

**A GOLDEN WEDDING.**

Wedding bells were gaily ringing  
Fifty years ago today,  
For Rosa and Arthur they were say-  
ing—  
"May joy and happiness bless your  
way."  
So—they began their life together—  
Traveling through the many years.  
Mid joys and sorrows, whatever the  
weather—  
United, they stood against all fears.  
Many children came to bless them,  
What they meant, their friends have  
seen.  
Few can call themselves so blessed  
As these parents of thirteen.  
They've loved their friends—forever  
sharing—  
Some may say, "They shared too  
much."  
But, it all came from caring—  
Never losing the common touch.  
Yet, it isn't the years that matter,  
"It's how they lived them," their  
friends say.  
So—that is why we salute them  
Upon their Golden Wedding day.  
**EDITH UPCHURCH MAY.**  
Lillington.  
— In The News and Observer.

**Two More Golden Weddings Chalked Up  
On Belhaven's Marital Scoreboard**

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Aries Sawyer  
Celebrate Important Event of Half a Century Ago, Saturday,  
February 28.

There must be a dozen or more couples in Belhaven who have been married for 50 years or more. One of the biggest celebrations of the kind was celebrated Sunday at the Community Building by the family and many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnston. They were married 50 years ago on Feb. 28. The 23rd was also the Golden Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Aries L. Sawyer, who because of the illness of Mrs. Sawyer, held a quiet observance with the family, at their home, on Saturday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Johnston's celebration was from four to six on Sunday. The spacious rustic community log house was decorated with yellow roses, glads, daisies, pom-poms, daffodils, pines, southern smilax and magnolia leaves. Mrs. W. L. Johnston greeted the guests and Cleve Woodward introduced them to the receiving line composed of the honored couple and their ten children, Lester, Bill, Otis, John, Russell, Gene, and Mesdames Cora Bundy, Herman Shavender, Cleve Woodward and Roy Goodrich. Mrs. Otis Johnston and Herman Shavender invited the guests to refreshments that were served with a long table covered with a yellow satin cloth, with inserts of yellow roses, burning tapers tied with tulle and a three-tiered wedding cake topped with miniature bride and groom, from which Mesdames Floyd Cox of Washington, Rhonda Ricks of Pantego, Jatha Marsh and J. W. Allen both of Portsmouth served punch, cake, salted nuts and mints.  
Assisting Mesdames J. W. Allen and Floyd Cox were Mrs. Bill Pinner, of New Bern, Miss Pat Bundy, Greenville, Misses Julia and Martha Shavender and Nancy Aycock of Pantego, and Jena Johnston, Belhaven.  
Mesdames Gene and Russell Johnston presided over the guest book. Roy Goodrich and Mrs. Lester Johnston invited the guests to

the gift room. Goodbyes were said by Mrs. Bill Pinner and Mrs. John Johnston. Approximately 200 friends called to congratulate the couple.  
Out of town guests who attended were Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Vendrick of New Bern; Misses Elizabeth Allen, Selma Pritchard, Major and Mrs. D. R. Hunter, Mrs. Lula Sullivan of Washington, D. C., Miss Vera Swinson, Plymouth, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Harris, Wilmington, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Harris, Jr., of Rocky Mount; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ferebee, Mrs. Eva Allen and Miss Elsie Allen of Portsmouth; Mrs. Adelaide Gurkin, John Hensinger, Mr. and Mrs. Connor Crumpler, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Duke, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Duke and Floyd Cox of Washington; Tilton Brooks and Miss Lillian Brooks of Bath; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Windley of Aurora; Mrs. J. C. May of Lillington.  
**SAWYERS RECEIVED MANY FLOWERS AND FINE GIFTS**  
Mr. and Mrs. Aries L. Sawyer of 312 E. Pungo St., who celebrated their 50th anniversary on Saturday, are natives of Pamlico Beach and have been living in Belhaven for seven years, coming here to seek the conveniences of town, and access to medical aid. Mrs. Sawyer was the former Sidney Foster. She has been in poor health for about a year, and it was a great comfort to her to have all the children home, among them a daughter, Miss Cora Sawyer, after a four-year absence working with the government.  
Others present were their son, Frank, of Belhaven, and two daughters, Mrs. Charlie Spruill of Washington and Mrs. J. D. Guthrie of Belhaven. Their five grandchildren were present also, and Mrs. Sawyer's brother, Sam Foster and Mrs. Sawyer of Ransomville, RFD. Many flowers and gifts came from their children and the community.  
were beautiful.  
Miss McArthur illustrated her demonstration with slides and the refreshment committee served block ice cream white with a little pink hatchet in it. The women instead of "burying the hatchet" at it.  
Mrs. H. L. Spruill returned to her home in Virginia Sunday morning.  
Rev. A. J. MacKie filled his appointment at St. Matthew's church Sunday morning. His next appointment is the 1st Sunday night.

**STRIKE ENDED AT BIGGEST MILL IN BELHAVEN WED.**

**Employees Want Check Off System and 10¢ per Hour Across the Board**  
Some 70 Negro employes of the Belhaven Lumber Industries ended their strike of a week Wednesday morning, and work was resumed, pending settlement of their demands for a ten cent per hour wage increase, for all employes and a check-off system of deduction of their CIO union dues from their pay checks each week.  
The mill which is the largest single industry in Belhaven has a payroll of about \$3,000 a week and produces several types of finished lumber. Dave Kilpatrick, is manager of the mill, which is owned by Atlanta, Ga., interests.  
Prior to the order for resumption of operations, a truck load of food had been sent in by the CIO to take care of the striking workers. Some of them were being taken care of from Welfare funds.  
Incidents of disorder were rare. In one case, a negro was on the grounds with a shotgun and police went to the scene to prevent disturbance. Picketing was carried on by the strikers, but did not prevent operation of the mill after Thursday of last week.  
When the usual six o'clock whistle failed to go off the town of Belhaven was greatly disturbed, and much concern has been expressed over fear that Belhaven might lose a helpful industry.  
But Keith and Kenneth Dunbar

**YEATESVILLE NEWS**  
Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wien of Washington, D. C., were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Mann.  
Sunshine Mann spent Saturday night, in Washington, attending a dinner party and reception given in honor of Bride elect Miss Loloa Mae Phillips, also wedding of Miss Phillips and Mr. Metz held at nine o'clock Sunday morning.  
Mrs. Belle Gibbs of Middletown spent Friday with her sister Mrs. Charles E. Mann and Mr. Mann.  
The Yeatesville Home Demonstration Club met Friday afternoon at the Community House. The meeting was well attended. Mrs. C. A. Cutler gave us a wonderful address about Patriotism because it was Washington's birthday and it was especially given to the Women who have been granted the privilege of helping to rule our homes.  
Mrs. Ernest Slack gave a talk on shrubbery emphasizing shrubs that are useful as well as ornamental.  
The arts and crafts leader had a nice exhibit. Her lamp shades of Seranton took their loggers out of the woods and brought them to Belhaven to keep the mill going, and it has been going all the week.  
Negotiations will begin for the settlement of the dispute right away. Any concessions gained by the men will be retroactive. Gains made will not likely offset the losses sustained by the strikers while out of work.

**JOINT HOME CLUB MEETING IN HYDE HIGHLY ENJOYED**

A highly enjoyable joint meeting of two of Hyde County's most active home clubs was held Tuesday night in the Agricultural Building, Tiny Oak and Swan Quarter Clubs participating, and partaking of a supper furnished the husbands of the members.  
The Swan Quarter club, Mrs. Roland Early, president, and Tiny Oak club, Mrs. Sybil Bouchard, president, took part. Attendance was 35 who braved bad weather to witness a program of slides shown by County Agent Pruden and Home Agent, illustrating Farm and Home Life—better living inside and outside the home.  
Decorations were timely, jonquils and fern. A spelling game was enjoyed.

**FAIRFIELD METHODIST OBSERVE LAYMEN'S DAY**

Laymen's Day was observed in the Fairfield Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 a. m., and at the Providence Methodist Church in Swan Quarter Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m.  
The guest speaker at Fairfield was J. H. Overton, Jr., and at Swan Quarter Ashley B. Futrell of Washington, N. C.,  
They had as their topic, "The Mission of My Church—A Layman's View." Both speakers brought inspiring messages and illustrations that placed much responsibility on the laymen in regard to the future of the church.

**NOTED BRITISH LECTURER VISITS HYDE COUNTY**


Evangelist Armstrong, who for the past five months has been lecturing throughout America, recently visited Hyde County, giving a public lecture at Gulrock. He has lately returned to Europe. He travels and lectures under the auspices of the Laymen's Home Missionary Movement, whose purpose is the furtherance of Bible study amongst Christians of all denominations. The Movement has over three hundred branches in all parts of the world. It is now headed by R. G. Jolly, formerly of Gulrock, now residing in Philadelphia at the national headquarters of the Movement.

**H. D. CLUB MEETS AT LAKE LANDING**

The Lake Landing Home Demonstration Club observed their Family Night on Friday, February 8, at their Club House, with their families and invited guests present. Slides were shown on "A Home Designed for Living," which made a very interesting and enjoyable evening for everyone present.

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