

Helen McDuffie Becomes Bride Of Lt. Gooden

ELIZABETHTOWN, Sept. 4.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McDuffie, of Elizabethtown, was the scene of a lovely wedding when their daughter, Miss Helen McDuffie, became the bride of Lt. David T. Gooden, at a simple and beautiful ceremony. Rev. R. Z. Newton officiated, using the ring ceremony.

Dr. Channing Gienn, pianist, played "I Love Thee" by Greig, "Song of Love" by Rubenstein; "A Wild Rose" by McDowell; "Rhythm" by Fibich, and Miss Nancy Courson sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." The traditional wedding march was used.

Prior to the ceremony, Claude McDuffie, brother of the bride, lighted the candles.

The vows were spoken before a background of long leaf pine, southern smilax, floor baskets of white gladioli, althea and fern, and a candelabra holding 31 candles.

The bride entered on the arm of her father, by whom she was given in marriage. She was lovely in a shimmering gardenia suit with brown and white accessories. Her bouquet was a shoulder bouquet of white tuberoses and aspidodora.

Miss Joy Spratt of Charlotte, her college roommate, was maid of honor and her only attendant. She wore a dress of aqua crepe with black accessories and a shawl of black and white.

Lt. Gooden had as his best man Lt. Robert Smith of Atlanta, Ga., and Pensacola, Fla. Mrs. McDuffie, mother of the bride, wore a pink eyelet dress and a shoulder bouquet of blue asters.

Mrs. Gooden, mother of the bridegroom, was attired in white eyelet and a shoulder bouquet of orchid and asters.

Mrs. Gooden is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McDuffie of Elizabethtown. She attended Elizabethtown High School and Clemson College, S. C., before entering the U. S. N. R. and later joining the Marine Air Corps.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McDuffie entertained at an informal reception. The color scheme in the dining room was green and white and white candles were used throughout the home.

The tablecloth was of hand-made lace, a gift of the bride's grandmother. A three tiered cake, topped with miniature lieutenant and his bride, was at one end of the table and the punch bowl at the other.

A crystal bowl of mixed white flowers centered the table. The immediate families and close friends were present.

Following the reception Lt. and Mrs. Gooden left on a wedding trip and will be at home in Pensacola, Fla., after September 8.

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Two Fall Brides-To-Be Honored By Spinsters At Country Club

The Spinsters entertained on Saturday evening at the Cape Fear Country club at their annual early fall dance in honor of members of the club who are to become brides, Miss Vera Diehl who will wed Capt. Robert Blake, USMC, and Miss Alice Dillon who will become the bride of Cpl. Walter Joseph Voros.

Miss Annie Elizabeth Hughes, Of Parkton, Weds Lt. Cowan

LUMBERTON, Sept. 4.—The marriage of Miss Annie Elizabeth Hughes of Parkton to Lieut. Malcolm Haskel Cowan of the U. S. Army Air Forces and Tioga, Texas was solemnized in a formal ceremony at the home of the bride in Parkton at 8:30 o'clock on the evening of August 31, with the Rev. T. A. Guiton, pastor of the bride, officiating.

A program of wedding music was rendered by Mrs. Malcolm P. Calhoun of St. Pauls and Lt. D. N. McQueen of DeRidder, La., soloists, and Miss Eleanor Hughes of Homerville, Ga., pianist.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, John G. Hughes, Jr., of Parkton, was lovely in her wedding gown of Duchess satin fashioned with yoke of princess lace, fitted bodice, long, fitted sleeves ending in calla lily points over the wrists and full skirt extending into a train. Her two-tiered veil of illusion fell from a halo of lace, caught at each side with orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of bride's roses and bouvardia centered with a purple-throated orchid.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Miss Helen Cowan of Tioga, Texas, sister of the bridegroom. Her dress was of aqua satin brocade made with three-quarter length sleeves, deep yoke of matching net, basque bodice and full skirt. She wore a Juliet cap of sequins and aqua net and carried a bouquet of mixed flowers tied with pink satin ribbon.

The bridesmaids, Mrs. David A. Evans of Greenville, sister, and Mrs. John G. Hughes, Jr., of Parkton, sister-in-law of the bride, wore identical frocks of pink brocade silver cloth fashioned with three-quarter length sleeves, sweetheart neckline adorned with rhinestone sprays and full skirts extending into a semi-train. Their headpieces were Juliet caps of sequins and pink net and their bouquet of mixed flowers were tied with satin bows of Old Blue.

Little Miss Margaret Evans of Greenville, niece of the bride, was a dainty junior bridesmaid in a dress of pink net over taffeta made with drop-shouldered bodice and a bouffant skirt trimmed in French flowers. She carried a miniature colonial nosegay.

The mother of the bride wore blue crepe with a corsage of pink rosebuds. The mother of the bride wore blue crepe with a corsage of pink rosebuds.

The bridegroom was attended by Lt. Edward R. Booth as best man and groomsmen were Lt. William V. Sproule and Lt. William S. Bell, all of the Laurinburg Maxton Army Air Base. Junior groomsmen were John G. Hughes III and David A. Evans, Jr., nephews of the bride.

Mrs. Cowan is the daughter of Mrs. John Gilchrist Hughes and the late Mr. Hughes, who was a member of the Robeson County Board of Commissioners for 18 years. She received her B. S. degree from Queen's college and her M. A. from Columbia University, and has taught in the public schools of North Carolina. For the past three years she has been a member of the Parkton school faculty.

Lt. Cowan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ellis Cowan of Tioga, Texas, attended North Texas State Teachers College in Denton. He was connected with the sales department of Black Brothers Furniture Company in Houston at the time he entered service and was well known in aviation circles throughout Texas. He is stationed at present at the Laurinburg-Maxton Army Air Base.

Reception
 A reception was held immediately after the ceremony for wedding guests and other friends, who were received by Mr. and Mrs. George Ashford of Red Springs, Mr. and

Music during the evening was played by Jimmy Strayton and his Carolina Aces.
 The guests list consisted of the eighty members with their dates and around one hundred and fifty stags.
 Officers of the club are Miss Jocelyn Peck, president; Miss Louise Hooper, vice-president; Miss Charlotte Sprunt, secretary; and Miss Frances Thornton, treasurer.

Servicemen May Prefer Mature Girls

BY RUTH MILLETT
 A Cleveland minister in a public address recently spoke of unmarried girls between the ages of 21 and 25 as "the lost generation" because he thinks a great many of them will never get a chance to marry since the young men who returned from over-seas will choose younger girls for wives.

A reporter on the Cleveland Press interviewed a number of girls in that age group and didn't find any willing to agree to the minister's pessimistic outlook for them. Maybe the girls are right—even though the minister does have some statistics from the last war to back up his claim.

To begin with, soldiers of this war are reported to have a more serious outlook on life than the soldiers of the last war and to have a more mature point of view. If that is actually the case, young men between 21 and 25 who return from over-seas may prefer girls their own ages.

The jitterbug enthusiasms of the 17 and 18-year-olds may leave men matured by battle critically cold. A girl who has been holding down a job during the war instead of wearing bobby socks and swooning over Sinatra may be much more appealing to the returning veterans.

Then, too, the girls of 20 or 25 will be able to help support their marriages, if that is necessary—and it is sure to be in many cases, until young men get a new start in civilian life.

A lot of young men are going to come back home ready to settle down and enjoy home life. They would certainly have a better chance of doing that if they marry girls their own ages than if they marry young kids who will want to go out dancing every night.

With so much obviously in their favor, no wonder the 25-year-olds aren't worrying their heads about competition from the teen-agers even in the face of being called "the lost generation."

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Miss Irene Aiken of Sylvia, and H. E. Parrish of Wilmington, were married Saturday, September 2, in Florence, S. C.

CLUB CLOCK

Women of the Chapel-on-the-Boardwalk, Wrightsville Beach, will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Harbor Island USO when plans for the fall and winter work will be discussed followed by a social hour. All women of the community are invited.

The women of Trinity Methodist church will meet as follows: this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock circle one, Mrs. Herbert Coughenour, 1726 Orange street; circle three, same hour with Mrs. N. E. Davis, 1705 Ann street; circles two and four, meet September 11 at the church before the meeting of the society of Christian Society.

The American Legion auxiliary will sponsor a bingo party on Thursday evening, September 7, at 8:15 o'clock at the Woodrow Wilson hut, Fourth and Princess streets.

The Business Woman's circle of the First Baptist church will meet with Mrs. J. R. Jones, 115 North Sixth street, this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Grace Methodist church will hold the regular church day Wednesday as follows: Spiritual Life group 11 a. m.; circles 11:30 a. m.; business meeting 12 o'clock; luncheon 1:15 p. m. with Circle Four as hostess group.

The weekly meeting of the Alpha Zeta sorority will be held this evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of Miss Donnie Musselman, 410 South Fifth street. "Kids" will be taken into the club at this meeting.

The Business and Professional Woman's club will not hold the regular meeting scheduled for this week. Notice to the time and place of meeting will be announced later.

P.-T. A. Meets Are Scheduled In 10 Districts

GREENSBORO, Sept. 2.—Annual fall conferences of the 10 districts of North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers will start October 10 in Elkin and end November 3 in Sylva. In announcing the tentative schedule, C. W. Phillips, director of public relations at the Woman's college, who is congress president, stated that details of the Parent-Teacher work for the 1944-45 school session will be discussed at the conference, which will also note the birth date of the state conference, November, 1919 in a 25th anniversary observance.

To curtail travelling to a minimum, eight of the districts will hold conferences in two places.

District three, Mrs. Holland Lawing, of Charlotte, chairman, will initiate the schedule with a conference October 10 in Elkin. Tentatively, this district is planning a second conference in Charlotte for November on the date of the organization of the state congress in that city.

District four, Mrs. E. H. Holton, Winston-Salem, chairman, will have conferences on October 11 in Winston-Salem and on October 12 in Asheboro. Conferences of district five will be held in Laurinburg on October 13 and in Wadesboro on October 14, with Mrs. R. E. Cooley, Wagram, chairman, presiding.

Mrs. B. T. Williams, Stearns, chairman, will have charge of the eighth district conferences in Whiteville on October 17 and in Clinton the following day. District six, Mrs. H. L. Hassell, Durham, chairman, will confer in Dunn October 19 and in Garner, October 23. Mrs. L. H. Martin, Rich Square, will conduct seventh district conferences, in Princeton on October 20 and in Enfield on October 27.

The single conference of district 10, Mrs. Maude Baynor Foy, Kinston, chairman, will be held October 24 at Camp Lejeune. Ninth district will meet at Plymouth, October 25 and at South Mills the following day, with Mrs. J. E. Winslow, chairman, of Hertford, in charge. Second district, Mrs. J. Worth Morgan, Forest City, chair-

PERSONALS

Miss Eva Mae Peacock of Raleigh, has returned to her home after spending the week-end in the city and at Wrightsville Beach.

Alton V. Fountain of Audubon, is a patient at James Walker Memorial hospital, where he underwent an operation on August 28.

TOO BIG
 WEST CHESTER, Pa., Sept. 4.—National football league teams take note—coach Greasy Neale says members of the Philadelphia Eagles squad are just too big to fit into the outside jerseys worn by last year's players.

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