News of Social and Personal Interest

COUPLE WILL WED IN DETROIT CHURCH

Mildred Green To Be Married Where She Was Formerly Organist

Miss Mildred Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Green of West Frank street, and Howard Daniel Ritter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milo B. Ritter of Detroit, will speak their nuptial vows at a quiet ceremony in Holmes Memorial M. E. Church in Detroit, Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The service will be read by the Rev. John Meredith of Owosso, former pastor of the church. Mrs. Clifford Harper will attend her sister as matron of honor, and Mr. Harper will be best man for Mr. Ritter.

Mr. Mrs. Fred Reinhart, formerly of Birmingham will be the organist.

The couple will leave on their wedding journey immediately after the ceremony. On their return, they will reside in Birmingham.

For the past three years, Miss Green has been the organist and musical director at the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham. Previous to that, she served in the same capacity at the Holmes Church.

Mr. Ritter was graduated last Monday from the school of engineering of the University of Michigan.

Town Club Dance To Be Followed By Swim

The annual spring dance of the Town Club will be held at Forest Lake Country Club Friday evening. A swim in the club pool will follow the dance.

Among the alumni planning to attend are Donald Gore, Earl Maxwell, Carl Reynolds, Jack Moss, James Brien, Curtis Matthews, Gordon Chamberlin, Reed Scott and Tim Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Denyes of Winnipeg arrived Saturday to make an extended visit with their son, W. D. Denyes, and Mrs. Denyes of West Frank street. On Saturday, the two couples will leave for Lake Erie Country Club, where they will remain for the summer.

Betty Erwin Becomes Bride In June Instead Of August

A wedding which was originally planned as an event of August, was solemnized last Friday evening instead, when Miss Elizabeth Louise Erwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Erwin of Southfield road, and Franklyn Allen Whitney, athletic instructor at Baldwin High School, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Whitney of Toledo, were united in marriage.

With a change of summer plans, the couple decided to advance the date of the wedding. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents at 8:30 o'clock in the presence of about 30 guests. The Rev. W. Clarence Wright, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, read the marriage service.

The bride was attended by her sister, Flora Belle Erwin, as maid of honor, and Mrs. Eugene Hubbard as bridesmaid. Esmond Whitney of Toledo acted as best man, assisted by Mr. Hubbard. Miss Erwin was married in a summer formal of pink point d'esprit, made with a short train, and carried an arm bouquet of pale pink roses. Miss Flora Belle Erwin wore a similar gown of blue embroidered net over blue and carried pink peonies. Mrs. Hubbard's gown was of white embroidered organdie. She carried an arm bouquet of write peonies.

Following a small reception, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney left for Toledo to spend a fortnight. On their return they will make their home in Birmingham.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding included Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Whitney, parents of the bridegroom; Mr. and Mrs. Esmon I Whitney, Mr. and Mrs. Webb Whitney and their son, Lyman, all of Toledo.

Mrs. Whitney was graduated from Baldwin High School in January, 1932. Mr. Whitney came to Birmingham in 1930 to coach basketball and to instruct in physical education at Baldwin High School. He was graduated from Waite High School in Toledo in 1926, later attending the University of Chicago. For the following three years he attended Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti, where he won letters in track and basketball for three successive years. He was also the winner of the all-around track trophy in 1929, and received the award for athletic scholarship from the Michigan Collegiate Conference during his last year in college. He was graduated from Ypsilanti with a bachelor of science degree.

SOCIAL BRIEFS

Mrs. Donald K. Plumstead of Bates street was hostess at an announcement party at her home last Thursday evening, in honor of her niece, Miss Betty Erwin, who became the bride of Franklyn Allen Whitney, Friday evening. Guests at the party were the Misses Mary and Helen Starr, Mrs. Gordon Chamberlain, Miss Marion Dehlquist, Miss Flora Belle Erwin, Miss Helen Guckelberg, Miss Ruth Pratt, Miss Mary Lambie, Mrs. Eugene Hubbard, Miss Dorothy Hubbard and Miss Betty Ead.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sidney A. Wells of Mohegan drive were hosts at a pot-luck supper Monday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Middleton of Des Moines, Ia. Besides Mr. and Mrs. Middleton, the guests included Mr. and Mrs. Damon Gall, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Beatty, both of Detroit; Jack Miller, H. Kenneth Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Fellows, Dr. J. B. Hassberger, and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Hassberger. Supper was served out-of-doors.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Pope of New Berlin, N. Y., are spending the week with their daughter, Mrs. Royce L. Beers and Mr. Beers of Arlington road.

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Mrs. L. J. Slusser of Pierce street entertained about 20 of her former Sunday school pupils at a party at her home Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Mildred Green and Miss Elizabeth Bray, brides-elect of this week, also former pupils. Mrs. Slusser's guests will include Miss Avis Gravlin, Miss Dorothy Cooper, Miss Norma Martin, Miss Emma Harmon, Miss Ruth Armstrong, Mrs. Bernicee Kresge Boyce, Miss Marion Quarton, Miss Dorothy Cook, Mrs. K. R. Behrens of Niagara Falls, N. Y., Mrs. Goldie Lane Slonacker, Mrs. Helen Kreger Erwin, Mrs. Irene Bany Johns and Miss Elizabeth Hascall.

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Lucy Bennett, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Bennett of Puritan road, left Sunday for the Merrill Palmer Camp near Metamora, Mich., where she will remain until Aug. 1.

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Mrs. E. R. Harrell of Waddington road, with her children, Amy, Dick, Ann, Ruth and Jean, left Saturday for Memphis, Tenn., to be the guests of Mrs. Harrell's father, J. D. Duncan.

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Mrs. W. W. Talman of Puritan road, with her sons, William Jr., James and Thomas, left Wednesday for Quebec to sail Thursday on the Empress of Australia, for Oxford, England, to attend a house party for the Oxford Group.

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Mr. and Mrs. John F. Horton and their daughter, Miss Barbara P. Horton of Pilgrim road, have returned from a fortnight's visit to Hartford, Conn., where they were guests of Mrs. Lucian M. Horton.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Herdrich of Baldwin avenue had as their guest for the early part of the week, Mrs. Harry Dorman of Houston, Tex. Mr. and Mrs. Herdrich will be hosts at a supper party Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Latta W. Porter, who are leaving to spend the summer in California. The guests will include Dr. and Mrs. John H. Gordon, Jr., and Mrs. W. Whiting Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Atwood B. Oatman and Mr. and Mrs. C. Allen Valpey.

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Stanley Thomas of Wimbleton drive, a student at the University of Michigan, left Wednesday to spend the summer on a farm near Lansing, owned by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley R. Thomas.

RITES SOLEMNIZED IN PONTIAC CHURCH

Member Of Eccentric Staff Becomes Bride At Pretty Ceremony

Tall baskets of summer flowers and palms adorned the First Congregational Church of Pontiac Wednesday evening, when Miss Wilma Geraldine Holdridge, daughter of Mrs. Irving C. Holdridge of Pontiac, and Manford Earl Mason, son of Mrs. Lily Mason of Detroit, were united in marriage.

Miss Holdridge is known in Birmingham as a member of the business staff of The Eccentric, with which she has been associated for the past three years.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, John B. Holdridge. A sister, Mrs. Blaine W. Rowan, attended her as matron of honor. Miss Catharine McDougall served as bridesmaid, and W. Dana Crewe assisted Mr. Mason as best man. Those seating the guests were Mr. Rowan and Denton Arthur. The nuptial service was read by the Rev. John F. Stearns.

Miss Holdridge was married in a white satin gown, fashioned on long slender lines, with puffed sleeves of satin to the elbow, ending in long lace cuffs to the wrist. The skirt was made with an overdrape of lace, falling in a long train over the satin of the gown. A short tulle veil extending to the shoulders, and a shower bouquet of white roses, with white sweet peas caught in true-lovers-knots of the ribbon, completed the bridal costume.

Mrs. Rowan wore for her sister's wedding, a gown of blue silk net over taffeta silk and carried an arm bouquet of Johanna Hill roses and delphinium. Miss McDougall's gown of pink silk net over taffeta was similarly made, and she carried an arm bouquet of Briar Cliff roses and delphinium.

A reception for 50 guests was held following the ceremony at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Joseph B. Hunt of Galloway Lake. Disposals of summer flowers were used about the rooms. The bride's table was spread with a hand-woven lace cloth, centered with a green bowl filled with white roses. Tall white tapers in green glass holders were placed on either side of the bowl.

Following the reception, Mr. and Mrs. Mason left on a motor trip to Chicago. The bride chose a smart yellow crepe sport suit with white accessories in which to travel.

After a brief wedding trip, they will occupy for the summer, the home of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Averill on Rivenoak avenue, on the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Averill, who will be absent for the remainder of the season at their summer cottage at Epworth Heights, near Ludington.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Gray of Larchlea drive, and their daughter, Virginia Caroline, are spending three weeks visiting in Oklahoma City, Okla., and motoring through the Ozark Mountains.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Gamble have moved from their former residence on Glengary road and are now domiciled at 2215 Tottenham road.

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Mrs. Henry Brink of Spring Lake, Mich., arrived Monday to be the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Langley Smart, and Mr. Smart at their home on Wing Lake Shores. Mr. and Mrs. Smart, with Mr. and Mrs. Jonathon M. Ball of Willits street and Mr. and Mrs. C. LeRoy Austin of Edison road, were guests at a week-end house party at Grand Haven, Mich.

Service To Be Read In Pilgrim Chapel

Of interest to friends in Birmingham will be the marriage in Detroit Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock of Miss Vincenta LaValle of Detroit and Ralph G. Thompson of Harmon avenue. The marriage will be solemnized in the Pilgrim Chapel of the North Woodward Avenue Congregational Church.

The wedding party will include Miss Margaret LaValle, who will be honor maid for her sister; Miss Romayne Thompson, sister of the bridegroom-elect, who will be bridesmaid; Stuart Fuller of Royal Oak, who will attend Mr. Thompson as best man and Franklin Keil of Bowling Green, O., who will serve as usher.

A reception at Mr. Thompson's home will follow the ceremony. After a three weeks' motor trip to Washington, D. C., and the South, the couple will reside in Mr. Thompson's home on Harmon avenue.

Obituary

LYLE EDGAR HOOD

Services were held Tuesday morning in Pontiac for Lyle Edgar Hood, a stage hand at the Birmingham Theater since it opened in 1927, who died Saturday in Pontiac General Hospital, following an operation for appendicitis which developed pneumonia and other complications. He was 35 years old, and lived at 34 Cadillac street, Pontiac.

Capt. D. E. Norris of the Salvation Army, of which Mr. Hood was a member, officiated at the services. Burial was in Ferry Mount Park Cemetery.

Known to scores of Birmingham residents as "Whitey", Mr. Hood was born in Dryden, Mich., but had spent most of his life in Pontiac. During the World War he was a first class fireman in the United States Navy.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hood; his widow, Sadie Bell Crisp Hood; three children, Delos, Betty and Marietta, all at home; and the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Lucy Turner of Flint, Clarence Hood of Los Angeles, Cal., Roy and Earl Hood, Mrs. Gladys Schuster and Mrs. Frances Fate, all of Pontiac.

MRS SARAH DODGE

The Rev. John Young, pastor of the Royal Oak Congregational Church, conducted funeral services Monday afternoon for Mrs. Sarah Dodge, 86 years old. The services were held from the residence on East Fourteen Mile road, Troy Township, where Mrs. Dodge died last Thursday afternoon. Interment was in Oakview Cemetery.

Born in Ireland, Mrs. Dodge came to Troy Township 79 years ago and had lived their ever since. Her husband, the late William John Dodge, died in October, 1932.

Surviving are a son, Samuel J., at home; two daughters, Elizabeth G., at home, and Mrs. Lydia Bleakley, also of Troy Township; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

ROBERT EMERY HOLFUS

Robert Emery Holfus, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Holfus, 268 George street, will be buried Friday in Xenia, O. He died Tuesday night, about 12 hours after birth in Women's Hospital, Detroit.

The first recorded observation of the bodies we now recognize as bacteria was made about the middle of the 17th century by Anthony van Leeuwenhoek, a Holland lens grinder.

JUST AMONG US GIRLS

THESE BEAUTIES DESERT SOCIAL WHIRL FOR FILMS

Rich girls are getting the breaks in the movies these days. Here are five who have deserted the social whirl for a film career. Elizabeth Young is a New York social registerite; Virginia Pine Lehman, a Chicago heiress; Merry Fahrney, also from Chicago, a debutante-sportswoman; Janet Snowden, who became a princess by marrying Francesco Don Cra Caravita of Italy, gave up royalty for the camera; Winnie Flint, the daughter of a noted industrialist and wife of Gil Berry, one-time All-American halfback from the University of Illinois.

Teach Religion To Child In Home, Parents Advised

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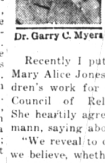
A FEW YEARS ago Dr. Henry Neumann, head of the Ethical Culture School of New York, said in an address at Cleveland that we parents should frankly tell our children what we believe. He deplored the tendency of many parents to lean backward in an effort not to indoctrinate them. Such was the expression from a liberal Jew. On this point there has never been any doubt among faithful Catholics.


Dr. Garry C. Myers

Recently I put this question to Mary Alice Jones, director of children's work for the International Council of Religious Education. She heartily agreed with Dr. Neumann, saying about as follows:

"We reveal to our children what we believe, whether we purpose to do so or not. The atmosphere which a child breathes in his home, before he is aware of the meaning of words, teaches him either that the universe is friendly and love is supreme, or that it is indifferent and selfishness is its law. If in his home he is treated with sympathetic understanding, and given an opportunity to consider the needs and pleasures of others, if his successes are recognized joyously and his misdemeanors dealt with in kindness and consistency, then he builds a conception of the universe which reflects these experiences. Because he himself has experienced unselfish love, he begins to build a philosophy of life in which unselfish love is a real and vital force. He feels faith that his best endeavors are worthwhile in the very nature of things, whether he can see them succeed or not.

"On the other hand, if in his home he senses lack of co-operation, selfishness, inconsistency in dealing with both success and misdemeanors, disregard of the rights of others, whether they be servants or members of the family, his conception of the nature of the universe is clouded with fear, he feels insecure, and he expresses this disturbance through an unfriendly attitude toward others.

"The real question which parents face is whether or not they wish to make any conscious and constructive contribution to the religious faith of their children. It seems strange that those who are deeply concerned regarding physical welfare and mental growth should appear willing to leave to chance this most fundamental of all elements in the education of their children.

this element which determines the attitude toward the nature of the universe and toward one's fellows. It is not a matter that can be put off until a certain age, as can the teaching of the multiplication tables; or that can be left to the future choice of the child, as can the selection of fields of investigation in his school work. It is a matter which IS BEING DECIDED one way or another. Parents may choose whether or not they are going to consider it a prime responsibility to influence this decision."

I wonder what my readers think. Why not write your opinions to me.

BANQUET, RECEPTION TO HONOR DONDERO

Congressman George A. Dondero of Royal Oak is to be greeted by his friends at a public homecoming banquet and reception at 8 P. M. Tuesday. The banquet will be sponsored by Acorn Post, No. 1669, Veterans of Foreign Wars Drum and Bugle Corps, and will be held at their hall at Main and Second streets, Royal Oak.

Congressman Clarence J. McLeod of Detroit will speak on the bank payoff bill. Other speakers will include Congressman J. Wolcott of Port Huron, Mayor Lloyd Clawson of Royal Oak, State Senator Andrew L. Moore, ex-Governor Wilbur N. Brucker, and others.

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