Concord Miss Represents N.C. In Washington Festival

Miss Shelly Gay Hefner, daughter of The Honorable and Mrs. William A. Hefner (8th District N.C.) of Concord has been chosen by the North Carolina Society of Washington to represent the state as Cherry Blossom Princess in the Annual Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D.C.

Sponsored by the National Conference of State Societies, the Festival will be held during the week of April 3-9. This celebration dates from a gift of friendship of hundreds of cherry blossom trees given by Japan to the United States during the administration of President William Howard Taft.

Miss Hefner was born in Charlotte. North Carolina, and at age four moved to Cabarrus County where she attended Cabarrus County Elementary schools. In 1974 she moved to Fairfax County. Virginia, to finish at Langley High School in 1980. During her high school career. Shelly participated in the Congressional Club's Annual First Lady's Breakfast and in 1979 she was a member of the North Carolina Cherry Blossom Court. Shelly returned to North Carolina for her freshman year at UNC-Wilmington, where she chose to major in Biology. She then transferred to Pfeiffer College in Misenheimer for her sophomore year, continuing her biology degree. While at Pfeiffer Shelly was a volunteer at a local children's home and also worked parttime at Cabarrus Memorial Hospital. Shelly then interrupted college for one year hoping to assure her thoughts about biology by working in the medical field.

After working in a dental office for nine months, she now plans to finish college with a major in Biology, focusing on medical sciences. While not at work or studying, one might find her busy at her favorite activities such as horseback riding, listening to music or dancing.

Miss Hefner will be crowned North Carolina's princess at a Coronation Ball on Saturday. March 19th at the Kenwood Coun try Club in Bethesda. Maryland Mrs. Juanita Bryant. President of the General Federation of Womans' Clubs, will serve as Mistress of Ceremonies. Mrs. Bryant is of Boonville and Washington, D.C.

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The Retired School Personnel Association will meet at the Hoke County Library, March 16 at 10:30

The Rev. Douglas Mark. associate minister of the Raeford Presbyterian Church, will be the guest speaker.

Mrs. Earl Gordon, Mrs. June Johnson, Mrs. A.R. FitzSimons and Mrs. David Scott Currie attended the Southern Living Show in Charlotte last Friday.

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Highlighting Japan's gift to America of the cherry blossom trees, Mr. Kazuo Ishii, Representative in charge. Japan Tobacco and Salt Public Corporation will be the special guest of North Carolina's Coronation Ceremonies. Mr. Ishii currently resides in Raleigh.

Miss Hefner will join with Princesses from 54 State Societies (Guam and Puerto Rico included) in a number of activities during the 71st Annual National Cherry Blossom Festival. Highlights of the week include a reception at the Japanese Embassy, a Congressional reception which Congressman Hefner will escort his daughter. luncheons, a parade and several tours. A Cornonation Ball will be held on Saturday. April 9 at the Washington Convention Center, Washington, D.C. at which time one of the Princesses will be chosen National Cherry Blossom Queen.

Cannon Mills of Kannapolis will provide embroidered finger tip towels as favors for each of the

Gordon M. Thomas of Pilot Mountain and Arlington, Virginia serves as President of the North Carolina Society of Washington. This year's General Chairmen of the North Carolina Cherry Blossom Festival will be Dr. and Mrs. Harold R. Denton of Rocky Mount and Rockville, Maryland.

Friendship Club Holds March Meeting

The Raeford Friendship Club met Tuesday, March 1, at the United Methodist Church at 2:30

Mrs. Cleva Newton led the devotional service and Leonard Miller rendered the prayer.

Miss Isabel McFadyen read the minutes of the last meeting and gave the treasurer report.

During the business session a copy of a letter to Representative Bill Hefner was read and signed by

Members were reminded of "World Day of Prayer" at the First Raeford Baptist Church March 4, at 4:00 p.m.

Get well cards were signed and sent to Mrs. Bennie Kelly, Mrs. Bernice King, Mrs. Ruth McEachern, Mrs. Maggie Meeks, Mrs. Ethel Monroe, H.O. Langdon, Jesse Gulledge, and Clarence Rose. Sympathy cards were signed and sent to Mrs. Thelma McPhaul and Mrs. Mary Ruth Haire.

One of the six quilts, quilted by members February 8, was given to a family who lost everything in a

Slides on safety were shown by Miss Josephine Hall.

Home made pound cake and fruit punch were served to twentyseven members present.

Atkinson - Byrd



Miss Rhonda Kay Atkinson, daughter of Mrs. Sharon L. Atkin-son of Shannon, and Richard Daryl Byrd, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wayne Byrd of Raeford, will be married June 5. at Dundarrach Preshyterian Church.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Hoke County High School. She has an associate degree in Food Management, and is employed by Holiday Inn.

The groom-elect is also a graduate of Hoke County High School. He is employed at McDonald Tire Ser-

Raeford Woman's Club Gen Meeting March 1

The general meeting of the NFWC, Raeford Woman's Club met March 1 at the Hoke Civic Center. Mrs. Jack Pope, president, presided. Mrs. Robert McPhail led the Club in the Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect, followed by a devotional by Mrs. Clayton Buoyer.

The following new officers were elected: 1st Vice-president, Mrs. Allen Edwards; 2d vice-president, Mrs. George Shook; recording secretary, Mrs. Robert McPhail, and corresponding secretary, Mrs. Julius Jordan.

The President thanked members for their participation and cooperation in numerous projects accomplished by the Club. Miss Caroline Parker encouraged members to contact legislators concerning laws on drunk drivers. Mrs. Joyce McDiarmid asked for volunteers to help with the exercise program at the rest home. Plans for a soup and sandwich lunch March 21 were discussed. Marshall Sullivan, representing Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, was the guest speaker. His subject was "The Effect of Deregulation on Customers." The subject was most informative and generated much discussion. The Public Affairs Department hosted a social following the program.

Bridge

Mrs McLeod

Mrs. Benny McLeod was hostess to the members of her bridge club Thursday evening of last week.

A dessert course was served before the game.

At the conclusion of play, prizes were awarded to Mrs. Bobby Gib-son, high scorer, Mrs. Neill McFadyen, Jr., consolation, and Mrs. June Johnson, bingo.

Mrs Morrison

Mrs. Charlie Morrison was hostess to the members of her bridge club and one visitor, Mrs. George Crawford, last Thursday

A dessert course and coffee was served upon arrival, snacks and drinks during play.

Mrs. Bobby Wright was the recipient of the high score prize and Mrs. Clyde Knott, the consolation

Ansley-Beacham Couple Wed In Antioch Church Sunday

daughter of Mrs. Robert M. Beacham and the late R.M. Beacham of Laurinburg and Peter Calvin Ansley, son of the Rev. & Mrs. Charles Coke Ansley of Antioch Community, were united in marriage on March 6 at 2:00 p.m. Antioch Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Mr. Ansley officiating.

J. Wesley Ward III, organist, played the fourth movement of 'Beethoven's Ninth Symphony' as a prelude. The bride was escorted to the altar by her brother, Robert M. Beacham Jr. "Trumpet Voluntarire" was played for the processional. She wore an heirloom wedding gown of candlelight organza and appliqued lace. Seed pearls surrounded the rounded neckline and puffed sleeves. This gown was first worn by Mrs. Hannie Hamphill Everette on her wedding day, and later given to Mrs. Clarence oughenour of Laurinburg. The bride wore a string of pearls worn by her mother on her wedding day, and her headpiece was of baby's breath and green leaves attached to an ivory grosgrain ribbon. Her bouquet consisted of two long stemmed silk American Beauty roses and ivory sweetpeas tied with an ivory ribbon.

The maid of honor was Miss Joy ynn Davis of Laurinburg. Her rose crochet-look gown featured a square neckline with a fitted bodice and short, puffed sleeves. She wore a wreath headpiece of pink and rose flowers and carried one long-stemmed American Beauty rose tied with a rose ribbon.

John Dillon of Charlotte was the Best Man. The bride is a graduate of Marlboro Academy, Bennette-ville, South Carolina and of St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg. She is presently employed by the State of North Carolina as Deputy Clerk of Superior Court of Scotland Coun-

The groom is a graduate of South View High School, Fayetteville, and attended Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk, and St. Andrews Presbytérian College. He is assistant Manager of B.C. Moore's and Sons Inc., in McColl, South

RECEPTION

A reception given by Mrs. Robert M. Beacham, mother of the bride, and Robert Beachman, Jr., brother of the bride, was held at the Gill House in Laurinburg. Mixed spring flowers adorned the reception rooms and the bride's register was decorated with pink camelias. Mr. A.R. Bullock, Jr., of Fairmont, and Mrs. L.D. Edens of Lumberton were assisting at the register. Greeting the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Noah Usher, aunt and uncle of the bride, of McColl South Carolina

The refreshment table was decorated by a centerpiece of American Beauty roses, pink and ivory lilies and baby's breath arranged in a brass bowl. Mauve candles glittered in brass holders. The three tiered wedding cake was served by Mrs. William F. Monroe of Laurinburg and Miss Anna Jo Barrington of Gibson. Serving punch were Mrs. Robert B. Davis and Mrs. Eugene Sligh, both of Laurinburg. Also serving at a punch table were Mrs. Russell Hellekson and Mrs. Neill C. Colllins Jr., of Maxton. Others assisting in the reception were Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Coughenour, Rev. & Mrs. James Hubbard, Mrs. Michael Coughenour, Mrs. Jim Coughenour and Mrs. Jake Coughenour, all of Laurinburg. Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Lyle of Bartow, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Steve



Gideon of Wilmington, and Miss Lisa Usher, cousin of the bride, of McColl, South Carolina.

REHEARSAL

A rehearsal dinner was given at Antioch Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall by the Rev. and Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Ansley, parents of the groom, and Miss Caroline R. Ansley sister of the groom, March 5 at 7:30 p.m.

The center table was decorated with American Beauty roses, pink and ivory lilies and baby's breath arranged in a brass bowl. Guests enjoyed a cold buffet supper, with a very special cake made for this occasion by Mrs. David Humphrey of Shannon, as a gift to the honored couple. Assisting with the dinner were members of the family, Mrs. Caroline A. Walbek of Miami, Florida, grandmother; C. Drew Ansley of Black Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs. John Mark

Ansley of Greenville, brothers; Mrs. Nan Stanton of Bennetteville, South Carolina, sister; and Miss Jean Whitaker of Black Mountain,

After dinner, friends and family gathered at the Manse for fellowship.

BRIDE'S LUNCHEON A bride's luncheon was given in

the home of Mrs. Robert B. Davis, Saturday, March 5, at 11:30. The hostesses, Mrs. Robert

Davis and Miss Joy Lynn Davis, & maid of honor, served a delicious meal of baked chicken, buttered broccoli, rice casserole, jello salad, rolls, iced tea and dessert. Special guests were Mrs. Robert

M. Beacham, mother of the bride, Mrs. Charles C. Ansley and Miss Caroline Ansley, mother and sister of the groom, Mrs. Noah Usher, Jr. and Miss Lise Usher, aunt and cousin of the bride.

Personals

Mrs. David Scott Currie left Sunday for Gibbon, Nebraska, to attend the funeral services Wednesday of her first cousin, J.C. Betebenner. Mrs. Currie was joined in Denver, Colorado, by her son, Capt. Paul Currie, who accompanied her to Gibbon.

Miss Becky Howell of Ellerbe visited in the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Howell, during the weekend.

Miss Vickie Gaddy and son, Trent

Calhoun, of Raleigh spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gaddy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Senter and children of Fayetteville spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilson returned last week after vacationing at Reddington Beach, Florida, While there they went on a Caribbean

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. McPhaul spent the weekend in Winston-Salem

Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Maxwell, Jr. and daughter, Diane, of Raleigh, visited in the home of his mother,

Mrs. O.B. Maxwell, Sunday.

Cecil McKeithan, accompanied by Wesley McKeithan and Jerry Wright of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. Blanche Stephens of Morehead City, recently visited in Albuquerque, New Mexico, with Mrs. Kerpe McKeithan Jaretz and

Mrs. Kenneth Sturgeon and Mrs. C.C. Carpenter have returned after vacationing in Florida. They visited relatives in Webster, friends in Deland and Epcot Center.

Mrs. Charlie Stewart, III, of Roxboro, and Jerry Stewart of NCSU, Raleigh, spent the weekend visiting Mrs. Charlie Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gentry and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gentry of Cary spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gentry

and Mrs. Lawrence Bounds.

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