

A PRETTY WEDDING.

Miss Julia Sprague Gray and Mr. Franklin Augustus Martin Wedded Last Night at the Home of the Bride's Mother on North Myers Street—Leave For Winston-Salem to Visit Relatives.

It was in the attractively decorated parlor that the marriage vows were spoken. An improvised altar of purest white was there, around and about which on either hand hung an artistic grouping of palms and ferns, upon the tops of which the subdued light of candles shed gentle radiance.

The bride was attired in a gown of white liberty satin, made princess with spangled yoke and bertha and silver and pearl trimmings. Her veil was caught with a brilliant topaz brooch, the gift of the groom. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses.

There were no attendants except Miss Helen Liddell, maid of honor. Mrs. Martin is numbered among the most attractive of Charlotte's young people. Possessing the elements of personal charm and of genuine worth, it is but natural that many friends are hers.

Among the out-of-town people who attended the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Martin, of Winston-Salem; Mrs. D. S. Davis, of Waxhaw; a sister of the bride, and Master Dan Davis, of Waxhaw.

A PRIZE FIGHT POSSIBLE.

Prof. Edward DeGroot, French Middleweight Champion Pugilist, Writes to the Sporting Editor of The Observer—An Interesting Communication.

If there is an individual in Charlotte by the name of Prof. Hugo Kelly, of Chicago, Ill., a professional pugilist, and he is of a mind to engage in a few rounds of the noble sport of boxing, then Prof. Edward DeGroot, an Italian by birth, but a Southerner by adoption, who is now in Spartanburg, S. C., would like to have a few words with him on his arrival in the city to-morrow or the day following.

The paper on which this letter was written bears a cut of Prof. DeGroot and accompanying it is a record of his achievements as pugilist, entered the ring in 1899. Prof. DeGroot is an Italian and has engaged in more than 40 fights during the past nine years. Should he meet Prof. Kelly and the authorities do not raise a storm there might be something doing in the near future.

TO ESTABLISH NEW CHURCH.

Board of Home Missions of A. R. P. Denomination in Session Here Yesterday Decides to Open a Second Mission in Atlanta—Reports From Various Missions Throughout the Church Evidence Good Work.

The Board of Home Missions of the A. R. P. Church held a quarterly meeting yesterday at the home of Rev. William Duncan, on West Third street, where the members were joyfully entertained by Dr. J. C. Galloway, of Gastonia, chairman; Dr. G. H. White, of Ebenezer, treasurer; Rev. M. T. Love, of Statesville, and Dr. Oliver Johnson, of Sevierville, T. C.

The establishment of a second church in the City of Atlanta, Ga., was another matter of some interest and it was agreed after considerable discussion that this church authorize the establishment of this mission next year. The first church of Atlanta, while only a few years old, is making notable progress under the ministrations of Rev. J. A. Gordon, and the time is believed to be opportune for the organization of a second church.

Mrs. Thies Very Ill.

The many friends of Mrs. A. Thies will learn with regret that she is critically ill at her home on the Providence road, suffering from a stroke of paralysis which seized her a week ago. All her children have been summoned and are with her, except one son who is in Nova Scotia. Her condition has been considered critical for several days.

AVERT THE COMMISSIONS.

Some Members of the Sub-Boards Are Wary Because the Aldermen Have Exercised Their Powers in Appropriating the City's Money to Certain Stipulated Purposes Over Which They Have Immediate Control.

The prevailing sentiment among the members of the several sub-boards of the city government, since the aldermen adopted a resolution revoking all the present unexpended appropriations, at their meeting Monday night, seems to be to the effect that their powers have been almost completely exercised, and that henceforth the commissions will exist in the future in little but name.

Asked for his opinion relative to the situation, a prominent member of the board of public service stated yesterday to an Observer man that he had nothing to say now, but would have something in the near future. He was noticeably displeased and construed the action of the aldermen to mean that vengeance was being taken for the failure to get the charter revised at the recent session of the Legislature so as to completely knock out these commissions.

An effort was made yesterday to secure some expert opinion as to whether the action of the aldermen in limiting the powers of the commissions, or really curtailing their powers almost completely, was in contradiction of the prescribed prerogative of these boards as laid down in the city charter. Nobody, however, was willing to venture an opinion in this regard until he had made a somewhat thorough and more exhaustive investigation, but the general opinion was that the aldermen did not go behind the charter when taking this course.

It is unquestionable that the rights of the commissions have been notably diminished by the adoption of that resolution. Hereafter the board of aldermen will sign all ultimatums in respect to the expenditure of the city's money, and no matter what the sub-boards promise or desire to do nothing can be done unless the aldermen favor the measure.

This resolution, of course, was meant to apply to all the commissions and will be effective upon all, but it is generally believed that the board of public service will be the most forced limitation more sensibly than the other boards, for the reason that police and fire protection under control of the safety board are given first place in the appropriations of the city's money, all street work and such matters that fall to the service board being considered as demanding less immediate attention.

The main reason for the adoption of this resolution, of which more will be said hereafter, was to save the city's money. The finance committee is up against a hard proposition, as everybody knows, in trying to make both ends meet, and Mayor Franklin, together with this committee, reached the conclusion some weeks ago that the chief necessity was to reduce the purchasing agents of the city. Toward bringing about such a reduction, these gentlemen have endeavored to have the contract revised, and falling in this they at once sought to remedy the situation by the action taken Monday night. They argue that the city should have but one man to buy all the supplies in order to get them cheaper and to pay a stable price for them. This was at least one of the motives in taking this course.

Whatever the action may amount to hereafter, the finance committee and the aldermen feel that the course has been taken, and that the people will stand up to them in this effort to reduce the operating expenses of the municipality.

The Crittenton Industrial Home.

The maintenance of the Crittenton Industrial Home will be largely in the hands of St. Peter's Episcopal Church and the Church of the Holy Comforter during the month of February. Any kindness in the form of a donation of groceries or other necessary articles will be deeply appreciated. Orders left with any firm will be delivered at the home, where a record will be kept. The members of the two congregations having immediate oversight of the home during the month are reminded of their obligations.

Will Build Wadesboro Home.

The well-known contracting firm of Hunter & Vaughan, of this city, has been awarded the contract for building a beautiful home for Mr. W. L. Marshall, of Wadesboro. The residence will cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000 and, in all its appointments, will be of the most modern. Mr. Marshall is cashier of the First National Bank of Wadesboro, and one of this prosperous town's most influential young citizens.

Incorporators of Ivey Company.

Papers of incorporation for the J. B. Ivey Company have been issued. The incorporators being Mr. J. B. Ivey, 267 shares; Annie Felts, 3 shares; Emma M. Ivey, 10 shares; David Owens, 20 shares. Each share has a par value of \$100. The object of the incorporation of this well-known and prosperous firm was to increase its capacity for doing business, which will be much enlarged in every way.

Doctors Hold Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the County Medical Society was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the city hall with a large majority of the members present. The general discussions were limited, practically all the time being given to Dr. George W. Presley, who read an interesting and highly intelligent paper before the society.

Mr. P. B. Bost Dead.

News was received in the city last night of the death at Salisbury of Mr. P. B. Bost, a prominent business man of Cabarrus county, who was under treatment at the sanatorium in Salisbury. The deceased was a nephew of Mr. W. F. Swarison, night watchman at the Central Hotel.

Quiet Wedding Last Night.

Miss Lillian L. Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stephens, who reside on North Graham street, and Mr. Orin H. Byrum were married at the home of Rev. A. L. Coburn, No. 304 West Fifth street, last night at 7:30 o'clock.

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COLLECTING BACK TAXES.

Tax Men of the County, Including Former Collector Duckworth, Are Still in Charge of Old Accounts, Which They Will Make a Diligent Effort to Collect.

The collecting of the back taxes for the year 1906 has been left by the county commissioners in the hands of those whose duty it was originally to collect them. Those for Charlotte township, or district No. 2, are in the hands of Mr. H. D. Duckworth, retired tax collector. Those for district No. 1 are in charge of Mr. W. O. Cochran and of district No. 3 of Mr. W. M. Peoples. These are almost all poll taxes returned by transients, clerks and others, who have in some cases left town without settling-up. These responsible for the taxes have to foot the bill unless the uncollectible names are sworn of the solvent list as uncollectible. Even then the collectors are on the alert and watchful for a chance to nab the offender.

FUNERAL OF 'SQUIRE MATTHEWS

Impressive Service at Providence Presbyterian Church—The Pall-Bearers.

The funeral of 'Squire W. M. Matthews, which took place at Providence Presbyterian church, 12 miles southeast of the city, yesterday morning, was attended by one of the largest throngs that ever assembled in the county. The service was conducted by Rev. H. M. Parker, pastor of the church. The interment was made in the cemetery nearby, the following named acting as pall-bearers: Messrs. W. H. Bell, W. A. Short, F. B. Kuykendall, W. N. McKee, L. S. Knox and R. J. McGinnis.

As an evidence of the wide popularity of the deceased, quite a number of Charlotte people drove out to attend the funeral. A large number of colored people, some of them tenants, all of them friends, was also present.

Athletics For Spring.

If the plans of Graduate Manager Harris of the A. & M. College Athletic Association, do not miscarry, Charlotte will have at least two opportunities and perhaps more of witnessing the work of the A. & M. baseball team this spring. It will be of interest also to learn that a game will also be arranged between A. & M. and Davidson football teams for next fall. All reports received from Raleigh indicate that the A. & M. baseball nine this spring will be an unusually strong one. An effort will be made to capture the State championship.

Arrested on Suspicion.

A young white man who says his name is Luther Miller, but who is believed by the officers to be a man wanted by the sheriff of Rowan county for embezzlement under the name of C. M. Moore, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a southbound main line train. The sheriff of Rowan telephoned the Charlotte officers to look for him and they arrested this one as answering the description. He is evidently from Salisbury, as a half-pint bottle of spirits was found in his pocket. He was held, awaiting further information.

Colored Girls Arrested.

Rachel Stover and Mabel Henderson, young colored girls, were arrested yesterday at the coal chute of the Southern Railway, charged with trespass. They were filling bags with coal. The arrest was made by Officer Hunter. The officers say that this practice is a very general nuisance and that the guilty ones are difficult of apprehension, as they flee on the approach of any person.

FACES FOUR CHARGES.

Lonnie Hall, White, Wanted at Several Different Places—Charged With Highway Robbery, Robbery, Car Breaking and Larceny.

Seven cities claimed the honor of giving Homer to the world, with classic history. Almost as many are clamoring for the possession of Lonnie Hall, a white man, each consumed with a desire for the honor of being first to lock their prison doors behind his manly form. This privilege was first exercised by Charlotte yesterday and the gentleman in question lay behind the bars "under the dragon" yesterday and last night, awaiting his deportation to the sunnier clime of Spartanburg, in the neighboring State of South Carolina, which has the first claim upon him. The others which have signified their interest in his arrest and wish to be understood as suitors for his possession are Augusta, in the dry State of Georgia, Columbia, the capital of the State in which Andrew Jackson was not born, and the Southern Railway, which is not a city but a well-known soulless corporation. "Robbery, car breaking, highway robbery and larceny"—that is the miniature catalogue of crimes which the man is alleged to have committed against industrial justice and the laws regulating commercial intercourse between the individual units of society. He is a rich haul.

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Comedy and More Comedy.

Charlotte is receiving a liberal treatment of comedy this week. Following the performance last night by one of the most celebrated comedians to-day are the matinee and night performances of "Little Johnny Jones" at the Academy of Music to-day and to-night, and "The Heir to the Hoorah," to-morrow night. A young man who saw the latter formerly, states that it cured him of a toothache. However, there has been no objection lodged against it by the dental fraternity on this account.

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