

CROSS'S COLUMN

A turkey was given away at the Negro school on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. It was won by a little colored boy slightly smaller than the turkey itself. The lucky youngster was so excited over winning that somehow he lost his hold on it and it escaped. At last hearing, he was still trying to catch it . . . to him we offer congratulations, sympathy, and the wish that he catch the bird at least in time for Christmas.

While not given to prophecy, "God Bless America" ought to be the National Anthem about five years from now. Keep an ear out for it.

WORTH REPEATING from a radio program:

It used to be that the three monkeys were reputed to say, "Speak No Evil, See No Evil, Hear No Evil"

But now it's: "Pipe Down, Don't Look Now, and That Ain't The Way I Heerd It."

LAMENT

I've cut out the sweets and the starch and the fat, I've cut out the milkshakes and bread and all that, I've cut out potatoes and water at meals,

I live only on grapefruit and tangerine peels; I'd rather be dead, but that's no excuse, My friends are all thin, so I gotta reduce.

I've tried all the stunts and the trick exercise, Tho bending and touching the floor I despise,

I've tried all the samples, and read all the ads, I've bought the machines and the electrical pads,

I've said the right words and thought the right things, I've held to my temper like Egypt's old Sphinx.

I've done my full share of it all for a week,

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Barber - Applewhite

In a ceremony of solemnity and charm, Miss Ida Shaw Applewhite became the bride of William Lawrence Barber Thursday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock in the Halifax Methodist Church, with the Rev. W. Carlton Wilson of Rowland, former pastor of the bride, officiating.

The church was beautifully decorated with floor baskets of white chrysanthemums against a background of graduated pines and ferns, and lighted by cathedral tapers in graduated candelabra.

Prior to the ceremony a program of nuptial music was given by Mrs. Edward L. Travis, Sr., pianist, and Miss Cecil P. Butts, soloist. The bridal chorus from Lohengrin was used as the processional. "Ave Maria" by Schubert was softly played during the ceremony and the bridal party left the church to the strains of the Wedding March from "Midsummer Night's Dream" by Mendelssohn.

Ushers were C. H. Boykins, Fletcher Gregory, Jr., of Halifax, Edward Breen of Phillipsburg, N. J., and Boon Grant of Garysburg. The bridegroom was attended by Harvey Jenkinson of Phillipsburg, N. J. and Charlotte, as best man.

The bride's only attendants were her sisters, Miss Elizabeth Applewhite, of Apex, and Miss Geneva Applewhite, as maid of honor and junior maid.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father. Her wedding gown was of white faille taffeta, fashioned Victorian princess style, with Grecian neckline outlined with trapunta embroidery. The long sleeves featured sprays of trapunta above the elbow, fitting below and ending in a point over the hand.

The skirt extended into a long circular train. The full length veil fell from a coronet of tiny seed pearls and she carried a showered colonial bouquet of white roses.

Mrs. Applewhite, mother of the bride, wore viking blue crepe with hat and accessories of black and her flowers were a shoulder spray of gardenias.

The bridegroom's mother was gowned in steel blue with black accessories and her flowers were also a shoulder spray of gardenias.

So I'll jump on the scales and I'll venture a peek:

Well! Thanks to my leaping and hopping and bounds, I've starved me to death and gained twenty-six pounds!

"A fellow tells a story about a preacher's seven year old daughter who went into her father's study while he was writing. She says what are you writing, and he says he was writing a sermon. And she says how do you know what to write, and he says the Lord tells him what to write. And she watches him for a while and says well then if the Lord tells you what to write, why do you scratch out so much of it?"

Chatter.

NOTE TO AN EX-GYROMANTIC IN ROANOKE RAPIDS: With you to guide people's footsteps to the mountains of Western N. C. and yours truly to entice them to the seacoast of Eastern N. C., we'll soon depopulate the middle portion of our state. Maybe we'd better start thinking up ways to get them back there again. Anyway, here goes for the enticing part:

The coast is even more colorful in the fall than in the summer. The water's a deeper blue; the sunsets more vivid. Daytimes the seagulls fly across the cloudless sky, or circle around the grey mast-heads of the inland waterway boats.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to thank our many friends, especially the Spinning Department of Patterson Mill, for their kindness and for the beautiful floral offering given during our recent bereavement of our brother, Mr. G. D. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Fahey and children spent Sunday in Hamilton with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bowers.

Charles Laughton in Jamaica Inn At Pitts Sunday

For one day day, Sunday, Dec. 10th, the Pitts Theatre in Emporia offers that outstanding actor—Charles Laughton, in "Jamaica Inn", the greatest picture in his career.

Playing Monday and Tuesday is Randolph Scott, Ralph Bellamy, and Frances Dee in "Coast Guard".

Wednesday and Thursday brings us the romantic-comedy hit of the year, "Bachelor Mother", starring Ginger Rogers and David Niven, with Charles Coburn and an excellent supporting cast.

Gene Autry and Smiley Burnette, you favorite western stars, come to the Pitts Friday and Saturday in their newest musical hit—"Mexicali Rose". On the same program will be another chapter of that thrilling serial, "Daredevils of the Red Circle".

Mrs. Barber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lawrence Applewhite of Halifax. She is a graduate of Weldon High School and of the Duke Hospital School of Nursing, Durham, where she was president of the nurses student government and a member of Alpha Phi sorority.

Mr. Barber is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Shandor Barber of Phillipsburg, N. J. He is a graduate of the school of engineering at Duke University and is now connected with the Duke Power Company in Charlotte.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Applewhite entertained at a buffet supper for the bridal party and out-of-town guests.

Later in the evening the couple left for a wedding trip to unannounced points, the bride wearing a three piece suit of harvest wine with trimmings of gray fox and blouse of white satin.

Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Barber will be at home in Charlotte.

H. S. To Present Xmas Story Sun.

A Christmas program, consisting of a dramatized Christmas story accompanied by the singing of Christmas Carols, will be presented to the public by the dramatic department and the glee clubs of the Roanoke Rapids High School Sunday afternoon at 4:00, in the high school auditorium. The production will be under the direction of Miss Jane Gaw and T. L. Martin.

The public is invited to attend the services and participate in the singing. A silver offering will be taken after the program.

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