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The Johnson-Binga Wedding the Most Elaborate and the Most Fashionable.

IN THE HISTORY OF THE AFRO-AMERICAN RACE IN THE MIDDLE WEST, OR IN AN OTHER SECTION OF THE COUNTRY.

REV. E. T. MARTIN, PASTOR OF BETHESDA BAPTIST CHURCH, ASSISTED BY REV. A. BINGA, OF RICHMOND, VA., TIED THE MATRIMONIAL KNOT GOOD AND TIGHT.

THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY AND RECEPTION WERE ATTENDED BY MANY OF THE BEST AND MOST PROMINENT CITIZENS.

THE RICHLY AND ELEGANTLY FURNISHED HOME OF THE NEWLY MARRIED COUPLE WAS LAVISHLY DECORATED WITH EVERGREENS, CARNATIONS AND PALMS AND BRILLIANTLY ILLUMINATED THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE HOUSE.

THE MATERIAL FOR THE BRIDE'S GOWN WAS IMPORTED FROM PARIS, FRANCE, AND IT WAS THE EMBODIMENT OF THE HIGHEST CREATION OF THE MODISTE'S ART.

FERULLO'S BAND AND TOMASO'S ORCHESTRA DISCOURSED THE FINEST CLASSICAL MUSIC THROUGHOUT THE EVENING.

MANY RARE AND VERY EXPENSIVE PRESENTS RECEIVED BY THE BRIDE AND GROOM.

On Tuesday evening, February 20, Miss Eudora Johnson, was united in marriage to Mr. Jesse Binga, at their palatial home, 3324 Vernon avenue, and without the least exaggeration it was the most elaborate and the most fashionable wedding ever held in the history of the Afro-American race, in this city, or middle West, or in any other section of the country.

Rev. E. T. Martin, pastor of Bethesda Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. A. Binga, of Richmond, Va., cousin of the groom, tied the matrimonial knot good and tight, shortly after half past seven o'clock.

Mrs. Louisa A. Ray was the matron of honor, and Mr. Vance Anderson was the best man. A few minutes prior to eight o'clock the bridal and reception party wended its way to the dining room to enjoy a short repast and to sample the bride's cake.

Promptly at eight o'clock the bridal and reception party formed in line in the spacious front parlor, and it was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Binga, Mrs. Louisa A. Ray, Miss Cecelia Johnson, Mr. Vance Anderson, Prof. Pedro T. Tinsley, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mead. Mr. Julius N. Avendorph presented the guests to the bridal and reception party. The marriage ceremony and the reception were attended by many of the best and most prominent citizens.

The bride's dress was made of Marie Antoinette gold and white brocade silk, cut low and with a bodice of heavy embroidered silver leaves, edged with a heavy silver tassel. The train was 5 yards long, trimmed effectively with silver leaves. The material and trimming were imported from Paris, France, and it was the highest embodiment of the modiste's art.

Mrs. Ray's gown was of silver gray satin, with an overdress of gray chiffon, trimmed in silver and electric blue palettes. The latter were worked in palm leaf design. The corsage had a fringe of silver net, edged with glass bead fringe on the right side and on the left chiffon, embroidered in a rose pattern, held down with a silver bead tassel.

Miss Cecelia Johnson was gowned in pink crepe de meteor, draped with pink chiffon. The crystal bodice was edged with crystal fringe and held up with pink and green rosebuds.

Mrs. Edward Mead was costumed in a gown of yellow marquisette, brocaded over Marbour, pearl trimmings.

In fact, all the ladies and gentlemen attending this more than brilliant social function, were more than up-to-date in every way, in their costumes, and at no time in the past in Chicago, among the Afro-Americans, has so much elegance and well gowned ladies and gentlemen gathered under one roof.

The richly and elegantly furnished home of the newly married couple was

lavishly decorated with evergreens, palms and pink carnations, from the billiard parlor in the basement to the last room on the second floor. The 12 rooms in their more than spacious mansion, which far surpasses the homes of the vast majority of the wealthiest Afro-Americans in any section of the United States, and it will more than favorably compare with the fine homes of many of the wealthy whites in this city and in the various other parts of this country, was brilliantly illuminated throughout the entire house.

Pink being the prevailing color, the bridal table, which was a dream of artistic beauty was also profusely decorated with lovely pink roses and other pink ornamentals. The large bridal cake, which was designed by Thomas H. Brawley, 3617 Calumet avenue, the coming caterer, was one of the neatest and prettiest ever witnessed at any similar function. It was illuminated with two large raised letters, "J.-B."

Completely hidden behind tall palms in the library, Ferullo's Band and Tomaso's Orchestra discoursed the very finest and the sweetest classical music throughout the evening.

The following are some of the many of the best citizens who were in evidence at the wedding and reception: Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Rosh N. Yerby, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Holloway, Dr. and Mrs. A. Wilberforce Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. King and Mrs. Maxwell, Mr. D. C. Smith, Dr. U. G. Dailey, Mr. and Mrs. Will Washington, of Boston, Mass., Mrs. Mable Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Waring, Mrs. Arthur A. Wells, Mr. F. C. Wespatal, Mr. William H. Wharton, Mr. R. S. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. William Ousley, Mr. George Ecton, Mrs. S. S. Paul, Mr. Hugh Buchanan, Mrs. Martha E. Gray, Mrs. Mattie Johnson-Young, Mr. and Mrs. William Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. French, Mrs. G. E. Duncan and Mrs. George E. Duncan, Jr., Prof. and Mrs. Pedro T. Tinsley, Miss Vivian Harsh and Mr. F. William Harsh, Jr., Miss Ida Taylor, Miss Elenora Green, Mr. W. H. Curd, Mrs. John R. Marshall and Miss Essie Arnold, Mr. A. C. Brown, Mrs. R. L. Collins and Miss Myrtle Collins, Mrs. Jordan Chavis, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Buford, Mr. and Mrs. S. Laing Williams, Mr. George H. Jackson, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Jenifer, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. White and Miss Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Lewis, Mr. J. H. Morgan, Miss Bernice Kennedy, Miss Garnetta Tibbs, Mr. Nathan Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Collins. Mr. Collins is assistant secretary of the Union Trust Company, Tribune Building, and he represented the white bankers at the wedding.

Mr. George H. Roth, merchant tailor, ing business and a member of the opposite race. Mrs. Ernest Ambrose Bunn and Miss Mionah Bunn, Mr. Julius T.



HON. HUGO PAM.

One of the new Judges of the Superior Court, who is held in the highest esteem by the vast majority of the lawyers in this city, who claim that Judge Pam is always fair in deciding points of law, either in their favor or against them.

Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Hudson, Mrs. J. E. W. Thomas, Mr. George Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hall.

Telegrams of congratulations were received from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robinson, of Saginaw, Mich., and from other friends residing in other parts of the country.

Many rare and very expensive presents were received by the bride and groom, as indicated by the following: Mrs. L. A. Ray—Cut glass punch-bowl, glasses and tray.

Miss Cecelia Johnson—Imported pearl and lace fan.
Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Tinsley—Gold berry spoon.
Mrs. Angie E. Smith—Lace handkerchiefs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shipnes—Cut glass mustard bowl.
Mr. Anderson Brodie—1/2 dozen cut glasses.

Miss Hattie Nugent—Cut glass fern dish.
H. J. Buchanan and Mother—Hand painted picture.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Curd—Cut glass olive dish.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Duncan, Jr.—Hand painted jardiner.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis—Bath rug.
Mr. Geo. Ecton—Bed-spread.
Mrs. M. A. Bond—Sofa pillow.
Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Paul—Water tray.
Rev. and Mrs. A. Binga, Richmond, Va.—Table linen.

Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Majors—Individual cup and saucer.
Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Collins and Family—Cut glass celery dish.
Miss Mary West—Hand painted plate.
Mrs. M. E. Gray—Hand painted vase.
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lowe, Detroit, Mich.—Cut glass water set.

George Thompson—Silver bread tray.
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hall—Cut glass flower vase.
F. C. Wespatal—Silver crumb set.
E. Leslie Kennedy—Hand painted vase.

N. E. Caldwell—Silver olive spoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Vance Anderson—Hall picture.
Mrs. Garnea and Dailey—Cut glass berry dish.

Julius F. Taylor—Leather bound book, Sir Walter Scott's poems.
W. H. Whorton—Pearl handled berry spoon.
Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Williams, Miss

Garnetta Tibbs—Cut glass creamer and sugar bowl.
Mr. and Mrs. Ellie Smith—Hand painted sugar bowl.
Miss Whitfield—Hand painted tea set.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Jenifer—Silver baking dish.
D. C. Smith—Silver napkin rings and salt shakers.
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kay—Carving set.
Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Waring—Hand painted water tray.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hudson—Hand painted tea set.
Mrs. J. W. E. Thomas and Family—Hand painted vase.
Mrs. F. E. Cook—Hand painted plate.
Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Duncan—Linen table cover.

Mrs. J. R. French—Hand made handkerchief.
Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Martin—Pearl berry spoon.
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. White—Cut glass berry bowl.

Mrs. Louise Washington—Hand painted plate.
Mrs. John R. Marshall and Miss Essie Arnold—Bronze water tray.
Mrs. Chas. Davis—Battenberg scarf.

Mrs. A. T. Cooper—Line table cover.
Mrs. William Emanuel, an elegant Silver Bon Bon dish and Drawn work. Sisters of Good Sheppard, 49th and Prairie ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Binga, will take no wedding trip at the present time, later on they will do so, they are and will be at home to their hosts of friends at the number mentioned at the beginning of this article, and the writer joins with their numerous other well wishers, in wishing them unbounded joy and happiness throughout their married life.

REV. A. BINGA RETURNS TO HIS HOME IN RICHMOND VIRGINIA.

Rev. A. Binga, cousin of banker Jesse Binga, who is a second Booker T. Washington, in his part of the South, returned to his home Wednesday, Richmond, Va., after a short visit to this city, especially, to participate in the Johnson-Binga wedding.

The Rev. Binga was much pleased with his first visit to Chicago, and with its many enterprising citizens that he had the pleasure of greeting.

The Bates-Emanuel Wedding Was A Most Brilliant Affair.

THE CHARMING BRIDE, MISS JESSIE BARTLETT BATES, WAS GIVEN AWAY BY HER FATHER, HENRY WARD BEECHER BATES.

MANY ELEGANTLY GOWNED LADIES AND PROMINENT CITIZENS WERE PRESENT TO WITNESS THE CEREMONY.

BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE WEDDING AND RECEPTION, BY JAMES A. MUNDY.

The spacious auditorium of Bethel Church was the scene of one of the most beautiful wedding ceremonies on Tuesday evening, February 20th, 1912, that it has been the opportunity of Chicago to behold, long before seven o'clock an endless stream of humanity wended its way to this stately edifice until standing room was not even obtainable.

The altar of the church was fittingly decorated in white and an elaborate array of stately palms made a magnificent background. The simplicity of the decorations showed splendid taste.

At 7:45 the immense throng was hushed to stillness by the sweet strains of Prof. Elgar's violin. It was accompanied by Miss Hunt. "O, Promise Me" was sweetly sung by Mr. George Garner, Jr., and the splendid manner of the rendition seemed to prepare the vast throng for the solemnity of the occasion. Miss Hunt played "Sanctus" as an organ solo. This number was a fitting climax to the musical offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. William Emanuel and the family of the bride were seated in the front row. The reserved section which was occupied by special guests.

The great tones of the organ were heard to peal forth, "Here Comes the Bride," while Dr. D. P. Roberts was in his place at the altar. The wedding process was then on! First came the ushers: Messrs. Melville Mitchell, Macon Huggins and Frank Edwards; the ribbon bearers followed, the Misses Dorothy and Delores Scurlock; the bride's maids, Misses Mabel Wright, Grace Jones and Ruth Young; the maid of honor, Miss Hazel Jones; the ring bearer, Miss Verneda Briggs; the flower girl, little Miss Jaunita Emanuel; the bride, Miss Jessie Bartlett Bates, and the groom, Mr. Floyd Sanders Emanuel, entered from the east parlor with his brother, Harrison Emanuel, who was the best man.

During the ceremony Miss Hunt played very softly, "If I Forget," on the organ. The thrilling tones of Mendelssohn's wedding march was heard and the wedding party left the church and wended its way to the residence of the bride, where the brilliant reception was held.

The bride wore an elegant gown of crepe meteor trimmed with spangled beads, lilies of the valley and it had a long panel in the back. The veil was of the richest material. The bride carried a magnificent bouquet of white roses and lilies.

The maid of honor wore a gown of blue satin, beaded on one side and trimmed with Persian lace. The head dress was beaded net. Flowers—pink roses.

Miss Grace Jones wore a gown of pink crepe meteor and marquisette. She carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Miss Ruth Young wore a gown of pink satin. Flowers—pink roses.

Miss Mabel Wright wore a gown of white embroidered veil. She carried pink roses.

The Reception. The reception was held at the residence of the bride, 2972 Dearborn St. The elite of Chicago were present to extend their hearty congratulations and best wishes. Mr. William Brown at the piano and Prof. Elgar with his violin rendered fitting music. Delightful refreshments in lavish abundance were served to each guest.

The following were observed among those present: Mrs. M. L. Manning, Mrs. Forest Clinksale, Mrs. Frye, Mrs. J. Gray Lucas, Mrs. Marie Burtou-Hyram, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Edw. H. Wright, Mrs. Hattie Wolridge, Mrs. F. J. Guinea, Mrs. Luella Wicks, Misses Ada Lou and Ethel Mitchell, Pearl Mayo, Miss Bertha Moseley, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Birch, Miss Betteola Fortson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Anderson, Mrs. W. H. Hayman and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Evans.

The following were among the most handsomely costumed ladies present at the wedding: Mrs. R. F. Moseley, Blue messaline and diamonds.
Mrs. Scurlock, royal blue marquisette
Mrs. Mattie Thornton, pink tulle trimmed in gold lace and diamonds.
Mrs. Henry Young, white broad cloth.
Mrs. Wm. Emanuel, ashes of roses, chiffon with silver bead trimmings and silver lace.
Mrs. Thomas Allen, cream chiffon over satin and broad head trimming, low.
Mrs. J. H. Mayo, gray broad cloth trimmed with hand made lace.
Mrs. H. Williams, hand embroidered gray chiffon.
Mrs. Pearl Reed, lavender messaline, bead trimmings and diamonds.
Mrs. C. J. Martin, green chiffon, gold band trimmings and venice lace.

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel being very popular in the younger social set, they received many costly and beautiful presents and they are at home to their troops of friends at 5649 Grove ave.

HEALTH NOTES.

Did you air out the house this morning?

If you open your windows for the fresh air you will not be so likely to open your pocket book for the doctor and the undertaker.

Here are some good rules that, if properly observed, will contribute to community health and comfort:

1. Protect all growing things except noxious weeds and bad habits.
2. Protect and respect others' property as you would your own.
3. Keep your back yard as clean and beautiful as you do your front yard.
4. Love and protect the birds and plant trees for them to live in and rear their young.
5. Do not spit in any public place such as on sidewalks, street cars or on the floor of any building.

Evil conditions made public are soonest corrected. And this will apply to both physical and moral sanitation.

The factory with poor ventilation, dirty, dust-laden air, filthy, uncleaned-for toilets and bad lighting facilities, cannot turn out as much work nor of so good a quality as will the factory whose equipment in these respects is up to the latest and best-approved sanitary standards.

If you still have the hibernating habit, cut it out and get the ventilating habit.