

## Giddings—Langan

For some months unusual interest has been centered in the prospective marriage of Mr. Ralph Owen Giddings, of Colorado Springs, a young man prominent in the business and social circles of the West and a member of the well known firm of Giddings Bro's. Dry Goods, merchants at Colorado Springs and Miss Anne Langan, the oldest daughter of Mrs. Mary Langan of this city, one of Saline's oldest and most highly respected families.

The happy couple have been sweethearts for some time, their love and esteem increasing with the months, until Thursday, Aug. 3rd, at 8 o'clock in the evening, the happy pair stood in the parlor of the home of her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Pate on North Street, and spoke the vows that made them one.

The parlors were handsomely and very effectively decorated with great bunches of the green lace plant, with festoons of smilax and clusters of the ever beautiful white passion flower, while white sweet peas and wild heliotrope graced the mantel, the prevailing colors of white and green blending beautifully with the handsome furnishings of the elegant home.

The bridal party came down the broad staircase, through the reception hall and reached the parlor by the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March played by Miss Marie Patterson, and Leland Yates, organist and violinist.

Miss Mayer of this city and Miss Sylvia Giddings of Colorado Springs, walked the groom, but the way into the room followed by the groom, and his brother-in-law who was best man, taking their places near the center of the room, followed by the maid of honor, Miss Agnes Langan, sister of the bride, and the fair young bride leaving on the arm of her mother, entered the parlor where she was joined by the groom and they took their places in the upper end of the room, the grouping which formed a semicircle, being especially effective where Father Hogan of Shackelford pronounced with pleasant effect, the impressive ceremony that joined the destiny of this young couple.

The graceful blond bride was like some picture of old in her beautiful clinging bridal robe a sweet girlish creation of white Crepe De Chine over white taffeta slip with trimmings of Point De Venice lace, while the beautiful bodice with long sleeves was most artistically fashioned, trimmed in

innumerable tiny frills of the same dainty lace, which entirely covered the little caps to the sleeves and the epaulets to the bodice. Really words fail us when we attempt to describe this dream of a gown. Any way it was the work of an artist and very beautiful.

And a fairer, sweeter face never looked out upon a new life than was revealed when the long graceful veil was raised by the maid of honor, who is herself as fair as a lily.

The bride carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley.

The groom and his attendants were elegant in full dress suits. The maid of honor Miss Agnes Langan and Miss Giddings the only brides-maid, were radiant in gowns exactly alike, made of white Persian lawn, accented pleated flounce in which bowknots of lace were applied, the long graceful tunic, being elaborately trimmed with the same lace.

Mrs. Langan mother of the bride wore a handsome costume of black net over black silk shirt and emerald train.

Only the relatives and a few friends witnessed the ceremony. A reception followed immediately after the ceremony to which a large number of friends were invited. The beautiful home had been especially decorated for the occasion, the large reception hall was done in yellow light shades with ropes of smilax and yellow ribbon, the dressing room was fragrant with La France roses, while the dining room which is furnished in red was gorgeous in ferns and red geraniums.

Mesdames Langan and Pate were assisted in entertaining by Mesdames Wm. Berryman, S. F. Hinds, H. W. Scott, Lulu A. Jackson and Mrs. J. W. Giddings, mother of the groom, Misses Amy Zott, Belle Owens, and Miss Ethelene Jackson, while Messrs. Theodore Mayer and Rufus Vance ushered the guests from room to room with much ease and grace. Mrs. William H. Pate was handsome in a blue and white tulle gown, with trimmings of venetian lace.

Mrs. E. W. Giddings, of Colorado Springs received in a handsome costume of black and white silk with frills of lace.

Miss Amy Zott, of St. Louis, and Miss Belle Owens, of Michigan two handsome girls were becomingly gowned in white oramide, white yokes and sleeves of lace.

Mesdames L. W. Scott and Lulu V. Jackson presided in the dining room where refreshments of ices and cakes, were served during the

evening. The popular young couple received many elegant presents, consisting of solid silver, cut glass etc. But possibly among the many handsome and expensive presents, none were more highly prized than a picture done by little James Berryman in black and white a couple playing tennis; the faces are fine, and shown wonderful talent in the gifted young artist who is only ten years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Giddings left on the St. Louis train for New York where they will spend some six weeks, after which they will be at home to their friends at Colorado Springs.

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## A Party at J. W. Boulger's

The elegant country home of J. W. Boulger, near Shackelford, was thrown open on Friday evening when Mr. Boulger, who has a number of guests from St. Louis, entertained his friends quite royally.

Dancing was the chief amusement and the music was furnished by some colored men who charmed the guests with their old plantation music, which only needed the lovely waxes floors of this elegant house which has a ball room that extends the full length of it, to make dancing a delight. The guests wandered at will over the lawn that provided every comfort in the way of easy chairs, lawn seats and swings for the untired.

The large airy dining room was beautifully trimmed in gold shades. A long table stood in the center of the room, on which a variety of dainties, fine candies, cake and such things were served. Mrs. and Miss Klinger of St. Louis, who are spending the summer at this lovely home, are much pleased with their stay in the country so far.

Among the large number of guests from the surrounding country we note a few from Marshall, they were M. P. Lyons, Herbert Striker, Charles Tucker and Misses Sarah Monahan and Shober.

## Mistletoe Dance.

Among the pretty compliments to the bridal party was an informal dance at Mistletoe hall on Monday evening, that was one of the most pleasant dances of the season and everybody present seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. The music by Ransberger and Iftiger, was up to its usual standard of excellence. The out-of-town guests were Misses Zott, Owens, Giddings, Jurden and Campbell, of St. Louis,

## High Five Party.

Marshall has never been gayer during the month of July, than it has this year, with morning musicales, card parties, luncheons, hayrides, lawn parties, moonlight picnics, with an occasional trip to the Fortune Teller, to say nothing of receptions, weddings and clubs. Friday morning Mrs. S. T. Hunter entertained the bride-elect, Miss Anne Langan and her guests at cards and her attractive home on Benton which has ever been one of open-hearted hospitality, was beautified with cut flowers everywhere. Misses Ethylene Jackson and Agnes Langan had to draw straws for the prize, having won the same number of games. Miss Agnes receiving the winning straw.

Misses Maud Patterson and Lulu Lankin had to draw for the booty, Miss Patterson receiving the prize.

Mrs. Hunter was assisted by Mesdames Jamie Berryman and Wm. Berryman, who in their efforts to interest and entertain, certainly succeeded admirably, and 12 o'clock came all too soon for the little party, which only included the popular bride-elect and her most intimate friends.

A family luncheon of solid, fine sandwiches, olives, Roman punch, hot tea and French wafers was served. The invited were Misses Anne and Millye Ledwith, my guests, Messrs. Amy Zott, Belle Giddings, Belle Owens, Pauline Wood, Lillian Jackson, Alice King, Maud Patterson, Lulu Lankin and Mesdames Langan and Pate.

## Birth Day Dinner at Fairville.

We remember it as a very nice affair, the number of relatives and friends who on Friday evening at the 2nd and near Fairville, the 1st anniversary of the 18th birthday of the general love.

When arrangements were in full progress. Nostrilins and poplar party arranged throughout the house with much care, and those present will remember for days to come, the pleasant evening which was spent upon the pretty lawn.

The handsome watch and chain, which was a present from Mrs. Irvine and daughters, will remind the host very frequently of the pleasant event. The elegant course dinner served at 6 o'clock was much enjoyed by the guests.

The following persons with their families were present: Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, near Shackelford; Mrs. Harvey Tucker, Dr. and Mrs. H. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Skelton, Miss Davis, Miami; Mrs. Mack Irvine, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Irvine, Mrs. Claude Rogers, St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Goddard.