

# SOCIAL ACTIVITIES and COMINGS AND GOINGS

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## Sarah Elizabeth Dowdle Is Wed To William E. Willis, Jr., Last Saturday

Marked by beauty and dignity was the marriage of Miss Sarah Elizabeth Dowdle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Dowdle, of Franklin and William Ellison Willis, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Willis, of Cottageville, S. C., which was solemnized Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in a formal ceremony at the Franklin Methodist church. The officiating minister was the Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of the bride.

Prior to the ceremony, the nuptial music was presented by Mrs. W. B. Kesler, of Salisbury, organist; Miss Mathilda Geiger, of Mt. Airy, and Seth Gabriel, of Mooresville, vocalists, who gave the following program: "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life" by Victor Herbert, "Oh Promise Me" by Reginald de Koven, "The Sweetest Story Ever Told", "I Love You Truly" by Carrie Jacobs Bond, "Because" by Guy B'Hardelot, and "O Perfect Love" by Joseph Barnby. McDowell's "To a Wild Rose" was played softly during the ceremony. The traditional recessional by Mendelssohn was used.

The bride entered to the strains of the wedding march from "Lohengrin" on the arm of her father by whom she was given in marriage. They were met at the altar by the bridegroom and his best man, Charles Gasque, of Ware Shoals, S. C.

### Wears White Satin Gown

The loveliness of the bride, was enhanced by her wedding gown of heavy white satin, designed on redingote style. Rose point lace formed a panel down the front of the skirt and edged the long court train. The neck of the tight fitting bodice was heart shaped. It also was edged in rose point lace. The short puffed sleeves and the tiny buttons down the back, added to the beauty of the gown. She wore long white kid gloves. Her tulle veil fell the length of her train from a cap fitted to a tiara of orange blossoms and seed pearls. The bride carried a shower bouquet of white orchids, white gladioli and lilies-of-the-valley.

Miss Elizabeth Sloop, of Moores-

ville, served as maid of honor. She wore an aquamarine marquisette gown made with a shirred bolero, with the full circular skirt falling into a slight train. The sash of the dress was of rose and dubonnet chiffon. She carried an arm bouquet of mixed garden flowers in pastel shades, tied with ribbon matching her sash.

Miss Ida Mae Dowdle, the sister of the bride, was junior maid of honor. She wore a gown of dusty rose and carried an arm bouquet of mixed garden flowers.

The bridesmaids were: Miss Margaret Franks and Miss Elizabeth McGuire, of Franklin, wearing cornflower blue; Miss Margaret Slagle, of Franklin, and Miss Margaret Fulton, of Walnut Cove, wearing yellow; Miss Kathleen Capps, of Arcola, and Miss Janet Griffin, of Rich Square, wearing powder blue; and Miss Nancy Barbee, of Seaboard, and Miss Leida Beshears, of Franklin, a cousin of the bride, wearing peach.

### Four Ribbon Bearers

The ribbon bearers were Misses Betty Jean Lindsay, Elizabeth Wiseman, and Christine Troutman, of Kannapolis, and Carolyn Long, of Franklin, cousin of the bride. Their dresses were of aquamarine marquisette made empire style with a bolero and short puffed sleeves. They carried old-fashioned nosegays of varied colored flowers.

Little Mary Ann Killian, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank M. Killian, of Franklin, was flower girl. She wore a dress of pale pink net trimmed with aquamarine ribbon, a tiara of flowers in her hair and carried a pink horsehair braid hat filled with mixed garden flowers. Master Jimmy Harbison, young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harbison, of Kannapolis, was ringbearer. He carried the ring on a satin pillow showered with narrow white satin ribbon and lilies-of-the-valley. He wore a white suit.

The candle lighters were Billy Fesperman, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fesperman, of Kannapolis; Tommy Angel, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Angel, Jr.; Victor Perry, son



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of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Perry, and Frederick Johnston Houk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Houk, all of Franklin. They wore white palm beach suits. The little trainbearers were Frank L. Henry, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Henry, Jr., and Richard Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Jones, both of Franklin. Their suits were also white palm beach.

The ushers were Charles N. Dowdle, brother of the bride; Thomas Willis, of Cottageville, S. C., brother of the bridegroom; W. P. Dobbs, of Barnesville, Ga., Leon Willis, of Columbia, S. C., cousin of the bridegroom; George Baker, of

Greenwood, S. C., Charles Russell, of Franklin, Bob Price, of Greenville, S. C., and Bill O'Daniel, of Greer, S. C.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. The guests were greeted at the door by Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Perry, and presented to the receiving line composed of the wedding party, parents of the bride, and mother of the bridegroom. Many others assisted in entertaining.

Punch was served to the guests in the breakfast room amid a bower of roses, larkspur, gladiolas, sweetpeas, and baby's breath.

## Bride of Saturday

Mrs. Dowdle, mother of the bride, was attired in black lace and wore a corsage of pink rosebuds. Mrs. Willis, mother of the bridegroom, wore a gown of black lace. Her flowers were also pink rosebuds.

For going away the bride wore a two-piece suit of navy blue imported alpaca, and a jacket of sky blue. With this she wore navy accessories and a shoulder corsage of orchids.

### Will Reside in Greer

Mr. and Mrs. Willis, Jr., left by motor to unannounced points. After July 1 they will be at home in Greer, S. C.

The bride was educated at the Franklin high school and was graduated from the Woman's college of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in the class of 1936. For the past two years she has taught school in the J. W. Cannon high school in Kannapolis.

Mr. Willis was graduated from Wofford college at Spartanburg, S. C. For the past three years he has held the position of Camp Educational Advisor of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

### Buffet Supper Given

Mrs. Helen Macon and Mrs. Hugh Leach entertained with a buffet supper at the Tavern Saturday.

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