

## Shackleford-Baird Wedding Solemnized

A wedding of special interest in Gainesville took place yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Baird, when their daughter, Mary became the bride of Mr. Thos. M. Shackleford, Jr., of Tampa.

The ceremony, which was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends, was performed by Rev. S.A. Mundy of Brunswick, Ga.

The lower floor of the Baird residence was beautifully and tastefully decorated for the occasion with palms, ferns and cut flowers. In the drawing room where the ceremony took place a white and green motif was effectively carried out with large graceful palm branches, white lilies and quantities of asparagus fern, the details of the decorative scheme being most artistic.

As the guests were assembling they were met by Miss Laura Baird, who invited them to register in the beautifully bound bride's book.

Preceding the ceremony Miss Beiva Floyd sang in her charming style and faultless voice "Because," by Gay D'Ardeiot, with piano accompaniment by Miss Mary Floyd.

The little ribbon bearers, Misses Jane Graham and Ellie Jones, wearing dainty little hand-made organdie dresses of many ruffles, were the first to enter and stretched their ribbons down the aisle from the living room to the drawing room through which the bridal party entered.

They were followed by a choir of girls of Miss Floyd, Ottie Gray, Louise DePass and Rebecca Padgett, who entered singing the Bridal Chorus from Lohengri and who took their places in the improvised chancel on each side of the altar. They were dressed in beautiful white organdie frocks made on simple girlish models.

Then came the garland bearers, Misses Hattie Baird, Montine Fagan, Mary Verdery and Robin Graham, who entered in pairs, carrying garlands fashioned of exquisite white peonies made on maline with big fluffy bows at each side. They were very attractive in their simple dresses of white organdie jade on flounced models and the bodices in basque effect.

Mrs. E.D. Turner, the lovely matron of honor, came next. She was gowned in a handsome dress of white lace. Her flowers were an arm bouquet of white carnations and fern.

Preceding the bride were the dainty little flower girls Misses Clara Nelle and Hazel Lee Baird, who carried artistic baskets twined with fern and filled with white rose petals. They wore pretty little dresses of white organdie trimmed in tiny ruffles and big bows of white ribbon on their hair.

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The bride entered with her father, who gave her in marriage. They were met at the improvised altar by the groom and his best man. Mr. Robert Shackelford of Tampa. Here the impressive ring ceremony was performed, while Miss Mary Floyd played very softly and beautifully, Tanhauser's "Evening Star."

Miss Baird's wedding dress was very charming and girlish creation of white crepe meteor, with the bodice of Princess lace. It was made round length with long court train fastened to the shoulders. Her veil was arranged in a ruche at the top of her head and a coronet of orange blossoms and pearls encircled her brow. Her bouquet was of bridesroses with a shower of valley lilies and roses.

The relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties were assembled in alcove in the drawing room. Mrs. E.F. Baird, mother of the bride, was dressed in violet satin with trimmings of lace. The groom's mother, Mrs. Thos. M. Shackelford, wore a handsome gown of white crepe meteor with bodice of lace. Miss Laura Baird was prettily attired a white lace dress made in ruffle effect.

Immediately after the ceremony the ribbons forming the aisle were dropped and the guests pressed forward to shower love and congratulations on the newly wedded party.

Following the wedding and informal reception was held. Pink and white was the dainty color scheme used in the dining room, and the refreshments of cream and cake also carried out this motif.

In an alcove in the back of the hall, which was artistically banked in large palm branches, was the bride's cake, beautifully iced and decorated in roses.

The beautiful wedding presents which attested to the popularity of the bride and groom were placed in the den. They were exceedingly numerous and handsome.

From two large punch bowls placed on either end of the spacious front veranda delicious fruit punch was served.

The bride is a young lady of charming manners and personality and in winning her, Mr. Shackelford captured one of this city's most lovable and intellectual young women.

The groom, who is an established lawyer of Tampa, is from one of Tallahassee's most distinguished families. He graduated from the law department of the University of Virginia several years ago. He has a wide circle of friends who will wish he and bride every happiness.

As the bride ascended the staircase to change her bridal roses for a traveling suit, she tossed her bouquet which was caught by Miss Hattie Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Shackelford left in an automobile for Waldo, where they caught the northbound train, and after a wedding trip of a month's duration they will be at home to their many friends in Tampa.