MARTING-HEATON

George H. Marting of Tryon and Columbus, formerly of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Emma Lou Heaton of Tryon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Heaton of Hendersonville, were married this morning, Dec. 31, at 10 a. m., in Landrum, S. C., at the First Baptist Church with the pastor, the Rev. Henry L. Anderson, officiating.

After a brief wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Marting will return to Tryon to make their home at the Millikin apartments on Lindcourt Drive while they are building a

new home.

Mrs. Marting has been the surgical nurse at St. Luke's Hospital for several years and prior to that was at a hospital in Green-

ville, S. C.

Mr. Marting, a former Cleveland, Ohio business man, has been engaged in the real estate business in Tryon and Columbus for a number of years.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New patients at St. Luke's Hosnital include Mrs. Rosa Durham, Tryon; Mrs. Bryson Gibson, Columbus, and Barry Staggs, Columbus. No dismissals.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Laslett Smith and family arrive New Year's Day for a short visit with Dr. and Mrs. Laslett Smith on their way home to Huntington Valley, Pa., from Florida where they spent Christmas.

The Spartanburg Herald reports the marriage of Delmer Dennis Green and Jacqueline Dorothy Smith, both of Tryon.

Dr. William B. Ward, pastor First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg, has returned home after a brief stay at Oak Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Tison and children have returned to Estill, S. C. after spending the holidays in Columbus with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Walker.

The Spartanburg Herald reports that Alber Green. Nora Gardner and Allen Sudduth, all of Landrum are patients at Spartanburg General Hospital.

300 MILLION DOLLARS FOR NEW EQUIPMENT

U. S. Steel Corporation backing its confidence in the country's economic future by an investment of approximately \$300,000,000 during 1954 in new equipment and replacements of its production facilities, according to Benjamin F. Fairless, Chairman of the Board.

"We are undertaking this expenditure because we believe that the Corporation can best serve the long-term interests of its customers, employees, stockholders and the defense interests of the nation by maintaining its producing equipment at a high efficiency level," he said. "This includes also the continuous search for and development of raw materials to replace those consumed and to insure adequate reserves for any emergency that might arise. Such policy, is moreover, the only one that conforms to the nation's long history of ever-rising living standards, which in turn is the proof of the superiority of the American competitive system over socialism.

"The growth of America's steel industry, particularly since the end of World War II, has provided us with our greatest basic strength in history. During 1953 U. S. Steel, alone, established an all-time production record of 35.700,009 ingot tons of steel which was accomplished by operating at the average annual rate of 93 per cent of capacity.

"Production records set by U. S. Steel and the rest of the industry were aided by many factors during the past 12 months. There has been substantial freedom from major work stoppages. Price and wage controls were eliminated and the distribution of products, for the most part, returned to the normal channels of free enternrise. The cost of living levelied in its hazardous climb.

Hendersonville Times-News reports that Mrs. Willard R. Bell of Tryon is a patient at Margaret R. Pardee Memorial Hospital.