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### PRESIDENT WILSON'S WEDDING.

Washington, Dec. 18.—President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt were married tonight, and, speeding away in a motor car to Alexandria to avoid curious crowds, were soon on the way to Hot Springs, Va., on their honeymoon.

The last Washington saw of President Wilson—and the first the capital saw of the new Mrs. Wilson—was a blur of two faces inside the White House limousine as it whirled away from the Twentieth street home of the bride shortly before 10 o'clock. At Alexandria they boarded a private car attached to the regular train for Hot Springs, Va.

At Hot Springs the President and Mrs. Wilson will live at the Homestead Hotel until after New Year's Day unless some development should necessitate the president's earlier return to the capital.

**An Outdoor Honeymoon.**  
Two of the White House motors have been sent on ahead and the couple expect to spend their honeymoon motoring, golfing and walking over the mountain trails. Besides the secret service guard the party was accompanied by one stenographer. The president will keep in touch with the White House over special wires.

Because the hour of the wedding was known to comparatively few persons, there was not a large crowd in the vicinity of the bride's home, although a large police guard had been provided.

**Officially Simple.**  
After the president and his bride had departed, Secretary Tumulty made this formal statement on the ceremony:

"The wedding was marked with simplicity. It was just such a wedding as might have taken place in the home of the humblest American citizen."

The ceremony was performed in the parlor of the bride's home by the Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, pastor of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal Church, which church the bride attends. The Rev. James B. Taylor, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, the president's place of worship, assisted.

About the couple were grouped only their immediate relatives and a few most intimate friends. There was no shimmer of military braid and no clanking of swords worn by attaches, aides or other officials. Military Washington was absent and only the evening clothes of the men present and the handsome gowns of the women lessened the informality of the being of Scotch heather.

**No Wedding March.**

Exactly at 8:30 o'clock the president joined Mrs. Galt at the top of the stairway. They descended slowly to the lower floor. No music marked their approach and a hush fell over the little group assembled as they took their places before the altar. The wedding bower was a mass of farlyence and maidenhair fern, extending from the floor to the ceiling as if growing naturally. Overhead the canopy of green was arranged in the form of a shell, the inner side being of Scotch heather.

A mirror, framed by orchids, was placed in the center of the background, reflecting the entire bridal party. Above the mirror was a spray of beautiful South American orchids was arranged across the background of ferns and rare orchids were caught on the corners of the canopy. Sheaves of long stemmed American Beauty roses decorated the sides. The prie-dieu was ornamented with clusters of orchids on both sides.

Tall and erect the president stood with his bride in the arbor.

**Bride in Black.**

Mrs. Galt's costume was of black silk velvet. The skirt was of walking length, cut in full and elegant lines. The waist was enhanced by a silken embroidery of wonderful blues, shading from the deep tones of royal blue to the delicate shades of pastel and threaded throughout with silver. It was made on original lines, the lower part being of the same beautiful embroidery of finest black set over a band of silver in design of mist which extended from under the arms to the front.

of black velvet outlined the figure to perfection and came well up to the embroidered band above. The sleeves also were of fine black net fashioned in tiny tucks with long, bell shaped cuffs of embroidered velvet which came well down over the hand and extended to the elbow in lily sheathing. The collar, high and unstanding in the back, was of rare lace. The only jewelry worn by the bride was the gift of the president, a brooch of diamonds.

The costume was set off with a stunning picture hat of black beaver, with no trimmings save a striking feather on the slightly upturned left side.

**No Attendants at Altar.**  
Neither the president nor Mrs. Galt was attended at the altar. Immediately upon their arrival the Rev. Mr. Smith opened the reading of the Episcopal service. When he asked:

"Who giveth this woman to be married to this man?" Mrs. Bolling, mother of the bride, answered in a low voice:

"I do."

The pastor then took the president by the left hand and spoke as follows, the president repeating after him:

"I, Woodrow Wilson, take thee, Edith Bolling Galt, to be my wedded wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part, according to God's holy ordinance; and therefore I plight thee my troth."

She Promised to Obey.

And Mrs. Galt, repeating after the pastor, said:

"I, Edith Bolling Galt, take thee, Woodrow Wilson, to be my wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love, to cherish, and to obey till death do us part, according to God's holy ordinance; and therefore I give thee my troth."

The Rev. Mr. Smith then released their hands, and, giving the wedding ring to the president, watched the executive place the gold circlet on the third finger of the bride's left hand. He then spoke the following, the president repeating after him:

"With this ring I thee wed, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

"What God hath joined let no man put asunder," the pastor said. With a benediction by the Rev. Mr. Taylor, the ceremony was over.

**Bride Cut the Cake.**

The solemnity of the gathering began to change to gaiety. The families of the president and the bride gathered about them, with exclamations of best wishes and blessings. In the dining room buffet supper was awaiting. The dining room was decorated in pink.

At one end was a mass of ferns with clusters of pink roses at the center. On the buffet were growing ferns and pink roses. The table was covered with farlyence and Lady Stanley roses, two clusters at each end of the table. In the center was the wedding cake, a huge fruit cake of many layers, ornamented with sprays of pink orchids.

The bride cut sections of the pastry for each guest. There was no little individual cakes, this idea being dispensed with when demands for tidbits became so numerous from all parts of the country that it was found that all could not be answered.

**Wore Wedding Gown on Trip.**

Following the supper the president and his bride did not remain long at the Galt home. When they left Mrs. Wilson still wore her wedding gown covered with a marvelous fur coat and broadtail with bands of Yukon and high chin collar. An enormous muff of like fur she carried in her hands.

As they left the front door they looked back at those within and the smiling happy countenances of the president and his bride were reflected in the big mirror in the entrance hall. Banks of ferns about the mirror and sprays of American Beauty roses nodded good-by as the cold night air swept into the hallway. The wedding was over.

### Foiled the Crowd.

The ruse by which the wedding party got away to Alexandria was complete. When the White House motor pulled away from Mrs. Wilson's house lines of police blocked pursuit in all the adjoining streets. At the Union Station the presidential entrance was fully lighted and lines of police were spread all about. Those who were attracted to the railroad station by the show of preparation were disappointed, while the President and Mrs. Wilson were speeding to the station across the river, ten miles away.

### GOWNS THE GUESTS WORE.

Beauty and Simplicity Featured the Toilettes at the Wedding.

Gowns worn by the women guests at the president's wedding were featured by their beauty and simplicity. Miss Bertha Bolling wore a turquoise blue and gold. The gown might have been copied from a Watteau figure. Over full skirts of blue chiffon, over white flounces, fell a pannier of draped overskirt in Marguerites of gold and silver. The bodice of chiffon in deep 'V' design, back and front, was over bands of heavy gold lace, and the high girdele was of flower-embroidered silk.

The gown of Mrs. W. H. Maury of Anniston, Ala., was an imported gown of white crepe and silver net, with a court train of creamy crepe, embroidered on the leaf sprays of gold.

Mrs. Alexander H. Galt wore a Jenny model of robin egg blue chiffon velvet, silver fillet and black tulle sash with crushed roses.

Mrs. Bolling wore a handsome costume of richly jetted net in the rose design over an underskirt of black satin applied in king's blue; the low cut corsage was over cloth of silver with touches of the same blue, the short train being caught in the left of the girdele in the back with a cluster of pink crush roses. Mrs. Bolling also wore an antique set of rare cameos, surrounded by pearls, consisting of a necklace brooch and bracelet which she wore as a bride.

The president's daughters were beautiful in gowns of rare textures. Miss Margaret Wilson wore sapphire blue velvet with sapphire and silver trimmings. Mrs. McAdoo's gown was of blue silk brocade with fur and silver trimmings. Mrs. Francis Sayre wore rose charmeuse with cream lace, and Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, cousin of the president, wore a gown of yellow silk and gold.

### TRUE DAUGHTER OF THE SOUTH.

President's Bride is Vivacious and a Lover of Outdoor Life.

The new mistress of the White House is quite the Wilson type, plus the Virginia manner and a southern love of life. She was formerly Miss Edith Bolling, daughter of the late William H. Bolling, of Wytheville, Va. She was one of thirteen children, nine of whom are still living.

In 1896, Edith Bolling met Norman Galt. A short time later they were married. This happened while she was visiting her sister, Mrs. Alexander H. Galt. Norman Galt was a vestryman in St. Thomas' church in Washington and was generous with his health and personal activities in the church until his death eight years ago. After his death Mrs. Galt continued an active member of the same church, occupying the pew her husband had possessed ever since the church was built. Just after the announcement of her engagement to the president, however, Mrs. Galt transferred her membership to St. Margaret's Episcopal church.

The president's bride is not known as a college girl, although she concluded her education at Powell's College in Richmond, Va., after attending Martha Washington College at Abington, Va., for some time. She is fond of music, flowers, economics and light literature. Like all good Virginians, she is a good horsewoman and splendid driver. She likes golf, and since her engagement to the president he has attempted to teach her some of the fine points of the game.

On baseball and horses she is an enthusiast, as much so as the president himself. She does not play tennis, but is a great walker, enjoying long tramps, sometimes for two or three hours about town or along a country road. She is not strenuous, however, and could not be called athletic, is rather one who enjoys good health and living, reasonable hours and prefers healthful fun to late suppers.

Indication of her love of the open is found in the frequent jaunts Mrs. Galt and the president took into the country after the announcement of their engagement. On several occasions hampers of picnic lunch were loaded into the president's limousine to be investigated during the long ride over the rolling highways of Virginia and Maryland.

Mrs. Galt is not a suffragist. It is because she has never gone deeply into the issue, Mrs. Galt is of a commercially successful family. Two of her brothers, Richard W. and Julian E. Bolling, are associated in the Galt jewelry firm, the oldest in the city, established by Norman Galt's grandfather and now owned by Mrs. Wilson herself.

Mrs. Wilson's other brothers are John Randolph Bolling of Washington, and Rolfe E. Bolling, manager of the Commercial Bank of Panama. Her sisters are Mrs. Matthew H. Maury of Anniston, Ala.; Mrs. Alexander Hunter Galt and Miss Bertha Bolling, who now make their home in Washington.

The coming of a woman of Mrs. Wilson's type to the White House is a matter of general satisfaction to genuine Washingtonians. White House life will not be new or strange to her. The Galt family of Washington and the Bollings of Wytheville have been on visiting terms at the executive mansion many years. During the first Cleveland administration Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Galt were not only among the closest of the personal friends of President Cleveland, but were also among the very few guests at the wedding of President Cleveland and Miss Frances Folsom. Miss Gertrude Galt, now Mrs. Richardson of Columbus, Ohio, practically made her debut in the White House as a protegee of Mrs. Cleveland.

It was from a country town in old Virginia that Miss Edith Bolling came to Washington more than a century ago. Possessed of more than average beauty she immediately found herself in a cultured circle. It is from this circle that the coming season is likely to draw a new element to the White House.

Mrs. Wilson is a bright happy gentleman with a smile which instantly wins. Her smile is the most winning and attractive feature of her beautiful face. Her hair is very dark, with not a suspicion of gray; and she is of medium height, erect, graceful and well proportioned.

She has spent much time the last few months working on her trousseau; and the gowns in it represent her taste and character as interpreted by the handiwork of many modistes, from those of New York to popular Baltimore tailors and a modest Washington dressmaker.

None of Mrs. Wilson's new gowns are brilliant. They run to soft green (Bolling green, Mrs. Bolling Galt Wilson's friends call it); rose color, mild yellow and dark blue. The sleeves of nearly all of them are long, after the more modish patterns. The necks of the evening gowns are without exception modest décolleté. One of her costumes which is distinctive in its suggestion of Bolling green, is of green duvetye, a soft, velvety material, which seems to blend silk and old fashioned chenille. It is trimmed in beaver.

**THE GUESTS AT THE WEDDING.**  
Only Thirty-Four Relatives and Close Friends Attended Ceremony.

The guests at the wedding of President Wilson and Mrs. Galt included: Mrs. William G. Bolling of Washington, the bride's mother; Mrs. Matthew H. Maury, Anniston, Ala.; Mrs. Alexander H. Galt, of Washington, and Miss Bertha Bolling, sisters of the bride; her five brothers, John Randolph Bolling, Richard W. Bolling and Julian E. Bolling of Washington; Dr. William F. Bolling of Louisville, Kentucky, and Rolfe E. Bolling of Panama; her brother-in-

law, Alexander H. Galt, of Washington, three sisters-in-law, Mrs. Julian B. Bolling, Mrs. Rolfe E. Bolling and Mrs. Richard W. Bolling; Secretary and Mrs. Wm. G. McAdoo, Mr. and Mrs. Frances B. Sayre of Williams-town, Mass.; Miss Margaret Wilson, Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, the president's cousin; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Wilson of Baltimore, the former the trother of the president; Miss Alice Wilson, the president's niece; Josephine Othron, the president's grandniece; Secretary Tumulty, Doctor Grayson and Miss Gertrude Gordon, Mrs. Wilson's close friend.

Several guests were added to the list at the last moment, including Prof. Stockton Axson, a brother of the late Mrs. Wilson; A. Bolling Galt, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Galt and Mrs. Tamulty, the wife of Secretary Tumulty. One of the added guests was Matilda Braxton, an old negro mammy of Wytheville, who has been a servant in the bride's family all her life.

### THIRD PRESIDENTIAL WEDDING.

Tyler and Cleveland Also Were Married While in Office.

Woodrow Wilson is the third president to be married during his term of office. President Tyler was the first and President Cleveland was the second. Mr. Tyler, like Mr. Wilson, was left a widower during his term. Two years later, in 1844 in New York City, he was married to Miss Julia Gardiner, who then resided at the White House functions the last year of her husband's term of office.

Grover Cleveland's marriage to Mill Frances Folsom took place in the Blue room of the executive mansion. It was comparatively a private affair for the invited guests included only the cabinet members, their wives and a few friends and relatives of the couple.

President Wilson's wedding is the third in his family since he took office. The first White House wedding of his term was that of his second daughter, Jessie Woodrow Wilson, to Francis B. Sayre, and the other was that of his youngest daughter, Eleanor, to Secretary McAdoo. The president now has two grandchildren, the little son of the Sayres and the baby daughter of the McAdoos.

### BELGIAN CHILDREN SENT GIFTS.

Lace, Pillows and Parchments In Gratitude for America's Aid.

In deference to the president's wishes the houses of congress sent no gifts officially, but many members sent personal remembrances. The Virginia delegation, representing the native state of the couple, sent a loving cup. Wytheville, the bride's home town, sent a miniature of our and Mrs. Bolling, her parents. The Pocahontas Memorial Association, in recognition of Mrs. Wilson's descentance from the Indian princess of that name, sent a bronze statuette of Pocahontas. The Menominee Indians of Wisconsin sent a handsome bead belt. The ex-queen of Hawaii sent a scarf. Minnesota women sent a wedding cake. Every member of the cabinet sent a gift.

In addition to the president's diamond brooch, there were other gifts of jewelry, among them a diamond brooch set in sapphires and a gold and sapphire bracelet. There were so many fans that it is said Mrs. Wilson will have a different one for each evening in the social season. There were candle sticks and composites in quantity among the most distinctive in the latter being one from the Speaker and Mrs. Champ Clark. There were many vases, ancient and modern, quantities of glass, pottery and silver, books and pictures, an ancient Chinese box, and a large mahogany dining table.

A bracelet of Brazilian tourmalines and an ornament of tropical bird feathers came from South America. From Belgian children came pillows, pieces of lace, engrossed parchments and other articles, including embroideries, all inscribed with cards showing gratitude for the president's sympathy, often expressed, for the sufferers of the war in Europe.

Gifts came also from the pupils of

the Benedictine nuns at Liege, the children of the Liege school of St. Veronica. The children of Spa, a Belgian watering place, sent a jewelry case inscribed "Homage and Gratitude of Spa."

In view of the desire of the President and Mrs. Wilson that as little publicity as possible attend their wedding, names of those sending wedding gifts have been withheld from publication. The great number received, however, completely upset the plans for cataloguing and classifying them at the bride's house and the work will be turned over to White House attaches. When the gifts are sorted it is understood all those having intrinsic value which came from persons unknown to the President or Mrs. Wilson, will, much to their regret, be returned.

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