



MR. AND MRS. W. E. TURNER

Mr. And Mrs. Turner Observe Golden Wedding Anniversary

In celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Turner were honored on Saturday afternoon, December 26, at an informal reception in the fellowship hall of Shocco Methodist Church.

Hosts for the occasion were the children of the honored couple: Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. C. Brooks Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Turner and Mrs. Ruth Turner-Wiggins, all of Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Turner greeted the guests and Miss Betsy Rose Turner presided at the registration table.

A color scheme of gold and white predominated. The refreshment table was covered with a white cutwork linen cloth and centered with an arrangement of yellow and bronze chrysanthemums in a brass container, flanked by three-branched brass candelabra holding burning yellow tapers.

Elsewhere throughout the fellowship hall were green and gold arrangements and poinsettias.

Mrs. Roger Ippock and Mrs. Ruth Wiggins alternated in serving punch. Also assisting in serving were Mrs. William Collins, Mrs. Finley Read, Mrs. L. E. Turner, Mrs. Robert F. Turner and Mrs. James Reavis.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner were married on December 23, 1914. Mrs. Turner is the former Miss Uva Bowden. Besides the four children, are eight grandchildren: L. E. Turner, Jr., of

Miami, Fla., Mrs. E. Roger Ippock of Wilmington, Mrs. William K. Collins of Windsor, Mrs. J. Finley Read of Lumberton, Miss Betsy Rose Turner, a senior at UNC-G, Mrs. Hartwell High, Mrs. James Reavis and Robert Wiggins of Henderson and 11 great-grandchildren.



PATRICIA JONES LESTER

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene W. Lester announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Jones, to Melvin Washington Abbott, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Abbott, Sr., of Route 1, Franklinton. An April wedding is planned.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CORNER

EMILY BALLINGER, County Home Economics Agent

The home economics extension agent announces the following schedule:

- Monday, Jan. 4: Office.
Tuesday, Jan. 5: Office.
Wednesday, Jan. 6: The Churchill H. D. Club will meet at 2:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. S. W. Walker.
Thursday, Jan. 7: The Paschall H. D. Club will meet at 2:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Willie King.
Friday, Jan. 8: The Johnson H. D. Club will meet at 2:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Vincent Williams.

Minister And Wife Honored By Church

Henderson—On last Sunday evening, Ilong Baptist Church was the scene of a gala banquet honoring Rev. G. E. Cheek and wife, and in recognition and appreciation of 28 years of faithful service as their leader.

The Reverend P. G. Davis, moderator of the original Shiloh Association; Reverend S. P. Cooke, pastor in the Methodist connection; Reverend M. R. Hedgepeth, Antioch Baptist Church; Prof. C. C. Paschall, principal of the Kittrell Graded School; Deacon Arthur Wil-

GARDEN TIME

M. E. GARDNER

What's new? Many of my readers have heard about, and some may have used, gibberellic acid for the hormone effect it has on plant growth. For this report, credit is due the Amdal Division of Abbott Laboratories of Ventura, California, and Farm Technology of Willoughby, Ohio.

Gibberellic acid is a very unusual compound in that it is not produced by synthetic processes. It is produced by a deep culture fermentation of a fungus, Gibberella fujikourii, first discovered in Formosa in 1926. It is a natural growth hormone and has less toxicity than many of the so-called non-toxic chemicals.

A few examples will serve to indicate the type of research being conducted by the Abbott Laboratories and some of the plant responses that have been observed to date.

Lemon trees have responded with larger green fruit suitable for storing and marketing as fresh lemons and a decrease in small yellow lemons which must be processed into juice. There has also been a delay in harvest time so that the peak production will come closer to peak sales months in the summertime.

In Florida Gibberellin has been used to induce sprouting in newly harvested Irish potatoes. The stimulation from the hormone has the effect of by-passing the normal rest period necessary to induce sprouting.

In New York and Michigan it has been found that treatment of sour cherry trees infected with a virus disease can be made productive again. In Washington gibberellin treated sweet cherry trees have produced fruit and better color. The ripening of the fruit has also been delayed which extends the marketing season.

Other studies are being conducted with strawberries, grapes, tobacco and ornamental crops such as roses, camellias and others.

It is a brief progress report for your information and not a recommendation that you treat everything around the house with gibberellin.

It seems apparent that this natural hormone, properly used, holds much promise in helping solve our ever-increasing needs for food and fiber.

lams, president of the State Ushers Convention; and Deacon S. A. Davis, president of the church Union of the original Shiloh Association, and president of the Church Recreation Council of the Memorial Recreation Forest, Inc. all added suitable remarks. A special solo was rendered by Sister Josephine Peace.

Miss Barbara Peace delivered the gift—a purse of \$105—to the pastor and his wife, who were resigning to spend the rest of their lives in the leadership of the development of the Memorial Recreation Forest, Inc. A picture and professional services of the retiring minister were given to each family present.

Salesmen

Two insurance salesmen stopped at a country store for a Coke. They couldn't help but notice the big bags of salt stacked all over the store, in corners, on the shelves, and under the counters.

"My goodness, you surely must sell a lot of salt," they remarked to the old man behind the counter.

"Wal, naw, we don't sell much salt," the storekeeper said. "But I tell you who does. That young fella who comes around here wunst a month — now he sells a lot of salt."

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