



MR. AND MRS. J. H. BONNER of Castle Haynes Road, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 30, with the renewing of the wedding vows at the Wrightsboro Baptist church by the Rev. H. S. Strickland.

"Feast Of Lights" Service Slated This Evening At St. John's Church

This evening at 8 o'clock at St. John's Episcopal church, Third and Red Cross streets, a most beautiful and impressive service known as the "Feast of Lights," will be given.

The age-old meaning of Epiphany will be told through the Old Testament prophecy of the birth of Christ, Mary's song of triumph at the message of the angel Gabriel, the gifts of the Magi and finally the aged Simeon's prayer of Thanksgiving in these words, "Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace." As the Epiphany story further unfolds the real missionary meaning is brought out by the spreading of Christianity from person to person as the darkened church breaks into light from hundreds of candles. Music forms a beautiful background for this service, although no attempt has been made for anything of an elaborate nature, only the old and familiar hymns, chants and carols, in which the choir and congregation join together with the strains of "We Three Kings of Orient Are," sung

by the Wise Men, who enter the church, appropriately costumed and bearing gifts for the Infant King. The service ends with the recessional hymn, "Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning."

As previously announced Bishop Thomas H. Wright will have a part in the service.

A cordial invitation is extended to all interested persons, especially to strangers to attend the "Feast of Lights" service tonight.

RESEARCH TAX ON CROPS

AUGUSTA, Me. (AP)—The State of Maine now imposes a tax on potatoes, sweet corn and blueberries for the purpose of setting up a fund to carry out research in these crops.

OPENING DAY'S BUSINESS

WHITEVILLE, Jan. 5—(AP)—C. Bion Sears, cashier of the new First National bank reported deposits of more than \$500,000 at the end of the bank's first day of operation.

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Lieut. deRosset Weds Californian In Brookline, Mass.

Of much social interest in the marriage of Lieut. Philip deRosset is the announcement of the set, Army of the United States, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Nash deRosset, of Brookline, Mass., formerly of Wilmington, to Lucile Fogetti, of California.

The marriage took place on Friday, January 4, at the home of the bridegroom's parents in Brookline.

Lieut. deRosset has just returned to the states after 3-year duty in the South Pacific area.

Bowden-Boykin Vows Announced

NEW BERN, Jan. 5.—Miss Doris Marie Boykin and Carlyle Miller Bowden, Jr., yeoman third class, USN, were married Saturday afternoon, December 29, by the Rev. Charles E. Williams, rector, in Christ Episcopal church.

Mrs. G. A. Farrow, church organist, and Mike Holton, soloist, rendered a program of nuptial music.

Ushers were Nelson Bowden and Charles J. J. McSorley, III. Billy Bland was best man. Laurence Stith, Jr., served as crucifer.

Miss Grace Ballance, maid of honor, wore a black gabardine suit, with black accessories and a corsage of gardenias.

Immediately after the ceremony, the couple left for a wedding trip to unannounced points.

Mrs. Boykin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Boykin of New Bern.

Mr. Bowden is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bowden, Jr., of this city. He attended Elon college before entering the service during January, 1943. Recently he returned to this county after serving six months in Germany. On January 18 he will report to Raleigh for reassignment with the navy.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. W. A. Walton entertained Wednesday afternoon at her home in Lake Forest honoring her daughter, Eleanor Geraldine, on her ninth birthday. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served. A prize was won by the honoree.

Those attending were: Barbara Harton, Brenda Godwin, Carol Faye Davis, Goganon, Clara Loftis, Peggy and Rachel Register, Grace Jordan, Faye Horne, June Paxton, Peggie McLellan, Mercelle and Elizabeth Matthews and Kenna McCall.



MARRIED 50 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Jackson, 1108 South Fourth street, this city, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 30, at their home. The entire lower floor of the home was beautifully decorated with yellow jonquils and the soft glow of yellow candles made an impressive background.

Guests were received by their daughter, Mrs. Edson C. Ruark, Jr., who wore a gold color crepe dress with a corsage of pink carnations tied with pink and gold ribbons. Guests were then presented to the honor guests, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Jackson wearing a soldier blue dress with a corsage of yellow rosebuds tied with yellow and gold ribbon.

Mr. Jackson's boutonniere was a yellow rosebud. At the dining room door Mrs. J. Edward Powell, another daughter, received guests, wearing a black crepe dress with a corsage of pink carnations tied with gold and pink ribbon. Guests were then invited into the dining room where Mrs. Douglas Wilcox and Mrs. W. A. Burk, nieces of Mrs. Jackson, and Mrs. Harold Herring served. All refreshments carried out the color motif of gold.

Mrs. L. H. Smith of Raleigh, another niece of Mrs. Jackson, presided at the gift table, which was laid with a hand crocheted cloth in the Queen Anne pattern. During the afternoon a routine

was held by the Rev. H. J. Wilson, pastor of the Fourth Street Advent Christian church, of which Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are charter members, and quite notable was the prayer by the Rev. J. P. King, who performed the ceremony at the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson 50 years ago.

An impressive musical program was rendered throughout the evening by Mrs. Robert S. Matthews, Jr., pianist, and Mrs. H. J. Wilson, soloist.

Several guests attended the anniversary party that were present at their marriage 50 years ago. A round one hundred guests called during the hours of three to six o'clock.

Craig, publicity; Mrs. Jennings Litgen, sunshine chairman. Appointed as the supper committee chairman for January, February and March are Mrs. Lotie Horton, Mrs. Marvin Pye, Mrs. Allan Brinson. Following the business meeting a social hour was held and refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Hostesses for the February meeting will be Mr. F. E. Stanley and Mrs. Violet Balaban.

BUY U. S. VICTORY BONDS

Miss Vivien Jeffreys Of Richmond, Becomes Bride Of C. T. Barker

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 5.—Miss Vivien Lee Jeffreys of Richmond, daughter of Mrs. William Joseph Jeffreys and the late Mr. Jeffreys of Hamlet, and Charles Thomas Barker of New Bern, son of Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Barker of New Bern, were married Saturday evening, December 22, by Dr. J. H. Marion, Jr., in a double-ring ceremony at the Grace Covenant Presbyterian church in Richmond.

Miss Margaret Powers, organist, and Jim Edwards, of Raleigh, soloist, rendered a program of nuptial music.

Miss Martha Jeffreys, sister of the bride, was maid-of-honor. She wore white taffeta and carried American Beauty roses.

Bridesmaids were Misses Jonsy Wingfield of Richmond, Jnez Horton of Richmond, Margaret Palmer of Sanford and Ada Holding of Wake Forest. They wore gowns like that of the maid of honor and carried American Beauty roses.

Comdr. Christopher S. Barker, Jr., USN, of Princeton, N. J., brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Ushers were Glenn Lazebny and Jim Little of Statesville, Joseph M. Anderson, Jr., of New Bern, and Jack Richardson of

Loris, S. C. The bride was given away by

Trinity Methodist Circles Will Meet

The women of Trinity Methodist church will hold the January circle meetings on Monday as follows:

- 1—Mrs. J. W. Brooks, 1619 Princess street, 3:30 p. m.
- 2—Mrs. H. A. Marks, 108 Mimosa place, Oleander, 3:30 p. m.
- 3—Mrs. Garland S. Currin, 304 North 15th street, 3:30 p. m.
- 4—Mrs. George R. Darden, 306 Colonial Drive, Forest Hills, 3:30 p. m.
- 5—Mrs. Leslie G. Begor, 124 Colonial Village, 8 p. m.
- 6—Mrs. Archie D. Craig, 1914 Church street, 8 p. m.

her brother, William J. Jeffreys, She wore a white satin wedding gown and carried calla lilies.

Immediately after the ceremony, a reception was given at the John Marshall hotel.

The couple left afterwards for a wedding trip to Miami. The bride wore a two-piece brown crepe suit, with brown accessories and an orchid corsage. Upon their return they will reside in Richmond, where the bridegroom is a senior in the dental school of the Medical College of Virginia. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and a member of the Delta Sigma Delta fraternity. The bride is a graduate of Meredith college, Raleigh. For the past two years she has been employed as a chemist at the duPont company plant at Richmond.

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