



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES EUGENE SHORT
(Loretta Lynn Roper)

Shorts Exchange Vows In Gaffney Ceremony

Charles Eugene Short and Loretta Lynn Roper were united in marriage Feb. 25th at 2:50 p.m. by Probate Judge W.R. Douglas in Gaffney, S.C.

The bridegroom is the son of Charles and Linda Short of Kings Mountain. The bride is the daughter of Johnny Roper

and Mildred Warner of Kings Mountain.

A reception was hosted in his father's home.

After a trip to the mountains, they will reside in the Oak Grove Community near Kings Mountain.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny W. Smith, Sr. of Grover have announced the engagement of her daughter, Lisa Jane Davis, and Gregory Carson Huffman.

Miss Davis, who is also the daughter of Roger Dale Davis of

Shelby, is a junior at Crest High School.

Huffman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Huffman of Earl. A senior at Crest High School, he is employed at Ingle's in Gaffney, S.C.

Breakfast March 10

Judith H. Hendrixson, Kings Mountain author and lecturer, will speak on "I Am Woman", at a prayer breakfast sponsored by Gastonia District United Methodist Women Sat., March 10th, at Maylo Methodist

Church in Gastonia.

Local Methodist congregations will attend the event. Breakfast will be served to arriving members at 8:45 a.m. and the program will be concluded by 11:30.

History Of School Presented

Gifted and Talented students of Bethware School provided a nostalgic evening for parents and teachers attending the recent P-TO meeting.

Under the direction of Norma Cloninger, instructor, the young people presented a "History of Bethware School - 1925-84" and illustrated the program with a skit and with pictures of "the good ole days" which members of the community had supplied.

Before 1925, Bethware students had attended Ware School and El Bethel School, 1913-25. Both these two-roomed schools were a part of the Cleveland County System and housed grades 1-7. Hal Morris, a former student, said the teachers came early to build the fires. At El Bethel, kids brought their lunches in paper bags and drank water from the same dipper from the water bucket. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Harrelson were the teachers and each child was called up to sit on a bench at the front of the room for lessons. Myers Hambright recalled a story his mother told about an April Fool's trick played at El Bethel. The older boys arrived at school early that day and boarded up the door of the school. When the younger children arrived they thought school was closed and walked back home. As soon as the younger kids had gone, the older group took the boards down and went inside to wait for Mrs. Hambright. No one knew what happened until the next day.

In the early days Lizzie Lee Randall Eters and Thelma Rawlings taught at Ware School. Sissy Cloninger recalled that students at Ware learned quickly to behave. Talkers were smacked on their hands with a ruler. Odessa McSwain, also a former student at Ware, remembers being sent to the spring to fetch water in an old wooden bucket.

By 1924 there was much talk in the community about consolidation. Both Ware School and El Bethel School were crowded and a committee was formed to study the problem. Citizens of the community came by horse and buggy to Odessa McSwain's house (across from Bethware School) to register to vote. Although there was some objection, the vote passed to build a new school and two acres of land was purchased from Perry McSwain. By 1925, students attended Bethware School for the first time. The El Bethel School was sold for \$200 in 1925. Ware School was sold in 1939 for \$100.

In 1934 Oak Grove and Bethlehem became a part of Bethware. In 1936 Bethware School graduated its first class and commencement exercises were held at El Bethel Methodist Church. In 1937 the first commencement was held in the new auditorium at Bethware. In 1947 the first 12th grade class graduated from Bethware. There was no graduating class in 1946. The Board of Education had attempted to get the graduating class of 1945 to return for another year and graduate with the 12th grade but they declined. Ms. Sissy Cloninger and Cameron Ware were in this 11th grade group. Mrs. Peggy Baird was in the 1947 12th grade class. In 1955 Claude Harmon of the Bethware Community was chairman of the board. His son, Jack, was among graduates.

In 1957 Patterson Grove became a part of Bethware School. The building is still standing near Patterson Grove Baptist Church.

Consolidation with KM District Schools came in 1961-62 and Bethware grades 9-12 were relocated at the Kings Mountain plant. In 1965, with opening of the new high school, Bethware became grades 1-6. At the beginning of the 1974-75 year, the sixth grade was transfer

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Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ingram of Charlotte, N.C. announce the engagement of their daughter, Gwendolyn Ingram, to Robert L. White Jr.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. White Sr. of Kings Mtn., N.C.

A June 2 wedding is planned at Greater Galilee Baptist Church in Charlotte.

Fitts

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After a wedding trip to Florida, the newlyweds will be at home in Shelby.

Mr. and Mrs. Creighton David Griggs, Jr. of Piedmont, S.C. are parents of the bride who attended Greenville Technical College and is an Accounting Clerk at The School District of Greenville County in Greenville, S.C. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Creighton David Griggs, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. James Clare Bledsoe.

The bridegroom is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. James Russell Fitts, Sr. of Lawndale, formerly of Kings Mountain. He attended Kings Mountain schools and Western Carolina University. He is a sales representative at Bourne Toyota, Inc. of Shelby. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Fitts, Sr.

Leistey Celebrated Birthday

Leistey Elise Tindall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Tindall, Jr. of Route 5, celebrated her second birthday Feb. 6th at a Big Bird birthday party.

Family and friends helped her celebrate the occasion on Sunday, Feb. 5th, and they cut a birthday cake.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Tindall, Sr. and Mrs. Betty P. Jones, all of Kings Mountain. Great-grandparents are Mrs. D.W. Barker, Mrs. A.U. Tindall and Mrs. Wayne Putnam, all of Kings Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clements of Forest City.

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By Lib Stewart



Students Give History

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MUST BE PICKED-UP THE SAME WEEK

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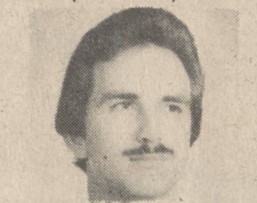


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