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PRETTY WEDDING POPULAR COUPLE

Mr. Roy Smith, of Benson. Weds Young Lady of North Wilkesboro; Married in Church

HONEYMOON IN FLORIDA

North Wilkesboro, Dec. 31.—Beautiful and impressive was the wedding solemnized Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock, in the First Baptist church, when Carrie Vance Foote, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Vance Foote, was united in marriage to Roy Edwin Smith of Benson, and the church was most elaborately and artistically decorated for the occasion. The background was a forest of cedars aglow with myriads of cathedral candles.

The altar was in the form of a canopy, covered with tulle, intertwined with delicate ferns and trailing cedars, surrounded by candles, which shed their soft rays heightening the beauty of the improvised mid-forest cathedral scene.

While the guests were being ushered to their seats, Miss Burvelle McFarland softly rendered Andante. Prior to the ceremony, Mrs. Eugene LeGrande, cousin of the bride, delightfully sang "At Dawning" and "You and I".

To the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March, the bridal party entered the church by two aisles, which were extensively decorated their entire length with square columns intertwined with trailing cedars and holly suggestive of the Christmas season. Massive white bows of tulle further decorated the columns which were surmounted with lighted candles.

The ring ceremony was performed by Rev. W. L. Griggs, pastor of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro. After Dr. Griggs took his place, the ushers entered by the two aisles, viz: Claude Doughton and James Hix; Russell Hodges and Archie Rousseau, followed in alternate order by six bridesmaids and their attendants: Hazel Stephenson and Nabel Johnson; Frank Whitaker and George Hollaman; Maude Johnson and Ruth Reeves; Luther Milk and Alvin Parker; Blanche Martin and Eloise Graywood; Carroll Morgan and Bennie Norris.

The bridesmaids were most artistically gowned in spangled georgette dresses in radiant rainbow colors. Each bridesmaid carried an exquisite bouquet of pink Bride's roses tied with tulle to harmonize with her dress.

The dame of honor, Mrs. William R. Wellborn, an aunt of the bride, was charmingly gowned in a clinging yellow pastel georgette ornamented with beads and fur, carrying a tremendous bouquet of yellow Marechal Niel rosebuds and valley lilies.

Miss Bernice Foote, maid of honor and sister of the bride, was exquisitely gowned in an imported French blue georgette gorgeously spangled with rhinestones and silver beads, and carried a bouquet of delicate pink Richmond roses and lilies of the valley.

The little ring bearer, Owen Smith, brother of the groom, entered, wearing a black velvet suit, carrying the ring on a diminutive satin pillow.

The dainty little flower girls, Bette Thomas and Naomi Smith, preceded the bride. They wore georgette over white charmeuse, daintily trimmed in lace, and scattered rose petals all along the way.

The bride, a young lady of charming personality and rare beauty, was lovely in a Parisian creation of white spangled georgette, with coronet fashioned veil, encircled with orange blossoms. As she approached the altar the veil was worn over her face as in "ye olden time", and thrown back on retiring. She entered with her father, Mr. A. V. Foote, and was met at the altar by the groom, Mr. Roy Smith, attended by his best man, Mr. John Parrish.

The dresses of the bride and the maid of honor were the gifts of their aunt, Mrs. Nan Wellborn, who recently returned from Paris.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs.

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Goes To Charlotte



ROBT. A. WELLONS

R. A. WELLONS GOES TO A BIGGER FIELD

Locates in Charlotte Where He Will Form Partnership With B. F. Wellons

HAS PROMISING FUTURE

Smithfield and the Johnston County bar loses one of the most promising young lawyers in the county when Mr. Robert A. Wellons leaves for Charlotte to associate himself with his cousin, Mr. Ben F. Wellons, who has been practicing law in that city for a number of years.

Mr. Wellons, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. A. Wellons, of this city, has been associated with his father in the practice of law since 1918, the firm being known as Wellons & Wellons. He graduated from the local graded school in 1912. In the fall of that year he went to Wertz Preparatory School at Annapolis, Md., where he completed the course. He spent one session at the University of North Carolina, going from that school to Washington and Lee University and graduating there in 1916 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Following his graduation he attended the summer law school at Wake Forest College and was admitted to the bar in 1916. He decided to locate in his home town and practise his profession here until April 1917.

Along with others who volunteered in the World War he went to the First Officers Training Camp at Oglethorpe, Ga. He was later transferred to the air service and after studying at the Georgia School of Technology, Atlanta, and also at Princeton University, he was commissioned second lieutenant and began instructing in flying at Scott Field, Illinois. He was later advanced to Flying Adjutant at Scott Field, and as such was in charge of all the flying on this field. He made an unusual record at Scott Field, threading with an airplane the four bridges spanning the Mississippi river. He was the first and only flyer to accomplish this.

After the war, Mr. Wellons, having received his discharge in December, 1918, returned to Smithfield, and resumed his law practise. He has taken an active part in the life of his community and has done notable work in various political campaigns. In April, 1922, he was elected president of the Johnston County Bar Association, which position he held until the last meeting when he tendered his resignation. The association passed complimentary resolutions commending him to the Charlotte bar. For two years he served as secretary of the Johnston County Fair.

Mr. Wellons is well known not only in his native county but throughout this section of the state. In 1919 he was assistant chief marshal of the State Fair. He is a shiner, being a member of the Oasis Temple.

His friends predict for him a brilliant career in the wider field which he has chosen.

One farmer in Beaufort County recently had farm agent F. W. Risher to help him secure and plant 200 pecan trees. The movement is growing over all eastern Carolina.

NEWS ITEMS FROM TOWN OF CLAYTON

Mrs. Emmet H. Steger Gives Lovely Party To Members Of The Halycon Club

BOWNING THE SUBJECT

Clayton, Dec. 31.—Miss Doris Jeffries, who is teaching at Leaksville, is here to spend the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. B. A. Hocutt.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith of Auburn, spent Sunday here, the guests of Mr. Smith's sister, Mrs. L. R. Branham.

Miss Mabel Ellis, who is teaching at Pine Hall, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ellis.

Misses Mildred Branham and Ella Smith, of Raleigh, spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Page and Huhg, Jr., spent Sunday with relatives at Sanford.

Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Fancher have gone to Binghamton, N. Y., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Miss Gladys Branham spent last Thursday in Auburn with relatives.

Clayton boys and girls attending colleges and schools are all home for the holidays. Among them are: Messrs. Elliot and Devane McCullers, George Bryan, and Bill Massey; Misses Sarah Richardson, Dorothy Young, Octavia Jeffries, Martha Hassell, Elizabeth Turley, Annie V. Ellis, Miriam Turley, Mary Pender Hales, Genevieve Baucum, Iris Yelvington, Carrie Jones, Mae Garner, Bessie Connor, Alda Hamrick, Zella Barnes, and Margaret Lee Jones.

At the hospitable home of W. Massey, Mrs. Emmett H. Steger graciously entertained the Halycon Club Wednesday afternoon, December 17. Yuletide decorations of holly, poinsettias and Christmas bells were used effectively in the sun parlor, music room, and dining room. The general topic for the afternoon's study was Robert Browning. Miss Grace Barbour discussed interestingly and thoroughly the life and writings of this much-loved poet, after which Mrs. Y. M. Holland took in a pleasant manner the story of the dramatic poem, "Pippa Passes." Mrs. R. C. White and Miss Bernice Stringfield rendered beautiful and appropriate numbers on the piano. Mrs. W. J. Payne gave an amusing parody on the poem, "The Night Before Christmas." The closing number of the program was a beautiful combination of Christmas song and story, the song by Miss Virginia Fort and Miss Grace Robertson and the readings by little Miss Alice Barbour who was fairy-like in a white costume trimmed with stars and tinsel. The hostess assisted by Mrs. Chas. W. Horne served lovely ices in molds with cake squares bearing a miniature poinsettia. After which salted almonds were passed. The favors were beautiful powder puffs showered with yellow and white ribbons, the club colors, and wrapped as Christmas packages and distributed by little Miss Alice Barbour. Among the many guests enjoying the hospitality of this charming hostess were: Miss Yates, of the State Library Commission, and Miss Mildred Rodiger, of Raleigh.

Kiwanis Club Elect New Year Officers

At a supper meeting served by the Woman's Club in the club room Tuesday evening, the Kiwanis Club elected officers for the new year. Mr. E. J. Wellons was elected president, Mr. H. B. Marrow, vice-president, and Mr. George Ragsdale, secretary. Mr. Chas. A. Creech was elected district trustee. This was purely a business meeting and no special program was arranged.

One farmer in Chowan County states the fruit which rotted on his trees this season would have paid for a spraying outfit.

Short Course for Beekeepers, at State College, January 20, to 22. Write to Prof. Z. P. Metcalf for information. The course is free.

Two From Johnston Receive Law License

Among the ninety-six applications for law license who will stand the examination on Monday, January 26, are two from Johnston County, Messrs Albert A. Corbett and Joseph E. Talton, of Selma. A new rule requires applicants to be published thirty days before the examination is held.

Girl Gets \$15,000 For Writing Essay

New York, Dec. 30.—Miss Julia Croo, 1, of Portland, Ore., has been awarded a \$15,000 model home as first prize in a home-lighting essay contest in which 1,000,000 children in the United States and Canada competed, the lighting educational committee announced tonight.

Ten other boys and girls received scholarships, ranging in value from \$300 to \$1,200. George R. Finlay, of Oakland, Calif., and Dorothy Lathe, of Quebec, were given \$1,200 scholarships.

The scholarships may be used in any American or Canadian college or university.

Among other awards was one worth \$600 to Miss Lucile Brewer, of Gainesville, Ga.

Passes Bill To Give Mrs. Wilson Pension

Washington, Dec. 30.—A bill granting a pension of \$5,600 annually to Mrs. Edith Eolling Wilson, widow of the war-time President, was passed today by the Senate. It now goes to the House.

OUR OAKS NEWS ITEMS

Four Oaks, Dec. 31.—Miss Annie Ford, who spent the Christmas holidays here with her parents, returned to Pikeville Sunday.

Misses Clyde Sanders, Ruby Stanley, of Coker College, and Margaret Rich, of Louisville College, are spending the Christmas holidays with their relatives here.

Misses Tennyson Thornton and Annabelle Thornton, of Goldsboro, spent the week with Mrs. Wm. Sanders.

Messrs. Gilbert Grady and Ronald Keene, students at the University are spending the holidays here.

Mr. Carl Lewis spent the week end in Southern Pines with friends.

Misses Pauline Thornton and Pauline Creech, of Goldsboro, are spending a few days with Miss Luna Lewis.

Mr. Talmadge Cole, of Wilmington, spent the holidays with his brothers here.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Alderman, of High Point, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Adams, Christmas.

Mr. James Adams, of Dallas, Texas, is spending Christmas with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mym, of Dillon, S. C., spent Christmas with their parents here.

Mr. Bill Manning, of Williamston, visited friends near here last week.

Mr. Gilbert Grady spent Sunday in Stantonburg with friends.

Mrs. Reid Adams spent Christmas in Richlands with her mother.

The following teachers spent the holidays in their respective homes: Miss Jane Thornton, Winston-Salem; Miss Nancy Moore, Greensboro; Miss Angeline Cole, Asheville; Miss Mary Wooten, Rocky Mount; Miss Josephine Conley, Southern Pines; Miss Annie Lou Alston, Fallston; Miss Ana Brogden, Calypso; Annie Strand, Chapel Hill; Daisy Doxey, Portsmouth, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hatcher, Snow Hill.

Mr. Kermit Pascall, of Goldsboro, is spending several days with Mr. Gilbert Grady here.

Mrs. Nathan Keene is spending some time in Richmond, Va., with friends and relatives.

Miss Laeta Potts, of Smithfield, is spending the week end with Mrs. R. C. Canaday.

Among those who saw the "Hunchback of Notre Dame" in Benson were: Misses Luna Lewis, Nancy Moore, Emma Stanley, Mrs. R. C. Canaday, Messrs. Carl Lewis, Lexie Barefoot, Joe Baldwin, Norman Westbrook, Chester Cole, Theon Hobbs, and Cleon Sanders.

Recorder's Court Tackles Docket of About 50 Cases

First Application For Duke University

Durham, Dec. 31.—Clover, S. C., has the distinction of furnishing the first applicant for admission to Duke University.

Application has been made to President W. P. Few for the entrance of Edwin Smith, of Clover, in the freshman class of next year. The boy will graduate from Clover High School in June, and the registration was made by his father.

DUKE TRUST MONEY AVAILABLE IN 1926

Mr. Duke Is Pleased By Action Of Trinity Board In Changing Name

HOSPITALS WANT HELP

Charlotte, Dec. 30.—Colleges and other institutions named as beneficiaries of the \$40,000,000 trust recently established by J. B. Duke, multi-millionaire tobacco and power manufacturer, will not receive any of the proceeds of the fund until 1926, according to a statement here today by Mr. Duke.

He pointed out that the income from the trust property in 1925 has already been included in the plans for expansion of the Southern Power company and that the trust estate really will not begin to function until a year from now. However, it is understood that the \$6,000,000 for Duke university will be available at once.

Mr. Duke expressed genuine pleasure at the action yesterday of the board of trustees of Trinity college in changing the name of the institution to Duke university, thereby receiving \$6,000,000 in cash and an annual income of 32 percent of the yearly earnings of the trust fund.

Mr. Duke said he had anticipated the board's action and was not surprised by the acceptance of his offer. Many hospitals already have applied for help from the fund, according to Mr. Duke. He pointed out that these applications will be handled by the trustees. In this connection he pointed out that no hospital operated for private gain can become a beneficiary of the fund.

Jones Family Hold Reunion In Cleveland

On Thursday, December, a family reunion was held at the home of Mr. J. E. Jones, of Cleveland Township, in celebration of the 71st birthday of his mother, Mrs. J. G. Jones. Though the day was rough most of the children and a few friends of the family were present to enjoy the dinner and to be with their brothers, sisters and friends one more time. Many beautiful presents were brought to Mrs. Jones. Her husband has been dead about five years.

About one o'clock dinner was spread and such a fine dinner it was. Every good thing you could think of was there. During the dinner hour "sharp jokes flew, not dull nor few"; but the best spirit was shown when a feeble old gentleman living near by was not forgotten. A box was filled with nice things to eat and taken to him. The afternoon was spent in pleasant conversation, the Jones boys telling jokes and talking over their early life. About four o'clock all began to separate saying it was the best Christmas they had spent in many years. The left wishing Mrs. Jones many more happy birthdays.

Written by One Present.

Eight hens out of every forty were poor layers, found J. W. Williams, of Pasquotank County, who had farm agent G. W. Falls to help him cull his flock.

First Court Under New Administration Is Held After Several Weeks Recess

JUDGE PARKER PRESIDES

After a recess of more than a month due to a prolonged session of the Superior Court and the Christmas holidays, the Recorder's Court opened here again on December 30 and continued for two days.

This was the first session of the Recorder's Court under the Republican administration. The new judge, Hon. Ezra Parker, of Benson, was brief with his opening remarks and the dispatch of business was soon on the way. He charged the public that the court house must be kept as nearly clean as possible. Promiscuous spitting and peanut shells on the floor will not be tolerated. The new judge realizes that his is a weighty responsibility, requiring that so far as possible, he must do justice between the discordant people of this county and safeguard their property rights. He appealed to the lawyers and other court officials for their support in conducting the affairs of justice.

Hon. F. H. Brooks, a former judge of this court, addressed the court, assuring him of the closest co-operation of the members of the bar.

Judge Parker and Solicitor W. H. Massey then took stock of the docket and the work of disposing of something over fifty cases on the criminal calendar was begun. Those disposed of were as follows:

State vs. Norman Smith and Anderson, charged with larceny. Smith not guilty; Anderson guilty on one charge. Judgment thirty days on the roads; probable cause found on other charge and bound over to Superior Court.

State vs. Arthur McLamb, assault with deadly weapon. Guilty of simple assault. Judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. W. Pendergraft and Howard Pendergraft, assault. Judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Ernest B. Hudson, assault with deadly weapon. Guilty; four months in jail and to work on roads. Judgment suspended for two years of good behavior upon payment of costs. Appealed to Superior Court.

State vs. Ernest B. Hudson, assault on female. Guilty. Discharged upon payment of costs.

State vs. Handy Garvin, larceny. Guilty. Fined \$10 and costs.

State vs. Almon Turnage, assault with deadly weapon. Guilty; four months on roads. Judgment suspended upon two years of good behavior and payment of costs.

State vs. James Dodd, operating car while intoxicated. Guilty; judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. James Dodd, transporting. Guilty; Judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. John McDuffie, Assault; Guilty; fined \$15 and costs.

State vs. A. T. Stephenson, transporting while intoxicated. Not guilty.

Attorneys from out of the county present were: L. L. Levinson, of Coats; Charlie Guy and L. J. Best, of Dunn; W. C. Douglass, of Raleigh; and J. E. Rhodes, of Wendell.

Mrs. Bickett Studying Law Under Judge Pell

Raleigh, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Thomas W. Bickett, county welfare superintendent, is studying law under Judge George P. Pell and the former mistress of the mansion is further qualifying herself for her work.

It is not Mrs. Bickett's purpose to practice the profession that her distinguished husband adopted after leaving the schoolroom, the same vocation that her son is now successfully following in the old home in Louisburg. But Mrs. Bickett desires to know the principle of law and she means to make it minister to her office which she is filling with such public satisfaction.—Greensboro News.

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