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SEVEN WEDDINGS ON WEDNESDAY

BRIDES AND GROOMS FROM PASQUOTANK, CAMDEN AND VIRGINIA PLIGHT THEIR TROTH

Wednesday was indeed Wedding Day in and about Elizabeth City. Seven marriages having been reported to this newspaper thus far as having taken place on that day.

BRIGHT-EYES

On Wednesday night Mr. Carl A. Bright and Miss Annie Mae Eves were married by Rev. Rufus Bradley at the home of the bride's father, Mr. W. W. Eves, at Weeksville. The groom is the son of Mr. Andrew Bright, a prominent farmer of Nixonton. The bride is one of Weeksville's most attractive young women.

WHITEHURST-CARTER

At half past two o'clock Wednesday afternoon Mr. Claude Whitehurst and Miss Bessie Carter were married by Rev. D. P. Harris at the home of the bride's father, Mr. S. B. Carter at Forks. Just before the ceremony Miss Margaret Harrell sang "The Rosary." The wedding march was played by Miss Harris. The only attendants were Miss Payne and Mr. Eugene Whitehurst. The bride wore a dark blue suit with trimmings of moleskin and a large black hat. Immediately after the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Whitehurst left on the afternoon train for Washington, D. C. Upon their return they will make their home at Mt. Hermon. Many attractive and useful gifts attested the popularity of the bride, and the marriage was attended by a large number of friends and relatives. The bride is one of Forks most popular young women and is the very efficient president of the Forks Canning Club. The groom is the son of Mr. W. E. Whitehurst, and is a successful young farmer of Mt. Hermon.

HUGHES-FORBES

Mr. Charles Berry Hughes of Belcross and Miss Margaret Forbes of Barco were married by Justice of the Peace J. W. Munden Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 at his residence on Selden street and left on the 3:30 train for New York City. They had expected to be married by Rev. I. N. Loftin, but he was unable to perform the ceremony on account of the funeral of Mrs. J. T. Spence.

JONES-FORBES

Mr. Charles M. Jones and Miss Inez Forbes, both of Newland, were married by Mr. Munden at three o'clock. The groom is the son of Mr. J. F. Jones of Newland, the bride is the daughter of Mr. B. H. Forbes of Newland, both prominent families in the county.

JONES-WILLIAMS

Mr. J. Bruce Jones and Miss Ruby Williams, both of Newland, were married by Rev. D. P. Harris, at his residence on Cedar Street, Wednesday afternoon. The bride is the daughter of Mr. N. J. Williams and the groom is the son of Mrs. William Spence.

MUNDEN-EDWARDS

Mr. Charles Edward Munden of Hickory, Va., and Miss Beulah Mae Edwards of Camden were married

by Mr. Munden at his office Wednesday morning at eleven o'clock. The bride was just eighteen years of age and looked considerably younger.

HALSTEAD-CHAPLIN

Mr. Fred Halstead and Miss Joana Chaplin, both of St. Bride's, Va., were married shortly after the arrival of the ten o'clock train Wednesday, by Mr. Munden at his residence on Selden street.

ENGINE CRASHES INTO CANAL

DENSE FOG OBSCURES LIGHTS AND DRAW. PASSENGERS AND CREW ESCAPE WITHOUT INJURY

Traffic between this city and Norfolk was stopped Thursday morning when the early Norfolk Southern passenger train ran thru the draw of the Albemarle and Chesapeake canal bridge at about 7 o'clock. The engine and tender went thru the draw into the canal. No injury was sustained by any of the passengers or crew.

According to the best information to be had here the accident occurred because of the very dense fog which hid the signals as well as the open draw. In a short time an engine from here was sent and the train pulled back to this city, leaving here for Norfolk over the old Suffolk-Carolina road.

BLOODHOUNDS GET THE DARKEY

Wm. Pledger was chased to the wall Wednesday night by the dogs of Mr. Shores and when caught pleaded guilty of having stolen 800 lbs. of cotton from the barn of Mr. Ahner Ayddlet Tuesday night. Trotum, the one armed negro, who has been caught before, was acting only as drayman for Pledger. He stated that Pledger had agreed to give him \$2 to carry the cotton to the gin. The case came up before Judge Sawyer this morning. Trotum was acquitted. Pledger was given six months on the county roads.

STEAMER ALMA BRINGS CROWD

The steamer Alma, arriving here Tuesday night from Fairfield, East Lake and other points down the sound, brought a large number of passengers. Among the number were the following from East Lake: Miss Bertie Creef, Mrs. John Pinner, Mr. and Mrs. Fite Twiford, Mr. Murray Sawyer, Mr. J. H. Bratton, Mr. Tom Creef and Mr. Cloice Creef. They spent the day Wednesday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Lambert returned Thursday from their bridal tour, which included Baltimore, Washington, Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Fla.

Mr. Aubrey McCabe, a student at A. & M. is home for the Christmas holidays.

The Boys of the Old Town

A Christmas
Story

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

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CHRISTMAS wedding is always a very charming thing. The holly leads such gaiety to the decorations, and the mistletoe seems so appropriate. Then it makes one present do where otherwise two would have been required. And anyone who brings that to pass is a public benefactor.

This reference to the wedding, of course, right here at the very opening of the story, really makes the story superfluous, which is Bostonese for "no use." In a story, the wedding is supposed to be the very last thing.

Harry was a young architect and engineer who had only just opened an office in the town. When he came out of college he reached the conclusion that he would do better to set up a business in some small town and grow up with it than to grow old unnoticed in some older town. That is how he came to be here. He met Harriet soon after his arrival and it wasn't long before he was desperately in love with her.

There really wasn't very much the matter with Harry—except Harriet. And there wasn't anything at all the matter with Harriet—in Harry's opinion. So, after he had got down to business—both at his office and with Harriet—she said "Yes." Their marriage brought them a great deal of happiness, and; what was more peculiar, a great deal of happiness to someone who wasn't related to them in any way. Which is what the story is about. This other person not only was not related to them, but was scarcely known to them. She lived in the other end of town. Elm avenue runs right through the town from east to west. At one end, the west end, it is well named, for it is bordered by stately elms that shade fine residences, and cozy bungalows, like that which Harry had provided for Harriet, planned with the architect's best thought.

It had been arranged that they were to be married at high noon on Christmas day at Harriet's old home. Then there was to be a quiet family dinner there, followed by a reception to their friends at Harriet's new home, where open house was to be kept in honor of the day and the event. There their friends gathered in the afternoon, and there the presentation was to occur. For Harry's young men friends, of whom there were a few despite his short residence in the town, and Harriet's, of whom there were more, had decided to give them, in addition to all the "little stuff," one practical gift of larger proportions. So they had "chipped in" and bought them a magnificent leather rocker, one of the big, comfortable kind; and that was to be



"I Can't See What Has Happened"

duly presented at the hour of its arrival that afternoon. It had been arranged that it was to be delivered while all the young folks were there, as a sort of surprise extra offering.

But, as the afternoon wore on, the face of the chairman of the delegation, who was to make the presentation speech, grew longer and longer.

"I can't see what has happened," he said in confidence to a group of the fellows, when an opportunity for confidences arrived, "and why that darned chair doesn't come."

"Are you sure you gave them the right number, and everything?" someone asked.

"Sure—87 Elm street West. That's simple enough."

It must have been five o'clock when one of the boys had an inspiration. "Do you suppose by any chance that chair was delivered to 872 Elm street East?" he asked.

At last here was a clue; and the chairman, a chairman without a chair and a self-appointed research committee of three, loaded themselves into a car, after making unbelievable excuses to the bride and groom, and speeded away across town in pursuit



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FUNERAL MRS SPENCE

The funeral of Mrs. Josephine Spence was conducted Wednesday at half past two o'clock from Blackwell Memorial Baptist church.

The pastor, Rev. I. N. Loftin, was assisted by Rev. C. B. Culbreth pastor of City Road Methodist church. Interment followed in Hollowood Cemetery. Prominent among the many floral offerings was that of Miss Sarah Spence's Sunday School class of Blackwell Memorial Sunday school.

Mrs. Spence was born in Camden County on January 29th, 1867. Before her marriage, which occurred a little more than fifty years ago, she was Miss Josephine Caroline Bonaparte Jones. She is survived by her husband by four sons, Rev. J. Paul Spence of Norfolk, Mr. J. A. Spence of Norfolk, Mr. Joe Spence and Mr. George Spence of this city; by two daughters, Miss Sarah Spence, and Mrs. Emily Raper of South Norfolk; by three brothers, Mr. N. A. Jones of this city, Mr. George W. Jones of Richmond, and Mr. Samuel Jones of South Norfolk.

Attending the funeral from out of the city were Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Spence of Norfolk, Mrs. Emily J. Raper, Misses Nina and Emily Raper, Messrs Paul and Julian Raper of South Norfolk.

The store of Spence and Hollowell and the law office of Mr. George J. Spence have been closed throughout the day in respect to the memory of Mrs. Spence, whose life was a shining example of the best type of womanhood.

Cotton Report Prior Dec. 13

Washington, Dec. The cotton ginned of the 1916 crop prior to December 13th amounted to 10,845,989 bales as against 10,306,309 bales of the 1915 census report. Of this total 182,403 round bales were included as against 166,925 last year. The Sea Island bales included amounted to 110,448 as against 84,110 last year.

A YOUNG DARE FARMER

Mr. Hugh Etheridge, of Manteo, is in the city a few days this week looking over some of the horses and mules for sale here. Young Etheridge is one of those live fellows down there in Dare County who believes there is a good future in farming there. He lives on the north end of Roanoke Island and for a few years has been experimenting in an agricultural line. He reported to The Advance that he had found business fairly good, stating that the first year he bought a poor mule, the second, he bought a pony and now he is going to buy a real big horse to push his farming with. It will be well for Dare, if age will follow youth in this respect.

WILL CONDUCT SERVICE

Rev. C. T. Adams, presiding officer of the Elizabeth City district will conduct the services Wednesday evening at the First Methodist church.

Messrs. Edward Meekins and Randall Etheridge, of A. & M., college passed thru the city going to their home at Manteo Thursday.

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