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LITTON-CONNOR WEDDING.

One of the most beautiful home weddings that has ever taken place in the Gap was the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Donaldson Connor, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Connor, to Mr. John Wingfield Litton, of Norton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Filmore Litton, of Dot, Lee County, Wednesday evening at six o'clock.

The impressive ring ceremony was used by Rev. W. N. Wagner, the officiating minister.

The color scheme of yellow and green was carried out very effectively in the decorations in the rooms of the whole lower floor by beautiful potted palms and hot house ferns, yellow candles in crystal candelabras, soft yellow shaded chandeliers festooned with strands of southern smilax, yellow and white French baskets, the handles being twined with yellow tulle and smilax filled with gorgeous giant yellow chrysanthemums.

Streamers of yellow tulle tied to small white posts formed the aisle to the improvised altar in the parlor over which was an arch of smilax and a large bell of white chrysanthemums, back of which were palms and baskets of yellow chrysanthemums.

Miss Janet Bailey, tastefully dressed in white organdie over yellow with yellow accessories carrying an arm bouquet of sun burst roses, received the guests at the door.

Before the entrance of the bridal party, Miss Nemo Vineyard, beautifully dressed in green taffeta, played a selection on the piano, after which Miss Olga Horton, tastefully dressed in yellow taffeta, sang "I Love You Truly", both wearing corsages of sun burst roses. Then to the beautiful strains from Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus the bridal party entered the room, Mr. John Litton with his best man, Mr. James Fleming, of Norton, then Little Miss Louise Holton, beautifully dressed in white organdie with green ribbons, and Master Charles Connor III, dressed in white broad cloth, entered and untied the tulle ribbon leading to the altar, followed by Master Charles Pierpont, nephew of the bride, dressed in white broadcloth, carrying the ring in a large yellow chrysanthemum. Little Misses Elizabeth Pierpont and Janet Gilmer, nieces of the bride and groom, the flower girls, beautifully dressed in white organdie wearing yellow ribbons, entered, scattering rose petals from little white baskets. Then entered the maid of honor, Miss Mary Connor, sister of the bride, who was beautiful in an exquisite dress of green taffeta combined with green tulle and silver cloth wearing silver slippers and a halo hat of green tulle carrying an arm bouquet of specimen chrysanthemums, followed by the bride, Miss Elizabeth Connor, on the arm of her brother, Mr. Chas. Connor, Jr., of Marytown, W. Va., who gave her in marriage. The bride was dressed in a handsome midnight blue chiffon broadcloth suit with mole skin trimmings with blue accessories, carrying a shower bouquet of brides roses and lilies of the valley. Her only ornament being a platinum bar pin set with diamonds and pearls, the gift of the groom.

Immediately after the ceremony a beautiful reception was given the guests in the dining room, where Mrs. I. C. Taylor presided at the punch bowl and Misses Ketta Thompson, Florence McCormick and Harding, dressed in evening dresses, served the guests delicious green and yellow brick ice cream and heart and diamond shaped green iced cakes.

An elaborate seven course dinner was served the bridal party and immediate families of the contracting parties at the home of Mrs. J. H. Pierpont, a sister of the bride. The centerpiece for the bride's table being a yellow basket of sun burst roses on a Mexican hand made luncheon cloth over yellow surrounded by smilax and yellow shaded candles in crystal holders. Much merriment was caused in the cutting of the

beautiful bride's cake in which were the symbols.

The bride's gifts to her attendants were unique sterling silver bouquet pins.

Amid a shower of rice and good wishes the happy young couple left on the L. & N. train for San Antonio, Texas, and cities enroute, where the brides parents are spending the winter. After December 15th Mr. and Mrs. Litton will be at home at Norton, Va., where Mr. Litton is vice-president and cashier of a bank.

Mr. John Newman Weds Miss Janie Slemple Thursday.

A wedding, beautiful in its simplicity, and of interest throughout the States of Virginia and Kentucky, was that of Miss Susan Janie Slemple, sister of Congressman C. Bascom Slemple, and daughter of the late Congressman and Mrs. Campbell Slemple, to Mr. John Wesley Newman, of Versailles, Ky., last Thursday afternoon at the Slemple residence on Poplar Hill at four-thirty o'clock in the presence of only a very few friends and relatives. Rev. W. N. Wagner, pastor of the Methodist Church, South, here, of which the bride is a member, was the officiating minister. The only attendants were Congressman C. B. Slemple, who gave his sister in marriage, and Mr. Wade Hampton, of Versailles, Ky., step-son of Mr. Newman's, who was best man. The bride wore a handsome dark blue velour cloth traveling suit and wore a corsage of lilies of the valley and roses.

Following the wedding at five o'clock Congressman Slemple gave a very enjoyable and informal reception at the home to a large number of friends. The guests were received in the hall by Miss Rosa Pridemore, Mrs. Anna Slemple Myers, Mr. Wise Slemple and Congressman Slemple.

The whole lower floor of the home was made very attractive with baskets and vases of yellow and white giant chrysanthemums and masses of mountain holly. In the dining room the walls were covered with spruce and the yellow shaded chandeliers were draped with strands of myrtle reaching to the four corners of the room. The center piece for the table, on which was a Philippine hand made and filet luncheon cloth, was the bride's cake, on top of which were candied bride's roses and streamers, surrounded by silver candle holders holding yellow candles and cut glass vases filled with sun burst roses, cut glass nappies filled with yellow and white mints and salted nuts.

Mrs. L. O. Pettit, Mrs. E. E. Goodloe, Mrs. J. W. Kelly and Miss Minnie Fox assisted in the dining room in serving the guests punch, a delicious salad course and an ice course. The ices being in the shape of apples, lemons, oranges, grapes and baskets on the top of which were bride's roses. An individual heart shaped cakes on the top of which were little yellow candy roses. Miss Pauline Park, of Frankfort, Ky., and Miss Sarah Cochran presided at the punch bowl in the dining room.

After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Newman motored to Appalachia, where they boarded the L. & N. for Chicago and other points, where they will spend two weeks, after which they will return to Versailles, Ky.

The out of town guests present were: Mrs. Greear, of Chilhowie; Mrs. C. Park and daughter, Miss Park, of Frankfort, Ky.; J. M. McGavock, of Wytheville; Wade Hampton, of Versailles, Ky.; A. P. Crockett, of Coeburn; Dr. J. P. Edmonds and two sons, Jimmie and Campbell, of Middleboro; J. A. G. Hyatt, of Jonesville; Dr. and Mrs. Hagy, of Inman; Misses Dare and McGregor, of Parkersburg, W. Va.; W. T. Alsover, of Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. James Richmond, of Gate City; Joe Tate and Auburn Hamblen, of the Cove, and Miss Kate Cherry, of Norton.

From town those present were: Misses Minnie Fox, Mary Ramsey, Lucy Hiner, Parlee Bickley, Sarah Cochran, Janet Bailey, Caroline Rhoads, Jess McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. E. Drennen, Mr. and Mrs. R.

T. Irvine, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Goodloe, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Goodloe, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Morison, Mrs. Henry Morison, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Prescott, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pierpont, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Pierson, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gilmer, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Mouser, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Fox, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Graber, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Rhoads, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Alcover, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Winston, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Witt, Mrs. Mary Taggart, Mrs. Helen Foster, Mrs. W. T. Goodloe, Mrs. G. N. Knight, Mrs. W. R. Peck, Mrs. W. G. Painter, Mrs. Sally A. Bailey, Mrs. J. W. Fox, Mrs. Marvin Kelly, Mrs. Mary Ramsey, Mrs. J. W. Draper and children, Mrs. G. C. Gilmer, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Kelly, R. R. Casper, J. B. Ayers and Hugh Carnes.

Card Party and Dance for Visitors.

Miss Maude Wolfe and brother, Peter Wolfe, Jr., gave a very delightful card party and dance at the hospitable home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wolfe, Friday night from eight-thirty to twelve-thirty in honor of their house guests, Miss Florence Saunders, of Bedford, Miss Mary Bayes, of Dante, and Miss Zolie Martin, of Norton.

Beautiful ferns and vases filled with pink and white roses and carnations were used in the decorations of the parlor and reception hall, while in the dining room the decorations were very appropriate to Thanksgiving. The center piece for the table being a large French basket filled with fruit surrounded by tiny pumpkins, in favor of this delightful occasion on a turkey bordered luncheon cloth, while streamers of autumn leaves from the shaded chandeliers to the table, lent a very festive appearance. Appropriate talley cards assigned the guests to the card tables, where Hearts were played, at which Miss Virginia Beverly won the prize for the ladies, a box of gift edge correspondent cards, and Mr. Will Nickels the gentlemen's prize, a satin coat hanger. After the games the floors were cleared for dancing, music being furnished by an Edison Disc.

At the close of the evening a delicious luncheon was served, consisting of chicken salad, fruit salad, cheese balls, olives, stuffed dates, butter thin biscuits and sandwiches, followed by ice cream, fruit and chocolate cake. The ice cream being served in the shape of turkeys and chrysanthemums, then salted nuts and mints were served.

Those who were present at this delightful affair were: Misses Florence Saunders, Mary Bayes, Zolie Martin, Nemo Vineyard, Roberta Buck, Sarah Cochran, Caroline Rhoads, Jess McCormick, Virginia Beverly, Janet Bailey, Florence McCormick, Maude Wolfe and Mrs. M. R. McCormick, Messrs. Cruse, Phillips, Marks, Wm. Lassiter, V. Morgan, W. H. Nickels, Jr., Lane Miller, R. R. Casper, J. L. McLemore and Peter Wolfe, Jr.

Announcement Party.

Mrs. M. R. McCormick was the delightful hostess at a sewing party to a number of her friends at her home Friday afternoon from three-thirty to six in honor of the announcement of the engagement of Miss Mary Louise Carnes to Mr. Joseph Crill, the wedding to take place January the first.

At the close of the afternoon napkins were passed, hidden in which was the above announcement on hand painted cards, and a delicious salad course as served followed by black coffee, to the guests on small tables, who were: Misses Myrtle and Gladys Wolfe, Mary and Margaret Carnes, Nemo Vineyard, Claribel Lockett, Thelma Baker, Roberta Buck, Florence McCormick, Jess and Clara McCormick, Virginia Beverly, Janet Bailey, Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. H. S. Benjamin.

LEE-WISE NATIONAL FARM LOAN ASSOCIATION

A large number of farmers of Lee and Wise Counties met at the office of General R. A. Ayers in Big Stone Gap last Saturday and united in a preliminary organization of a National Farm Loan Association.

Those present subscribed for loans amounting to twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000.00) and for stock in the Association amounting to fourteen hundred dollars (\$1,400.00) every member being required to subscribe to the stock to the amount of five percent of the loan wanted.

The meeting decided not to proceed to the election of a board of directors and other of officers until further opportunity had been given other farmers to come and join the association, but to postpone this election until Saturday, December 16th, 1916, to which time the meeting adjourned.

All farmers of Lee and Wise Counties desiring to become members of the association, and participate in the permanent organization are cordially invited to attend. All who joined the association Saturday should be present to acknowledge the articles of association.

A circular letter has been prepared fully explaining the act of congress and requirements to be complied with in forming associations, and setting forth the benefits to be derived therefrom which may be had on application to General R. A. Ayers.

\$255.00 Pledged to Build Union Church.

At a meeting held at Ayers Chapel last Wednesday night the committee to solicit financial aid reported that \$255.00 had been pledged with which to build a Union Church near the furnace. Some of the money has been paid already. It is their aim to get \$800.00 to build the church, probably more, the material to be furnished at cost.

Talks were made by several people interested in the movement and it was the unanimous opinion that enough money could be raised to build a church adequate to hold the people.

Rev. W. J. Goff preached at the chapel Sunday night and all available space was occupied, some being forced to stand up. Many others either went home or stayed on the outside. This shows how badly the people at the furnace need a church and the interest that they take in church affairs. The chapel is inadequate in every way for it is too small, can't be heated sufficiently and has many other defects.

The finance committee asks the aid of all and contributions will be gladly received, no matter how small. When the furnace goes into operation this will add many people to this vicinity and they need a better church. Any one desiring to contribute can see either Mrs. M. J. Hoff, of Appalachia; H. C. Hamilton, of East Stone Gap; Mrs. Lane, Miss Mary Whitte, Miss Naomi Goff, P. H. and R. E. Kennedy, Rev. J. M. Smith, Miss Lula Moore or H. C. Wallace, of Big Stone Gap, who will gladly receive contributions.

Surprise Party.

A number of young boys and girls gave Miss Helen McCormick an enjoyable surprise in the form of a party Friday night at her home.

After playing "Consequence", Consie Come, and other games they went into the dining room where they ate the refreshments they brought along as a part of the surprise.

Those in the party were: Misses Elizabeth Sprinkle, Elsie Taylor, Juliet Knight and Fannie Ray. They boys were: Dan Pierson, Clifford Smith, Jordan and William Goodloe.

FOR SALE.

I have for sale the old dummy railroad ties that will make good kindling wood at \$1.50 per load delivered.

Compton's Livery Stable. 47-50. Phone 105.

Radford Normal Notes.

Dr. R. T. Wyche, President of the American Story Teller's League and Editor of the National Story Teller's Magazine, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at the Normal School delivering lectures and discussing with students and teachers the work of the Story Teller's Club.

Prof. W. E. Gilbert has returned from a trip to East Tennessee State Normal at Johnson City and Milligan College where he delivered an address before the faculty and students.

The Young Women's Christian Association girls of the Normal School will represent "Christmas in Radford One Hundred Years Ago" in the Auditorium Saturday, December 2, at 8 o'clock.

The Pocahontas and Ingles Literary Societies held their annual Thanksgiving reception on Tuesday night in the parlors of the New Dormitory. A large number of out of town guests were present.

East Stone Gap

Mrs. Ira L. Warner, her mother and children, of Norton, spent Thanksgiving at East Stone Gap with Mrs. J. M. Dorton.

Misses Eura Wright, Ollie Johnson, Lillian Williams, and Leonard Williams and Kerby Lytte attended a very delightful party near the furnace Thursday night. They reported a nice time.

Miss Eura Wright, principal of Rada school, spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. R. S. Rose spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Brotherton at Appalachia.

E. A. Adams, who is working at Kingport, is visiting his family at East Stone Gap this week.

Miss Effie Dorton, of Wise, spent a few days last week with friends and relatives at this place.

Henry Hamilton is very sick at present.

Mrs. Robinett, of Appalachia, spent the week end with her friend, Mrs. Ike Neely at this place.

Misses Bertha and Eura Sproles are spending their Thanksgiving holidays with friends and relatives at Buffalo.

Dr. Givens and wife, of Norton, are visiting relatives at this place at present.

Mitchel Dorton spent last week with his grandmother at Pound, Va.

Miss Christie Jones, who teaches at Wise, spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Oscar Wells, of Inman, was visiting in town last week.

Miss Maude Williams, of Appalachia, spent Saturday and Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gilly, of Bum Hollow.

Miss Maggie Collier, of Clinchport, was visiting her parents in town last week.

Became Involved In Altercation.

Freeling, Va., Dec. 1.—Two men, Melvin Collins and Tom Williams, of the nearby town of Shelby Gap, Ky., became involved in an altercation, in which Collins struck the other on the head with a rock, inflicting a serious, if not fatal wound. The men were in the employment of a lumber concern of that place, and a dispute over a bridal when they were catching the mules preparatory to work brought about the trouble.

FOR SALE.—Dining Room Set, consisting of one table, seven chairs, two china closets, one buffet, one serving table, all quartered oak, good as now. Will sell as a whole or in part at a bargain. For particulars call at this office.

Appalachia Items

Among those who spent the week end in Bristol are Messdames J. W. Guntner, Bettie Robinson, Rachel Sitgraves, Misses Mary Leftwich and Miriam Currie.

H. L. Sulfridge returned Sunday from the State Teacher's Association in Richmond.

Misses Delphy and Elizabeth Herndon and Annie Delp spent Thanksgiving at Blackwood.

Miss Geneva McComas visited friends at Cedar Bluff the past week.

Miss Lula Keller was the guest of her brother at Bermin, W. Va., Thanksgiving.

Mrs. B. S. Grim spent several days the past week with her sister at Clintwood.

Mr. McKenzie, of Mandota, spent Thanksgiving here with his daughter, Mrs. Warren Mitchell.

Joe Montgomery, of Norfolk, is spending sometime with Floyd Cleek.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Fuller entertained at Thanksgiving dinner Miss Hunt and Messrs. Cleek and Montgomery.

Mrs. E. L. Crizer and children returned Saturday from a visit to Mrs. Crizer's home in the Valley of Virginia.

Mrs. C. C. Cartwright and children visited Mrs. Cartwright's parents at Chilhowie last week.

On Monday night, Geo. Morton returned from a several days stay in Pike County.

The Baptists realized ninety odd dollar from their bazaar which they held last Saturday.

The Methodists cleared thirty dollars from their Thanksgiving dinner.

Overland Trip to Washington.

Saturday morning Miss Sarah Cochran, Mrs. Anna Slemple Myers, Congressman C. B. Slemple, Wise Slemple and Hugh Carnes left in Congressman Carnes' "National" automobile for Washington, D. C., with Miss Sarah at the wheel. They will return on the train in a week with the exception of Congressman Slemple, who will remain in Washington during the present session of Congress, and Wise Slemple, who is Congressman Slemple's secretary.

Do Not Understand the Law.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 30.—Announcing that the Southern Railway system lines are asking the Courts to interpret the Adamson law pending an attempt to enforce its provisions Mr. Fairfax Harrison said today:

"There is such an irreconcilable difference between the interpretation of the law upon which the lawyers agree and what the men want that it is apparent that a judicial interpretation and clarification of the law is necessary in the interest of all concerned. Quite frankly, we are now unable to apply the law because we do not know what it means. We know what the men want, but the lawyers say the law does not give them that, but gives them something else which every railroad manager knows they do not want. The men are naturally disappointed that the question is not settled, and so are the managers, but we must all have patience and good temper and try to avoid passion while we groupe our way out of the fog."

Before buying see Rand and McNallys Educational line of Childrens and Juvenile Books. The books are the right kind for children, the right kind for boys and girls. The prices are right.—Kelly Drug Company.