

# CO-ED NEWS

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## DR. KILPATRICK TELLS SOCIETY ABOUT RUSSIA

### SPEAKS OF IMPRISONMENT Informed Officers of Being American—Probably Saved Life

"The three main things said in the Russian army are: 'To the right, 'To the left,' and 'Go forward,'" said Professor Kilpatrick in a delightful speech on Russia given before members of the Euphrosynean literary society Wednesday afternoon.

Professor Kilpatrick gave a brief historical sketch of the country, mentioning her as one of the few countries who has played an important role in all of the affairs of the world for ages back, pointing out the Czar Nicholas II and his enormous power which was perhaps the greatest known to man at that time.

"Her religion," he said "comes from Constantinople and Greece; it is a mixture of the Catholic orthodox church, and is, one of mystery, a quality that the Russians love in everything. Her architecture is beautiful, and in the realm of literature, she ranks high. Lack of political insight, or lack of something caused the downfall of the country.

"After the war I went with the American Red Cross to South Russia, to Crimea, the only part held by the old regime. Here I met princes, dukes, and the servants of the country. With a young Russian nobleman and a Russian princess as secretary, we took a little medicine and food and set out for the front. While we were watching a battle, the cavalry of the enemy broke loose and we were captured. The enemy began undressing me, and when I asked the cause of this unusual procedure, they said I was to be shot, and my clothes were removed to save them. The weather was bitterly cold. They removed the girl's coat and ordered us to run. We ran. They lined us up against a house to be shot, and I leaped out of the line and told the officer it would be very unwise to shoot us because we were Americans. I guess this saved us, for others were shot. There followed a trial in which we got through allright. Then we three went with the army, the name of the nobleman having been changed. A gruesome feature of the trip was picking up the pieces of a commander who was shot."

Professor Kilpatrick narrated how he was taken for a surgeon and commanded to bandage up wounds, a task of which he was utterly ignorant. He explained his work by saying he did it the American way.

"I never willingly killed a Bolshevik, but I know some of that I bandaged didn't get well," he smiled.

"Once I was interviewed by a woman who was a commander. She was the only person I found there who had any sense, for she recommended that we be sent out of Russia. From there we were taken to prison in Moscow, a beautiful city with sixteen hundred churches. I was considered a spy by the judge and was told that I would suffer the penalty. It happened to be my birthday," he continued, "so in prison we celebrated by eating a few lumps of sugar. The food was black bread and cabbage soup. The princess escaped out of Russia, but the young nobleman was executed.

"I was later moved to a monastery prison a few miles out of Moscow," he said. "There were about five hundred prisoners here, including the king and his court. When I went in to meet him, he gave me a pipe to smoke, according to the custom. Finally I was put in the death cell, where every night some one was shot. With a piece of charcoal I scratched my name in every language I knew in hopes that my family might sometime know my fate. I guess I was not shot because I was an American. Then I was sent to the prison hospital, where I often kept my heart in an excited state so I would not be sent back to the death cell again.

## Personals

Miss Faith deLoach visited at her home in Camden.

Misses Louise White and Othello Johnson spent the week-end at Columbia College.

Miss Abbie Ligon visited with her parents at her home in Winnsboro.

Misses Anne and Eva Truesdale have returned from their home in Kershaw.

Miss Lottie Ethers and Katherine Lewis spent the week-end at the former's home in Camden.

Miss Jane Parker and C. P. Derrick of Anderson have been the guests of Miss Martha Derrick.

W. S. Simons visited Miss Irene Simons last week.

Miss Florence Earle Roach spent the week-end at her home in Rock Hill.

W. J. Lemmeon has been the guest of his sister, Miss Lucille Lemmeon.

Miss Martha Pegram visited at her home in York last week-end.

Misses Clare King and Katherine Zeigler spent the week-end at Converse College where they attended some of the dances.

Miss Harriet Whitaker has returned from her home in Camden, where she visited her parents.

Miss Meta Martin and Margaret spent the week-end with Miss Melba McLeach at her home in Blythewood.

Miss Elizabeth Bryson of Gastonia, was the guest of Miss Grace Campbell last week.

Miss Freda Abel spent the week-end at her home in Batesburg.

Miss Adelle Mellette has returned from her home in Sumter where she visited her parents.

Miss Peggy Nickles spent the week-end in Greenville.

## "C. C." And Seminary Give Y.W. Program

A program of unusual novelty and interest was presented by several students of Columbia College and the Lutheran Seminary, at the regular meeting of the Y.W.C.A. last Tuesday night.

"The Color Line," a short play depicting race prejudice, was the main feature of the evening. While lacking scenery and costumes the actors were yet able, by their clever characterization, to give a spirit and life to the playlet that bespoke real feeling and afforded their hearers keen enjoyment.

"When I finally left Russia 'by the goodness and kindness of the Bolshevik government' I was wearing my pajamas and my friend wore my red trousers.

"The situation of Bolshevism is one of the most desperate of any time. They have suffered more than any other people but I believe Russia will sometimes find herself and prove a blessing to the world."

Preceding this, Mr. J. L. Cauble, of the Lutheran Seminary, sang several numbers.

## Graduate Student Holds Many Honors

### Aiken Journal Review Outlines Activities of Mrs. Richard Williams

During the meeting of the State Convention of the South Carolina Federation of Women's clubs held in Aiken recently, the Aiken Journal Review carried sketches giving an outline of the club activities of the women who compose the official family of the organization. The following write-up of Mrs. Richard Williams which appeared at that time will doubtless be of interest to her friends here:

Mrs. Richard Williams is a native of Greenwood, and has taken an active part in the civic and club life of her community. During the war she served as county and city chairman in various "drives," and has since that time served in the following capacities: member Advisory board, Chamber of Commerce; president Woman's bureau, Chamber of Commerce; director City Hospital association; president Catechee (literary) club; president American Legion auxiliary; director Little Theater; president Precinct Democratic club; and president county Democratic convention. Mrs. Williams has served during this time also as director South Carolina Tuberculosis association; director Opportunity Schools; president South Carolina League of Women Voters; chairman Steering committee Woman's Joint Legislative council; member Tax "Committee of Seventeen"; delegate to the State Democratic conventions of 1922 and 1924, and to the National Democratic convention 1924. Mrs. Williams is now a member of the South Carolina Inter-Racial commission; member South Carolina Memorial commission; vice president National Dixie Highway association; vice president Lander College Alumnae association; legislative superintendent South Carolina Woman's Christian Temperance Union; president Greenwood City Democratic club and National club; chairman division of Americanization and member Legislative committee South Carolina Federation of Women's clubs.

At present Mrs. Williams is a student in the department of history and political science of the University of South Carolina and expects to receive her M. A. degree in June.

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