

SOCIETY NEWS

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Stegall-McWhirter Nuptials.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock a pretty home wedding was solemnized when Miss Mamie Watt McWhirter and Nathaniel C. Stegall were married at the home of the bride's parents on East Tenth street, Rev. L. D. Thompson, pastor of the Hawthorne Lane Methodist church, officiating.

The home was beautifully decorated, the Christmas decorations being used, and the ceremony was performed under an arch of cedar and holly between the living room and the dining room. The wedding music was played by Miss Cora Lee Sykes, and prior to the ceremony Miss Mary Alice Van Derberg, cousin of the bride, sweetly sang "At Dawning." To the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, the bridal party entered from the parlor.

Miss Louise McWhirter, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She was gowned in pink tulle over blue satin and wore a corsage of pink roses and sweetwreath.

Little Miss Jessie Colon Shelby, the pretty little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence J. Shelby, dressed in a dainty frock of pink crepe de chine with tulle trimmings, was ring bearer, and carried the ring in a white rose. The bride entered on the arm of her father, who gave her in marriage, and was met at the arch by the groom and his best man, Howard L. Beatty, who entered from the hall.

Miss Sykes rendered "Melody of Love" during the ceremony.

The bride was charming in her wedding gown of anchorette trimmings in seed pearls, with court train falling from the shoulders. Her veil was cap-fashion and held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and asparagus ferns.

Mr. and Mrs. Stegall will begin housekeeping immediately in their new home, 1106 East Tenth street.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McWhirter, and was born and reared in Charlotte. She is a striking blonde, pretty and vivacious, and is admired by a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Stegall is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Stegall of this city, and is a young man of sterling qualities of character. He holds a responsible position as secretary of The Mill News, and is highly esteemed among his business associates.

Numerous showers have been given for Miss McWhirter since her announcement. Her last and most elaborate rehearsal Tuesday evening, her parents gave a wedding supper in her honor, at which time the wedding cake was cut, her most intimate friends being present.

Plans for Midnight Dance Changed.

The Christmas dance, planned for Monday morning, December 26th, from 12:30 a. m. to 4 a. m., has been postponed until Monday evening, from 10 to 4 o'clock. The dance will take place at the Myers Park Club. A buffet supper will be served at midnight. The dance is to be a subscription affair. Music will be furnished by the Serenaders' orchestra.

Markels Dance Thursday Evening.

The interest of society is centered in the subscription dance to be given at the Myers Park Club Thursday evening, under the management of Dick Stitt. Prior to the dance, dinner will be served, and a number of charming dinner-parties will be entertained. The dinner hours will be from 6 to 8, the dance to begin at 8 and last till after 12.

Music will be furnished by Markels orchestra of New York. Markels will play during dinner, and for the dance afterward.

Saturday Evening Dance At Myers Park Club.

The regular Saturday evening dinner-dance at the Myers Park Club will be given Saturday evening, with dinner from 7 to 9, and dancing from 9 to 12. Music will be furnished by Lajoie's orchestra.

Dance and Buffet Supper At Country Club.

The weekend dance at the Charlotte Country Club will take place on usual Saturday evening, dinner preceding the dance from 6:30 to 8, with dancing from 8 to 12. During the intermission, at 11 o'clock, a buffet supper will be served in the club dining-room. Music for the dance will be furnished by the Southern Melody sextette.

Miss Beauchamp Celebrates Birthday.

Miss Stewart Beauchamp, the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Beauchamp, entered a number of her friends at home, 306 North Brevard street Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 in celebration of the hostess' 12th birthday.

The home was beautifully decorated and Miss Beauchamp entertained with games and contests. Refreshments consisting of cake, ambrosia and punch were served.

Each guest at the party remembered the little hostess with a well selected gift.

Christmas Service at Y. W. C. A.

An impressive service for the Y. W. C. A. is being planned for Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, this being the occasion of the visit of "The Spirit of Christmas" to the Association family. There will be a processional, led by the "Spirit of Christmas" and her attendants, who are girls from the various groups in the association, dressed in white robes and veils. The beautiful old Nativity hymns and carols will be sung; the Bible-story of Christ's birth will be read; a Christmas tale will be told; a Christmas poem will be read; and lastly will come the ceremony of "The Hanging of the Greens," which takes place at the close of the recessional. The audience takes part in this recessional, falling in behind the leaders, marching through the house, taking the Christmas greens and hanging them with old-time impressiveness.

Miss Jeanne MacMillan acts as "The Spirit of Christmas." Miss Mary Brevard Alexander reads the Christmas poem. Miss Julia Hagood tells a Christmas-story and gives the story of the birth of Christ as related in the Gospels. The music is in charge of Miss Ruth Hanna. The hour has been set at 5 o'clock in order that the service may not interfere with the Christmas concert of the Ivey Choral Club at 3:30.

Watkins-Austin Announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. George Crosby entertained at their home in Newell Monday evening, announcing the engagement of Miss Bertha Austin and J. W. Watkins.

The dining-room was artistically decorated, the color scheme being pink and green. In the center of the table stood a miniature bride and groom, surrounded by a garland of ferns and pink chrysanthemums. At each corner of the table stood a silver candlestick, holding a lighted candle.

Each guest drew a white ribbon from the hand of a little Cupid, to which was attached a card bearing the following inscription: "Miss Bertha Austin and Mr. J. W. Watkins, January 11, 1922."

Refreshments were served after the announcement was made.

The guests were Misses Bertha and Dora Austin, Collie Westbrook, Mary and Myrtle Hallman, Thelma Rucker, Florence and Tillie Helms and Marjorie Ferris; Messrs. J. W. Watkins, J. M. McKelvey, Morris McLean, Cecil Ferris, L. W. Austin and Lemis Helms.

Leonard Yancey Undergoes Operation.

Leonard Yancey, son of Mrs. L. R. Yancey, who underwent an operation at the Presbyterian Hospital Wednesday night, is reported as doing very nicely.

Miss Doney To Entertain.

A delightful event of the holidays will be the bridge party to be given by Miss Eloise Doney at the Myers Park Club Tuesday afternoon, December 27, at 3:30 o'clock.

Birth Announcement.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Austin, Jr. Wednesday, a son, Fred Lee Austin, Jr.

Diners at Myers Park Club.

Among those having reservations for dinner at the Myers Park club for Thursday evening are Mr. and Mrs. William E. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Purcell, Ed Shelby and John Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson to Keep House.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Clayton Thompson, who are at present visiting Mrs. Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Dowd, at their home on Park avenue, Dilworth, expect to begin house-keeping in the Dowd apartments about the first of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson arrived in the city last week to make their home after living in Boston, Mass., ever since their marriage.

Sherrill-Jenkins Wedding Wednesday.

Sherrill, both prominent and popular young people of the city were married Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at Tryon Street Methodist church, the Rev. H. G. Hardin, performing the ceremony. The wedding was very quiet, and there were no attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill went to New York, from where they will take boat for Miami, Fla. After an absence of three weeks, they will return to Charlotte, where they will make their home in future.

Personals

Miss Alice Buchanan and Miss Lucy Heath, who attend Mary Baldwin Seminary at Staunton, Va., arrived home Thursday morning to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Buchanan and Mrs. B. D. Heath, Sr., respectively.

Thomas A. Little is in Raleigh.

B. F. Duncan, of Atlanta, formerly of Charlotte, is visiting friends in the city.

John D. Shaw, who is studying law at Harvard University, will arrive home next Wednesday to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. J. D. Shaw, at her home in Myers Park. He will travel from Boston to Norfolk by boat.

Dr. W. J. Martin, of Davidson College is a visitor in the city Thursday.

Misses Laura Tillet, Marion Propst, Margaret McLaughlin and Martha Davis, who attend Salem College at Winston-Salem, arrived home Thursday for Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Archibald Brady, of Chicago, will spend Christmas here with her sister, Mrs. E. W. Mellon, and she will also visit her mother, Mrs. J. H. Craig, in Gastonia.

James Shannonhouse, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shannonhouse, will arrive home Friday from Charleston, S. C., where he attends Porter Military Academy. Accompanying him home to be his guest throughout the holidays will be a classmate, Francis Osborne, of Sewanee, Tenn. Ensign Frank M. Shannonhouse, Jr., of the U. S. S. Delaware, will not be able to get home for Christmas, as he was here on furlough for Thanksgiving.

Miss Ray Vera Rippey will arrive home Saturday from the Shenandoah Institute, where she is specializing in piano and voice, to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hardin, the latter her sister. Miss Rippey makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hayner, of Rochester, N. Y., will arrive in the city Friday morning to spend the Christmas season with their daughter, Mrs. Coral Hayner Baker, at her home on North Tryon street.

Mrs. W. R. Huffstetter, of Gastonia, is a visitor in the city Thursday.

Wallace Howell has returned from Overhill, in the Eastern part of the State, where he has spent the past few days.

Coming to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George A. Howell at their home on South Tryon street will be their son, Harvey Howell, who is attending the University of Georgia, and who will arrive in the city Friday before Christmas; their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Fuller, and children, Thomas, Jr., Martha and Elizabeth, of Atlanta; Mr. and Mrs. George A. Howell, Jr., who are at present living in Minneapolis, Minn., and who will arrive in the city next Tuesday. Archibald S. Perry, of Summerville, S. C., will arrive in Charlotte a day or so before Christmas to join Mrs. Perry and little daughter, Caroline, who, for some time, have been with Mr. and Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Perry's parents.

Mrs. W. R. Odell, of Concord, is a visitor in Charlotte Thursday.

Mrs. C. C. Coddington and son, Dabney, have returned home after spending three weeks at Hot Springs, Ark., where Master Coddington underwent treatment.

Rev. Grier Pressley and family, of Hickory Grove, S. C., were visitors in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. Albert Signey Goss and two children, Ruth Doud and A. S. Goss, Jr., of Albany, Ga., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Dowd, Mrs. Goss' parents, on Park avenue, Dilworth. They will remain here until after Christmas, and it is expected that Mr. Goss will join them here shortly before Christmas.

Joel Yarbrough, Louis C. Watts and Beverly Georgia, students at Fishburne Military Academy at Waynesboro, Va., will arrive home Saturday night to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Watts and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gresham, respectively.

Miss Garnett Brown returned to her home in Grovania, Ga., Tuesday, after spending the last two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Watts, the latter her aunt, at their home on East Boulevard, Dilworth.

Lloyd Staten, only son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Staten, will arrive home Saturday from the Tome School at Port Deposit, Md., to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents at their home on Hawthorn Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Murray and daughters, Misses Sarah and Mary Murray, will leave Thursday night for New York, where they will spend several days. Enroute home they will stop over in Washington and Baltimore.

Mrs. Word H. Wood and daughter, Miss Louisiana, and Mrs. B. E. Gossett and daughter, Miss Katherine, of Anderson, S. C., returned to the city Wednesday morning after spending a week in New York. Mr. Wood and Mr. Gossett, who accompanied them to New York, will remain there several days longer.

AMERICAN VESSELS ON SEAS INCREASE

Washington, Dec. 15.—The tonnage of American vessels registered in foreign trade at the end of the last fiscal year was almost eleven times greater than in 1914, according to the annual report of the Commissioner of Navigation, made public today, which showed a total of 28,012 vessels of all kinds totaling 18,282,136 gross tons under American registry on June 30, last. This was an increase of 1,958,114 gross tons, or 12 per cent over the preceding fiscal year.

Vessels built during the fiscal year numbered 1,361 of 2,265,115 gross tons. American ships lost during the year totaled 183,209 tons and those sold to foreign flags 116,572 tons.

The report showed that 48.3 per cent of the seamen and 47.6 per cent below the grade of master shipped and re-shipped on American vessels by shipping commissioners were American citizens.

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 - Genuine Hand Cut Shell Cameo Brooches \$2.20 to \$3.85
 - Others ask up to \$14.50 for same.
 - Gold Shell Thimble, 10-yr kind 85c
 - Sterling Silver Bracelets for 85c
 - Children's Rings, set with Genuine Chip 50c
 - Over five hundred patterns of high grade Scarf Pins 35c, 45c, 65c
 - Some Solid Gold worth up to \$3.00.
 - Solid Gold Lingerie Clasp at 85c
 - Solid Gold Dress Pins 85c
 - Solid Gold Birthday Rings at \$2.00
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