

PROMINENT YOUNG WILLIAMSTONIAN GETS GREENSBORO BRIDE

Wedding of Unusual Interest for the Entire State Solemnized in Greensboro Wednesday

Greensboro, Nov. 22.—A wedding of beauty and solemnity was solemnized last night at the West Market Street Methodist church, when Miss Virginia Louise Hunt became the bride of William Jackson Hunter of Williamston. The impressive ring ceremony of the Methodist church was used, the vow being said before Dr. J. H. Barnhardt, the pastor of the bride.

An entirely new decorative scheme had been used in the church, creating a scene of fairy like beauty. The entire altar was elaborately decorated with graceful southern smilax palms, and ferns against a background of white, while in the center of the altar and forming a part of the background was a mirror against which a fountain played. Tall flower baskets filled with white chrysanthemums and pedestals of white lighted candles among the greenery brightened the artistic effect. The vows were spoken beneath a wedding bell suspended from an arch entwined with southern smilax, and flanked on either side with baskets of chrysanthemums.

Prior to the entrance of the bride party, a beautiful musical program was rendered by Miss Pearl Selley of Greensboro college. Miss Allegra Sapp then sang in her sweet soprano voice, Grieg's "I Love Thee." The number was followed by Mrs. Frank F. Jones, of Charlotte, a cousin of the bride, who sang "The Song of Ruth," in her deep, rich contralto. The wedding march from Loheing was used as the professional an Mendelssohn's wedding march as the recessional.

The fathers were J. G. Godard of Williamston, and James E. Faison of Faison.

The groomsmen and bridesmaids entered in pairs from either side of the church, Felix E. Brockman and Leroy Groome of Greensboro; C. D. Carstarphen, of Williamston, and Ernest M. Fulp, of Winston-Salem. Misses Irene Sapp and Aletha Fisher who wore American Beauty tulle with silver trimmings and hoop skirts, and carried arm bouquets of Ophelia roses, and pom pom chrysanthemums, and Miss Elizabeth Stockton and Lillie Mae Stockton, wearing gowns fashioned of turquoise blue tulle, with silver trimmings, and hoop skirts, and carrying arm bouquets of Richmond red roses.

The dame of honor, Mrs. James E. Faison, wore a lovely dress of peach blow crepe back satin, with silver lace trimmings and carried Russell roses showered with swansonia.

Miss Margaret Hunt was maid of honor. Her gown was of orchid crepe back satin, and she carried Ophelia roses and pom pom chrysanthemums showered with swansonia. The handsome little ring bearer, Robert Harden, wore a white satin page suit, and carried the ring on a white satin pillow. Little Virginia Hayes as flower girl, wore a quaint little frock of blue georgette, with lace ruffles, and scattered Ophelia rose petals in the pathway of the bride, who entered with her father, J. T. Hunt, and was given by him in marriage. She was met at the altar by the bridegroom, and his best man, Howell Wadsworth, of New Bern. During the ceremony, Miss Selley played very softly, "At Dawning."

Mrs. Hunter is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hunt of this city. She is a member of West Market Street Methodist church, having been a teacher in the Sunday school, and active in all phases of church work.

Mr. Hunter is the assistant cashier of Martin County Savings and Trust bank, and is a prominent young business man of Williamston.

Immediately following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hunt gave a reception to the close friends and members of the families, at their home on South Edgeworth street. The entire house was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns and chrysanthemums with the exception of the dining room where a color motif of pink and green had been carried out with delightful effect.

State Highway System Proves Big Drawing Card For State

ROAD BUILDING SYSTEM OF THIS STATE ATTRACTING ATTENTION FROM ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES AS WELL AS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

By H. M. BERRY, Secretary.

Early in 1920 the North Carolina Good Roads association sent out a folder regarding the ultimate cost of the proposed state highway program in which the state had made: "It will cost from \$100,000,000 to \$150,000,000 to build a state system of 5,500 miles of hard surface roads connecting all county seats and principal towns." There is no reason now to change this estimate except that, when actually measured after the passage of the state highway, as the mileage of state highways crept up to 6,100 and there are still 74 counties not connected directly with some of their adjoining county seats. So that, the above estimate will have to be added to eventually for the extra six hundred miles.

The two years since the passage of the state highway law have demonstrated beyond a doubt the possibility of a state highway commission giving an economical and efficient service, both in the construction and maintenance of a system of roads. It has also been demonstrated that it is possible to have a state commission that will, as far as humanly possible, do the fair thing by the various local communities and meet their needs as nearly as is compatible with efficiency of location and economy of construction from the standpoint of state wide development. Thus, the support of the fair minded men and women of the state, regardless of party or creed.

It is costing around \$2,000,000 per year to maintain our state system and it is cheap at that. Roads which were boneless before the maintenance boys took charge can now be skinned over in high gear; communities which were inaccessible can now be reached; land which was of little or no value is now sky rocketing; the citizens of modest means, instead of being crowded into a two by four city or town lot, is now buying several acres, building a neat cottage or bungalow, and bringing his boys and girls up under the blessed influence of a country environment, and, with his little "John Henry," is able to hold his city job, a healthier and happier man, rooted in the soil once more. Our great educational department is able to carry out its work of rural school consolidation with greater ease. It is believed further, that the state system serves from one third to one half of our farmers. Just about every farmer gets on a state highway for at least a part of his journey to market.

Construction work on this highway system is going on at an unprecedentedly low figure per mile; we are to be engineers from other states who rank high in the road building profession that we are getting extremely good results in the various types of roads that are being built. Those links are being selected for hard surface first on which the trade demands are greatest of which constitute sections of great thorough highways of national or state importance. The beauty of the whole undertaking is that we are working toward a plan, state wide in proportion, as to money required, size and strength of organization built up, and labor involved, with an infinite variety of human interest scattered over an immense territory which have to be met.

The period of greatest friction is now practically passed with the settling of the routes and re-locating of the roads. From now on it is largely a question of administration engineering and financing. We have succeeded in building up an organization that has excited the admiration and emulation of other states and countries for we hear of engineers from Canada and France visiting us to find out just how we are doing. We have a law which is generally conceded as having reached the high water mark of road legislation or throughout the United States and other states are using it as a model by which to re-fashion their cumbersome and unwieldy methods of procedure. Through donations from the war department, as well as purchases, we have equipment that is worth upward of ten million dollars. We have acquired a morale and momentum that will increase the purchasing power of our road dollar during the next two years by at least twenty-five per cent over the initial two years expenditure.

The state highway commission estimates that in order to keep their forces busy for the next two years, and meet the available federal aid, there will be needed, in addition to the balance now available from the fifty million dollar bond issue, an additional authorization of \$15,000,000 for construction. It is not contemplated that this amount will complete the state system as it stands today. It will simply carry on for two more years.

As the bonds are sold, greater inroads are made on the current revenues obtained from automobile licenses and a cent gasoline tax, that will reduce the maintenance funds beyond the point of efficiency. To meet this contingency, it is thought desirable to increase the gasoline tax to three cents. The expenditure of this money makes it possible for the automobilist to obtain a greater mileage on a gallon of gas, thus reducing the quantity of gas used. The collection of a gas tax also makes it possible to derive some revenue from the army of cars, tourist and commercial, which now use our roads in increasing numbers.

The points we want to guard against and which every interested citizen should see to it that his representative thoroughly understands are:

That the present mileage should not be increased a foot until we have completed what we have already undertaken.

That there should be no interference on the part of the counties on the only source of revenue left to the state system.

That the present state highway law should not be tampered with in any material respect.

North Carolina is in the midst of an undertaking which requires patience and faith on the part of all; self sacrifice on the part of the many individuals; that self respect and integrity which makes us willing to pay for what we get; and the vision and genius to adhere to democratic principles in the distribution of great public benefit. Who can foretell the magnitude of the destiny which now awaits such a people.

Stockton, of Mocksville; C. D. Carstarphen, of Williamston; Ernest M. Fulp, of Winston-Salem; Misses Aletha Fisher, of Tampa, Fla.; Lillie Mae Stanford of Durham; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Faison of Faison.

A CLOVER COVER CROP WILL INCREASE THE CORN YIELD

Project Has Been Tried and Proved by Farmers As Well As Experiment Stations

Trenton, N. C., Nov. 24.—C. M. Foy, who lives four miles from Trenton in Jones county, has found that it pays to use a league in building up his crop yields. In a demonstration conducted in cooperation with past season, an acre of land which was planted in corn, gave some interesting results. This entire acre was fertilized with 125 pounds of an 8-3-3 fertilizer before the corn was planted on May 16. All of the land in the acre was the same type. One fourth of the acre, crimson clover was plowed under before the corn was planted; one fourth had the clover grazed and the stubble plowed under; one fourth was given a top dresser of 200 pounds of an 0-9-2 and one fourth was used as a check plot with nothing added except the regular fertilizer as used over the whole acre when the corn was planted.

Here are the yields:

Plot with clover—41.5 bushels per acre.

Plot with clover stubble—37.7 bushels per acre.

Plot with top dresser—34.6 bushels per acre.

Plot used as check—26.4 bushels per acre.

This demonstration proves that the clover will help to increase the average yield because the plot which was fertilized with an 8-3-3 mixture gave only 26.4 bushels, while the plot on which the clover was plowed under gave a yield of 41.5, an increase of over 15 bushels per acre. E. C. Blair of the division of agronomy assisted Mr. Fletcher and Mr. Foy in conducting this demonstration and the results show that the farmers of this section should begin the practice of using more legumes in their crop building and land building operations.

ELEPHANTIN WEST BROS. CIRCUS GOT LOOSE FOR A SHORT WHILE THURSDAY

The line elephant of West Bros. big trained animal circus got loose for a short while Thursday, a little while before the night performance began. Two children were thrown but were not hurt seriously and the animal was not very wild and no damage to mention was done. It was not unmanageable, but very stubborn about returning to his tent. This is his second escape, having made one on Tarboro a few nights ago where the show was wintering.

SERVICES AT THE LOCAL CHURCHES ON SUNDAY

The usual Sunday services will be held at the Baptist and Christian churches on Sunday excepting the Sunday evening service.

Dr. Tebeaus of the Theological Seminary of Alexandria, Va., will conduct the Sunday morning service at the Church of the Advent here at Hamilton that evening.

Rev. L. C. Larkin of the Methodist church will preach his farewell sermon at Holy Springs church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. He will conduct his last service at the Methodist church here Sunday evening at 7:30 and all the other churches will worship with him.

The Union Thanksgiving service this year will be held in the Christian church and the leader will be announced in Tuesday's issue of this paper.

MRS. H. M. STUBBS VERY CHARMINGLY ENTERTAINS

Last night from eight to eleven, Mrs. H. M. Stubbs charmingly entertained at her home at bridge. There were tables arranged for sixteen guests. The home was prettily decorated with cut flowers and attractive crystal bowls of candy were placed on each table. At the conclusion of the game Miss Anna Crawford was presented with a lovely hand made guest towel for making the highest score.

Mrs. Stubbs, assisted by Miss Crawford served fruit salad molded in attractive shapes with sandwiches, salsines and pickles with coffee and cream.

The invited guests were: Mrs. P. B. Cone, Mrs. Reed Dunstan, Miss Anna Crawford, Mrs. Oscar Anderson, Mrs. Wheeler Martin, Jr., Mrs. Maurice D. Watts, Mrs. C. H. Godwin, Mrs. Clayton Moore, Miss Essie Peel, Mrs. F. U. Barnes, Mrs. K. B. Crawford, Mrs. J. H. Saunders, Mrs. F. W. Hoyt, Mrs. W. H. Biggs, Mrs. Vella Andrews and Mrs. W. K. Parker.

About the best thing we know of for breakfast is sausage and eggs. The only improvement is to raise them.

Chamber of Commerce Preparing Program For Membership Drive

MEMBERSHIP OF OUR LOCAL CHAMBER IS GETTING READY TO ACCOMPLISH SOMETHING WORTH WHILE FOR WILLIAMSTON IN THE NEAR FUTURE

Last night was the scene of the first business meeting of the newly organized Chamber of Commerce of Williamston in the hall of the old Lotus club, when the first steps were taken to put the organization on a functioning basis by the charter members of the boosting assembly.

The program for the night only covered the organization of a corps of solicitors and boosters who will be known as the membership committee, and form plans for workings of the local chamber. These arrangements consumed a considerable number of long hours of hard, tiresome and enthusiastic work. But at present time the chamber was still discussing the plans that were brought up by the members and eliminating the red tape and useless parts of all suggestions, using only the fundamental points that were presented, and all appeared to be just as enthusiastic

NEW ICE PLANT TO BE STARTED AT EARLY DATE

Williamston Will Have An Up-To-Date Ice Plant At An Early Date It Is Now Thought

After the most enthusiastic meeting ever held in Williamston, the directors of the Chamber of Commerce held a meeting with a representative of a Norfolk firm in regard to building a modern ice plant here in view of furnishing all the towns from Tarboro to Plymouth, also Hamilton, Oak City and towns across the river, with ice.

The plant will be modern throughout and entirely new, and will mean much to Williamston if we succeed in getting them to establish it in our town.

Williamston is the best field for a business of this kind in this section of the country, and we feel certain that the Norfolk concern will do more than just come half way with the people of Williamston in establishing the new business.

Win with Williamston.

Mrs. Barnes hired a new butler: "We always call our servants by their last name, what is your name?" "May I suggest, madam, that you call me by my first name, Thomas," said the new butler.

"No," said Mrs. Barnes. "I shall call you by your last name, as it is our custom; what is it?" "Very well, madam, but if your husband finds fault, don't blame me, my name is Thomas Darling."—Greensboro News.

HIGH SCHOOLS WILL DEBATE ON RAILWAY LABOR BOARD

Will Endeavor to Discuss the Problem That Has Stumped Nation's Most Competent Minds

Chapel Hill, Nov. 24.—The query for the high school debates for the present school year has been decided on. It is:

"Resolved that congress should provide for the enforcement of the decision of the railway labor board."

This is the eleventh year of the high school debating union, which was organized by the Dialectic and Chitranthropic societies at the University. Last winter sixty schools which had won their preliminary contests sent teams, numbering 240 debaters, to Chapel Hill to enter the final round for the Aycock Memorial Cup.

Every secondary and high school in North Carolina is invited to become a member of the Union and participate in the state-wide debate. Every school that enters will be grouped in a triangle with two others, each school putting out two teams, one on the affirmative and one on the negative. Every school which wins both of its debates is entitled to send its team to Chapel Hill for the final day.

"You have your father's eyes, little girlie."

"Aw go on."

"And your mother's hair."

"Ssh! If mother hears you she'll make me take it off."—Dry Goods Economist.

SCOUT ACTIVITIES

Williamston Troop No. Two, Boy Scouts of America held its regular meeting Thursday, November 23, with Scoutmaster Lilly presiding. After a discussion of the Thanksgiving hike, the troop adjourned for a short drill.

Visitors are always welcome. We especially invite the parents of our boys.

—The Scribe.

WHAT ABOUT THE NEEDY ORPHAN? IS A MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED NOW

His Demands Are Very Urgent in the State of North Carolina Today. Something Must Be Done

The most pitiful, the most appealing sight in this world is that of an orphan child without a home. And this condition constitutes him a most serious menace to society.

When the lights are brightly burning in your comfortable home on Thanksgiving night, when the children's hour has come, spare an instant's thought for those little ones—homeless, without father, without a mother, set adrift through no fault of theirs to find what harbor they may—and let conscience say whether your duty to them has been discharged.

Consider those children of yours—look at them now; that little tot so bravely struggling against the Sandman, hose of a larger growth busy with their lessons for tomorrow, so well started along life's road, to become fine, useful citizens, with all of life's opportunities before them.

Turn your thoughts for a moment—just a minute—from this sweet picture to some ill-clad, shivering hungry, wistful little object out there in the dark. Through no fault of its own, that other child is denied all that is given yours.

Your child is safely harbored in your heart and in your home. When the right time comes it will sail over life's seas, with a strong body, a clear mind, a saving knowledge of and the love for Jesus Christ, our Lord.

That other one out there in the dark, perhaps peering through your bright window and so at these blessings unless this appeal reaches your heart and soul, and unless you do those things which the God of the fatherless expects you to do in the name of His own beloved Son.

How can you do this, how can you so give that your charity will reach directly to the homeless orphans—and how much should you be reasonably asked to give?

You are asked to give as a Thanksgiving offering, the equivalent of one day's salary to some one of the North Carolina orphanages or home-placing institutions—all of them doing a work greatly blessed of God.

If that amount is larger than you can afford, you are asked to make SOME contribution in money and send it to the orphanage that you prefer.

You are asked to do this in His name for those of His unfortunates so sorely needing your aid and your comfort.

And, remember, please, remember, on this Thanksgiving day—and on all others—that the North Carolina orphanages are quite unable to care for hundreds of homeless little ones—simply through lack of means with which to do it.

So let this Thanksgiving day appeal reach your heart and consider what may be done about it. For, if you will earnestly consider the matter—look at it as a personal privilege, an opportunity to render a service such as Christ himself would do—you will find happiness in your thoughts for many a day after.

And think of this! Winter is approaching with its cold, its sufferings, and its privileges for many. Can we allow a single orphan child in this our own great and well beloved state of North Carolina, to lack for clothes, for food, for knowledge that will enable that child to become a useful citizen, and that will direct it steps into the ways of pleasantness and peace?

So then, one day's work or its equivalent, if you can. If not, give in Jesus Christ's name, what you may be able. The Recording Angel will most certainly jot it down to your credit; your own home and your own children will be the safer for the taking of that drifting one out there on the highways and byways into a home where all of those things that Christ would have done for him—in a North Carolina orphan home.

So give—in His name—give something. You will be adding to your store of happiness here on earth. You will be adding to your store of incorruptible riches in a fairer, sweeter home than this; in a home where we—all—orphans and all others—shall some day, and may any day, meet and rejoice over the good we have done in the world.

Mine disasters seem to be on the increase. Many hundreds of miners have been entombed this year, to starve, and some suffocated. Miners are entitled to just a little more than the other fellow.