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MRS. GOOCH LOSES CONTEST AND APPEALS TO THE COURT.

Denied Letters of Administration for the Estate of Her Late Husband, W. H. Gooch, Whose Estate is Valued at \$225,000.

Chase City Progress.

Boydton, Va., Nov. 24.—There was a contest here yesterday as to who should be appointed administrator of the estate of W. H. Gooch, who killed himself a few days ago in Texas while on his wedding trip, he having died intestate. Motion was made in behalf of his young widow, Mrs. Margaret C. Gooch, who was present, for letters of administration, before H. F. Hutcheson, clerk. The motion was contested by attorneys for Mrs. Annie Wayne Suhor, of Richmond, the only child of W. H. Gooch, on account of Mrs. Gooch's youth and inexperience, and chiefly on the ground that Mrs. Gooch, in her marriage contract with Mr. Gooch, had relinquished all her property rights in his estate. A counter motion was made in behalf of Mrs. Suhor that her uncle, J. H. Gooch, of North Carolina, be allowed to qualify.

After hearing argument of counsel on each side, Mr. Hutcheson appointed J. H. Gooch administrator, whereupon an appeal was noted to the circuit court of Mecklenburg county by the attorneys for Mrs. Gooch.

The entire estate is valued at \$225,000, the real estate being valued at \$125,000 and the personality at \$200,000.

In the marriage contract referred to Mr. Gooch agreed to place in the hands of the old Dominion Trust company of Richmond the sum of \$50,000, the income of which Mrs. Gooch was to receive during her life, or so long as she remained single, or until the death of Mr. Gooch. Prior to his death Mr. Gooch had made no provision for this undertaking. Among his papers was found an unsigned will, which he had not executed, as he had expressed a purpose to make minor changes therein.

Mrs. Gooch was represented by C. T. Baker, of this place; E. P. Buford, of Lawrenceville and S. E. Williams, of Lexington, N. C., and Mrs. Suhor was represented by Goode & Goode, of Boydton.

SOUTHBOUND CHANGE OF SCHEDULE IN EFFECT SUNDAY

The Southbound has made a change in the schedule of its trains whereby the first train in the morning goes south and the last in the evening goes north, or in other words the trains are just completely switched around. Nos. 58 and 59 have been discontinued and Nos. 50 and 51 have been added as follows: 50 northbound 7:42 p. m. 51 southbound 7:36 a. m.

The new schedule works a great hardship on people living in the lower part of Davidson, as it makes it impossible for them to come to Lexington and return on the same day. This is likewise a great hardship on the business men of Lexington, as it necessarily forces many of these people to go to Albemarle and other places down the road who would come here to do their trading.

N. C. TEACHERS ASSEMBLY ELECTS R. H. WRIGHT PRES.

The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly in session at Raleigh Friday elected the following officers for another year: Mr. R. H. Wright, president; Mr. A. T. Allen, of Salisbury, vice-president; Mr. E. E. Sams, secretary; while the following were elected members of the executive committee: Miss Essie Blankenship, of Charlotte, Dr. H. W. Chase, of the University of North Carolina, and Mr. H. M. Branson, of Craven county.

Resolutions were adopted pledging support to the efforts of the State Department of Education and endorsing the administration of Dr. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, also expressing regret at the death of ex-Governor T. J. Jarvis and appreciation of his great constructive work for education.

Dr. J. C. Leonard went to High Point Monday night to address the J. C. U. A. M. of that city in a great gathering. National Councilor Jeffrey was one of the speakers of the occasion.

THOMPSON-BERNHARDT

In one of the most brilliant and beautiful weddings celebrated this fall in Lexington, Miss Nona Perry Thompson became the bride of Mr. Paul McRea Bernhardt, Jr., of the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The church was filled with many friends long before the hour for the happy event arrived.

The church was artistically decorated. The altar was banked with palms and ferns. Many cathedral candles with lighted tapers added to its beauty. Just preceding the ceremony, Mrs. W. O. Burgin sang most effectively, "I Love You."

At the first soft tones of Mendelssohn's wedding march, rendered by Miss Gertrude Hamner, the members of the bridal party entered the church. First came Rev. Mr. Daniels, the officiating minister. Next the ushers: Messrs J. F. Sprull, Earle Norman, W. O. Burgin and Dr. Kibler. Following the ushers were the flower girls with baskets of beautiful roses: Misses Mary Lillian Walser and Mary Leake Neave, dressed beautifully in white and pink.

Master Joseph Moffitt, Jr., the bride's handsome nephew, was ring bearer. This was carried on a silver tray.

The bride's only attendant, Miss Maude Grimes, entered next wearing a handsome gown of white crepe de chine, trimmed in fur and lace, carrying an armful of Killarney roses. Then came the bride, leaning on the arm of her brother-in-law, Mr. J. W. Vestal Moffitt, who gave her in marriage. The groom carried the bride down the aisle with him.

The bride was never handsomer than in her bridal robe of white duchesse satin, cut short with a full court train draped from the shoulders; the bodice handsomely trimmed in point lace and pearl trimmings. Her veil was caught with a band of orange blossoms and lilies of the valley. She carried shawl bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Following the ceremony a brilliant reception was given by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moffitt at their home on Second avenue, where hundreds of guests called between the hours of eight and ten.

In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. Moffitt. Mrs. Moffitt was handsome in light blue crepe de chine with full court train; the bride and groom, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bernhardt, Sr., Miss Maude Grimes, Mr. Paul Bernhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woodson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Neave, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Resner, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bates and Mrs. W. O. Burgin.

All the rooms of the lower floor were thrown into one and the hall and rooms were tastefully decorated in Southern smilax, roses, chrysanthemums and trailing cedar. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Walser met the guests in the hall and Mrs. C. C. Hargrave led the way into the east parlor, where the guests were introduced to the receiving party.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mendenhall led the way to the dining room, which was beautiful in its appointments. The color scheme was pink and white. The highly polished table with its lovely center piece, large cut glass vase filled with pink roses, many cut glass compotes filled with pink and white confections was a thing of beauty. Just over the table the chandelier was tied with a huge tulle bow.

Those in charge of the dining room were Misses Pearle Hege, Lena Shultz, Jessie Wheeler, Rosa Moffitt and Louise Pearson. After having been served to delicious refreshments, which were carried out in the color scheme, the guests were shown to the coffee room by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson, where they were received by Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Koontz, Mrs. J. H. Greer and Mrs. C. M. Thompson poured coffee from a beautifully decorated table. Here huge yellow chrysanthemums were used for the center piece. Tables and mantles held pretty candelabras with lighted tapers. In this room Miss Hilda Sheets played many beautiful selections on the victrola, which added much to the enjoyment of the guests. Misses Mildred Walser, Dorothy Mendenhall, Blanche

COME TO THE MISSION

Grace Episcopal Church

Opening Service Sunday Night Nov. 28 at 7

WEEK DAY SERVICES: 8:30 A. M. AND 7:30 P. M.

Preacher: REV. ROBERT E. ROE

of Greensboro, formerly of Ketchikan, Alaska.

EVERY ONE INVITED

MANY APPOINTMENTS CHANGED AFTER CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

Winston-Salem Journal.

Several changes are announced in the appointments made at the sessions of the Western North Carolina Methodist Episcopal conference, which ended in Reidsville last week. These changes, 14 in number, have been authorized by Bishop W. R. Lambuth. While none of the changes affect the big charges of the conference they are nevertheless of general interest to the Methodists of the western North Carolina district. The changes directly affecting Greensboro churches include the transfer of Rev. W. M. Robbins from Walnut Street church to West Greensboro, of Rev. F. L. Townsend from Morven to the Walnut Street church, and of Rev. S. T. Barber from West Greensboro to Morven.

The full list of changes follows: L. P. Hogle, from Litchester to Raleigh.

J. F. Edwards, from Reidsville to Race Street, Salisbury.

W. L. Williams, from Reidsville to C. C. Springs.

W. M. Robbins, from Walnut Street to West Greensboro.

F. L. Townsend, from Morven to Walnut Street, Greensboro.

S. T. Barber, from West Greensboro to Morven.

W. H. Willis, from Lexington to Waynesville district.

J. P. Rodgers, from Waynesville district to Andrews.

W. L. Hutchins, from Andrews to Lexington.

W. M. Biles, from West Asheville to Canton.

J. H. West, from Newton to West Asheville.

Perker Holmes, from Canton to Newton.

E. K. Creal transferred to North Carolina conference.

Marvin Auld transferred from South Carolina conference.

Three Charges Back.

Three of the six charges in the appointments of the Western North Carolina Methodist conference by Bishop W. R. Lambuth in Greensboro Friday, were reversed yesterday morning, the original appointments being allowed to stand as read out in conference.

The original appointments that were changed Friday and reversed yesterday are as follows: Rev. W. L. Hutchins to Andrews, Rev. W. H. Willis to Lexington and Rev. J. P. Rodgers, presiding elder of the Waynesville District. The other three changes made Friday were not interfered with.

Attending the conference were Bishop Lambuth, Presiding Elder Boyer of the Winston district, Dr. Weaver of the Greensboro district and Dr. Mann of the Charlotte district. Messrs. Hutchins and Willis attended the conference yesterday.

Thompson and Frances Holt Mountcastle handed coffee to the guests.

The gift room, where many lovely and useful gifts were displayed, was presided over by Miss Pearle Moffitt. The bride's register was in charge of Miss Mary James of San Antonio, Texas, and Mr. W. F. Welborn.

The bride is the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson and has many friends both here and elsewhere. Mr. Bernhardt is the popular salesman for Smith & Wardsworth, of Charlotte.

Later in the evening the bride donned a becoming traveling suit of dark blue broadcloth, trimmed with Hudson seal. Then she and Mr. Bernhardt left in an automobile for Salisbury, where they took a train for Northern points.

—Mr. Clyde Ingle spent the weekend with his parents.

SIBERIANS NOW HOLD ONLY FRINGE OF THEIR COUNTRY.

MOSTELLER-COONS.

Hickory Record.

A beautiful church wedding was that of Miss Ethel May Mosteller to Mr. Robert Lee Coons, both of Hickory. The ceremony was performed in St. Andrew's church on Lenoir College campus this morning at 11 o'clock. The choir and chancel were tastefully decorated with ferns and potted plants, with lighted candles on the altar. An interested congregation of friends and relatives from far and near filled the church to overflowing.

Before the bridal party entered, two very beautiful vocal solos were given, "O Promise Me," by Mrs. F. J. Morgan and "Because," by Miss Pearle Miller, both of Hickory. Then, to the strains of beautiful old Mendelssohn's Wedding March, Pastor J. D. Mauney of St. Andrew's entered by the main aisle and took up his position before the altar, followed by the ushers: Messrs. J. A. Fry of the Catawba College faculty, J. E. Workmen, Jr., of Lexington, R. A. Zoder, of King's Mountain and Loy E. Sigmon of Newton. Then came the bride in a tasteful going-away gown of navy blue with her maid of honor, Miss Lillian Miller of Salisbury. They met at the altar by the groom with the best man, Mr. Blair D. Ehirf, of Albemarle. By the chaste, beautiful ceremony of the Lutheran church, of which both are members, the young people were made man and wife.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Mosteller, and is a very accomplished young lady. She is a member of the First Baptist church of Salisbury, and is a member of the Epworth League of the same church. She is also a member of the Epworth League of the same church. She is also a member of the Epworth League of the same church.

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Belgians Have Halted Their March Against City of Moensir—Winter

Has Set In and Is Expected to Be Severe—Rumanian More Pro-Ally.

The Teutonic armies have driven almost all the Serbs into Montenegro and northern Albania leaving in their control only a portion of the southwest and southern portions of their Kingdom, which with the aid of the British and French they are bidding against the Bulgarians.

"With the flight of the scanty remains of the Serbian army into the Albania mountains," says the latest official German communication "our operations against this army are brought to a close, our object of effecting communications with Bulgaria and the Turkish Empire having been accomplished."

Aside from Serbia, the Austro-Italian theater is furnishing the most violent fighting of any of the war zones. Here along the entire front the Italians are on the offensive against the Austrians. Shells are raining on the Gorizia sector while the Italian infantry have fiercely attacked at Osavja, on the Podgora Heights and the Doberdo Plateau. They penetrated the Austrian positions, but according to Vienna, later were driven out.

Artillery bombardments and sapping operations have prevailed everywhere on the French line except near Berry-au-Bac, where a strong German reconnaissance was dispersed by the French fire and north of "the Labyrinth" where the Germans succeeded in occupying an excavation caused by the explosion of a mine.

German air craft, hangars at Habsheim, east of Muelhausen, and French and German aviators, have had thrilling fights in which four German machines were brought down.

On the Russian front, except for a small engagement in the Riga district there has been no fighting while on the Gallipoli Peninsula only artillery actions and mining operations have been in progress of late.

Canada has commandeered all the best grades of wheat now in store at the head of the Lakes and eastward for the use of Great Britain and her Allies. The step was taken to obviate the necessity of going into the open market and possibly facing the payment of high prices. It is announced that a fair price will be paid for the wheat commandeered.

The Roumanian King at the opening of Parliament at Bucharest, declared that the situation imposed upon Rumania the duty of uniting the efforts of the people for the defense of their country and expressed the conviction that the Parliament would continue to supply the needs of the Army.

WAKE FOREST GLEE CLUB BAPTIST CHURCH

The Wake Forest Glee Club will give an entertainment at the First Baptist church Thursday evening under the auspices of the Civic League. This club numbers 20 young men and is one of the very best on the road this season, being unusually strong. They will give a most enjoyable entertainment. Popular prices will prevail: 35 and 25 cents.

The Greensboro News says: "The Wake Forest Glee Club at the Normal last night gave one of the most delightful concerts of the kind that has been heard in Greensboro this season. Those who have followed the course of the club for the past few years cannot mistake the fine Italian hand of Dr. Hubert Potent in the style and snap with which the program is rendered; and in fact Dr. Potent's violin and especially his wonderful voice play no small part in making the concert the success that it is."

REEDY, CRANK ANXIOUS FOR ROAD WORK TO BEGIN

Superior Brown reports that the people of the Reedy Creek section are very anxious for work to begin on the road that is to be built from that section to Center street, known as the Biesacker road. They have already gone and cleared off a considerable part of the right of way as surveyed and have contributed the equivalent of more than 100 days' labor with a team. They have promised the fullest co-operation to the commissioners.