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## YOUNG FOLKS MAKE GOOD

Misses Decker, Gibbs and Hunter and Mr. Kanipe Win Honor for Themselves and McDowell.

Every one in McDowell County is interested in the McDowell county boys and girls that have made good this year in the different colleges in and out of North Carolina. Those that attract most attention are: Misses Martha Decker, Pearle Gibbs, Jennie Hunter, and Mr. J. E. Kanipe.

Miss Martha Decker graduated this year with honor and distinction from the State Normal and Industrial College, at Greensboro. Miss Decker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Decker, and has a host of friends in Marion and McDowell County who are very greatly interested in her, and are delighted that she has contributed to the establishment of higher standards for the building of manhood and womanhood in McDowell County. That she has decided to cast her lot with the teaching force of the State is further pleasure to her friends.

Miss Pearle Gibbs, the charming and attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gibbs, graduated this year from Virginia Intermont College, at Bristol, Va. She too brings great credit to McDowell County, and her friends are predicting for her a great career in the teaching profession. She numbers her friends by the scores, and will make other friends as she gives of the sunshine of her life to others.

Miss Jennie Hunter graduated with the degree of A. B. from Greensboro Woman's College this year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hunter, and is one of the most conscientious and attractive young women that McDowell County has given to the State. Her friends in McDowell County have watched her career in College with interest, and it is a source of great pleasure to them to know that in her college work she has not only made a reputation for herself, but for her county. She is bright, attractive, and conscientious, and will be a power in North Carolina for the State's better and higher development of citizenship standards.

Mr. J. E. Kanipe, who last week graduated from Trinity College, is one of McDowell County's most promising young men. Few men at college take as high stand in college life as Mr. Kanipe has at Trinity. He has been a prominent member of all the college organizations, and very popular indeed with students and faculty. He has contributed to the social life of the college, as well as being active in its literary pursuits; but his most attractive record perhaps is his record as an athlete, where he has won fame over the southern states for his brilliant work on the baseball diamond and on the track team. Mr. Kanipe will cast his lot, no doubt, for the teaching profession, he having taught a number of schools in McDowell County, and has that energy and tact that will make for him a reputation whatever he may do or wherever he may work.

These and others of McDowell's boys and girls are making a name for McDowell County throughout

the State and country, and it gives us pleasure to speak of them, and we are predicting for them great careers of usefulness.

## Greenlee-Shelton Marriage.

On Wednesday evening, June 2, at 8 o'clock, the marriage of Miss Maud Greenlee, eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John M. Greenlee, and Mr. William R. Shelton was solemnized at Studley, Va., the present home of the family. Some six hundred invitations had been issued to the numerous friends of this popular young woman whose family for many years have been one of the most prominent in McDowell county, she being the grand daughter of the late James Harvey Greenlee, Esq., also of the late Geo. J. Tate, Esq.

Salem church was transformed into a veritable bower of palms and roses by one of Richmond's florists. Promptly at 8 o'clock the bridal party entered to the well known Lohengrin music. The bride, dressed in an exquisite gown of white brocade satin, veiled in rose lace with a long court train, wearing the usual veil and orange blossoms and carrying a bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley, entered on the arm of her father. She was attended by eight bridesmaids—gowned in pink and blue satin veiled in chiffon, wearing picture hats and carrying bouquets of pink roses—four of the bride's maides being her sisters, and Miss Annie Greenlee, the maid of honor.

Preceding the ceremony a fine musical program was given, and during the marriage the organ was accompanied by a violin obligato. A large reception followed at the home, which was artistically decorated in palms and pink roses, Mr. and Mrs. Greenlee and daughters receiving the many guests of the evening, Mrs. Greenlee wearing a handsome gown of gray satin and tulle. A very elaborate supper was served by one of Richmond's foremost caterers and a number of elegant gifts were displayed, showing the esteem of her many admiring friends.

As a young lady, Miss Greenlee was given exceptional opportunities for travel and study, giving much time to art in which she was greatly gifted. Mr. Shelton is one of the most prominent men in Hanover county and has a handsome home awaiting his bride, being four miles from the home of Rev. Mr. Greenlee.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelton motored to Richmond and left by boat for Boston and several of the well known New England sea shore resorts. They will be "at home" after the middle of July.

## Singing Convention Sept. 3-5.

The McDowell County Singing convention is now fully organized and will hold its first convention at Clear Creek Church, five miles northwest of Marion, on September 3, 4 and 5. Several choirs in different parts of the county are already making preparations for this great singing contest. All choirs and all the people of McDowell and adjoining counties are invited by the president to attend and take part as an effort will be made to make this the best singing convention ever held in the western part of North Carolina. For information, see or write W. F. Wise, Secretary, Marion, N. C.

## SOCIAL AFFAIRS OF WEEK

Afternoon Reception — A Garden Party for Miss Gibbs— House Party.

Mrs. I. C. Griffin was at home on Tuesday afternoon, the honor guests being Mrs. Edwin T. Booth, of Nashville, Tenn., and Mrs. Denison F. Giles. A colorscheme of gold and white was carried out in the reception hall and parlors, where asparagus fern and daisies were effectively used.

Master I. C. Griffin, Jr., received the cards at the door and the guests were met by Mrs. R. F. Burton, who was gowned in white lace. Mrs. J. W. Pless, dressed in Belgian blue crepe de chine, conducted them to the rear hall, where Misses Nelle Blanton and Gladys Goodson served punch. Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Giles, in gowns of black lace and satin, and Mrs. Booth in blue crepe meteor, received in the front parlor. Throughout the afternoon the guests enjoyed the delightful music rendered by Miss Julia Burton.

The dining room was decorated in pink and white, a quantity of sweet peas being used here. Mrs. J. Q. Gilkey, in white crepe, and Mrs. R. J. Noyes, in pink crepe de chine, who served in the dining room, were assisted by Misses Mary Griffin and Frances Wood, who were dainty lingerie dresses with pink ribbons.

One of the many delightful parties given in honor of Miss Hallie Gibbs, whose wedding has been announced for June 30th, was the garden party Mrs. Pescud Craig gave at her country place "Pleasant Garden" on last Friday afternoon.

The guests assembled in the shade of the wide spreading oaks and an hour was spent in pleasant conversation and social games. Miss Pearl Gibbs and Mrs. J. H. L. Miller then assisted Mrs. Craig in serving a very delicious salad course followed by ices and cake. After this, in the midst of an interesting story, an expressman arrived from town with a package for Miss Gibbs. The guests crowded around as the honoree opened the package which contained a shower of dainty linen gifts dear to the heart of a bride-to-be.

Those present were Misses Julia Burton, Maud Barnard, Nelle Blanton, Margaret Winslow, Gladys Goodson, Martha Decker, Moffitte Sinclair, Annie Little, Mary Gordon Greenlee, Grace Finley, Martha Whitten, Ellen and Ethel Crawford, Joyce Decker, Jennie Davis, Pearl and Hannie Gibbs, Helen Alford, and Mesdames T. J. Gibbs, J. L. Morgan, W. H. Moore, T. Morris, R. J. Noyes, Ben Price, J. H. L. Miller.

A number of the young men are entertaining at Buck Creek Club House this week. Mrs. R. F. Burton is chaperoning the party which consists of Misses Kathryn Lassiter, Gladys Goodson, Nelle Blanton, Elsie House, Moffitte Sinclair and Julia Burton; Messrs. L. J. P. Cutlar, Fred Hemphill, Ged Giles, W. C. Smith and Byron Conley.

Mrs. J. H. L. Miller entertains this afternoon in honor of Miss Hallie Gibbs.

## Marion Law Firm Winner of Interesting Case.

Asheville Citizen, 16th.

Governor Locke Craig, who is now a guest at Battery Park hotel, received a telegram last night from former United States Senator Joseph W. Bailey announcing that the United States supreme court has handed down a decision in favor of the plaintiffs in the case of Pless and Winborne against McDonald, which was tried here in a hotly contested suit before Judge J. E. Boyd of the Federal District court, about four years ago.

Governor Craig appeared for the plaintiffs and Martin, Rollins and Wright appeared for the defendant. The issue in the case was an attorney fee, which Pless and Winborne of Marion, one of the leading law firms of Western North Carolina, were trying to collect.

The defendant set up a plea that the verdict in the case in which he was represented by the plaintiffs was arrived at in an improper way. He alleged that each jurymen put down what he thought the verdict should be and the aggregate was then divided by twelve. To prove the foregoing, counsel for the defendant had one of the jurymen called to the stand and asked him in what way the jury arrived at its verdict. Objection was made by the plaintiffs' counsel that this was an incompetent question, as a jury could not be permitted to impeach its own verdict. The counsel for the plaintiffs was upheld in the objection and the full amount of the fee demanded, \$2,940, was allowed in the verdict against the defendant.

The defendant appealed to the circuit court of appeals at Richmond on the ground that the question asked the jurymen was permitted by the authorities under the rules of evidence, and on appeal the plaintiffs were represented by A. Hall Johnston, as Mr. Craig had been elected governor.

Without a decision ever being reached in this court the case was taken to the supreme court of the United States on a writ of error by Martin, Rollins and Wright. Senator Bailey argued the case for the plaintiffs before the supreme court, whose decision thus settles the question by holding that methods by which a jury arrives at its verdict cannot be impeached.

## Moving Pictures for U. D. C. Tonight, the 17th.

Through the kindness of Mr. Self, the Grand Theatre has been given over to the local chapter of the U. D. C. tonight. The Daughters are desirous of marking the Veteran's graves at the town cemetery and will start a fund to do this. The object is a most worthy one and it is hoped the public will respond liberally. Mr. Self promises interesting pictures, and the ladies will serve home-made candy, fresh salted peanuts and lemonade.

Sheriff Laughridge and Deputy Sheriff Curtis made a trip two and one-half miles west of town early Monday morning and destroyed a large distillery. The plant was complete and the still had a capacity of about 240 gallons. Everything was in readiness for operation when the officers arrived but the operators did not put in their appearance.

## STATE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Items Concerning Events of Interest and Importance Throughout the State.

Gen. J. S. Carr, whose name has been frequently mentioned in connection with the Democratic nomination for Governor, announces that he is not and will not be a candidate.

Hail, wind and rain badly damaged crops in Cleveland county, north and northwest of Shelby. Some farmers will plow up what remains of their cotton and plant corn. Other crops and orchards were badly damaged and there was some damage to buildings.

Safe crackers visited Forest City Thursday night and relieved the postoffice safe of all contents. How much money was taken is not known, but between twenty and twenty-five dollars in stamps were stolen. One man has been arrested as a suspicious character.

The town of Cleveland, in the western part of Rowan county, was visited by safe-blowers at an early hour Monday morning. The safe, holding postoffice funds in the store of W. W. Roseman & Co., was blown open and about \$50 belonging to the money order department was taken.

It is reported from Alleghany that John M. Wagner, an attorney of that county, chairman of the Republican executive committee and a former State Senator, has disappeared leaving a large amount of indebtedness. The North Wilkesboro Hustler hears that the amount is \$10,000 and that forgery is also alleged.

Rev. W. S. Wilson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Mooresville, and for several years pastor of the Marion Presbyterian church, announced to his congregation last Sunday that after prayerful consideration he had decided to accept the recent unanimous call to the First Presbyterian church at Lincoln. A special meeting of Concord Presbytery will be held within the next few days when Mr. Wilson will ask that his resignation be effective July 5. Mr. Wilson has been pastor of the Church at Mooresville for nearly 10 years and is considered a great and effective Christian worker. His congregation regrets the loss.

## The Bachelor.

An old bachelor always reminds us of a rainbow; not because he looks like one in the least, but rather because he is so utterly useless for all practical purposes. He also reminds us of a rainbow chaser, because what he is compelled to admire is beyond his reach. When hope deferred has made him heart-sick he begins to growl at the girls, and for the same reason that a mastiff barks at the moon. You will notice that a mastiff seldom barks much at anything he can get hold of and bite.

## Weather Report.

Thomas McGuire, Sergeant U. S. Army, reports the temperature and rainfall at Marion station for the week as follows:

Maximum.	88 degrees
Minimum.	51 degrees
Rain.	0.61 inches
Sunshine per cent.	.72