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IN SOCIETY

Mrs. Annie Crinkley of Warrenton arrived yesterday on a visit to her home here. Mr. E. F. Crinkley.

Mrs. C. B. Edwards returned yesterday from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. M. C. Chambliss in Oxford.

Mrs. W. W. Mills returned yesterday from Goldsboro.

Mrs. J. F. Cutrell returned to Salisbury after visiting relatives here.

Mrs. W. M. Rogers went to Durham yesterday to visit Mrs. C. B. Green.

Mrs. W. W. Mills returned to the city yesterday from Goldsboro.

Mrs. A. T. Hume of Bedford City, Va., who has been visiting Mrs. A. P. Baumann, left yesterday for Randleman.

Mrs. John Whistler of Goldsboro who has been the guest of Mrs. T. W. Davis returned home yesterday.

There will be a meeting of the Ladies Memorial Association in Col. Kenan's office on Friday the 18th at four o'clock p. m. This meeting is called for the purpose of appointing a chaplain and a chief Marshall and for making other arrangements preparatory for Memorial Day.

Smith-Harward

Invitations have been received here reading as follows:

Mrs. James Stiles Harward has the honor of announcing the marriage of her daughter Anne to Doctor Francis Eugene Smith on Saturday, the fifth of March one thousand nine hundred and four at the Church of the Transfiguration in the City of New York.

Gulfport Battle Ground

Greensboro, N. C., March 17.—Special. The 125th anniversary of the battle of Gulfport Court House was celebrated yesterday afternoon by the Gulfport Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at a meeting with Mrs. Lucy Moss, on West Market street. No set program was carried out but manuscripts, valuable old papers, and old letters belonging to the members of this patriotic chapter were resurrected for this occasion, which proved most interesting as they threw strong light upon the life and customs of these times in Virginia and North Carolina both before and after the revolution.

OGBURN-SMITH

Interesting Marriage in Methodist Church at Summerfield

Greensboro, N. C., March 17.—Special. A marriage of interest to a great many people in Greensboro was celebrated at 7 o'clock last night at the Methodist church at Summerfield, a small station twelve miles northwest of here. The contracting parties were Mr. Thomas Roscomb Ogburn of this city and Miss Virginia Smith of Summerfield. Rev. T. J. Ogburn of Greensboro, uncle of the groom, officiated. Palms, ferns, evergreens and other potted plants and blooming flowers were used in profusion in decorating, and with pink and white studies formed a scene most pleasing and artistic. The bridal party entered the church while the Oak Ridge Orchestra played Mendelssohn's wedding march. After the ceremony the bridesmaids were entertained at the home of the bride, where an elaborate supper was furnished. The groom entertained the gentlemen of the party at the home of Mr. H. C. Brittain, where a smoker was given. The party drove through the country to Greensboro and the happy couple boarded the 10:47 train for Washington and other points north. Mr. Ogburn is a well known and successful young business man of this city, being manager of the savings department of the Southern Loan and Trust Company.

WILMINGTON EVENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones' Complimentary Sail-Colonial Dames

Wilmington, N. C., March 17.—Special. Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones gave a dinner to their New York guests to-day. They went down the Cape Fear on the steamer Wilmington and will return late in the afternoon. A number of Wilmington society people accompanied the party. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will leave tomorrow and their other New York friends will arrive on

able that Mr. and Mrs. Jones will keep Airline open until May.

Dr. and Mrs. George G. Thomas, Miss Bell Thomas, Dr. Prude J. Thomas, Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., and Mr. George G. Thomas, Jr., left yesterday on a two weeks' trip to Florida. They will go down the east coast to Palm Beach and then go down the west coast to Tampa. The party is traveling on an Atlantic Coast Line private car.

Miss Ella Riggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Riggs of East Wilmington, and Mr. Charles A. White were quietly married here last night by Rev. Geo. B. Webster. Mr. and Mrs. White left today for Whiteville to visit the groom's parents.

Another home wedding was celebrated in the city last night. Miss Lillian F. Orrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Orrell, and Mr. Theodore Schraeder, Jr., were united in the presence of a small party of relatives and friends, Rev. G. B. Webster officiating.

Miss Lucile Murchison has returned from a pleasant tour through Cuba and the island of Martinique. Returning she stopped at Palm Beach, Fla.

Miss Annabel Jenkins of Richmond, after a pleasant visit to Miss Anita De Rossett, left today for her home.

The Wilmington Light Infantry Club is now rehearsing for an elaborate society comedy which will be presented here on April 15th. The best talent in the city will take part in the play. Another amateur theatrical affair in which society is much interested is the opera "Little Tycoon," which the Colonial Dames of North Carolina will put on next month. It will be an elaborate production. The receipts will go to the fund which the society is raising for a colonial monument to be erected in Wilmington.

LET THE TRUTH COME

Hon. Spencer Blackburn Replies to the Circular Issued by Mr. Linney

(Published by Request.)

North Wilkesboro, N. C., March 17, Special.—The following reply by Mr. Blackburn to the circular issued by Mr. Linney recently was made public yesterday:

I am in receipt of a pamphlet bearing date of March 3, issued by Mr. Linney from his home in the "Rock House," Taylorsville, N. C., to the voters in the 8th district. This attack upon me first appeared in the News and Observer, leading mouthpiece of Mr. Linney, and his followers who have recently been filling its columns with slanderous, indecent articles to which they are too cowardly to sign their names, claiming that Mr. Linney was loyal to me in the last campaign. Dr. C. J. Carson, chairman Republican committee of this district, who lives in Mr. Linney's town and is the only member of that committee at its late meeting friendly to Mr. Linney's candidacy in the present contest, wrote me under date of September 1st, 1902, from Taylorsville, N. C., the following letter:

Hon. E. Spencer Blackburn, M. C., Wilkesboro, N. C., My Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your letter in which you state you can not be with us on the day of our convention. I hope you will reconsider as it is now circulated by Mr. H. T. Campbell that you would be here and the people are desirous of your presence. I am inclined to believe that if you do not come you will lose one hundred votes as Linney is raising all the disturbance he can and your presence will settle that. This is a matter of great importance to the county and if you fail to come it may defeat the whole county ticket. I hope you will call in your other appointments for the 6th day—YOU MUST COME—C. J. Carson. (The last three words underscored twice.)

The day after the election, November 7, 1902, he wrote me that Mr. Linney fought me at the polls, induced three or four men to go away without voting when he could not induce them to vote against me, and late in the evening walked up and voted for me, declaring that he would vote for the d-d rascal but that it was the bitterest pill he ever had to take. The same can be verified by Mr. Gwaltney, Mr. M. G. Campbell, and dozens of other good men who know the same. On January 8th, 1902, Dr. Carson writes me among other things: "Col. Linney was at home while I was gone, my mother not thinking told him that I was gone, to meet you, and he said: 'I don't know what in the h—l he is fooling with Blackburn for, that you would promise me anything in the world and do nothing; that you could get nothing.'"

On February 3, 1902, another letter from Dr. Carson referring to Mr. Linney, said: "He has been doing some promiscuous cussing." In a letter from Dr. Carson on June 8th, 1903, he says: "I know you would oppose Mr. Linney more than any other man and I can't blame you for it, because he always opposed you but voted for you." If Dr. Carson wrote the truth Mr. Linney has not only betrayed his party but added to disloyalty a stultifying

falsehood. In 1900 Mr. Linney declined to be a candidate for reason he said the district was Democratic, appointed his own son private secretary and sat down in his glory to enjoy his reward. I was nominated and under the direction of my committee refused a joint canvass with Mr. Buxton. In November I was elected without a joint canvass or the aid of Mr. Linney by almost two thousand majority. In 1902 I was nominated again after a change in the district according to Democratic estimates which rendered it four or five thousand against me and the second time under the direction of my committee refused a joint canvass. When the smoke of battle had cleared (in which Mr. Linney had played a deserter and bushwhacker) instead of a Democratic majority of five thousand as Mr. Linney had predicted, they had defeated me by a little more than one thousand votes and added to our ranks more than three thousand and five hundred white men. While you, Mr. Linney, were walking the streets of Statesville in the night time, criticizing my course and predicting that two years hence no Republican would be allowed to speak in the state, I was doing what I could for our cause. While you were in your county doing all you could to destroy your own ticket as Dr. Carson writes, I was going day and night trying to maintain our party in the 8th and furnishing your boys money to defeat the enemy you had thrust upon them. While you were fighting at the polls on election day to keep Republicans from voting for me (as Dr. Carson writes and scores of good citizens know) and defeating your own ticket and reducing the majority for which Republicans in your county had hoped and worked long before you had ever touched a Republican ballot, except to destroy and pollute it, three thousand and five hundred white men—former Democrats—were marching to the polls and casting their ballots for me and the Republican party. Mr. Linney, the Republicans of this district don't like your manner of warfare. People of this community know full well that I have met every man since my 21st year the enemy have sent against me and never once shown the white feather. You forget yourself when you make bold to speak of a joint canvass and the Lord delivers you into my hands. In your unbounded enthusiasm for Mr. Hanna, upon whose life you could not wait to lecture till he was buried, did you mention the fact that he refused a joint canvass with his Democratic opponent in the late election in Ohio and was elected by the largest vote ever given any man in this country? Even your own conduct belies your statements. The people have not forgotten a few brief years since the campaign between you and the late lamented Hon. W. H. H. Cowles. You had gone into the convention with him as an erstwhile comrade in arms in an honorable contest for the nomination of the party to which you both belonged, and when you failed, turned upon him and your party to rend them in pieces. You ran independent, we endorsed you. WHO LET YOUR BANNER TRAIL IN THE RUST? To whom did you doff your hat and turn over the colors of your party? You ran away from the campaign the second day in ignominy and disgrace, and instead of carrying your colors with you, left them upon the field to be taken up by another, the late Judge Greene. Go to your rock house on Tater Hill, away from the scenes of chivalry and deeds of heroism, and hide your face in shame in the deepest gloom of its subterranean chambers and let the spirit of Col. Cowles answer in pity. Do you remember Downes' school house in Caldwell county made ignominiously historic by your desertion of your cause? You need not answer. We bow our heads in shame.

Do you remember the canvass against Hon. R. A. Doughton, when you played off sick and sent crippled Ruff Henderson to fill your appointments through Caldwell when you thought the crowds would be against you, and only appeared at such times through business as was your day to speak last? Do you remember when you made a public speech in the court house in Boone in 1893 denouncing the Farmers' Alliance and declaring the first alliance was born in hell, and that every solicitor in the state was a coward for not prosecuting them for belonging to a secret political party?

Do you remember the very next year, 1894, when you came here and got on your knees to the Populist convention and agreed to go for free silver or any plank they would suggest if they would endorse you for Congress?

The people might have forgotten these things if you had remained in the solitude of some of your grottoes, and let you alone in pity, but now the walls of your rock houses however high or thick in Taylorsville or immortal Tater Hill cannot protect you from yourself. "Mine enemy, hath written a book," and from the chapters thereof we read. You are not the man to speak of soldiers, warfare and leading men to battle. While the business of the party which gave you six years in Congress was charging the batteries of the enemy with the Republican flag above him and the Republican forces about him in the last campaign, you were in the bushes carrying news to the enemy and shooting our soldiers from ambush. Who should be shot as a deserter? The people have found you out. You have betrayed every party to which you ever belonged. Talk about following a lion! You! While in the last campaign I was doing what I could to blaze the way to Republican success you were denouncing me and predicting defeat and now that success seems possible, you, like a measly jackal follow the lion to steal his prey. I know that your campaign managers, all of whom are out of the district, after the failure of your lecture at Salisbury to elicit any following in Rowan county rushed upon Mr. Price and forced him to join your already formidable list of candidates. They may all get forth the hand of Esau

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SPENCER BLACKBURN.
Wilkesboro, N. C., March 16, 1904.

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The Ashboro Wheelbarrow Company of Ashboro was chartered yesterday by the secretary of state, with \$30,000 capital authorized and \$5,000 subscribed by T. D. Hanes, E. L. Moffitt, Herbert E. Moffitt, Elijah Moffitt and Benjamin Moffitt. The company is authorized for the purpose of making wheelbarrows and any and all kinds of vehicles. Also there is given authority to conduct machine and repair shops and foundry and to make excelsior and veneering.

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