

Mrs. B. F. Smathers Observes Her 88th Birthday On Friday

Carrying out her custom of the past twenty-eight years, Mrs. Adora Smathers Rayne entertained with a luncheon on Friday in honor of her mother, Mrs. B. F. Smathers, who observed her eighty-eighth birthday anniversary the past week. She was assisted by Miss Hester Ann Withers in receiving the guests.

Mrs. Rayne has never missed a year since she had the first party in observance of the event and has often traveled hundreds of miles, when at some distant point, to be home for the occasion.

Mrs. Smathers, who is greatly beloved by a large circle of friends and relatives, is the wife of Dr. B. F. Smathers, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Howell. She has a wide family connection in Western North Carolina. She is the sister of Captain Alden Howell, veteran of the War Between the States, who is now residing with a daughter, Mrs. Jack Johnson, in Los Angeles, Calif. Captain Howell celebrated his 102nd birthday anniversary on February 18th.

Mrs. Smathers received numerous gifts and messages not only from her family and friends locally, but from relatives and friends from all over the country.

Mrs. Smathers is the mother of Judge Frank Smathers, of Miami, and Waynesville, of Senator William H. Smathers, of Atlantic City, of Mrs. Joe Rose, of Chicago, of Dr. John H. Smathers, Mrs. Jack Holtzclaw and Mrs. Rayne, all of Waynesville.

The guests were seated at one long table which was covered with a lace cloth and centered with an oblong arrangement of white flowers, including roses, carnations, Siberian iris, snapdragons, Philadelphia, gypsophelia, daisies and love-in-a-mist.

The place cards were attached to small old fashioned bouquets of white pansies, and the favors were boudoir brushes in white and green. Following the serving of luncheon the older guests reminisced during the afternoon.

Those invited for luncheon were: Mrs. Herbert West, Mrs. John K. Boone, Mrs. Harry Marshall, Mrs. J. Howell Way, Mrs. James Thomas, Mrs. Maria Mitchell, Mrs. H. L. MacFayden, Mrs. W. T. Shelton, Mrs. R. L. Prevost, Mrs. Marguerite Massie, Mrs. Aaron Prevost, Mrs. E. L. Withers, Mrs. Jack Hartzclaw, and Mrs. Calvin Houghland, of Nashville, Tenn. Joining the group at the tea hour in the afternoon were Mrs. Nora Atkins, Mrs. L. M. Killian, Mrs. J. W. Killian, Mrs. J. Harden Howell, Mrs. Jerry Davis, Mrs. Bryant Smith, Mrs. W. F. Swift, Miss Jessie Herren, Mrs. Henry Foy, Mrs. Oliver H. Shelton, Miss Nancy

Local Girl Gets Award In Dancing; Has Studied 6 Years

Evylin Craig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Craig, who has studied dancing for the past six years, received her diploma last week from the Marguerite Hyatt School of the Dance in Asheville.

The diploma was awarded at a concert given by the school on Friday night in Asheville when Miss Craig appeared on the program with one hundred students. She gave an outstanding military number.

In order to receive the diploma in dancing, the student is required to have to their credit 400 hours of solo work in all types of dancing.

Miss Craig has studied with various teachers. She was once a pupil of the Sherrill Dancing School. She has done special work in New York City with the late Harry De Muth, and Ned Weyburn.

She has appeared with the Hyatt Review, a professional group that has danced at the Rhododendron Festival in Asheville, under the supervision of Harry Coble and Fred Hern, members of the Ted Shaw ballet.

Miss Craig has danced for various civic groups here and other places and has taken part in many floor shows given in Asheville.

She will be a member of the junior class at the high school in the fall. She is also studying piano and is a member of the high school band. She is a majorette in the march band and plays the saxophone in the concert group.

Last September she organized a dancing class of the younger children in the community and has had a successful year of teaching with outstanding results with her pupils.

Fines Creek Methodist Church Society Hold Meet

The woman's society of the Christian Service of the Fines Creek Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Waldo Green last week with sixteen members present. Mrs. Fred L. Safford president and Mrs. D. Reeves Noland was in charge of the devotional period.

Others taking part on the program were Mrs. T. W. Rogers, who read a selection from the church program material, and the pastor, the Rev. Melton Harbin, who presented two chapters from the booklet, "The Methodist Meeting House."

June 23rd, was set for the next meeting of the group. Miss Hilda Way, who has been teaching in the schools of Kanapolis, has arrived to spend the summer here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Way, Jr.

Mrs. M. H. Bowles and young daughter, Florence Ann Bowles, have returned from Macon and other points in Georgia, where they visited relatives.

T. Lenoir Gwyn, who is located in Raleigh, spent the week-end in town with his family.

Mrs. S. H. Bushnell had as her guest during the past week, her sister, Mrs. J. D. Bivens, of Albemarle.

Killian, Mrs. R. H. Brees, Miss Margaret Stringfield, and Mrs. Heas, of Coral Gables, Fla.

Local Dancers Win Recognition On Asheville Program

Lynda Welch, young daughter of R. V. Welch, and Jackie Berry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Berry, were guests on the program of the Marguerite Hyatt School of the Dance which was presented on Friday night at the Hall Fletcher school in Asheville.

Lynda gave an outstanding performance of a Hawaiian tap and Jackie stole the first part of the program in a military number. Doris Grahl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Grahl, was accompanist.

Both young dancers are pupils of Evylin Craig, and have taken lessons from her since she organized her class last fall.

Miss Ruth Liner Named Treasurer of WCTC Club

Ruth Liner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Liner, of Waynesville, and an uprising senior at Western Carolina Teachers College, was elected treasurer of the Future Teachers of America for the year 1942-43 at the regular meeting last week.

Miss Liner is also a member of the Big Sister Club and of the Women's House Government.

Miss Lois Massie, who attended Greensboro College during the past year, has arrived during the week. She will make a brief visit with her parents and later in the season will attend a girls camp, where she will be a counselor for the summer months.

Miss Jennie Greer, who is a student at Bravard College, is spending a few days with her parents, before she returned from summer school.

Miss Charlene Rotha, who is attending the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, has arrived to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rotha.

Ed McRorie has gone to Washington, D. C., where he is visiting his sister, Miss Margaret McRorie, who is now residing there.

Bill Henson, of Forest City, spent the week-end here with his grandmother, Mrs. P. L. Turbyfill.

Bill Fisher left Sunday for Baltimore, where he will work in aircraft factories.

Charles Miller, Jr., arrived Tuesday to spend one week with his parents before going to Durham, where he has accepted a position for the summer vacation. Young Miller is a student at State College, and will resume his work there after the vacation season.

Miss Winfred Rodgers, who has been attending Berea College, has arrived home for the summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Reeves.

Miss Ruth Turner, student at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, has arrived to spend the summer with her parents.

O. R. Martin, who is now located at Otto, spent the week-end in town with his family.

Miss Corinne Alley, who is attending the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, has arrived to spend the summer here with her mother, Mrs. Edith P. Alley.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Bridges and Mrs. F. C. Garren spent the week-end at Camp Sutton, at Monroe, where they visited the latter's husband, Private First Class, Francis C. Garren.

Mrs. Jess Messer, of Hazelwood, and Mrs. Howell Messer, of Valdese, spent the week-end at Fort Bragg, with Howell Messer, who is in training there.

Donald and David Hyatt, of Wilmington, Billy, Clarence, Lochlan and Walter Hyatt and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hyatt, of Newport News, attended the funeral here Sunday of their grandmother, Mrs. Pink Hyatt.

Mrs. Homer Messer, of Valdese, spent several days here the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Messer and family.

Sen. Connally Weds



Mrs. Lucille Sanderson Sheppard, widow of Sen. Morris Sheppard of Texas, was married to Sen. Thomas Connally of Tex., at the First Baptist Church in New Orleans, La. Both the bride, 51, and groom, 64, have married children.

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Miss Suste Caldwell Weds Ray Messer On May 28th In Clayton, Ga.

Mrs. James Caldwell, of Iron Duff, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Miss Susie Caldwell, to Ray Messer, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Messer, of Waynesville, which took place on Friday, May 28th, in Clayton, Ga.

Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for Newport News, where the bridegroom holds a position with the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dempsey and children, Patsy and Bobby, of Harlan, Ky., arrived last week for a visit with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Snyder, in Hazelwood. Mr. Dempsey returned to Kentucky after spending a few days, but Mrs. Dempsey and children will remain for several days longer.

Miss Catherine Davis, who has been attending Lees McRae College, arrived Tuesday to spend the summer vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Davis.

Mrs. J. E. Whisenant, of Swannanoa, spent the week-end here with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lane.

Mrs. J. E. Shields and son, James, spent the week-end in Maryville, Tenn., with Mrs. Shields' sister, Mrs. Henry J. West.

Mrs. Rufus Carswell spent the first of last week with Sergeant Carswell at Fort Jackson, and the latter part of the week in Newton with relatives.

Master Deral Davis had as his guest for the past several days, a cousin, Nelson Clontz, of Canton.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Davis have as their guest this week, the former's sister Mrs. U. J. Brown, Walla Walla, Wash.

Miss Jane Grace, who has been attending Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, arrived Monday to spend the summer vacation here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Grace.

Miss Hester Anne Withers is spending this week in Atlanta, where she is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. S. C. Satterthwaite and her uncle, S. C. Satterthwaite, Jr.

Jack Elwood, of Canton, Ohio, joined his family here for the past week and will return later in the season.

Billy Howell, who has been attending Christ School during the past year, was the guest of his cousin Bobbie Brees, during the past week.

Melvin A. Hayes, formerly of Waynesville, now of High Point, was in town yesterday on business.

Mrs. Jack Elwood has arrived for the summer season from Canton, Ohio, where she has spent the winter with Mr. Elwood. She has been joined by her daughter, Miss Mary Lucia Elwood, who has been attending Month Junior College and her son Jimmy Elwood, who attended Christ School last year.

Lt. Grover M. Davis Will Wed Florida Girl On June 10th

Of interest locally will be the marriage of Miss Betty Lou Alexander and Lt. Grover M. Davis, U. S. Navy, which will be solemnized on next Wednesday, the 10th, at the First Presbyterian church in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The Rev. Dr. John G. King will officiate.

The bridegroom will have as his best man, his brother, Joe Davis, who will accompany his parents to Fort Lauderdale for the marriage which will be an important social event this month in Fort Lauderdale.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Clifford Alexander and she and her family have been coming to Waynesville for the summers for the past ten years.

Lt. Davis, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Davis, and prior to his enlistment in the U. S. Navy was practicing dentistry in Hazelwood.

Mrs. Harry Rotha Will Be Hostess of June D. A. R. Meeting

Mrs. Harry Rotha will be hostess of the June meeting of the Dorcas Bell Love chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on the second Friday of the month. A flag day program will be featured. Mrs. Harry Marshall will review the National magazine. As this meeting will be the last of the year, all members are urged to be present. Mrs. S. H. Bushnell, regent, will preside.

Haywood Chapter UDC Holds Last Meeting Tomorrow Afternoon

The Haywood chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will hold the June meeting at the home of Mrs. Thad Howell on Friday afternoon, the 5th. Serving as associate hostesses with Mrs. Howell will be, Mrs. John M. Queen and Mrs. Jimmie Boyd.

Miss Nancy Killian will be in charge of the program. All members are urged to attend as this will be the last meeting of the year. All visiting UDC members from other sections in town are also cordially invited to be present for the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Announce the Marriage of Their Niece

Mr. and Mrs. George Singleton have announced the marriage of their niece, Miss Bonnie Rhinehart, of Atlanta, to Arthur Coward, of Waynesville. The marriage took place in Clayton, Ga., on May 29th. Mr. Coward is employed with the R. N. Barber and Company Rock Apple filling station on the Balsam road. For the present the young couple will reside with the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coward.

Carl Norwood Robeson and his son, Norwood, of Newport News, are expected soon to spend the coming week here with the former's father and sister, Prof. E. J. Robeson and Miss Frances Robeson.

Mrs. Sam Queen Attends State Welfare Meeting

Mrs. Sam L. Queen, county superintendent of welfare, is attending a three-day conference of welfare superintendents in Greensboro this week. She will be in her office on Monday, 8th.

Miss Mary Lee Alley and Miss Betty Gene Alley, who have been attending Montreat Junior College, have arrived to spend the summer here with their mother, Mrs. Margaret Alley.

Miss Meredith Whitaker spent the week-end with her family in Andrews.

Robert Whitner Has Announced Marriage Of His Granddaughter

Mr. Robert Whitner has announced the marriage of his granddaughter, Miss Pauline Smith, to Frank Bryson, of Balsam. The vows were solemnized at Canton, Ga., on May 23rd.

For the present, the couple are making their home with the grandfather, Mr. Whitner at nook.

Mrs. W. I. Lee, who has been the guest of her mother for the past ten days, has gone to Canton to be with friends while she is a patient in a hospital there.

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 By WILLIAM RITT
 Central Press Writer
 IF KIPLING were here to read the Far East air raid news he'd probably change that line to read "where the flying fishes play — for keeps."
 Some of those big league clubs might explain their poor starts by referring to them simply as "delayed offensives."
 The "Terrible Turk" has not only vanished from the wrestling game but also, apparently, from the front page.
 The Japs complain that war has become too "barbarous." Zadok Dumbkopf says it begins to look as though the Nips suspect the truth — that they are in for an awful trimming.
 Many an ex-motorist these days is enjoying a new experience — getting down to the office without having lost his temper in traffic.
 How can a college graduate face the world with bold, aggressive air when his precious diploma is better known as just a sheepskin?
 Grandpappy Jenkins says he understands Washington is so over-crowded that wise visitors hire detectives to find a room for them.