Louise Vanzandt, Mrs. Edwin Grauley, Mrs. Charles Mercer Balley, Mrs. Robert Lynne Mishler, Mrs. Charles J. Pilling, Mrs. Allen R. Hopper, Miss Mabel Phillins, Mrs. Fred-crick A. Mason and Mrs. John A. McKenna. the Twentieth Century Club movies on Monday night, Mrs. Frank G. Burrows was hosters. She was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. Read and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew

The next of the series of dances which the Fwentieth Century Club are giving will be held on Wednesday evening, February 27. The Woman's Guild of the Preshyterian Church held its regular monthly meeting t the church on Wednesday. Luncheon was erved by Mrs. Allen R. Hopper and Mrs.

Edwin Grauley.

Miss Nellie Gibson entertained the Queen
Esther Circle of the Methodist Church at her

home on Monday evening.

The Twentieth Century Club had an interesting meeting on Tuesday afternoon and, in spite of the rain, there were a great many persons there. Mrs. Edward McGinley gave one of her series of talks on current events which was greatly enjoyed by her audience She reviewed the events of the last month and managed, in her talk of an hour and it half, to cover all the important things in a very clear way. She spoke chiefly of the strikes in Germany, of the Russian situation, of Russian situation, of the big drive that is expected on the western front, and then she turned to events in our own country, speaking of the present situation in Congress, of the shipbuilding program, and a variety of other things, giving to her talk many little interesting touches by means of her wide reading.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. Samuel Kent, in the absence of the president, irs. Clarence Eppelshelmer. Mrs. Francis Maxwell made a short plea in behalf of the Delaware County branch of the Woman's Committee on War Industry, of which Miss Maude Gorham, of Swarthmore College, is chairman. A man who owns a number of farms near Media has been unable to obtain help in husking his corn, and so this or-ganization has offered the services of twen-ty-eight young women. There have been this patriotic service, aithough only sixteen will be sent to do the work. It is Mrs. Maxwell's desire to start a pledge list in the town, however, as she believes that further needs will arise from time to time for women to work on the farms. She appealed to the women present at the club meeting, telling them she wished for a hundred volunteers. The Woman's Guild of the Episcopal Church met on Monday afternoon at the Church met on Monday afternoon at the Parish House. The Girls' Guild of this church met at the

ome of Miss Dorothy McEwen yesterday ternoon.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Ralph Hays and Mrs. Harry L. Henry gave a bridge party at the home of Mrs. Hays for Mise Frances Hagy, their sister. Among those Frances Hagy, their sister. Among those who helped receive the guests were Mrs. J. Milton Hagy, Mrs. Harold Ogden and Mrs. Frank E. Sagendorph. The guests were Mrs. Alfred Wiler. Miss Helen Benners, Miss Anna Endicott, Miss Dorothy Hey, Mrs. William G. Nelson, Jr.: Miss Margaret Shaffner, Miss Mary Showden. Miss Emily Eleanor Owens. Mary Snowden, Miss Emity Eleanor Owens, Mrs, William Turner, Mrs. William H. May-er, Miss Dorothy Longcope, Mrs. Bayard Dickinson, Mrs. Thomas Flabell, Miss Ruth Bruce, Mrs. Frank Moorehead, Mrs. Clare Eppelsheimer, Jr.; Mrs. Charles Sagendorph, Mrs. Joseph Wallworth, Mrs. Charles Wall-worth, Miss Beth Tackler, Miss Mabel



MRS. FLORENCE LOURIACRE GALLET

Phillips, Mrs. William Hempstead, Mrs. Georga Simons, Mrs. Henry Statzell, Mrs. Norris Scott, Mrs. A. Culver Royd, Mrs. Charles Tome, Mrs. Dutton, Mrs. Herbert Hays, Mrs. Austin Boyd, Miss Emily Moorshead, Miss Louise Vanzandt, Mrs. Robert Downing Taylor, Mrs. Frederick Kelly, Mr. Julian J. Keenan, Jr.; Mrs. Clarence Armond, Mrs. Allison McCowan, Mrs. Evert Plummer, Mrs. Owen Brooke Evans, Mrs. Vernon Phillips and Mrs. Liddon Pennock.

A musical event of great interest in Lansdowns will be the concert to be given by the Glee Club of the Country Club of Lans-downs on Wednesday evening, March 13. It

downe on Wednesday evening, March 13. It will be held at the Twentieth Century Club, and will be held at the Twentieth Century Club, and will be for the benefit of the Associated Charities of Eastern Delaware County.

Every year it has been the custom of the Glee Club to give two private concerts, tickets being sent only to the associate members. But this year the club though it wise to give up the former plan and to hold, instead, one public concert for the benefit of some charity.

The one that has been chosen is a local organization that has been doing wonderful work in Lansdowne and some of the neighboring towns. Especially during the winter there has been a tremendous need for the Associated Charities, and the Glee Club felt that it could not find a more worthy cause to aid.

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Mrs. May Ebrey Hotz, soprano, and Mr. William Sylvano Thunder, pianist, will be the two soloists on the evening of the concert. The Glee Club, which is under the direction of Mr. Henry Hotz, will sing a dozen choruses. The program will include quite a few request numbers, for the soloists and the club are well known and greatly appreciated by Lansdowne people.

Miss Grace Bond entertained the girls auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church at her home on Tuesday evening.

The Lansdowne Food Garden Association met on Monday evening at the home of Mr. Claude A. Simpler.

A combined meeting of the Woman's Home

Claude A. Simpler.

A combined meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society and the Ladies' Auxiliary was held at the Methodist Church on Friday. An address was made by Mrs. C. W. Bickley, of Philadelphia.

Dance to Be Given Next Week

The West Philadelphia Unit of the Women's The West Philadelphia Unit of the Women's Council of National Defense will give a dance at the Philomusian Club, 2944 Walnut street, next Wednesday evening. The affair will be for the benefit of the special war activities

next Wednesday evening. The affair will be for the benefit of the special war activities of this unit, and the committee has already accomplished such splendid work that a very widespread interest has been aroused.

As every one realizes the importance of these war activities, a large attendance is expected, and the proceeds will be divided among the different committees. The most important work, up to the present time, has been the Sunday night suppers and entertainimportant work, up to the present time, has been the Sunday night suppers and entertainments, which are given weekly for the enlisted men. The number of men who attend these affairs has increased from forty or fifty until there are now more than three hundred present each week. Mrs. George E. Scranton is chairman of the committee in charge of the "patriotic dance."

Among the others who are active on this committee are:

committee are:

Mrs. Joseph H. Parvin. Mrs. Richard T. Randall. Mrs. James W. Runjan, Mrs. Walter H. Johnson, Mrs. C. A. Pfiel, Mrs. Mark Meredith, Mrs. Howard E. Shore, Mrs. Clayton W. Pike, Mrs. Joseph D. Israel, Mrs. William W. Johnson, Mrs. George P. Fallon, Mrs. S. Merrill Weeks, Mrs. Henry A. Terry, Jr., Mrs. Edwin C. Dixon, Mrs. Otto Eisenlohr, Mrs. S. H. Crawford, Mrs. J. Clark Moore, Jr., Mrs. Howard F. Park, Mrs. Thomas Shalleross, Jr., Mrs. Henry R. Swope, Mrs. Harry B. Hickman, Mrs. Van Court B. Carwithen, Mrs. Anthony H. Geuting, Mrs. William N. Watson, Miss May C. Stokes, Miss Bertha Graham.



neets, 8217 Germantown avenue. Free, Allied Building Trades Council meets, Parkway Building. Members. Banquet of Regional Grand Lodge, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Arcadia Cafe.

Washington's Birthday celebration of Pariotic Order Sons of America, Academy of fusic. Invitation. Salesmanship Club meeting, Hotel Adel-National Society, P. I. E., dinner, Hotel Adelphia roof. Members.

Dinner, Hondmen Association, Hotel Adelphia. Members. Dinner discussion, Sational Society for the romotion of Industrial Education, Hotel Promotion of Indus Adelphia, Members. Lecture, "The Balkan Situation," by Ser-geant Michael Dorizas, College Hall, Uni-versity of Pennsylvania, Free.

Boyal Arcanum, No. 342, celebration, Park-way Building. Members. French Society ball, Mercantile Hall. Members.
Philosophical Society, V. L. Kellogg, of
Pederal Food Commission, to speak. Mem-

Lecture, "Flying on Four Frents," by Lieutenant Bert Hall. Admission charge.
K. of C. exerciaes, Metropolitan Opera House. Members.
Dinner, Mende Post, No. 1, 6, A. H., Union League. Members.

BEHIND THE SCENES

With Rulers and Leaders of Wartime Europe By THE PRINCESS RADZIWILL

The Legend of the Romanoff Bell

THERE is a curious legend concerning the Romanoffs, about which no one liked to speak during the reign of the former Rus-sian Czars, but which circulated not only among the educated classes of society, but also among the

among the educated c also among the peasantry, especially that of Siberia. I do not suppose that many persons have heard it in America, and it may, there-fore, be interesting to relate it at the present numer.

In 1598 Boris Go-ounoff had usurped the throne of Muscovy, and had had himself proclaimed Czar after the death Car after the death of his brother-inlaw, Feodor, the eldest son of the famous Ivan the Terrible. The latter
had left another
hoy, Dmitry, whom
to do un off had
caused to be murdered in the town of Leftisch, where he had

dered in the town of Uglitsch, where he had been confined for some years. But though a powerful party had helped Boris to seize a crown that did not belong to him, yet there were many persons in Russia who openly said that he was a usurper, and who were engaged in a series of conspiracies against him, with the intention to have proclaimed as Cars the only direct descendants of Rurik still left alive, the Romanoffs. The family consisted of two brothers, Feedor and Nikita. The latter was considered the handsomest man in the whole of Russia and extremely popular, thanks to his amilable, sunny temper and his extreme generosity, a quality which had always been unknown to Boris Godounoff.

The latter determined to suppress these dered in the town of Uglitsch, where he had been confined for some years. But though

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The latter determined to suppress these dangerous competitors, and he seized Feodor Romanoff, confining him in a monastery, where he compelled him to take holy orders much against his will. Feedor had been married. His wife was also sent to a convent and obliged to take vows as a nun. She had, however, succeeded in taking with her her only son Michael, who remained hidden in Kostroma and who was later on to be elected by the boyars of Moscow as Czar and to found the dynasty which reigned over Russia until March.

There remained Nikita Romanoff, whom it was not so seasy to reduce to powerlessness, because he was a cautious man, had a considerable number of followers and was, moreover, very careful not to appear in public without being accompanied by guards in sufficient number to protect him against an unexpected attack. But Godounoff managed to collist on his side Nikita's mistress, who one night when the latter was in her house opened the door to the Czar's soldiers and delivered to them Romanoff in his sleep. The unfortunate man was seized, bound with heavy chains, put in a sleege and sent to a distant village on the Siberian frontier, which is now comprised in the government of Perm and which is called Nyrob. The journey was a long one and it lasted many weary weeks. journey was a long one and it lasted nany weary weeks.

At last when its goal was reached Ro-manoff was taken out of the conveyance which had brought him there and under his which had brought him there and under his eyes a deep hole was dug in the frozen ground in which he was lowered, together with the chains that loaded his ankles and wrists. The hole was covered with wooden planks and a guard was set to watch it, with orders to throw from time a time a piece of bread to the miserable victim buried there. The Czar hoped that a few weeks at the utmost would see Nikita die. But he was young and strong and he lingered for months and months, forsaken by everybody, in this young and strong and he lingered for months and months, forsaken by everybody, in this horrible grave, which held him fast. At last his guards got weary of watching for an end, which seemed as if it would never come, and they resolved not to give him food any longer, so as to be able to return to their home and to report to Boris Godounoff that his enemy had succumbed. For days the inhabitants of Nyrob could hear the wail of the dying man, imploring a piece of bread or a drink of water from his gaolers.

have alluded. Tradition says that before Nikita expired an old woman who had the ance to Be Given Next Week for Special War Charities ould do for him. "Kill me," said the miser able wretch; "kill me at once, so that a least I shall be freed from this agony I am enduring." "I need not kill you," she replied, "because your hour has struck already and in a very few moments you shall see the end of your agony. But in the mean-while the Almighty has allowed me to come to you and to reveal to you the future which

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THE CHAPEL OF THE BELL.

The rare travelers who happen to visit Nyrob are shown to this day a little chaps which is built on the spot where Nikita Remanoff was confined a prisoner by order of Boris Godounoff. It was erented by his nephew, Michael Feodorowitsch Romanoff, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne, after the accession of the latter to the throne assert that morning and evening the sound of a hand bell, clear and distinct, is heard issuing from the sround in the neighborhood of the spot sanctified by his martyrdom. The idea that in a certain sense that spot might prove fatal to the dynasty was asstrong that, though the late Crar Alexander III was not at all a superstitious man, yet when his son, who was to succeed him as Nicholas II, traveled through Siberia on his return from the journey he had undertaken round the world, he forbade him to visit Nyrob or to go near the place. The Emperor was of the opinion that popular faithmust never be thwarted and that it might give rise to some trouble if the tradition that a Romanoff ought never to go to Nyrob came to be disregarded. He preferred that the bell, which, according to the legend, was heard twice a day in that lone place, should have no occasion to ring in the presence of a member of his family or of his dynasty; and the Grand Duke Nicholas, who was most anxious to extend his travels as far as the Government of Perm, was not allowed to, do so, in spite of his entreaties.

It would be curious to know whether, now that a Crar is on Siberian soil, the famous bell handed over by the with to Nikita Remanoff still sounds morning and evening er whether it has been silenced forever by the revolution which has sen



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