

Mr. And Mrs. W. T. Lee Celebrated Their 50th Wedding Anniversary Sat.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lee observed in a quiet way at their home on the Fairview road, near Waynesville, Saturday evening, the 50th anniversary of their wedding. All of their children were present at the home to participate in the pleasures of the interesting event. Mr. and Mrs. Lee have been receiving the congratulations of their friends from many sections of the state.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Lee come from families that are well known and honored in Haywood county, and had much to do with the early history of this part of North Carolina.

Mrs. Lee, who before her marriage, was Margaret Rhinehart, a daughter of William Rhinehart and Mary Adeline Rhinehart, and is an "only daughter" of H. C. Lee, who was prominent in the organization of the county in 1892 and whose name appears frequently in the records of the court of plea and quarter sessions of which he was a member for many years. He was also a member of the commission appointed by act of the State Legislature to fix upon a place for the county seat.

Mrs. Lee's forebears, like her father, also came from Lincoln county, North Carolina. Jacob Rhinehart, the original spelling of the name, was a soldier of the Revolution and lived and died in Lincoln county. His son, Isaac, was born in 1781, and came to Haywood country a few years after his marriage to Rebekah Byrd in 1811. William Rhinehart, their son, was born in 1833, and married Mary Adeline Battle, daughter of Wayne Battle and granddaughter of Holloman Battle. Baby Alton Battle was born in 1857. For many years she and her husband William Rhinehart, were host and hostess of the Battle House hotel now demolished. Mrs. Lee was born at that well known resort.

Is Native of Haywood

William Thomas Lee, son of Henry Culpepper Lee and Margaret Henry Lee, was born at the old home on the Jonathan Creek, Haywood county, Aug. 11, 1855. His father was a merchant and farmer, and early in the period following the War Between the States, he moved to Waynesville and became one of the leading merchants of the place. Inculcating the mercantile spirit of his father, Mr. Lee early became a student of business in its every day aspect. Intuitively he learned from his father, and later on, he himself became one of the most successful merchants in Waynesville and Western North Carolina.

At the age of 21, Mr. Lee became deputy sheriff under the late S. J. Shultz, who was sheriff at the time in which position he was actively employed for about a year. Later, he was made chief of Police, as it was called then, town marshal, and in that position distinguished himself in the enforcement of law and bringing about good order in the town.

After serving as town marshal for about two years, he resigned to become a merchant, the business he was ambitious to begin for a long time before. For about 30 years he served Haywood county as a good businessman, building up a business establishment in Waynesville second to none west of Asheville. During that time, he served his town as mayor and alderman.

Entered Politics in 1894

Entered politics in 1894, he won the nomination and election to the lower branch of the General Assembly, and served for two terms. He was again elected in 1898 and served in the session of 1900. In 1910, he was elected a member of the North Carolina Corporation Commission, and was re-elected in 1916, 1922, and 1928. His term as corporation commissioner is the longest by several years in the history of the State. Only one other person, it is claimed, in the United States has served longer than Mr. Lee on a State Corporation commission, and he is General Harvey H. Hammett of Tennessee.

Mr. Lee has been a leading Democrat in the councils of his party in North Carolina since he first entered politics in 1894. Four years, he was chairman of the Haywood county Democratic executive committee, four years as chairman of the executive committee of the tenth Congressional district, and for several years a member of the State Democratic executive committee.

His home on the Fairview Road, about two miles from Waynesville, is one of the most beautiful spots in Haywood county. Including the purchase price a few years ago and the buildings and other improvements that he has put on it, he has spent more than \$30,000 in making one of the most nearly complete and comfortable homes in this part of North Carolina.

Married In 1883

On April 22, 1883, he married Mary Adeline Battle Rhinehart (the recent spelling of the name). The children, who were all here with their parents, are as follows: William Henry Lee, who was educated at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., from which he graduated in 1906, and given the rank of midshipman, and has passed through the ranks of ensign, lieutenant junior grade, lieutenant senior grade, Lieutenant commander, and commander, he was commander of the U. S. S. Whitney in 1918 and later as chief officer of the torpedo boat destroyer Donelson, in which he won distinction, and was decorated by the British government for distinguished service; he married Gertrude Cohrton, of Milwaukee; Robert Lowery Lee, who married Nellie Dyer, of Danville, Virginia; Clarine, who married Wesley Dickey, of Sweetwater, Tenn.; Anna, who married Willis Smith, of Raleigh; Grace, who married John Harney, of Elizabeth City; Evelyn, who married Cameron Lewis, of Charleston, W. Va.; Bessie, who married Lee Page, of Raleigh; William Thomas, Jr., who married Leona Williams, of Waynesville, and resides here; and Charles Alton who lives in Macon, Ga.

Fair Booster



Dist. C. Of C. Goal Of \$1,000 By May 1, Almost Certain

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"Homefolk" and visitors.

The Waynesville District chamber of commerce is dedicating itself to a definite program of:

Creating a greater spirit of education and unity among its people.

Aggressively advertising the entire area to bring it within the range of the outside world.

Bringing more tourists and conventions to the section; enlarging recreational facilities and accomodations and extending every possible courtesy to those who come.

Fostering community development and beautification.

Assisting farmers and stockmen with marketing and utilization problems.

Brought in or developing new industries and every other constructive thing to promote better feeling, better business, and better times for all the people in all of the area.

The personnel of the Official Board and the elected officers of the Waynesville District Chamber of Commerce take this opportunity to extend their sincere thanks to each and everyone of the members, whose names and the amounts pledged by them follow and to assure those members and the entire community of the fullest possible cooperation on their part.

Those subscribing by Wednesday evening included:

Cherokee Auto Co.	\$15.00
Waynesville Laundry	10.00
J. G. Terrell	5.00
Tom Alexander	5.00
Burgin Bros.	10.00
Abel's Garage	10.00
S. H. Bushnell	10.00
W. F. Swift	5.00
G. L. Grahl	1.00
Alexander's	5.00
Hodwick, A. Love	2.00
Mrs. M. Payne	1.00
Massie Farm, Co.	10.00
Lad Hyatt	10.00
Felix Stovall	3.00
David Underwood	5.00
Farmer's Federation	10.00
W. D. Smith	3.00
J. R. Carswell	1.00
Jerry Palmer	1.00
Levi Allison	5.00
E. F. Kirkpatrick	10.00
Mrs. C. P. Kirkpatrick	1.00
C. M. Duea	10.00
Hugh Roger	1.00
D. W. Howell	5.00
Chris George	5.00
E. C. Hughes	2.00
C. E. Weatherby	5.00
Dr. Thos. Stringfield	2.00
A. Friend	1.00
Henry Gibson	1.00
Martin Electric Co.	5.00
J. C. Rose	1.00
J. K. Drake	5.00
Adger House	5.00
Helen C. Matthews	10.00
Mrs. Grover Davis	1.00
C. R. Liner	1.00
W. B. Ferguson	1.00
Will Leatherwood	1.00
Mrs. Lou Silverthorn	1.00
Maria L. Mitchell	1.00
Mrs. Z. Paris	1.00
Miss Elizabeth Hoops	1.00
Katherine Ray	1.00
Mrs. Garrett Reeves	1.00
Mrs. J. F. DeLacy	5.00
Dr. N. M. Meiford	5.00
Roy Phillips	1.00
Winnie Kirkpatrick	1.00
Dr. W. L. Kirkpatrick	1.00
L. L. Buckner	1.00
Hardy Liner, Jr.	1.00
Mrs. Hardy Liner, Jr.	1.00
J. Harley Francis	1.00
Dr. N. F. Lancaster	1.00
Mrs. R. C. Long	1.00
A. Friend	1.00
Mildred Crawford	1.00
S. E. Comatser	1.00
Mrs. Ada Palmer	1.00
Mrs. Blanch A. Rose	1.00
J. L. Weaver	5.00
E. T. Sawyer	2.00
T. L. Blalock	5.00
H. P. Campbell	5.00
J. C. Krouser	2.00
H. T. Wright	1.00
C. W. McLaughlin	1.00
E. K. Chambers	1.00
Jim Ray	1.00

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

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CLUB WOMEN TO ATTEND CONVENTION IN RALEIGH

Mrs. R. N. Barber, district president of Federated Clubs, will go to Raleigh next week to attend the annual convention of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, May 3, 4, and 5. Mrs. C. H. McDowell, of the Waynesville club, will also go to the convention to represent the president of the club, Mrs. C. F. Kirkpatrick. Delegates from the three federated clubs—Waynesville Community Club, Waynesville Club, and the Civitan Club—have not been definitely announced.

According to Mrs. J. M. Hobgood, state president, this will be one of the largest and best convention ever held in the state. The program she says is well balanced, comprised of a variety of interests that will appeal to every club woman. The speakers are not to be surprised and their topics are timely and forward looking, including on the program will be Mrs. John J. Doggett of Washington, Dr. Charles Koch of the University of North Carolina; Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, director of instruction service—the state department of education; Dr. C. M. Conrad, consultant in geography at Duke University; Dr. J. G. Grove of Chapel Hill; Mrs. Hazel M. Rusk, chairman of the junior department of the general federation; and Mr. J. J. Phoenix, superintendent of the children's home in Greensboro.

Among the recreational and social features planned for the visiting club women will be a tea at the governor's mansion by courtesy of Mrs. J. C. B. Ehringhaus on Thursday afternoon. On Friday afternoon there will be a garden party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Brooks and the climax of the convention will be the federation banquet on Friday evening.

Mrs. Barber will leave Sunday accompanied by her daughter, Miss Emily Ashworth Barber, and will go to Monday and Tuesday afternoon to Mocksville. After the conclusion of the convention, Mrs. Barber will visit in various cities of the state for two weeks.

SENIORS PRESENT DADDY LONG LEGS

The Senior play "Daddy Long Legs" was given at the Waynesville Township High School auditorium Friday night and was one of the outstanding events of the commencement program. The play itself was a finished and smooth production, being a credit to any high school.

The opening scene with the children representing the orphans appealed to the sympathy of the audience immediately.

The Judy Abbotts we all love came to life in the charming portrayal of May Ray. Jim Davis' characterization of Jervis Pendleton would have done credit to one experienced in dramatics and little theatre work. Luisa Thackston played Mrs. Prichard delightfully. Other members of the cast who added their support to the play were: Hattie Siler Freeman, Carmen Plot, Hattie Swayngin, Louise Moody, Mary Glee Ferguson, Rufus Summerson, and Glenn Wyatt. Porter Greenwood, Virginia Allison, Frances Rose, Virginia Russell, Drama Lumpkin, William Turner, Jean Morrison, Matt Ketner, Hilda Liner, Anna Leatherwood, and Paul Davis. Every member of the cast did remarkable acting for high school students and received sincere praise from the large audience.

The success of the play should be attributed in a large measure to Miss Betsy Lane Quinlan, director.

The senior class plays for the past three years have been given under the direction of Miss Quinlan and have been outstanding amateur productions. Special mention should also be made of the stage manager, who is one of the most important members of any production. Harry Brendle performed this duty most capably.

Miss Sarah Osborne, of Spartanburg, South Carolina, who has been teaching in the Canton schools this year, is spending a few days here as the guest of her cousin, Miss Mary Kirkpatrick.

Mr. James Quinlan has returned to the University of North Carolina after spending the spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Quinlan.

Col. D. C. Chapman, of Knoxville, Tennessee, former chairman of the State Park Commission, and Mrs. Chapman, were among the guests at the Hotel LaFaine this week.

Judge Will Smathers and two young sons, J. B. and Ben, of Atlantic City, New Jersey are expected to arrive today for a visit to the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Smathers.

Miss Mary Kirkpatrick returned to her home last week after a visit to her brother, Mr. O. Y. Kirkpatrick, and Mrs. Kirkpatrick at their home in Charlotte.

Mr. J. C. Patrick and Mrs. Fred Ferguson returned yesterday from Raleigh where they went Monday to attend a statewide meeting of welfare officials.

Among the visitors here from Crabtree last week were the following: Messrs. J. L. Walker, P. J. McCracken, J. Manson McElroy, Hugh Best, T. T. Noland, and Robert Davis.

Mrs. Willie Smith and son, Willie, Jr. returned to their home in Raleigh Sunday after a few days visit to the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lee.

A full grown ostrich weighs about 300 pounds and is about eight feet tall.

Go to Church Sunday

PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. K. P. Walker, pastor

Sabbath School 9:45 a. m.

Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m.

Sermon subject: "Our Means of Grace."

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Services will be held at the Episcopal Church in 11 o'clock next Sunday morning, April 28, as usual.

HGSAW PUZZLE CAUSES ROW IN POOR FAMILY

Police called to quell a family row in Everett, Mass., were told by the wife that hostilities were due to her husband's desire to spend 25 cents of his wife's money in the Welfare Department for a new jigsaw puzzle. He was persuaded to work on his old one.

Mr. James Hardin Howell has returned to the University of North Carolina after spending the spring vacation at home.

According to new reliable friends here Rev. Miser New, who is at Myrtle Beach convalescing from his "old illness," is unwell.

Miss Elizabeth Henry spent last weekend in Dilworth as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. June Knudsen.

Miss Susie Fisher went last weekend to Asheville as the guest of Miss Elsie Alewine.

Mr. Jimmie Reed was his guest at his home on Wood Heights, Mt. Pleasant, Williamson, As. ville.

Messrs. R. S. Coman and Sam Justice of Canton were Waynesville visitors Saturday.

Mr. Charles B. McCracken of Fines Creek was a Waynesville visitor last Friday.

Mr. J. M. Moody is able to out again after a brief illness last week.

Mr. John W. Shook of Clyde spent Friday here on business.

Mr. N. C. James of Fines Creek was here on business last week.