

BEAUTIFUL CHURCH WEDDING WEDNESDAY

The Grace Methodist Church Was the Scene of a Pretty Apple Blossom Wedding When Miss Rebekah Louise Murphy Became the Charming Bride of Dr. Oren Moore, of Charlotte—Brilliant Reception Given by Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Murphy.

A notable event and one that called together an assemblage of the brain and beauty of two States was the wedding of Miss Rebekah Louise Murphy and Dr. Oren Moore, of Charlotte, N. C., on Wednesday evening, December 15th, at Grace Methodist church.

The church was made festive in appearance by garlands of ivy and holly. Myriads of tapers peeped out from among the banks of stately palms and ferns and just back of one of these masses was concealed the orchestra, which gave a beautiful program while the reception guests were assembling, including "Tranmerie," "Barcarolle," "At Dawning" and to herald the approach of the bridal party Mr. Harris sang, "O Promise Me" and then burst forth the joyous notes of the wedding march played by Miss Vivian Sarratt and Miss Sallie Dixon, of Charlotte, N. C.

First to enter were the ribbon bearers, Frank Murphy, Clough Wallace, Wm. Burris and Thos. McNally, Jr. They wore white corduroy suits and boutonnières of apple blossoms. Next to enter were the ushers, Philip Flynn, Alex. Oliphant, Warren Arthur, Jr., and Stewart Smith; they came down opposite aisles and were followed by the maids and groomsmen, the first being Miss Louise Duncan and Miss Esther Caldwell and Mr. Charles Glasgow and Mr. Fred Hashagen, of Wilmington, N. C. Then came Miss Hattie McCoy, of Spartanburg and Miss Edith Smith, followed by the Hamilton Meyor of Charlotte and Dr. E. E. Able, of Chester.

The bridesmaids were attired alike in pink tulle with chiffon overdress, combined with lace and rhinestone trimmings. They wore pink tulle shepherdess hats trimmed with sprays of apple blossoms and carried crooks with bunches of the same flowers tied with pink tulle.

The dame of honor, Mrs. Stewart Able, of Lowryville, entered alone and wore a beautiful gown of trailing green crepe, meteor with deep silver lace draperies; with this was worn a green tulle hat and completing the costume was a green tulle muff with sprays of apple blossoms.

The maid of honor, Miss Julia Irwin, of Charlotte, came next and was modestly gowned in green satin with chiffon overdress and pearl trimmings. She wore a green tulle hat and carried a green tulle muff.

The little flower girls, Misses Mary Wallis Arthur and Edith Caine, came next and scattered apple blossoms from La Tosca baskets in the pathway of the bride. They wore dainty white organdie dresses.

Just preceding the bride was the little ring bearer, Miss Frances Keller, bearing the ring in a tiny silver basket.

The bride entered with her uncle, Mr. C. T. Murphy, who gave her in marriage and was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Dr. Charles Strong, of Charlotte.

The words which united these two lives were spoken by Rev. B. G. Murphy, of Allendale, an uncle of the bride, using the beautiful and impressive betrothal ring service.

The bride's gown was a lovely creation of lustrous white satin with overdress of silver lace; the court train fell from the shoulders and was richly embroidered in seed pearls. The filmy tulle veil was worn over the face and was held to the hair with a wreath of apple blossoms—her chosen flower. She carried an armful of white rosebuds and ferns with a shower of valley lilies falling to the hem of her dress.

The ushers and groomsmen wore boutonnières of apple blossoms carrying out a sentiment so dear to the bride's heart, and her gifts to the maids were little gold jiny purses with the monogram, "A. B. T." engraved thereon.

Immediately following the ceremony at the church a brilliant reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Murphy, on Mountain street, at which two hundred guests were invited. Continuity of color and arrangement marked the decorations throughout the house. In the parlor where the receiving party stood, tall vases of pink roses were set amid the greens which hid the mantels and cabinets and unshaded pink tapers lit the room. The chandelier was hung with mistletoe with here and there a cluster of half-blown roses. Receiving with Mr. and Mrs. Murphy and the bridal party were Mr. and Mrs. Moore, father and

mother of the groom, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. Strong, Mrs. Sallie Townsena and Miss Essie Link.

In the library where the gifts were displayed, gorgeous yellow chrysanthemums and greens were lavishly used and silver candelabra held clusters of yellow candles. The bride's register was placed in this room and presided over by Misses Eloise Beaty, Ludie Jordan and Myra Young.

The sun parlor was brilliant in its decorations of holly, mistletoe and dozens of bells. It was here the guests were served to pink and white ice cream and pound cake by a score or more maids and matrons.

A bewildering array of gifts expressed in a measure, the liking and esteem in which this young couple is held.

The bride of yesterday is the only child of the late L. P. Murphy, and a granddaughter of Mrs. M. L. Murphy of our city. She is tall, fair and graceful and possesses a winning personality. Although she has made her home in Charlotte for several years, she is still lovingly claimed as a daughter of Union and numbers her friends here by hundreds.

Dr. Moore is a prominent surgeon of Charlotte and is held in affectionate esteem by the medical fraternity and the public generally. He is being heartily congratulated upon his good fortune.

Mrs. Moore changed her bridal robes for a chic travelling suit of seal brown trimmed in fur with a becoming little toque to match. They left on the evening train for the "Land of Flowers" to spend their honeymoon, after which they will reside in Charlotte, making a charming addition to the younger social set.

The out-of-town guests were: Dr. and Mrs. Strong, Miss Sallie Dixon, Mr. Witherspoon, Miss Rebecca Caldwell, of Charlotte, Mr. Able of Chester, Miss Essie Link of Abbeville.

R. A. COOPER CHOSEN TO HEAD MASONS.

Charleston, Dec. 15.—With the election and installation of officers, appointment of committees, all business having been disposed of the grand lodge of Masons closed its 139th annual session at the Masonic temple this afternoon, to meet in Charleston again next year on the second Tuesday in December.

The following officers were elected: Grand master, R. A. Cooper, Laurens.

Deputy grand master, William W. Wannamaker, Orangeburg.

Senior grand warden, W. A. Giles, Graniteville.

Junior grand warden, S. T. Lanham, Spartanburg.

Grand treasurer, William H. Prieleau, Charleston.

Grand secretary, O. Frank Hart, Columbia.

Grand chaplain, the Rev. W. P. Smith, Spartanburg.

The junior grand warden, S. T. Lanham, the new warrant officer, was elected unanimously, the first instance of the kind in many years of the grand lodge records.

The most interesting and important business transacted during the session of the grand lodge was the approval of the policy of the relief committee in applying the income from the Masonic home fund to individual charity in private station of deserving Masons and orphans of Masons. It is regarded as likely that this will become the permanent policy of a central lodge and that the project of a central institution will be abandoned. No definite determination has yet been proposed of this important matter, however.

W. O. W. ELECT OFFICERS.

Maple Camp No. 323, Union, S. C., held its regular meeting Monday night, Dec. 13th, and the following officers were elected for 1916:

J. F. Clark, Consul Com.

Eugene Gregory, Adviser Lieutenant.

G. W. Hollingsworth, Clerk.

Robt. L. Young, Banker.

C. D. Blalock, watchman.

G. H. Rector, Escort.

G. W. Grady, Sentry.

R. R. Berry, Physician.

J. L. Eison, Manager.

ALVERSON-CALDWELL.

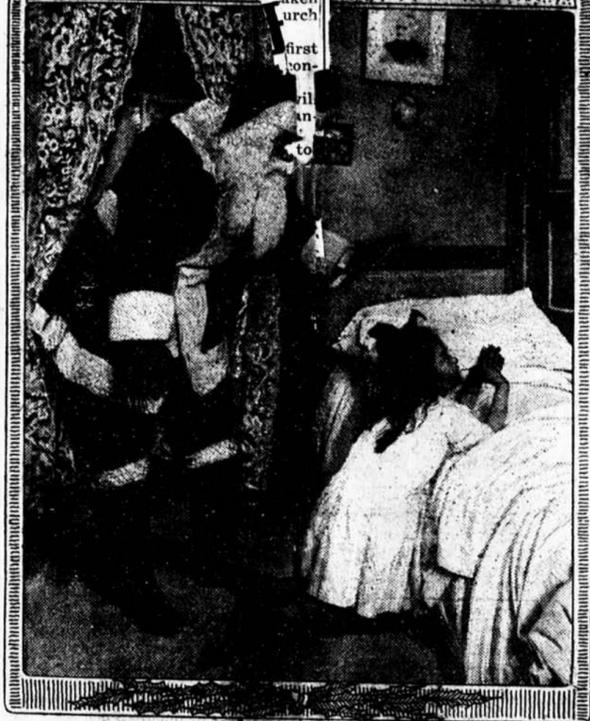
A marriage which came as quite a surprise to their friends was that of Miss Sallie Alverson, of Sedalia, and Mr. William Frank Caldwell, of Jonesville which occurred Sunday afternoon at the Presbyterian manse, Rev. J. F. Matheson officiating.

These young people are deservedly popular and have hundreds of friends to wish them joy and a long life.

NOTICE, MASONS!

Regular communication Union Lodge 75 A. F. M. will be held Friday night, Dec. 17, 7:30 o'clock. All members urged to be present. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year. E. W. Stone, Secretary.

A Prayer to Santa Claus



**CHRISTMAS eve and Edith's daddy,
Dressed like Santa, head to foot,
Wants to hear his girlie's wishes
Ere her gifts in place are put.**

**Steals he softly from her bedroom,
Listens as she, "Dear Santa"
Of his presence, tells "dear Santa"
All she'd like, in childish prayer.**

**Then he leaves her ere she spies him,
Sees that all she asks is found,
Some gifts in her stocking bulging;
Some are piled the tree around.**

**Christmas morn and Edith wakens—
All her Christmas dreams come true!
"Santa must have heard me asking.
Daddy, don't you think so too?"**

—Charles N. Lurie.

ELEGANT LUNCHEON.

Miss Louisa Duncan was hostess on Saturday morning when she entertained at an eight-course luncheon in compliment to Miss Louise Murphy, whose marriage on Wednesday evening to Dr. Oren Moore was a beautiful event. The handsome Duncan home was thrown open to the guests and was artistically decorated with pink carnations and ferns, the color scheme of pink and white being carried out in detail. The round table at which the guests were seated was covered with an Italian lace cloth and had for its centerpiece a crystal vase of pink carnations edged with ferns and suspended from the chandelier was a cluster of wedding bells tied with pink and white tulle. The place cards were miniature brides and groomsmen and the dainty souvenirs were tiny brides. The bride's cake was placed on the table and contained a deal of merriment. The guest of honor was presented with an exquisite piece of lace as a souvenir of this joyous occasion. Miss Duncan was assisted in entertaining by her mother, Mrs. T. C. Duncan; her aunt, Mrs. L. M. Jordan, and Miss Ludie Jordan.

REPORT OF MANAGER.

Mr. M. M. Wilburn, who has had charge of the poor farm has rendered to the commissioners the following financial report for 1914-15:

Twelve inmates in poor hours.
Dry goods \$34.53
Sewing 24.50
Groceries 206.15
Total \$265.18

The report for 1913-14 was as follows:
Fourteen inmates in poor house.
Dry goods \$ 43.21
Sewing 24.15
Groceries 197.76
Total \$265.12

MANN APPOINTED TO SUCCEED SANDERS.

A. C. Mann has been appointed magistrate for Union to succeed Joseph Sanders, resigned.

Mr. Mann is a member of the Union bar, and has been a resident since his graduation in law at the University of South Carolina some 18 months ago. He is a wide-awake, young man, capable and courteous and will render efficient service in the responsible position to which he has been appointed.

CALLED TO CARLISLE AND PADGETT'S CREEK.

Rev. A. E. Fuller, principal of the Central school, who is also an ordained minister, has been called to be the pastor of Padgett's Creek and of Carlisle Baptist churches. Rev. Mr. Fuller is a most pleasing speaker and has won a warm place in the hearts of the people of Union.

WILL WELCOME NEW PASTOR.

The congregations of the First Presbyterian church and of the First Baptist church will unite with the congregation of Grace Methodist church congregation Sunday evening in a welcome service for the new pastor, Rev. E. S. Jones. The exercises will be held in Grace church beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

PARTY FOR MISS MURPHY.

Mrs. W. Farr Gilliam entertained at a card party Monday afternoon in compliment to Miss Louise Murphy and a number of young women were present.

After a spirited game the hostess served a salad course with coffee.

Mrs. John S. Morgan, an attractive bride of a few weeks, shared honors with Miss Murphy and both were presented with a box of exquisite handkerchiefs.

GREAT SPEAKERS BRING MESSAGES

PRETTY WEDDING AT CEDAR HILL

The old colonial home of Mr. Jasper Wilburn presented a handsome scene in its decorations Tuesday afternoon when their daughter, Miss Emma, was married to Mr. Maxcy G. Crosby, of Santuck. More than seventy-five witnessed the ceremony, which was of exceptional beauty.

Mrs. Scaife Wilburn and Miss Annie Wilburn welcomed the guests in the reception hall. The bride and her attendants came down the stairway and entered the parlor, which was beautifully decorated in green and white. At one o'clock Miss Mildred Jeter, niece of the groom, rendered some beautiful selections. Then to the strains of Mendelssohn played by Miss Annie Wilburn, sister of the bride, for the processional, the ribbon bearers, Misses Louise and Bell Jeter, beautifully gowned in white. Next came the bridesmaid and groomsmen, Miss Eloise Wilburn and Mr. Hamner Crosby. The bridesmaid was gowned in blue satin. Preceding the bride came Master Scaife Wilburn, bearing the ring on a silver waiter. Next came the bride and groom. The bride wore a handsome dark blue cloth suit with accessories to match. Rev. L. L. Wagon performed the ceremony in an impressive manner.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Wilburn and is an attractive and accomplished young lady, possessed of many friends who wish for her great happiness. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Crosby of Meadors. Mr. Crosby is a prominent business man of Santuck and has the qualifications that make for a brilliant success.

The visiting guests were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Crosby and Mr. M. B. Meador from Meadors, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Jeter, Mr. Paul Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Both Fant of Santuck, Mr. W. B. Crosby, of Newton, Miss.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the last regular Convocation of Poineet Chapter, No. 16, R. A. Masons, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year:

B. G. Peterson, Excellent High Priest.

John R. Mathis, King.

D. N. Jones, Scribe.

E. W. Stone, Secretary.

Jno. H. Wilburn, Treasurer.

The appointive offices have been named as follows:

J. Frost Walker, Jr., Captain of Host. (C. H.)

R. P. Harry, P. S.

Jas. H. Hope, R. A. C.

Chas. W. Goforth, Master 3rd V.

Chas. B. Counts, Master 2nd V.

Thos. L. Estes, Master 1st V.

PRIZE FOR BEST WINDOW.

The Union Chamber of Commerce, under the leadership of Secretary A. G. Kennedy, has offered to the merchants of Union a prize for the best window display. The prize will be \$10.00 for the best and \$5.00 for the second best decoration. The contest is to come off Tuesday evening, Dec. 21, and the stores will be open that evening up to 10 o'clock. This is a sort of "White Way" celebration and is meant to encourage the storekeepers in their commendable efforts towards displaying their goods.

VAUGHN-PALMER.

Miss Maud Palmer and Mr. W. S. Vaughn, Jr., of Adamsburg, this county, were quietly married at the residence of Rev. L. L. Wagon, the officiating minister, in this city, Friday afternoon, December 10th, 1915.

DEATH OF A GOOD WOMAN.

Jonesville, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Henry Sproue died at her home three miles south of Jonesville this morning after suffering several days with pneumonia and heart trouble. She was 58 years of age and leaves a husband and eight children from three years old up to 17. Mrs. Sproue was a faithful member of New Hope church and a fine worker in the church and Sunday school. The remains will be interred tomorrow in the family plot at New Hope. Telephone.

CLARK CLOTHING COMPANY MOVES ONE DOOR WEST.

The Clark Clothing company will, on January 1, move one door west from the present location; that is, will move into the storeroom now occupied by the Haille Shoe company.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING.

The offering for the Church Home Orphanage at York will be taken on Sunday, Dec. 19th, at the Church of the Nativity, and every member of the parish is urged to bring or send a contribution.

Mrs. J. W. Mixson, Chm. Committee.

Secretary of Navy, Assistant Secretary of War and Chairman of House Committee on Naval Affairs Stir Hearers at Great Charleston Gathering—Speakers Declare That Preparedness is Necessary in South's Development—Urge Military and Naval Needs.

Charleston, Dec. 15.—The note of adequate military and naval preparedness as necessary for the fullest development of the South and the nation, the avowed object of the Southern Commercial congress in session here, was the key to today's sessions when the congress, turning from the subject of world peace generally, devoted "national defense day" to a discussion of measures by which the United States might be safeguarded for its true pursuit of ideals and aspirations.

To strike this chord the congress authorities had brought to Charleston a trio of speakers intimately associated with the problems of national defense. Secretary Daniels of the navy department, Assistant Secretary Breckinridge of the war department and Lemuel P. Padgett, congressman from Tennessee and chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, expounded this pressing topic of the day from their viewpoints.

Mr. Padgett in ringing logic assailed critics of the navy department, citing reports and figures to show that man for men and ship for ship the American navy is the equal, or superior, of any other and that under the administration of Secretary Daniels the personnel and material of the navy had improved to a notable degree. His severe characterizations of the ignorant or malicious critics of the secretary struck a responsive chord in the minds of his audience, as was attested by applause of his refutation and argument.

Mr. Daniels' theme was "The South and the Navy." In the course of his speech he touched on the interest of the South in a greater navy, the building up of a merchant marine in consonance with the increase in the sea power of the nation. He spoke often of South Carolina's part in the past glories of the navy and of the part her sons today are playing in maintaining the sea forces of the nation at a high pitch of excellence.

Mr. Breckinridge, speaking for his chief, who was unavoidably detained, explained the continental army system proposed by the administration and declared that one of three things must be accepted—a voluntary system, conscription or national helplessness and humiliation. He proposed the continental army plan as the best solution of the problem.

Senator B. R. Tillman followed with a few words of good will to the people of Charleston and then the great morning session adjourned the peace and defense idea to be further emphasized by the parade of 4,000 bluejackets, marines, coast artillerymen, naval militia, citizen soldiers and the trim, gray clad youths from the Military College of South Carolina.

The Artillery hall was packed to the doors for the morning session with Senator Tillman presiding. Senator Tillman, chairman of the senate naval affairs committee, was present, as was Gov. Manning, together with other celebrities in various lines. In the gallery in the rear was the Citadel band, which opened the program with selections. Close to the front were seated the girls of the Confederate Home college, behind them were the gray clad cadets of the Citadel. Delegates to the commercial congress and citizens filled the remainder of the hall.

Charleston, Dec. 15.—Marching in ordered ranks through the streets of Charleston, which aforesaid have echoed and reechoed to the bursting of hostile shells, when the "Swamp Angel" barked from its lonely pit in the marshy lands by the sea, nearly 4,000 men of varied arms of the service gave to delegates to the Southern Commercial congress and visitors an impressive demonstration of the practical appearance of a nation's defense force. Doubly fitting was the setting of the parade, with the gray hulks of the battleships looming silent in the harbor as symbols of the force which will preserve inviolate the coasts of the country and with a host of earnest men gather from all parts of the South as guests of the city which today saw the soldiers and sailors pass through its streets.

The combined military and naval parade was the crowning symbolic touch which marked a day devoted to consideration of the imminent problems of the nation's safety from outside interference.