

Barbara Couture Becomes Bride

Saturday, in St. Joseph Church, West Branch, the Rev. Francis Lang officiated at the rites which united Miss Barbara J. Couture, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Couture of West Branch, to Edward P. Wagoner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter C. Wagoner of Port Huron.

The bride was dressed in starlight aqua satin styled with a scalloped neckline and flared skirt. For the ceremony she wore a short cape which fastened with covered buttons and featured a stand-up collar. Her finger ring was held with pearls across the crown of her head and she carried lilies of the valley and ivy centered with an orchid.

Her sister, Frances Couture of Midland, Mich., wore blue cotton

lace of ballerina length with a flowered head-piece and carried a nosegay of yellow roses and ivy. The bridesmaids in mauve and chartreuse lace also of ankle length, wore Miss Mary Corvina of East Lansing and Miss Elsie Bruny of Detroit. They too held nosegays of yellow roses.

George Smith of the Royal Oak served as best man and ushering were Wesley J. Mastis of Big Beaver and William Cook of Royal Oak.

The reception was held in the West Branch Country Club. Upon their return the couple will make their home in Clawson.

Pythian Sisters to Hold Initiation

At a recent meeting, the Pythian Temple 94 of Birmingham scheduled two bachelorette and a rummage sale for the coming year. Guests at this meeting were district deputy Olga Mills, Mrs. Gene Brickman and Mrs. Helen Papineau of City of Straits Temple, Detroit.

On Wednesday, April 19, at 8:00 p.m. in the Community House, grand chief Ethel TenEyck of South Side will make her official visit to the Temple to witness initiation of new members. All members are urged to attend.

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Gordon-Fletcher Vows Exchanged in Alpena, Mich.

Heirloom lace which has been in the family for five generations outlined the veil worn by Miss Katherine Fletcher for her marriage Monday afternoon at St. George's Episcopal Church in Alpena, Mich. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Fletcher of Alpena became the bride of Clayton Hill Gordon, the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. John H. Gordon.

The bride's gown was of candlelight satin and was fashioned in the eighteenth century mode with a tight bodice and off-the-shoulder neckline. The yoke of chiffon was outlined with rose point lace and this design was appliqued down the front of the gown to the hemline and a long train extended from the bodice skirt. Her bouquet was made up of white orchids, stephanotis and ivy.

Attending were Miss Susan Caray of Bloomfield Hills, Mrs. Warren MacLeod, Alpena; Mrs. John B. Wright, Grosse Ile; Miss Donna Lee Gillard, Detroit; Miss E. M. C. Rivalto, Ferndale; Mrs. William P. McClure, Washington, D. C.; and Miss Jean Peterson, Ferndale as bridesmaids; and the Misses Frances and Grace Fletcher, flower girls while Mrs. Henry Potvin, the bride's sister, came from Cadillac to serve as matron of honor.

All were in toast colored organza decorated with huge white roses. Their flowers were arm bouquets of white tulips and ivy and they wore bonnet brims of matching colored candy straw trimmed with self bows.

Philip Potvin of Cadillac was ringbearer and Mr. Gordon's best man with this unit, Cecil F. Gordon of New York. The guests were seated by Keith McKenney of Grosse Pointe, Cadillac; John Goslin, Ann Arbor; Jack Macris, East Lansing; Warren Godkin, Hagerstown, Md.; Hugh Cameron, Dearborn; Charles Matthews, Detroit and Gene Lamont, Ferndale.

Following a reception at the home of the bride's parents, the couple left on a wedding trip to Chicago. Upon their return, they will make their home in Ann Arbor where Dr. Gordon will complete his studies at the Michigan school of medicine.

Enrollment Open for Garden Class

Enrollment is still open for the garden classes at the Community House on Monday night, from 8:00 to 10:00. The class is taught by Alice Wessels Burlingame who has known throughout the state a dirt garden meeting.

At the first meeting the class heard about the technique for building a lawn and the tasks to do this week in their own yards. As seed will germinate when the temperature is 40 degrees this is the time to work on this early Spring job.

The importance of buying quality seed was stressed and it is wise to compare actual package content with the price of seed per pound. Kentucky Blue grass does well in this area.

THE CLASS studied about the placing of shrubs in their yards, becoming acquainted with the growth habits and the leaf shapes to form a texture study as a whole. Each week the members will be introduced to varieties of material in the categories of trees, shrubs, perennials, and annuals so that for their own plan they can introduce new ideas and colors to work toward their goal of beautifying their home grounds.

Next week the leader will talk about the accent on design and rose culture. For the last two sessions of the class the plans of the individual members will be discussed. This class is a garden workshop and the office of the Community House will be glad to answer any questions regarding enrollment.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Backus of Hickory Hill, 571 North Woodward, announce the birth of a daughter, Cynthia Lucille on April 3 at the Henry Ford Hospital. Mrs. Backus is the former Lucille Larson of Norway, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bronsing of Lincoln Park announce the birth of a son, William Thomas on April 8, Mrs. Bronsing is the former Frances Flynn of Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Green of Ann Arbor announce the birth of a son, William Thomas on April 8, Mrs. Green is the former Barbara Gibson of Birmingham.

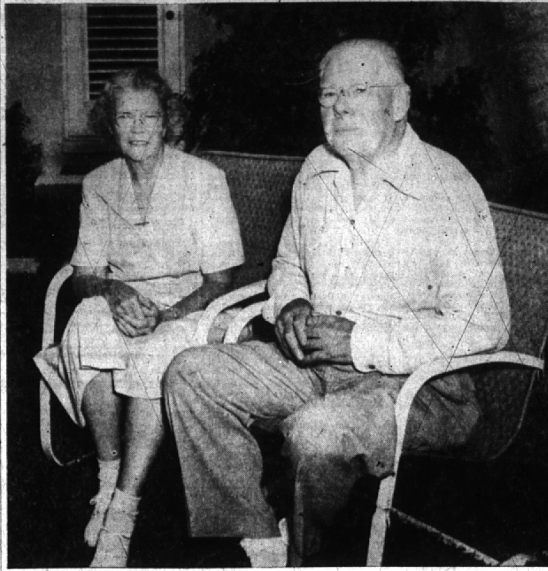
Reserve Officers

The Reserve Officers Association will meet Tuesday, April 18 at 8:00 p.m. in the Community House. There will be election of officers and the speaker will be announced later. The Birmingham chapter is sponsoring a Military Ball to be held this Friday, April 14, at 9:00 p.m. in the Champagne Room of the Metropolitan Club. Dancing from 9:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Hold Rummage Sale

The Ladies Missionary Society of Redeemer Lutheran Church is sponsoring a rummage sale Thursday and Friday, May 20 and 21 at the American Legion Home at 150 South Woodward avenue. The committee in charge includes Mrs. Mohr, Mrs. Rydman, Mrs. Mrs. Carl Otto and Mrs. Adolph Kewinske and Mrs. Mary Klier.

Florida Vacation Spot Attracts Birmingham Residents



Spending another vacation in Fort Lauderdale at the 2200 Apartments are Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Phillips of Beverly road. They are shown above relaxing in some of the famed southern sunshine. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips are expected to return home early this month after their three-week holiday.

Social Briefs

Weekend houseguests of Dr. and Mrs. Henry Moore of Birmingham road were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Finkbeiner of Sebewaing, Mich.

Bob Webster, a student at the University of Michigan, is spending his Easter vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Webster of Frank street.

Mrs. Boyd Warner of Mobile, Ill., is expected to arrive this weekend for a ten-day visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ellery of Southfield road.

Mrs. John T. Routledge is chairman of the ladies' luncheon and card party to be held Wednesday, April 26 at 12:30 in the Oakland Hills Country Club. Assisting Mrs. Routledge will be Mrs. Cass B. Russell, Mrs. Joseph Wozniak, Mrs. Harrison W. Wilder and Mrs. Damon S. Gail.

Miss Kathy Beier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Beier of Washington boulevard entertained Phil Judy Roehm, Jane Hollingshead, Jeff Straight, Karen Christensen and Mary Ellen Douglas at a birthday party this past Tuesday. The young hostess was three years old.

Among those entertaining for Miss Katherine Kidder and Harry Wise, Jr. are Mr. and Mrs. Edward MacKenzie of Grosse Pointe who will be hosts at a dinner in their home Saturday evening and Mr. and Mrs. Don Schilling, also of Grosse Pointe, who will give a buffet supper.

Mrs. Don B. Webster entertained a group of friends at a tea in her home on Frank street Wednesday honoring Mrs. William Morford who is leaving for her home in Seattle this week.

Birmingham residents who joined the audience at the Michigan Union Opera show last Wednesday included Mr. and Mrs. James Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Livermore, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Sevin, Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Merton Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Long.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Protheroe of Hanna street will spend the coming weekend in Buffalo, N. Y., where they will meet their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Ellsworth who are coming down from their home in New Hampshire. Miss Joan Protheroe who is a student nurse at Harper Hospital, spent the Easter weekend with her parents here and had as her guest, another student nurse, Miss Sharon Arnold.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Horton of Pleasant street have returned to Birmingham after a month's vacation in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Larry Glor, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Glor of Stanley boulevard celebrated his third birthday Saturday by inviting Bayly Finlay, Jamie Malone, Craig Cruickshank, Petey Remington, Sally Beyer, Oakley Owens, Brenda Orser and Cynthia Drake to a party in his home.

Boyd Larson of Park street spent Easter weekend with his parents in Norway, Mich.

Miss Nancy Jacob, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jacob, Larchfield drive, who has been home with her parents on vacation, is leaving today to resume her studies at Mary Washington College. She will spend this coming weekend at the University at Virginia where she will be a guest at the Easter dances.

Okland Hills Club

The opening party at the Oakland Hills Country Club will be the annual spring formal dinner-dance on Saturday, April 29.

The Eccentric's Society Editor Engaged to Marry

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Kus of Birmingham road announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage on June 3 of their daughter, Doris Elizabeth to James K. Allen. He is the son of Mrs. Mary Allen of Nashville, Ill., and the late Mr. Allen.

The bride-elect was graduated from the University of Minnesota where she was a member of Alpha Delta Phi sorority. Mr. Allen received his law degree at the University of Illinois and was affiliated with Sigma Nu fraternity.

Club Speaker

There will be a luncheon at 12:30 in the Community House on Thursday, April 20. A fashion show which will include apparel and summer children's apparel has been planned. All Birmingham groups are participating and the show which starts at 2:00 p.m. is open to the public.

Kappa Alpha Theta The evening group will meet at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19 in the home of Mrs. E. Henry Leiphart, Jr., 642 Fairfax. Mrs. George Sauter is assisting the hostess. All newcomers are invited to attend and are asked to call Mrs. Leiphart for reservations.

MARGIE C. COLE The annual combined meeting of the Bloomfield Hills, Birmingham and Pontiac Branches of the Woman's National Park and Garden Association was held Monday at Kingswood School.

The clubs presented the garden-entertainer, Margaret Cochran, of Bronville, N. Y., who gave a lecture-demonstration of "Color Magic". As a designer of color, Mrs. Cole makes her arrangements on the stage with a display of fabrics illustrating the complementary qualities of color and texture in their relation to the personality and psychological benefits to the home.

She began her lecturing career which has taken her out of this country as well as from coast to coast, after making prize-winning exhibits in the International Flower and Garden Show. Her wide experience covers commercial uses for decoration for department stores and for home interiors.

MRS. COLE'S arrangements have been used as magazine covers and articles by the popular press. She is a frequent contributor to the New York Times garden section. In the summer she becomes a practicing gardener in her home in Lake Mahopac, N. Y. She will leave for Italy May 1 for special study in connection with her work.

The Bloomfield Hills branch acted as hostess group at the tea which followed Mrs. D. W. Candler, hospitality chairman, was in charge.

"A Tea Table in the Modern Trend" was an exhibition table prepared as a family project by three girls-in-law, Mrs. Lynn Craig, Jr., Mrs. Gurn Craig and Mrs. Richard Denyes.

Baldwin PTA Meets

Election of officers will be held when the Baldwin PTA meets on Wednesday, April 19 at 2:30 p.m. in room 101 of the Baldwin high school. Mrs. Preston Weir and Ross Wagner will be the guest speakers. Wagner will speak on "The Philosophy of Baldwin High School."

CLUB NOTES

Alpha Xi Delta The Alumnae hold their annual Founders Day dinner in Devon Gables on Tuesday, April 18 at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Donald Parker of Royal Oak is chairman of the event.

Alpha Phi Alumnae will meet on Tuesday, April 18 at the home of Mrs. James Abbott, 763 Lakeview at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. John Pietsch will be co-hostess and Mrs. Robert Jermstad, Alpha Phi district governor, will be the special guest.

Newcomers There will be a luncheon at 12:30 in the Community House on Thursday, April 20. A fashion show which will include apparel and summer children's apparel has been planned. All Birmingham groups are participating and the show which starts at 2:00 p.m. is open to the public.

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Three Departments Convene April 18

The three departments of the Birmingham Woman's Club will meet on Tuesday, April 18.

The Home Department group will go to the home of Mrs. Edgar Parks on Pierce street for a dinner at 1:00 p.m. Mrs. Joseph Brooks and Mrs. Clyde Reid will assist the hostess. Mrs. George Sauter is assisting the day and Mrs. William Tighe will review the book "The Peaceable Kingdom."

The Fine Arts department will meet with Mrs. Lloyd Lake in her home at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday. The program will be a presentation of Ponoma Colony and Crabtree roads (from ten telephone roads) for the presentation of the program entitled "Travel Pictures of Holland" presented by W. K. Von Lands Consultants.

Mrs. Howard Rander will be the chairman and is being assisted by Mrs. Emerson Brown, Mrs. E. Steele and Mrs. Drayton McClelland.

Members of the Literature department are to meet with Mrs. George Steelman, 519 Riverdale, for a 1:00 p.m. luncheon. Mrs. Perrin B. Shattuck, Mrs. Regina Dever, Mrs. John Duffy and Mrs. Marion Reid are on the committee while Mrs. Paul Hogg is chairman of the day.

Mrs. Carl G. Potter will review "To Be a Pilgrim." Mrs. Potter is past president of the Woman's Club and a member of the Literature department.

Plan Benefit Party

Mrs. Kenneth Swartwood of Linden road will open her home this coming Sunday afternoon for a musical tea benefit for the Women's Association of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Mrs. Saver K. Thibault and Mrs. Herbert Gardner will assist the hostess. A musical program will be given by Louis McCracken, pianist, and Mary Louise Lindquist, soprano who will be accompanied by Betty Pearce. Anyone interested in attending may call Mrs. Gardner or Mrs. Swartwood.

Alpha Phi Officers

Newly elected officers of the Birmingham Alpha Phi alumnae organization include Mrs. Thomas Stobber, president; Mrs. Robert Vignetti, vice-president; Miss Janet Farrell, secretary and Mrs. John Pietsch, treasurer.

Former Junior Musicals Members Continue Careers and Studies

Looking back ten years to the time the Junior Musicals (a group of high school students) was organized, the names of several young men and women who, through the years, have continued the study and performance of music as a profession, stand out.

Gordon E. Johnson, the first president of the club, entered the music school at Yale, graduating with honors and winning a scholarship for study abroad. He is now in Florence, Italy, majoring in piano and composition.

Harold Jones entered Michigan State College as a music major and while at the college, he was in the navy, he was a member of the band on the battleship Iowa.

BOB SLUSSER entered the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago where he studied the organ under Leo Sowerby for four years and after service in the Navy, went to San Jose California State College. He is now teaching voice at Lincoln Junior high school in Pontiac, is organist at the Lutheran church and music critic for the Pontiac Press.

Mary Gardner Purdee attended the Eastman School of Music, majoring in voice, for four years and graduating with a degree and Performer's Certificate. She appeared in winning a scholarship to the Rochester Orchestra, and later went to New York where she studied the "High School of Music" musical comedy cast.

BOB WING, pianist and organist, studied at Wayne State in Detroit for three years. He then went to Chicago where he is still studying.

Panhellenic Council Hears Mrs. Brumage

The Birmingham alumnae of Alpha Omicron Pi entertained the first meeting of the Panhellenic Council at the home of Mrs. James Bain, 1084 Willow Lane last Thursday evening. Mrs. Bain was assisted by Mrs. Marvin Paulman and Mrs. Leroy Vandever.

Mrs. Mary Brumage was the associate voice of Women at the University of Michigan spoke on "Keeping in Step With Our Undergraduates." Among the highlights of the talk was a description of the new trend in student organization toward uniting to solve common causes.

She felt that this experience is giving the undergraduate an excellent opportunity to train for future citizen responsibility. As the Panhellenic Council is interested in the promotion of inter-collegiate fraternities, Mrs. Brumage described the new council system set up by the outstanding leaders in their local Panhellenic organizations. A fashion show and meet the puzzled candidates and in private conferences with the authorities that is followed by matching the girl to a group with the common consent of both.

This is believed to be a forward step in the sorority system and the counselling comes from the girl's own level. It is believed to be a national aspect of the Panhellenic movement.

The guests present told about the national philanthropic programs of each of their societies and the sum total presented a strong national aspect for the adult aspect of panhellenism.

Barbara Spence Names Attendants

Miss Barbara Spence has chosen May 20 as the date of her marriage to Walter V. Allison, Jr. The Rev. Arnold Runkel will officiate at the nuptials which will be solemnized in the First Methodist church.

Miss Joanne Allison, a sister of the bridegroom-to-be, will serve as honor maid and Miss Gayle Mathias of Clawson and Miss Edna Gross, Miss Pat Schroeder and Mrs. Robert Williams, all of Royal Oak will be bridesmaids. Linda Spence, a niece of the bride is to serve as flower girl while the ring bearer will be Brian Decker.

The bridesmaids include Robert Spence and Charles Allison of Birmingham; Walter Dickerson of Farmington and Ross Erwin of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Robert Brill of Waterford has been asked to be the best man.

A reception will follow in the church.

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