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WILD SCENES MARK SAILING OF M. GARVEY

*Pandemonium Breaks Loose As
Leader Bids Hundreds of Follow-
ers Farewell. To Continue Work.*

New Orleans, La., Dec. 7.—A dramatic scene marked the forced departure of Marcus Garvey, organizer of one of the strongest Negro movements in the history of America, as he sailed Friday on the United Fruit Company steamer Saramacca to Cristobal Canal Zone en route to his native land of Jamaica. It marked the end of a stormy career of the leader in the United States during which he gained powerful influence in his movement for the migration of Negroes to Africa to set up a Negro Republic; founded the universal Negro Improvement Association, and established the Black Star Steamship line. It was the latter project that led to Garvey's downfall. He was accused of using the mails to defraud as a result of selling thousands of dollars worth of stock on a steamer found to be almost worthless to be almost worthless to hundreds of Negroes.

He served two years in the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta on this charge and last week had a pardon granted so that the order for his deportation might be carried out.

Nearly a thousand of Garvey's followers gathered at the docks and stood in a cold rain to bid him farewell. The crowd was swayed by the Garvey powerful oratory and many broke through the ropes in a frenzied effort to leap into the Mississippi river beside the moving boat that bore the leader away. Police beat them back with clubs, slightly injuring a number. Several women fainted and screams and shout filled the air until the ship was in midstream.

In his farewell speech Garvey derided those who had opposed his doctrines and promised to carry on his work in Jamaica. Garvey assailed Walter Cohen, collector of customs for the port of New Orleans, bitterly, as "one of the leaders of a group of Negro politicians responsible for my predicament."

Raising to the heights of his oratory Garvey declared:

"I leave America fully as happy as when I came in that my relationship with the Negro people was

Greetings!

To our old friends, loyal and true, to valued new friends, and to those whose friendship we strive to serve, do we most heartily extend best wishes for a Merry Christmas. We also wish for them unmeasured success and good fortune throughout the coming year and many years to come, with grateful appreciation of all the favors received by us from them, and for that priceless—though intangible asset—their good will, which we esteem beyond measure.

THE EDITOR.

most pleasant and inspiring and I shall work forever in their behalf," he said. "The program of nationalism is as important now as it ever was. My entire life will be devoted to the support of the case. I sincerely believe that it is only by nationalizing the Negro and awakening him to the possibilities of himself that his universal problem can be solved."

"Good-bye America," the leader of the "back to Africa" movement called back, waving a handkerchief from the lower deck of the vessel as she steamed down the Mississippi, "farewell my people."

CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR CONFIRMS APPOINTMENT OF COLORED CLERK.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. (P.C.N.B.) The appointment of Miss Angelique de Lavallade as stenographic clerk in the office of Mr. Barker, head of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, was recently made permanent by confirmation by Governor C. C. Young. Miss Lavallade's appointment was made possible through the personal interest of Mrs. Adele S. Calhoun, director of Los Angeles office division of Housing and Sanitation, under whom Miss Lavallade had previously served as secretary.

Pasadena Footballers Defeat Honolulu

Honolulu, (T.H.) Dec. 5. (P.C.N.B.) Arriving in Honolulu, the Pasadena Junior College football team, the first U. S. team to invade the islands this year, entered their first game Saturday with the avowed purpose of avenging the recent crushing defeat administered the Occidental college team by the University of Hawaii at Los Angeles.

Before a crowd of 10,000 "Slick" Sotcks, one of the two colored Americans on the team, led his team mates in a 13 to 7 defeat of the St. Louis College team of this city, the interscholastic champions of the Islands.

Running true to form Brownlee and Stocks swept everything before them, Stocks being the mainstay for the winners, carrying the ball for consistent gains and making many passes.

HOLLYWOOD MINISTER TO PREACH IN AFRICA.

Hollywood, Calif., Dec. (PCNB) Howard Bigelow, who recently was ordained as a Baptist minister and given the charge of the local Baptist Church, on January 4th next, with Mrs. Bigelow, will sail for Belgian Congo where he and his wife will enter the foreign missionary field.

TWO MILLION WEALTH MARKS NEGRO PROGRESS

Colored Americans Now Own More Than 100,000 Homes, Operate 1,000,000 Farms, a Total of Seventy Banks and Thirty Insurance Companies.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 1.—An exceedingly bright picture was painted by the Rev. H. H. Dunn, superintendent of the congregational church work in Louisiana and Texas Thanksgiving in an annual report of a review of work among the Negro in the South. In presenting the findings resulting from a far-reaching and intensive investigation of conditions the Rev. Dunn gave facts to show that phenomenal progress is being made in spite of prodigious obstacles.

"The twelve million Negroes in America have in a large measure shared in the nation's economic educational, social, religious and moral development.

"The economic wealth of the race now amounts to more than two billion dollars. There are now owned by the colored Americans more than 700,000 homes; they operate a million farms; conduct 70,000 businesses. Chief among these businesses are more than seventy banks with capital aggregating six and a quarter million dollars with resources of \$20,000,000 and doing an annual business of \$100,000,000; and some thirty odd life insurance companies wholly capitalized and managed by members of the race, employing more than eight thousand persons and having more than \$20,000,000 of insurance in force on the lives of 1,100,000 persons.

"In no phase of racial progress is advancement more marked than in that of education. This fact is largely due to the interest in education manifested by certain educational boards, chiefly among which are the general education board, the Rosenwald Fund and the American Missionary Association.

LESTER JOHNSON TO FIGHT BENNY HILL.

Modesto, Calif., Dec. (P.C.N.B.) John Lester Johnson colored heavyweight of New York, has been signed to box Benny Hill of Fresno in the ten-round main event here on the 13th inst.

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Editorial

ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS OF CHRISTIANITY.

The world has had one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven years of Christianity. That number of years have expired since Christ came among men and taught them through His own manner of living the meaning of sacrifice, patience, long suffering, forbearance, tolerance, love. The religion which He brought to the children of men, even in its moral aspect, is far superior to any other which the world has ever known. And still, Christianity has not yet, even in these 1927 years, gripped the hearts and conscience of men as it should have. Many nations and races have accepted it in name but not in spirit. They have built magnificent edifices in which to worship Him, they have beautified them with silver and gold. They have placed His image therein, but alas, they have left His Spirit out. They have founded their altars and thrones on the bodies and souls of living men. They have His Spirit to shiver and suffer in the cold, but they have taken into their churches the spirit of caste, greed, racial arrogance and pride of color. They have sent missionaries to Christianize the heathen nations, armed with prayer books and bibles but following closely in the wake of these missionaries they have sent men armed with gun powder, lead, and steel, whose business it was to plunder, steal, murder—to take possession of whatever they considered "good" by any means whatever. They have told the heathen of the spirit of Christ but they have lived in their very midsts, the spirit of the devil. They have told the heathen that all men are brethren and still they marked off certain zones in the heathen's own land in which he dare not go, if his skin is not white. Verily the heathen has often exclaimed in his confusion: "I see what it is that you worship! It is not a spirit but your white skin. That is your Christ!"

The nations which have embraced it have never given Christianity a fighting chance nor a square deal, and if, perchance, Christ should visit us again after these one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven

years,—well, let the immortal Lowell express it for us:

"Said Christ our Lord, I will go and see

How the men, my brethren, believe in me."

He passed not again through the gates of birth.

But made Himself known to the children of earth.

Then said the chief priests and rulers and kings.

"Behold now the Giver of all good things;

Go to, let us welcome with pomp and state

Him who alone is mighty and great."

With carpets of gold the ground they spread.

Wherever the Son of Man should tread.

And in the palace-chambers lofty and rare

They lodged Him and served Him with kingly fare.

Great organs serged through arches dim

Their jubilant floods in praise of Him;

And in church, and palace, and judgment-hall,

He saw His image high over all.

But still, wherever His steps they led,

The Lord in Sorrow bent down His head.

And from under the heavy foundation-stones

The Son of Mary heard bitter groans.

And in church, and palace and judgment-hall

He marked great fissures that rent the wall,

And opened wider and yet more wide

As the living foundation heaved and sighed.

"Have you founded your thrones and altars then

On the bodies and souls of living men?

And think ye that building shall endure

Which shelters the noble and crushes the poor?

With gates of silver and bars of gold

Ye have fenced my sheep from their Father's fold;

I have heard the dropping of their tears

In heaven these eighteen hundred years."

"O Lord and Master, not ours the guilt.

We build but as our fathers built; Behold thine images how they stand

Sovereign and sole through all our land."

"Our task is hard—with sword and flame

To hold Thine earth forever the same,

And, with sharp crooks of steel to keep

Still, as Thou leftest them, Thy sheep."

Then Christ sought out an artisan, A low-browed, stunted, haggard man,

And a motherless girl, whose fingers thin

Pushed from her faintly want and sin.

These set He in the midst of them

And as they drew back their garment hem,

For fear of defilement, "Lo, here," said He,

"The images you have made of me."

OWEN SOUND

Rev. H. F. Logan has been for the last few weeks, busy rehearsing, making, and arranging the scenery, paraphernalia and costumes for the Logan Living Picture Concert which with the help of the splendid local talent of Owen Sound, was deemed the best in the city in years. Everyone was at their best. It included solos, musical duets and trios, recitations, statuary and an extra fine pantomime, well rendered. Scenes from Egypt to the present day. The youngest performer, Beverley Johnson, as Moses; the eldest, Brother Jerry Smith. A fine audience and everybody pleased.

SEATTLE CITIZENS ENTERTAIN AFRICAN SAILORS.

Seattle, Wash., (PCNB) Eighteen native African sailors from an English vessel docked at Smith's Cove were entertained last Monday night at the colored Elks home by Att'y Oscar Hudson of San Francisco and former resident consul for Liberia, West Africa. The sailors, although natives of Africa, reside in London and speak English.

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James Stocks is said to be the greatest all-around athlete ever developed in Pasadena. He has been carefully coached. The attack of the local junior college football team is built around him. He is the "pivot man" of the backfield, does most of the running with the ball, throws most of the forward passes. On the defense he is the "safety man," the player who catches and returns the punts, and stands as the last obstacle between the opposing team and the goal. They call him "Slick." In campus parlance, as I understand it, anything that is unusually good is described as "slick." The nickname is appropriate.

RAYMOND TURNER SCORES IN "THE LOVE MART."

Hollywood, Calif., Dec. (PCNB.) Raymond Turner, the colored screen comedian seen in "The Patent Leather Kid" has attracted the eyes of the critics by his comedy work in First National's "The Love Mart," the new title chosen for "Louisiana," directed by Geo. Fitzmaurice and in which is featured Billie Dove, Gilbert Roland and Noah Beery.

One expert writes: "Raymond

Turner, 'the dark spot' in the picture, is nevertheless the lightest. His natural comedy is refreshing and despite the fact that the story is designed to make him a character of no importance, this young colored player stands out prominently and his work has been well received by Loew State audiences." Another states: "Armand Kaliz, Emile Chautard, Boris Karloff and Raymond Turner acquit themselves creditably. Harry Burns, editor of "Filmograph," gives Raymond credit; while only one critic, Marquis Busby of the Los Angeles "Times" feels that "the comedy of Raymond Turner, a slave, is overdone and out of place."

In the story, Billie Dove, as Antoinette Frobelle plays the part of a daughter of the aristocracy, who is accused of having colored blood. Since she cannot prove otherwise, she is sold in the public mart as a slave. These scenes of the slave mart in which quite a number of local colored actors are used, are colorful in the extreme and form the greatest dramatic moments of the play.

MATERIAL FOR NEGRO ART

New York, Dec. 9. The N.A.A.-C.P. is informed that art material by Negroes, may be submitted not later than Jan. 1, 1928, for exhibition in The Exhibit of Fine Arts, work of Negro artists, to be held on January 6-15, at International House, 500 Riverside Drive, under the auspices of the Harmon Foundation and the Commission on the Church and Race Relations of the Federal Council of Churches. The Secretary of the Exhibition is Dr. Geo. E. Haynes, 105 East 22nd St., New York, from whom details may be had.

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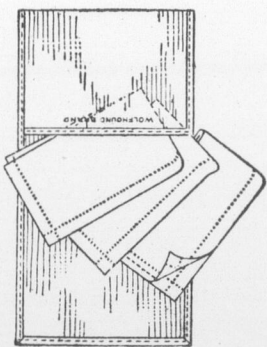
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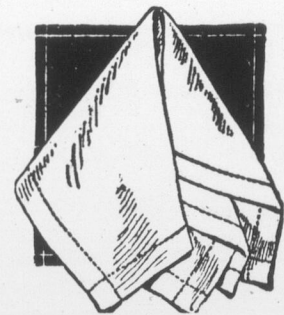
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young lady, her young brother had left a very large, smooth pumpkin on the chest, and the coat, striking the side of the pumpkin, slid off onto the floor. In the morning when the family arose, there lay the coat, covered with dust and grease spots. Margaret looked angrily at her brother and retired to her room to repair the damage as best she could. The mother opened her mouth to speak, but quickly closed it again. She had seen a solution to her problem. If the chest were made with a rounded top, her family might reform. She confided the plan to her husband, and he, still mindful of the cost of the coat, heartily agreed. She told her neighbors when they called, and they told their neighbors, until the plan was generally adopted. Thus it was that, until methods of living had been radically altered, the trunk, which developed from the chest, was made with a rounded top.

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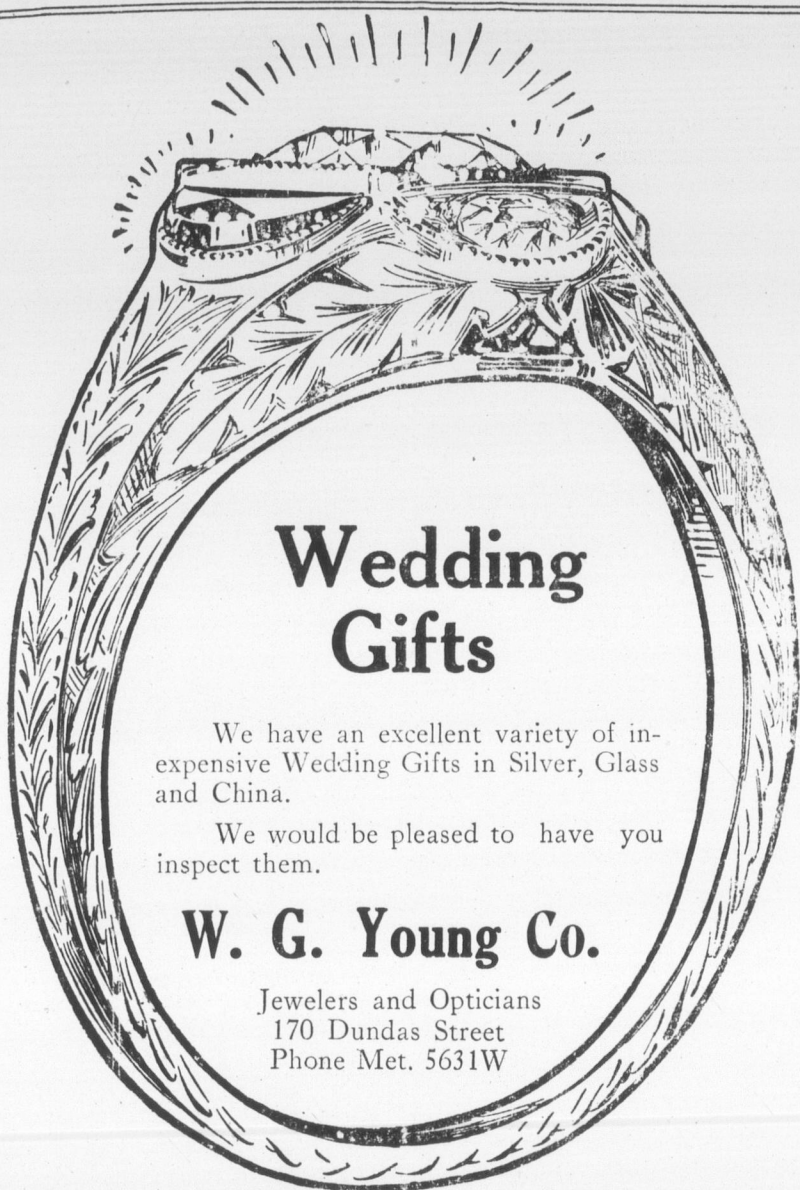
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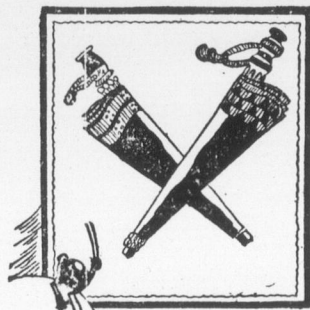
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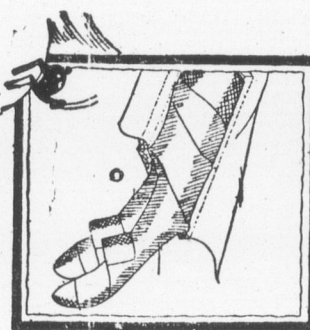
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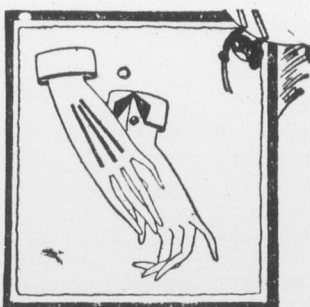
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New York, Dec. 9.—The N.A.A.-C. P. reports that the book illustrations of Aaron Douglas, young colored artist on the Crisis Staff, have been included in the Second Annual Exhibition of American Book Illustration, which is being held in New York under the auspices of the American Institute of Graphic Arts. Mr. Douglas' illustrations for Jas. Weldon Johnson's "God's Trombones," were among the work of 61 illustrators chosen for special mention out of 225 books submitted by the publishers.

The conditions governing the exhibition were that the illustrations should be creative work designed for the particular text; that they should be the work of an American artist; and that the book should be a modern publication of the last twelve months.

ASK NOMINATIONS FOR MADAM C. J. WALKER MEDAL FOR 1927.

New York, Dec. 9.—Nominations are now open for the Madam C. J. Walker Manufacturing Co.'s gold medal, awarded annually to the member of the N.A.A.C.P. who, during the year has rendered the greatest individual service to the advancement of the interests of colored people through the Association. Any person, whether a member of the Association or not, can nominate any member of the Association for this medal, which will be awarded after the close of 1927 and presented in Los Angeles in June, 1928. The Committee on Award consists of Mme. A'Leila Walker and F. B. Ransom of the Walker Co., and Robert W. Bagnall and Wm. Pickens, representing the N.A.A.C.P.

Nominations should be sent before January 8, 1928, to William Pickens, Secretary of Committee on Awards, 69 5th Ave., New York.

FORMER Y.W.C.A. SECRETARY DIES.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. (PCN-B) Maude Garrott Hall, aged 30, beautiful and talented daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Garrott, 1126 Serrano St., succumbed to the throes of death on Friday, Dec. 2, following an illness of many months. Mrs. Hall was born in Washington, D.C.; was one of the few colored graduates of the Glendale High School and took a B.A. course in Fisk. She resigned as secretary of the local Y.W.C.A. to accept a position as teacher in the Los Angeles schools. She married Pelham Hall of Brooklyn, N. Y., several years ago. Her father, Dr. Garrott, a very prominent dentist of the city, is one of the early graduates of the Talladega Institute, Talladega, Ala.

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As it was handed down to them,
Of a wolf and a Nnbian shepherd
lad,—

A lamb, a wolf and Aboul Feraad
And yet one other, and will swear
by crook,

The wolf still prowls by hill and
brook

On Christmas Eve,—hunts furi-
ously,

Yet never tender lambs slays he.

The slopes about the ancient town
Were folded in the robes of night,
The gently bleating lambs lie down,
No voice is heard, no gleam of
light,

Save where the town of DDavid lay,
One star above of vivid ray

Its lone appointed vigil keeps;

While with the lambs a slave boy
sleeps.

'Twas to this shepherd's rude re-
treat

Had swept, but now, a white-
winged throng,

And this scant sod was touched by
feet,

Of heavenly choires in vibrant
song,

And shepherds, charmed 'twixt hope
and fear

Haste off,— and leave this Nu-
bian here

Whose alien heart no Christ would
seek

But guards his lambs on hillside
bleak.

Now suddenly the startled air
Is rent with lone wolf's hunting
cry,

And trembling sheep, his baleful
glare

And murderous rush, all head-
long fly.

Where now the shepherd's cheering
shout?

Sharp spear, and torches flung
about?

No help is here the flock to save
None but this frightened dark-
skinned slave.

Heedless of treacherous rocky steep,
Bramble and thorn, and chasm
near

Scatter the flock, and as the sheep
So fled the shepherd lad in fear,

'Till came a sound of plaintive bleat
Ere he had reached a safe retreat,

His lamb hard pressed by the wolf's
hot breath

Caught in a thorn and near to
death.

Stayed in his craven flight away,
Clutching his little spear and
sling

The boy crept back to doubtful fray
Crept back in fear, and faltering;

Yet had not reached that dreadful
tree,

Amazed, in soft light he could see
A master shepherd in seamless
white

Who held the lamb and stilled its
fright.

He could see on the flints where
his feet had bled,

Pierced were his hands by the
cruel thorn;

Gone was the wolf, yet, ere it fled
By it had the shepherd's side

been torn;
Like light it fell down the mountain
side

With a blow from his staff on its
shrinking hide;

While as the boy stood fearful by,
"Fear not," said the shepherd, "It
is I."

The wondering shepherds home-
ward came

From that son of hope in the
arms of love,

And whether of virtue, whether of
blame,

The better or worse who now
could prove?

(Much as we do our own vows
keep,—)

And the slave boy slept with the
rescued sheep.

So slept the babe in the manger old,
Nor thought of myrrh, frank-in-
cense, or gold.

This is the tale at the campfire told,
When the hills are bare and the
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Thursday, Dec. 15.—The B. M. E. Sunday School held their annual Christmas Tree program. A fine audience was present to listen to the children who took part. Each number was well rendered and the committee feels the sacrifice in preparing the children, amid many discouragements, was well worth while. A very pleasing item of the evening was the Jingle Bells Drill, given by 12 little girls. A pretty tree, well laden with gifts, added to the program a more Christmaslike atmosphere and many were the happy faces as each one bore home some little remembrance of the season. The superintendent, Mr. J. W. Fountain and his staff are grateful to all who helped to make the concert a success.

Mr. Wm. W. McKay died in Victoria Hospital on December 1st, after a very brief illness. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Alice Fountain, onesister, Mrs. Mattie Chandler, one brother, Harry Fountain, both of the city. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Thomas Woodcock at the Evans Undertaking Parlors. He was buried in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

The sudden death of Mr. Arthur Harris came as a shock to the community on the 7th of the present month at his home on Phillip street. He was buried on Tuesday from his late home. He is survived by his wife, three children, his mother and father, three sisters and two brothers.

The Hill St. Baptist Sunday school extends an invitation to its Christmas concert which will be held in the church next Friday evening, Dec. 23rd. The children have prepared themselves with the assistance of the teachers, to present a very good Christmas concert.

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The marriage of George Albert Parker of Toronto, formerly of London, Ont., to Miss Harriett Della Scott of 37 Lippencott St., Toronto, was quietly solemnized on Dec. 8th, 1927, at the Baptist parsonage, 742 Edward St., by the Rev. H. Lawrence McNeil.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the bridegroom's home, 94 Dagmar Ave., Toronto. Among the guests were, Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Scott, parents of the bride; Mrs. Nelson E. Duncan acted as bridesmaid, Mr. Wilson E. Duncan being best man. Among the guests were: Mrs. Ella P. Conway and son, Mrs. Walter Smith, Mr. Joseph Jackson, Mr. Gordon Smith, Mr. Munro J. Jackson of Guelph, Ont. A dainty luncheon followed.

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