

# Holiday Parties In Full Swing Here



Doris Annette Grigg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garris Grigg, celebrated her third birthday Wednesday, December 15th.

A family party was held at the Grigg home at 505 Landing street, and a decorated birthday cake was cut and served with other refreshments.

Young Miss Grigg is granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Greene and Mr. and Mrs. Ambers A. Grigg, all of route three, Waco road.

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Holiday-season festivities are in full swing in Kings Mountain.

Festive Christmas-red and green decorations will provide a gala setting for the Country Club's annual Christmas formal dinner-dance Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Houser, Mr. and Mrs. L. Arnold Kiser and Dr. and Mrs. P. G. Padgett will be hosts. Dinner will be served at 8 o'clock. Members and their guests will dance to the music of Bill Jeffries and his orchestra of Charlotte.

Over 300 women have been invited to attend a Christmas tea Friday from 3 until 6 p.m. at the home of Mrs. H. Carl Mayes, 503 E. Ridge street.

The Mayes' home, "Twin Oakes", will be decorated in keeping with the holiday season. Entertaining with Mrs. Mayes will be her daughter, Mrs. Moffatt Ware, Jr. of Charlotte, and Mrs. Carl Mauney and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Charles Mauney.

Young people who are sixth, seventh and eighth graders will gather for a supper and square dance Tuesday from 6:30 until 9:30 p.m. at the Country Club. The party theme will be "Holiday Hi-Jinks" and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ballew head the entertainment committee.



Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Roger Grant, married November 23rd in Kokomo, Indiana, are on a wedding trip to Japan. The bride is the former Miss Darlene Ley of Kokomo. Grant is the son of Mrs. Bessie Grant of Kings Mountain.

The Grants were wed in a double-ring church wedding. They will make their home in Kokomo.

For the small fry, a party is scheduled Wednesday at the Country Club. Children up through fifth grade are invited to tell Santa their secrets from 3:30 until 4:30. Mrs. Bob Cox and Mrs. Frank Sincox will be hostesses.

Members of Kings Mountain VFW Post 9811 and their wives will gather for the Post's annual free Christmas dinner Thursday, December 23rd.

The party, featuring turkey and ham supper, will be held in the ballroom of American Legion Post 155.

## Comings And Goings

Mrs. Lallage Falls spent the weekend in Johnson City, Tennessee with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Sill. Mr. Sill is a student at East Tennessee State University.

Ollie Harris, Jr. will arrive Friday from Pasadena, Texas for a holiday visit here. Mrs. Harris and their five-year-old son, Johnny, came a week ago with Mrs. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Arthur.

The Arthurs had been visiting the Harrises and Mrs. Arthur became ill and had to be hospitalized. Mrs. Harris brought them home and her family will remain here for a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur and Mr. and Mrs. U. Ollie Harris, Sr.

# Society News

## SOCIAL CALENDAR

**Thursday:**  
8:00—Formal Christmas dinner-dance at the Country Club. Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. George Houser, Mr. and Mrs. L. Arnold Kiser, Dr. and Mrs. P. G. Padgett.

**Friday:**  
12:00—Senior Citizens club Christmas party at the Woman's club.  
3:00-5 p.m.—Christmas tea at "Twin Oakes", home of Mrs. H. C. Mayes. Hostesses: Mrs. Mayes, Mrs. Moffatt Ware, Jr., Mrs. Carl Mauney and Mrs. Charles Mauney.

**Saturday:**  
11 a.m.—The wedding of Miss Ellen Burke and Joseph John Ries in Christ the King Catholic church.  
12:30—Mrs. Aubrey Mauney and Mrs. Hal Plonk are entertaining at Governor's Inn in Shelby at a luncheon honoring Miss Dottie Gibbons, bride-elect.  
7:30—Miss Dottie Gibbons is entertaining at her home for bridesmaids in the Gibbons-Duckett wedding.  
7:30—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duckett, Sr. are entertaining at Holiday Inn in Gastonia at an after-rehearsal dinner honoring Miss Dorothy Gibbons and Earl Duckett, Jr.

**Monday:**  
7:30—Spiritual Life Group meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service at Central Methodist church.  
8:00—Youth Fellowship Christmas party in the recreation building of First Presbyterian church.  
8:00—General meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service at Central Methodist church.

**Tuesday:**  
12:00—Wedding breakfast at Holiday Inn in Gastonia honoring Miss Dorothy Gibbons, Earl Duckett, Jr. and their wedding party. Hostess: Mrs. Earl Queen.  
6:30-9:30 p.m.—Holiday supper and square dance for sixth-seventh and eighth graders at Kings Mountain Country Club. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ballew, hosts.  
8:00—The wedding of Miss Dorothy Blair Gibbons and Earl Duckett, Jr. in Resurrection Lutheran church, reception following in the church parlors.  
7:00—Jaycee Christmas party at the Woman's club.

**Wednesday:**  
3:30-4:30 p.m.—Santa's Secrets party for children up through fifth grade, at Kings Mountain Country Club. Mrs. Bob Cox and Mrs. Frank Sincox, hostesses.  
7:00—Annual Sunday School Christmas Party at First Presbyterian church.



MRS. BOBBY GRIFFIN SMITH  
(Brenda Kay Smith)

## Miss Brenda Kay Smith, Bobby G. Smith Pledge Vows In Antioch Church Rites

Antioch Baptist church near Grover provided the setting December 3 for a 7 p.m. wedding uniting Miss Brenda Kay Smith of Shelby and Bobby Griffin Smith of Kings Mountain.

Rev. Wayne Tuttle, minister of the church, heard the couple exchange vows of the double-ring ceremony.

Miss Lynn McCraw, cousin of the bride, was organist for the program of nuptial music and Mrs. Wayne Tuttle was vocal soloist.

James H. Smith of Charlotte gave his sister in marriage. The bride's wedding gown was a formal design of slipper satin featuring a V neckline outlined with lace, a fitted lace bodice and a billowing skirt highlighted by a bustle back and Chapel train. Her waist-length veil of illusion was attached to a double crown of seed pearls and sequins and she carried a cascade of feathered carnations, valley lilies and an orchid sparkle with glittering diamond dust.

Mrs. Bobby Murray of Shelby was her sister's matron of honor and only attendant. She wore Christmas red velvet with matching headdress and slippers and carried a bouquet of red carnations and green net centered by a white orchid.

Best man for the bridegroom was his brother, Richard Smith of Charlotte. Ushers were Bobby Murray, brother-in-law of the bride, and Broderus Beam, the bride's cousin.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the church fellowship hall.

## Piano Pupils Give Recital

Piano pupils of Mrs. Martin Harmon presented a recital at Boyce Memorial ARP church Tuesday evening.

Prior to the piano numbers, Del Goforth accompanied the group in singing "What Child is This", and Mrs. Harmon led the Music Club collect.

The piano selections included "Ebony Waltz" and "Playing Jacks" played by Nancy Hord; a duet, "By the Campfire" by Nancy and Barbara Hord; "Parade" and "Echo", by Carol Goforth; "The Prince and the Pirate" and "Blue Grapes", by Sharon Plonk; and "The Flamingo", played by Martha Jane Mauney.

Laura Hudson played "Chachalita", and Anne Finger, Meredith McGill, Susan Goforth and Lynne Bridges played selections by Bach. They were "Minuet in G", "Musette", "Minuet in D minor" and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring", respectively.

Barbara Hord's number was "Minuet" by Schubert. Jane Anthony presented "The Dance of the Shepherds" and Ginger Finger played "The Two Kittens". "Brisk Game" was played by Sarah Beth Simpson.

Donna Crawford's composition was "Presto" by Telemann; Frances McGill played "Allegretto" by Kirshner and Del Goforth presented "Even Coolies Watch the Sunset" by Montaine.

Other selections included "Allegro" by Heller, played by Rita Bell and the duet, "Sheep May Safely Graze" by Bach, played by Rita Bell and Frances McGill.

Susan Goforth was reader for the Christmas story from the Bible as the group sang carols, accompanied by Rita Bell, Frances McGill and Donna Crawford.

Mrs. Harmon was assisted by students in serving refreshments following the program.

## Women's Health

**PREVENTING BIRTH BLUES**  
CINCINNATI, Ohio (WMNS)—An ounce of prevention can avert postpartum depression, a not uncommon condition following childbirth. This is what Dr. Lloyd Elam told fellow-physicians attending a recent meeting of the National Medical Association.

Dr. Elam, who heads the Department of Psychiatry at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn., believes that if a woman is encouraged by her physician to air her fears and problems during pregnancy, she may get just the support she needs to handle them effectively, and may thus avoid "birth blues."

According to Dr. Elam, "Any pregnant woman who suffers a loss, fears an increase of responsibility, or has a diminishing ability to take care of things is a likely candidate for postpartum depression." Sensitive understanding is the "miracle drug" standing in the way of such a woman's needs during her pregnancy, and afterwards, as well, says the psychiatrist.

Dr. Elam pointed out that postpartum depression usually sets in about the fourth day after the baby is born, but that its forerunner, apathy, often begins on the second day. If such a sign appears, it should be treated promptly.

## GEORGIA FORMULA FOR HAPPIER MARRIAGES

CHICAGO, Ill. (WMNS)—When Georgia welfare officials reviewed their case load recently, they found that "a good many families who had been on welfare are now self-supporting; and that a good many families were happier, without threat of physical and genetic tragedies." What caused this change? Making family planning information and materials readily available to all who wanted them.

This finding was reported by Hannah D. Mitchell, the state's coordinator of nursing services, at a recent meeting of the American Public Health Association. The public health nurse explained that as medical personnel learned how to communicate more effectively with their patients, the latter became more interested in learning about family planning and applying it to their own lives.

## Auxiliary Held Christmas Party

The Ministers' Wives Association of Kings Mountain Baptist Association held its Christmas party Thursday night in the fellowship hall of Elizabeth Baptist church at Shelby.

Husbands of members were special guests.

The hall was decorated in keeping with the holiday theme with red candles and poinsettias. Refreshments were served from a festive table decorated with candles and streamers.

Mrs. James Stamey, Mrs. Cline Borders and Mrs. A. B. Wood led group singing and games and the party was concluded with a devotional period led by Mrs. James Sides who used scripture and carols to tell the Christmas Story. She closed by singing Handel's "Come Unto Me."

Mrs. Wilson Harmon, president of the group, presided.

## METHODIST

Rev. Howard Jordan's sermon topic Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service at Central Methodist church will be, "To You Is Born A Saviour."

## DIXON SERVICE

The annual Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held at Dixon Presbyterian church Christmas Eve at 7:30. A pageant, "The Shepherd Who Came Late" and music by the choir will feature the service. Miss Libby Alexander will accompany the choir.

## Dixon 4-H'ers Held Party

Dixon Community 4-H'ers gathered for a Christmas party Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Odell Benton.

The Benton home was festive with Christmas decorations in red and green. Overlaid with a party cloth, the refreshment table held trays of green and red star and tree-shaped Christmas cookies, sandwiches, and green punch.

A decorated tree was lighted on the porch and the living room was gay with arrangements featuring a tiny lighted church, kissing balls, a manger scene, and mantel decorations featuring red balls, holly, and mistletoe.

The young people exchanged gifts and their leaders gave Christmas corsages to the girls.

## Margrace Club Held Yule Party

Seventeen members of the Margrace Woman's club gathered for their annual holiday party Saturday evening at Renn's Cafeteria in Grover.

A dinner of turkey and country ham with all the trimmings was served at 7 o'clock. Tables in the private dining room were made festive with Christmas decorations.

Members exchanged gifts.

**Senior Citizens Club Yule Party Is Friday**  
Senior Citizens club members will gather for a Christmas party Friday at 12 noon at the Woman's club.

and gifts to the boys.

Gary Benton led a period of games and Michael Greene, club president, presided.

## Miss Dorothy Gibbons, Earl Duckett, Jr. Give Wedding Plans: Parties Continue

Miss Dorothy Blair Gibbons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Preston Gibbons, has completed plans for her marriage to Earl Edward Duckett, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Edward Duckett, Sr. of Gastonia, and announces them today.

The wedding will take place Tuesday evening at eight o'clock in Resurrection Lutheran church. Rev. David L. Castor, minister of the church, will officiate at the double-ring ceremony.

Luther Davis will be organist for the program of traditional music and vocal numbers will be rendered by Eugene Gladden.

The bride-elect will be given in marriage by her father. David Hendricks of Gastonia will be Mr. Duckett's best man.

Mrs. Lewis B. Ormand will attend her sister as matron of honor and bridesmaids will include Mrs. Earl Queen of Gastonia, cousin of the bride; Mrs. Keith Parker of Gastonia; Mrs. Kenneth Bryant of Belmont; Miss Marian Plonk of Kings Mountain and Miss Susan Duckett, sister of the bridegroom-to-be.

Alex Boyd Ormand, nephew of the bride-elect, will be ringbearer.

The list of groomsmen will include Johnny Turner of Gastonia, Butch Gibbons, the bride-elect's brother; Kenny Bryant of Belmont and Derek Donley.

Miss Jeanette Adams, former college roommate of the bride-to-be, will keep a guest register. The bride-elect's parents will entertain after the ceremony at a reception in the church parlors.

Additional parties this weekend honor Miss Gibbons and her fiancé.

Mrs. Aubrey Mauney and Mrs. Hal Plonk are entertaining together Saturday at 12:30 at a luncheon at Governor's Inn in Shelby honoring Miss Gibbons.

Saturday evening Miss Gibbons will honor her bridal attendants at a party at her home on Waco road.

Following their wedding rehearsal Monday Miss Gibbons and Mr. Duckett will be honored by the bridegroom-to-be's parents at dinner at Holiday Inn in Gastonia.

On their wedding day Miss Gibbons and Mr. Duckett will be feted at a 12 noon breakfast to be given by Mrs. Earl Queen in the private dining room of Holiday Inn in Gastonia.

## Library Corner

What's new? What's popular? What's the latest? The Mauney Memorial Library has a wide selection from which one may choose. Among the new titles just in are books by popular and widely read authors.

Three books with special appeal to North Carolinians are Burke Davis' "The Summer Land, an amusing novel of life on a tobacco farm back in 1916; Nardi Campion's "Look To This Day," a story of the lively education of a great woman doctor, Connie Guion, who was a native of Lenoir, and the North Carolina author, Robert Ruark's "The Hound Dog"—a well spun tale of a mid-twentieth century man in a desperate search of himself. The last quarter of the 19th century was a time of conflict between the Church and State, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. In this turbulent period, Anya Seaton finds the setting for her latest book, "Avalon. In Airs Above the Ground Mary Stewart weaves a marvelous story about an old piebald horse whose shabby saddle held the key to something interpoler wanted to know. Noah Bordon's first novel, "The Rabbi," has established himself as a writer of promise. The book concerns the striving of a good man to do good works in a world that often seems too distracted for goodness. One is taken behind the scene in Arthur Hailey's "The Hotel and becomes aware of the problems—amusing and serious—that confronts the management of a modern hotelery.

William J. Lederer and Eugene Burdick's latest—Sarkhan, is an explosive novel of Communism and Washington politics. Those interested in archeology and anthropology will find enjoyable reading in Robert Nathan's "The Mallot Dairies—a love story and at the same time a serious comic essay on these two interests, and the eternal conflict between generations. An humble, but outspoken Franciscan friar and his wondrous escapades as he spends his well-earned holiday furnishes the plot for Bruce Marshall's "Father Hillary's Holiday. Niven Busch builds his novel, "The Gentleman From California, around the career of a Republican candidate for the Presidency in the year 1972.

The first volume of Frank Slaughter's "Pathway of Faith" is based on the life and place in history of Constantine. It was he who saw the fiery cross in the sky and took as his motto, "In This Sign Conquer." In the Ugly Russian, Victor Lasky gives a hard-hitting, concise, highly informative reporting of Communist lack of success in many troubled areas. He finds there are Ugly Russians as well as Ugly Americans.

Robin Moore is no novice to the subject as he writes "The Green Berets." He experienced guerilla training and fought alongside the Special Forces men in Vietnam. These true-heroes have made their green berets a badge of courage in the jungles of South Vietnam.

Dag Hammarskjold left the Markings to be published after his death. He describes the manuscript as a "sort of white paper" concerning his negotiations with myself and with God". The author Ykio Mishima achieves a new degree of universality in his tense, classically constructed novel, "The Sailor Who Fell From Grace With the Sea."

With Wandering Through Winter, Edwin Teall completes his four-volume continent-wide survey of American seasons. James A. Mitchner's fans will be eager to select his latest offering, "The Source. In this novel, he writes of our universal heritage from the past. The House of Many Rooms—Redello Hunter—is a delightfully told story of a Mormon household; David the popular preacher, Kate the wife and

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