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IN TAR HEEL SOCIAL CIRCLES

Raleigh

Raleigh, Aug. 19.—The beautiful grove at Peace Institute furnished an ideal setting for the wedding ceremony Wednesday afternoon of Miss Sophie Booker, of this city, and Dr. Andrew Dixon Packer, of Brooklyn, N. Y. There was a semi-circle of palms and ferns serving as a background for an improvised altar. The bride path from the main building to the altar was marked by a stretch of white cloth. An orchestra rendered the wedding marches. There first approached six bridesmaids: Miss Gordon Baskerville, Clifton Forge, Va.; Mary Packer, sister of the bridegroom, Brooklyn; Miss Louise Graham, China; Miss Louise Fort, of Fort Royal, Va.; Miss May Thacker, Norfolk; Miss Elizabeth Howard, Barbours. The maid of honor was Miss Helen Booker, Raleigh, a sister of the bride. Rev. William S. Packer, Boston, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. The bride approached the altar with her father, Rev. J. E. Booker, Farmville, Va., who gave her into the keeping of the bridegroom and then pronounced the ceremony that united them in marriage. There was a delicious luncheon including a salad course and ice cream served on the lawn. Dr. Packer and his bride left for a bridal trip that will include a motor trip through the New England states after which they will be at home in Brooklyn. The bride is the daughter of Rev. J. E. Booker, of Farmville, superintendent of Home Missions in the Presbyterian Synod of Virginia, and her mother is lady principal of Peace Institute. Dr. Booker is a Yale man, graduating in 1902 and is practicing medicine in Brooklyn.

Hull McKimmon, Mr. Ben Dixon; Miss Betsy John Haywood, Mr. Pierce; Miss Juliet Crow, Mr. W. C. Harris; Miss Elizabeth Johnson, Mr. Chambers Smith, Jr.; Miss Olive Smith, Mr. Duncan Faison; Miss Edith Pou, Mr. Don Scott, Graham; Miss Annie McKimmon, Mr. W. C. Etheredge; A. N. Coburn, W. W. Vass, H. H. Carr.

A congenial party of Raleigh people at Blowing Rock just now comprises Mrs. Albert Anderson, Miss Amelia Whitaker, Miss Alice Aycock, Miss Emmie Aycock, Dr. L. B. Lockhart, Mr. Clarence Poe, and Mr. C. Trenholm McClennigan.

Misses Julia Cooper and Jessie Harris were charming visitors in Raleigh from Henderson the past week. They were guests in the home of Col. Charles E. Johnson.

Rev. Calder T. Willingham and wife, who was Miss Foy Johnson, popular young woman of this city, have gone to Richmond to spend a week with parents of Mr. Willingham, Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Willingham, before sailing next Saturday for Japan where they will take up missionary work. They will travel across the continent of Europe and through Siberia.

Friends in North Carolina and Virginia will be interested in the announcement of the coming marriage of Miss Pattie Carroll, daughter of Mrs. O. J. Carroll, of Raleigh, to Mr. Walter Whitchard, of Norfolk, Va. The marriage takes place in October. Dr. Della Dixon Carroll has as her guest her niece, Miss May Thackerly of Norfolk.

Saturday Master Clarence Bryan Aycock, the three year old son of ex-Governor C. E. Aycock, entertained a number of his little friends at a birthday party Saturday afternoon from five to seven. After the children had romped through merry games for quite a while they were served with dainty refreshments, of these they ate most heartily. Next came an auto ride, then the little folks were taken home, all wishing Master Bryan "many happy returns."

Gen. and Mrs. Thomas R. Robertson are at home again after spending some time at Morehead while the First Regiment was in camp at Camp Glen.

A Warning to Foremen.

New Orleans, Aug. 19.—As a result of complaints made by Spanish laborers in the Culebra cut, Panama, that some foremen are accustomed when wishing to emphasize an order to use language that reflects upon the laborer's ancestry, Col. George W. Goethals has issued the following order:

"The use of profane or abusive language by foremen or others in authority when addressing subordinates will not be tolerated."

Impossible.

"Mother, what is Alaska sable?"
"Well, it's the polite name for a dead skunk, Bobbie."
"And, mother, is there any poltite name for a live skunk?"

High Point

High Point, Aug. 19.—In the large functions of the week have been made noticeable by their scarceness, caused by the usual lull after a round of gaities going hand in hand with house parties—they have also been conspicuous for their largeness from every standpoint, and among the latter there ranks first Mrs. L. J. Ingram's reception of Thursday afternoon, some 200 guests called in acceptance of the cards sent out, and which bore the name of Mrs. J. Albert Hart as the honoree. Mrs. Ingram, though yet young, has at two different times been hostess at receptions given brides of the home—her sons wives—and her art in this especially well known to inspire much interest, and when coupled with the name of this second daughter of the home who by right of her beauty and youth, her bright mind and endearing ways, is universally popular, and her recent romantic marriage to Mr. J. Albert Hart, formerly of Hendersonville, but now one of High Point's most excellent young pharmacists; the keenest enjoyment was anticipated, but even all of this did not whet the appetite of the main portions of the reception which was a secret to all except a "chosen few." The hours were 4.30 to 6.30 and during that time hundreds wended their way in and out of this hospitable home on Elm street.

The "U" shaped veranda was insistently inviting with drawn shades, making a dull, restful background for the decorations roundabout of lighter shaded vines, and quantities of golden glow, resembling so closely the bright yellow senecio of the mountains. All in and out of the railing round the veranda their quaint little faces wandered and found a spacious foot hold, and according to the heights of their stems found a location in the vases on the wicker stands distributed on pretty rugs at the turns of the veranda, and almost enveloped the punch table in the north end of the veranda to which guests were directed by Miss Kate Ingram, who gave a glad welcome at the turn of the veranda. The refreshing orangeade was served by Misses Mary Alexander and Cora Pitts.

Rich and red roses in handsome vases adorned and made fragrant the reception hall where Mrs. W. B. Vall and Miss Minnie Alexander received and directed the way to the parlor made beautiful with its arrangement of brides' roses and asparagus fern and where the receiving line of the following stood: Messrs. James L. J. Ingram, J. Albert Hart, Fred Ingram, Charles Ingram, James Farris and Miss Ada Robinson, of Greensboro. The invitation to the dining room was given by Misses

Vera Idol and Blanche Shattuck, and Mrs. D. C. Pollock, presided over the dining room, assisted by Misses Louise Ingram, Violet Johnson, Emily Brooks and Winnie Vail.

The color scheme of yellow and green was used with beautiful effect and both decoration and menu. The yellow aster was mingled with from yellow candles made prominent the design followed.

Music from the Blind Boys orchestra came from the second hall which led the way to the library where amid pink roses and ferns Miss Irwin Taylor and Mrs. S. Perry presided over the grape juice bowl. Passing out the following cards were presented by Misses Berta Ragan and Helen Brockett:

Miss Kate Wilhelmina Ingram
Mr. De Conroy Pollock
October 4, 1911.

MEN AND WOMEN.

Gov. Judson Harmon, of Ohio, has notified Chairman Maynard of the democratic city committee of Boston that he will be present at the democratic pow-wow and outing to be held on September 9.

Capt. T. D. McGillicuddy, 75 years old, widely known Grand Army veteran, one of the chief organizers of the Ohio National Guard in 1875 and for years an organizer of Grand Army posts, throughout the country, is dead in Cleveland, O.

Lacking only 11 days of the century mark, Thomas Gallagher died in St. Paul, Minn. recently. From early manhood Gallagher always took his three whiskies a day and smoked a pipe incessantly. He retained all his faculties to the end.

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE.

Margaret Hillington is trying a new play, called Kindling.

Rose Stahl will begin her season in Maggie Pepper on August 31.

John E. Kellard is to play an engagement in Shakespearean repertoire in New York.

LINVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA.

The Fourth Annual Interstate Golf Tournament over the Esceola Links at Linville, will be held on August 30th, 31st, September 1st and 2nd. The course is much improved and is in care of F. N. Newham, of the Charleston, S. C. Country Club.

All golfers are cordially invited to attend, and a special invitation is extended to members of the clubs comprising the Carolina Golf Association.

This meeting is under the auspices of the Esceola Golf Club, member of the United States Golf Association and the Carolina Golf Association.

For programme, address
JAMES P. VINING,
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Durham

Durham, Aug. 19.—Durham society has had to be content this week largely in long range interest, the marriage of President William Preston Mary Reamey Thomas, of Martinsville, Va., being the item of greatest concern to everybody here.

It has been withal such an unexpected event that no suggestion of it reached the papers until a week ago. Though the bride was a student under the bridegroom, at which time their friendship began, the romance appears to have been saved for a later trip abroad when relations became more deeply interesting to both. Their return to the city in a few days is awaited with great interest by people here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cheek were hosts to their families and nearest neighbors Thursday evening at Lakewood Park where they served the most sumptuous supper ever laid out there.

Capt. A. J. Honeycutt and Capt. A. T. Godwin, popular railroad men, are in the far West for a week or two, the two having left the early part of this week for Asheville, Chattanooga, Memphis, Kansas City and California. They will be there until sometime next week when they return.

Though Durham society cannot properly be called a participant in it, the greatest social activity during the last two weeks of August is in the advocacy of the farm life school, chief of whose good features is acclaimed the social life on the farm.

Mayor Progen, Capt. Ed. Parrish, Col. Bennahan Cameron, Col. John S. Cunningham, Postmaster Giles, Attorneys Victor Bryant, Sidney C. Chambers, R. O. Everett, W. G. Bramham, Sumter C. Brawley and Judge Sykes, ex-Mayor Paul C. Graham, Superintendent C. W. Massey, Prof. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity, and Prof. W. D. Carmichael, of the city schools, are daily addressing the people of the city and county, earnestly appealing for the establishment of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Smith are in Ocean Grove, Va., for a rest of two weeks, and will return next week to their home in Durham.

Mrs. J. C. Kilgo and daughter, Miss Fannie, have returned from a trip to Greenwood, S. C., where they were recently guests at the wedding of Miss Emma Kilgo, a niece of Bishop Kilgo, and Prof. Walter B. West, of Wadesboro, next year professor in Rutherford College. Miss Fannie Kilgo was one of the attendants at the wedding.

A most enjoyable mid-summer event was the party given by Mrs. Floyd Lamb yesterday afternoon as a compliment to her attractive house guests, Miss Freeman, of Burlington, Misses Bessie and Virginia Townsend, of Greensboro. Mrs. Lamb was

assisted by her visitors in receiving the guests.

Misses Evelyn and Catherine Jones leave this morning for Littleton, where they will spend a few days, thence to Norfolk for a day and night, and from there they will go to Virginia, visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jaeger at their country home.

Mrs. A. Cheatham, with her mother, Mrs. Gibbs, of Tallahassee, Fla., leaves today for Greenville, S. C., where they will spend several weeks.

Spitting.

(From the Newberry Herald and Neds.)

The News and Courier carries a good editorial on "The Spitters," and says: "There is no reason why men should spit in public places. It is quite annoying to other people, and is unsanitary." The News and Courier says there ought to be laws against it, and no doubt the News and Courier is correct about this. A number of cities and towns have ordinances and laws, against spitting on the sidewalks and on the floors of public buildings, but, like a great many other ordinances and laws, they are dead letters. In the state of Massachusetts they have laws prohibiting spitting, and if it is unsanitary to spit in public places and on the sidewalks, why should it be sanitary to spit at all, and why not prohibit spitting altogether, just as they have done in Massachusetts?

Didn't Think it was Permissible.

"I think," said Mrs. Oldcastle, "that our minister is going too far. Did you hear his sermon last Sunday?"

"Yes," replied her hostess as she finished sealing a letter to her daughter, the Duchess of Ramshead. "Both me and Josiah put in \$50 bills when the contribution was taken."

"I don't like the habit he has fallen into of anathematizing the rich."

"Mercy! I hadn't heard about him doin' that. I didn't think anybody was allowed to anathematize people unless they had appendicitis or something."

Lenoir

Lenoir, N. C., Aug. 19.—The Maids and Matrons Club met Wednesday with Mrs. J. E. Shell at her pretty home on South Mulberry street, at 4 o'clock. As the guests arrived they were served delicious fruit punch by Mrs. S. A. Grier, who presided over the punch bowl. The literary program on this occasion proved to be quite interesting to all the members present. At the conclusion of the evening's program the hostess served frozen watermelon to her guests, which formed a fitting climax to the club meeting. The club's guests for the evening were Mesdames S. A. Grier and Columbus Andrews.

The Daughters of the Confederacy and other friends enjoyed a watermelon feast Monday afternoon from 5:30 to 7:30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Shearer. The occasion was given in honor of Mrs. David R. Shearer, of Knoxville, Tenn., who is visiting in Lenoir. The evening was a most enjoyable one.

A party of young people left Tuesday for a trip across the mountains to Blowing Rock, Linville, Grandfather mountain and other points of interest, consisting of the following: Misses Ruth Dewey, Meta McGheen, Mable Hoover, Lela Huntley, Messrs. L. B. Huntley, Max Dewey, Mack Buchanan and Herndon Huntley. The party is chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Powell. They will be gone a week or 10 days.

Misses Mildred Wallace and Bertha Morton and Mr. Bryan Arthur, of Morehead City, N. C., have been visiting Mrs. E. F. Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Allen and their guests spent a week at Blowing Rock, returning to Lenoir Monday.

Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, is visiting his mother, Mrs. G. W. Ivey, and brothers, Dr. W. P. Ivey and Mr. E. C. Ivey. Doctor Tom, as he is familiarly known in Lenoir, preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning in the Methodist church to a large congregation.

Miss Adelaide Thomas, of New York city, arrived Tuesday for a two-weeks' visit to her parents, Rev. and Mrs. I. W. Thomas, who lives a mile or two north of Lenoir.

Dr. and Mrs. Romulus Linney, of Oklahoma, were in Lenoir a few hours Monday en route to Boone from Taylorsville.

A Bad Bargain.

Eleanor (aged five): How much did you pay for the baby, mother?
Mother: I don't know; he isn't paid for yet.
Eleanor: Do you think it will be more than three dollars?
Mother: I think so.
Eleanor: Well, I certainly think you got stuck on that baby!—Harper's Weekly.

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