



CHARLOTTE



CHARLOTTE WEDDING PARTY — Above are shown members of the wedding party who were present as Miss Helen Elizabeth Phillips became the bride of Norman State Brooks at ceremonies conducted at the First Baptist Church.

Shown in the group are: Charles Frenzinger, Mrs. Louise Wilson

Personality of The Week

BY ROBERT "BOB" CHERRY

This is the first of the series of articles based upon the "Personality of the Week". Read the Carolinian regularly because your picture and a complete story of you and your profession might appear. This week the Carolinian went into the field of radio and selected Eugene "Genial Gene" Potts.



EUGENE S. POTTS

Eugene "Genial Gene" Potts, 20 years of Second Ward High School is Charlotte's only Negro "Disc Jockey". Eugene Potts who is an insurance executive had his first appearance on the air November 17th and made his first appearance on the air November 27, 1948. Potts graduated from Second Ward in 1927. He then entered Johnson C. Smith University and received his B. S. Degree in 1933.

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"Genial Gene" Potts has truly been a success beginning with his humble birth. He struggled for a high school education. He was handicapped for many years by speech impediment but overcame this misfortune by the private study of speech, radio and voice projection. Today he is noted throughout N. C. as a good master of ceremonies and public address announcer. He pioneered in this field at WGIV in '48.

In 1938 "Genial Gene" married the former Miss Ethel E. Means of Charlotte. He has continued to contribute to the civic betterment of the Queen City of the South. Is on the staff of Pyramid Insurance Co. Superintendent of the Church School at Little Rock AME Zion Church, member of Board of Directors of the YMCA, Field Commissioner of the local Boy Scouts, member of the Beta Nu Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, a former correspondent for the Charlotte Eagle and Carolinian and educational advisor for the North Carolina State Organization of Elks.

"Genial Gene" Potts was appointed by former Governor R. Gregg Cherry U. S. Department of Education National Conference on Functional Illiteracy at Washington D. C.

Eugene "Genial Gene" Potts appears on the air Monday thru Friday, 7:30-8:45 and 5:45-6:00. On Saturday, 8:00 a. m.-10:30 a. m. and Sunday from 8:30 to 9:30.

"Genial Gene's" sponsors are Alexander Funeral Home, Esslinger Little Man Beer and Ale, NGAS Stores, Moses Grill, Shoe Box, City Joe Delivery Co., Excelsior Club, Veterans Record Shop, Thel-Go Cosmetic Co., and many spot announcements. "Genial Gene's" live talents consist of the Golden Trumpets and

HAPPY GENTS SPONSOR DANCE

BY ROBERT "BOB" CHERRY

The Happy Gents, a social club, held a dance at the Bethlehem Community Center on East Caldwell Street Wednesday Night, July 6. Teenagers jammed the center and danced for joy. The music was furnished by the Kingpin Swingers.

The Happy Gents Club is composed of high school boys who are very anxious to help better the community life. Plans have already been made to purchase a club house.

The club house will be equipped with up-to-date recreation facilities for members of the club and non-members too. The purpose of buying the club house is to provide wholesome leisure time outlets which will help in avoiding crime and delinquency in the community.

President Lannie Wimore is a senior at Second Ward High School where he is an "A" student. The motto of the Happy Gents Social Club is "Strive for the better, the best."

At the present they are preparing to secure sweaters for each member of the group. Their colors are green and white.

Officers of the newly organized club are as follows:

President Lannie Wimore, vice president, Elvorie Janes, secretary, Ezell Ferguson, treasurer, Albert Young, chaplain, William Nealy, business manager, Horace Baxter, and adviser, James T. Ware Jr. who is also supervisor of the Bethlehem Community Center.

Members are Tommie J. Harris, Willie Price and Cleo Lee Garris.

Auntie Rose Boyd, a spiritual singer.

Jimmie McKee is responsible for Eugene "Genial Gene's" being on the air. Jimmie McKee is mgr. of the Excelsior Club. The Excelsior operates the McCowen's Golf Course where 150 Negro golfers hold membership cards.

WANTED NEWSBOYS

STATE NAACP HEAD LEADS CONVENTION BUSINESS SESSION

BY ROBERT "BOB" CHERRY

CHARLOTTE — Kelly M. Alexander, president of State National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and one of Charlotte's most prominent business men presided over the Business Session of the 40th Anniversary Conference held in Los Angeles, California, July 12-17.

Mr. Alexander, who is a successful funeral home operator and executive secretary of the local N. A. A. C. P. is the first from Charlotte to preside over the business session of a national conference of the NAACP, first from Charlotte to become State President of the NAACP, and he is first of his race to assail a Congressman and prove by statistics that the lawmaker said untrue things about the Educational System in the State of North Carolina.

Kelly Alexander was re-elected president of the State NAACP Council of branches of the recent conference, which was June 23-24 in Asheville. The magnificent work which he did to uncover inequalities in the N. C. Educational System was one of the main factors that caused him to be re-elected for another term.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is an organization of half a million Americans of every race, creed, and color working for the attainment of a society of equality, security, and freedom for all.

By drafting Anti-Lynching Laws, by pressing for their enactment by Congress and by uncovering and investigating hundreds of mob murders. The NAACP has spotlighted the shame of Lynching, and it has been drastically reduced.

The association has been successful in obtaining anti-lynching clauses in the platforms of the major political parties. It has also conducted an effective nationwide campaign to gain public support for such legislation.

MACCLESFIELD

BY MRS. HATTIE WILLIAMS

Services at Washington Branch Baptist Church were conducted by the Rev. T. E. Vines of Tarboro in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. J. H. Dixon of Fuquay. Sunday. The Rev. Mr. Vines message was very uplifting and enjoyed by all. After service the Rev. Mr. Vines, J. B. Harren, CAROLINIAN correspondent and Mrs. Harren were dinner guests of the Eddie Williams family. Mrs. Williams gathers news for the newspaper at her store.

MACHINES DOING 92 PER CENT OF WORK

In 1850 men accounted for 40 per cent of farm-labor energy and animals comprised 78 per cent, and machines only 6 per cent of the work done; machines do an estimated 42 per cent of the work animals and men each account for only four per cent. A century ago the man-animal-machine team turned out 27 tons worth of produce per hour. At today's prices its hourly output is valued at \$14.

A man may fail several times before he isn't a failure until he starts saying somebody pushed him.

BTU SUNDAY SCHOOL CONGRESS — Part of the 16,000 delegates who attended the 44th Annual Sunday School and BTU Congress in Memphis, Tenn., last week. The group assembled in front of Ellis Auditorium following an address by the Congress president, Dr. W. H. Jernigan of Washington, D. C., who can be seen in the center of the first row, with hand on sign. (APN)

CANCER BODY HOLDS TRAINING SCHOOL

NEW YORK — Dr. John E. Mosley, national prominent Negro radiologist and director of Sydenham Hospital Cancer Detection Center was a leading participant in the panel discussion "The Scope of the Cancer Problem Today" held this week in the American Cancer Society training school at the Gramercy Park Hotel.

The training school is a joint venture of the American Cancer Society education section and the Field Army, the volunteer branch of the Society. Delegates from 31 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico attended the training school to learn the organization, policies and program of the Society as applied to the volunteer in ACS education and service.

The first three days of the school were devoted to symposia and panel discussions featuring American Cancer Society officials and nationally prominent leaders in cancer control. Among them were: Mrs. H. V. Mulligan, Field Army national commandner; Dr. John E. Mosley, radiologist; Dr. Frank E. Adair, attending surgeon, Memorial Hospital Center, and past president of the American Cancer Society; Dr. A. V. Utibert, chief of the cancer control branch, National Cancer Institute of the U. S. Public Health Service; Dr. C. C. Nichols, president of AGS; Dr. M. C. Winternitz, pathology professor at Yale University and chairman of the Committee on Growth of the National Research Council. Workshop sessions occupied the balance of the meetings.

PERSONALS

Sigmon Jackson, formerly of Charlotte, spent the week end with relatives on East Third Street.

Miss Martha Alexander of New York City is visiting her mother, sister and brother on Ridge Street.

Halbert Boyd of New York City is visiting his mother and relatives on North Long St.

Miss Emma Jackson of Gastonia was here visiting friends on Broad Street.

Miss Catherine Johnson of New York City is visiting friends here. Clarence Lawson of Phila., Pa. is visiting his sister and friends on Independence Blvd.

James Miller returned to the Queen City after spending sometime in the Nation's Capital.

Delores and Mildred Dwyngue arrived into the city to spend the summer with their parents on Bearfoot Rd. Delores and Mildred are from New York.

Charles Edward Wilson of Birmingham, Ala. is visiting relatives here on South Myers St.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charles of Washington, D. C. are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Aron on East First Street.

Miss Earlene Aron is in Washington, D. C. visiting relatives.

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