



Mrs. Noah Jenerette, Jr., of Jacksonville, Fla., who before her marriage on December 29, was Miss Kathryn Baldwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Baldwin of Tabor City.

there was a single social-minded soul in Washington who didn't turn up during the late afternoon hours. They came early and stayed late, sampling the hams and turkeys, the salads and cakes and the variety of beverages offered. Ever so smart looking was Mrs. Kenneth C. Royall, wife of the Acting Secretary of War, and distinguished North Carolinian, as she chatted with Mrs. Claude Pepper, who was just back from Florida, and was catching up on Washington news. The Lester Hinton were there, she in chic black taffeta and a "Washington white" pillbox hat worn way forward and sprouting black wings, telling all who admired it, that it was actually a Raleigh-purchase. The Attorney General and Mrs. Tom Clark greeted many of their friends, and with them were the Assistant to the Attorney General and Mrs. T. Lamar Caudle, of Wadesboro. And in another group of guests enjoying the occasion was Mrs. Maurice Morris, well-known in the state, where she has visited from coast to mountains since her college days.

997 Guests
One thousand guests were invited, and 997 came (the figures are hearsay, as with so many men present our visual computation can scarcely be trusted) to the reception which was given by the Air Transport association of America, Wednesday afternoon, in honor of Vice Adm. Emory S. (Jerry) Land, former Representative Robert Ramspeck and Brig. Gen. Milton W. Arnold at the Carlton hotel. Not even before the war have we seen many distinguished men, mingling together and over chafing dishes heaped with hot fried oysters, shrimp, and whatnot, discuss in main future air plans that will dwarf our world still further. Many headliner names were there and the pleasant hum of conversation pervaded the spacious room as both familiar and visiting personalities greeted each other and passed on to other knots of people. Throughout the party hours, a large group of admirers surrounded Gen. Doolittle, listening avidly to every word spoken. Another large audience encircled the tall and celebrated Eddie Rickenbacker, who greeted his friends with a hearty handshake, and incidentally sent his best wishes to all of his very good friends in the Old North State! With him at the moment were Mr. and Mrs. James E. Coates, D. Franklin Kell, counsel for the Delta Air Lines and native of Clinton; handsome Tom Wadden, who married the former Miss Ann Ihrie Pou, of Smithfield; John K. Slear, Hugh P. Menefree and half a hundred Tar Heels, more or less.

"Splurge" Party
Around midnight that same day with the celebrities and the music that made it famous, Washington's Stage Door canteen bowed out of existence, with a final "splurge" party for the service men it has entertained since October, 1942. Both the Army and Navy bands played farewell and on hand to say goodbye were such untiring workers for the success of the endeavor as Mrs. Albert L. Cox, Mrs. William O. Burgin, Mrs. Kenneth C. Royall, Mrs. Herbert Bonner, and Mrs. Lindsay Warren, who has continued her civic activities despite the double break of her wrist, suffered just before Christmas and not yet healed. Sorely missed at the last round-up of "Volunteers" was the very energetic and capable Evalina (Mrs. Josephus) Daniels, who was one of the most active supporters of the canteen.

"Hoot, Mon, ye spell it with an 'a'" we heard the Magills, the MacNeills, the MacNairs and the MacNinches tell one another the other night at the banquet and dance that celebrated the 187th anniversary of the birth of Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns. The Kiltie Band of York, Pa., came down for the occasion to share with the folk dancers of Scotia, the applause of the Scotch descendants. Special feature of the program was the Haggis, which was piped in ceremony, after a recitation of Burns' "Ode to a Haggis" by Norman Kindness, formerly of the Highlanders. Also among the guests were Resident Minister of Great Britain and Mrs. Balfour; Field Marshal Sir Henry Maitland Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, and in addition to the above mentioned "Macs," North Carolinians were Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Ramsay, Mr. and Mrs. Hepburn Clark, Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Young and the Donald S. Wallaces.

MEMORIAL SERVICE
Carolínians will join the throngs that will attend the Annual Memorial Service for the Families of the members of the Armed Forces in and about the District of Columbia to be held today (Sunday) in the Washington Cathedral, the invitation having been issued by The Commanding General of the District of Columbia National Guard, Albert L. Cox, The Bishop of Washington, and the Dean and the Chapter of Washington Cathedral. General Cox heads the committee on arrangements for the service which is one of the most impressive memorial services held in the National Capital.

One of the most delightful luncheons recently was that given for Mrs. John T. Kennedy at the Washington club, with Mrs. R. Stevens Pendexter, Mrs. Estelle Ehiting and Mrs. Arthur Clarendon Smith as hostesses. Guests included Mrs. Robert McNeill, Mrs. Frank Morrison, Mrs. Frank Hassell, Mrs. E. H. Daniel, Mrs. Harry Daniel, Mrs. Henry Clay, Mrs. Bruce Baird and others.

Mrs. Kenneth C. Royall, was among the assistant hostesses when Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clarendon Smith entertained at a cocktail party in their home in celebration of their 39th wedding anniversary. Also assisting the Smiths in receiving their several hundred guests were Mrs. Irene Caldwell and Mrs.



Mr. and Mrs. George F. Croom, whose wedding took place December 15. Mrs. Croom is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Alice Rich and the late G. W. Rich of Clinton. Mr. Croom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Croom of Sunset Park.

Walter Maloney. Mrs. Royall, who leads a very busy social life these days, was also among the guests of Mrs. Truman, whom she entertained at luncheon this week and also when she had guests in for a small and informal tea.

The Lt. Governor of North Carolina and Mrs. Lynton Ballentine arrived last evening from Raleigh and are spending the week-end with Capt. and Mrs. John Borden at their home in Arlington. Featuring Mrs. Ballentine's visit to Washington was the luncheon which Mrs. Annie Lee Chisholm and her sister gave for Mrs. Ballentine at noon Saturday at the La-Salle DuBois, one of the Capital's most delightful dining spots. Several other social events will be given for the Lt. Governor and his attractive wife during their stay in the city. They will also be among the special guests at the North Carolina Society's New Year reception and dance Saturday at the Shoreham Hotel.

N. C. SOCIETY
Another feather in its cap is the bridge party the North Carolina Society is giving in connection with its New Year round-up—with real nylon hose as table and door prizes. Assisting with the Card tournament which will include games of all kinds are Mrs. W. O. Burgin, wife of Representative Burgin of the Eighth district; Mrs. Mary Colvin Murphy, Mrs. A. D. MacFayden, Mrs. Vera Millsaps, Miss Anne Whitenet, Mrs. Albert P. Bauman, Mrs. Mary Upchurch, Mrs. Joe Graham, Mrs. W. E. Stroud, Mrs. Lelia Gilliam, Mrs. Thad Page,

Mrs. Nora Bradford, Miss Patsy Lowe, Mrs. E. L. Mason, Mrs. Robert McNeill, Mrs. Wade Hampton, Mrs. Herbert Bonner, Miss Naomi Brown and Miss Irene Whisenant. MacWilliams will furnish music for the dance and president of the society John K. Slear is again issuing the invitation to all servicemen in uniform to attend as guests of the society.

The engagement of Miss Patricia Cochran to Capt. Neil Gilliam, American Field Service, son of Mrs. Lelia Burt Gilliam, Washington, and the late Donald Gilliam has been announced by her parents, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Thomas J. Cochran, Jr., New York City and Douglaston, N. Y.

The bride-to-be attended the Convict of the Holy Child, Siffern, N. Y., and the American Academy of Dramatic Arts. For the last two years she has been a volunteer worker in the New York office of the American Field Service, an ambulance unit which has served French and British troops since 1939. Captain Gilliam was educated in Heathmont school, London, England. He joined the AFS units serving the Free French in Africa in 1941 and was awarded the Croix de Guerre.

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Carolínians Galore Attend Gay Reception Honoring Adm. Land

By JULIA McNINCH SLEAR
Star-News Correspondent
Perhaps in Rome one shouldn't

do as the Romans do. But in Washington, it's vastly different. You swing along with the gay groups from one function to another, until you are caught up in the social maelstrom—and are off almost before you know it with pleasant people from all over the world.

The Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg, would certainly have liked the party given this week at the Luxembourg legation to celebrate her birthday. For she would have met practically everyone from diplomatic, official and residential society, would have renewed old acquaintances made on her flying visits to Washington when she and the royal family were refugees during the war. It was during the year of 1941 that the tall, slender and grave ruler of the tiny Duchy paid her last visit to the capital, which we have reason to remember very well, indeed. She was guest of the White House and was present at the press conference held that morning by Mrs. Roosevelt, when two of the news girls, held up by traffic conditions, even in those days none too good, tried to slip in and take their places, unnoticed. No such luck. The lovely lady not only smiled at them, but moved graciously forward to greet them with a real American handshake—and saw that they were seated rear her. And, if our faces were pretty red at the time, that hour will stand out in memory—and the Grand Duchess now at home among her people, will always be our favorite, "Royalty." While we remembered the handsome ruler, there was much toasting of the little Duchy, as others remembered the Battle of the Bulge—just one short year ago. Crowds milled from the drawing room on the lower floor hung with priceless tapestries, to the dining room which adjoins, and upstairs to the main drawing room where a bar had been set up in one corner. It would be difficult to believe that

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