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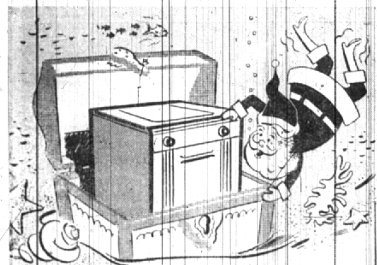
Godfather Presents Niece in Marriage

An heirloom Brussels lace cap, accented with orange blossoms, held in place Kathryn Annette Brumbaum's fingertip veil of illusion for her marriage to Russell Harrison Fisher, Jr. She ascended the aisle on the arm of her uncle and godfather, Charles K. McCracken, of Springfield, N.J., for the afternoon rites Saturday in St. James Episcopal church. The Rev. Harold E. Towne officiated. A reception followed in the church parlors. A dinner for the bridal party, family and close friends at Devon Gables, followed the reception.

The bride chose an ivory princess gown with a round neckline. Graceful folds of the full skirt fell into a sweep. She carried a Brussels lace handkerchief, a gift of her godfather, and a bouquet of white camellias.

Kathryn is the daughter of Mrs. E. Frank Brumbaum of North Adams, and the late Mr. Brumbaum. Her husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Fisher of Postcroft.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was Mrs. George P. Hileman of Algonac. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Louis Schweder of St. Joseph, Mich., and Barbara Johnson of Boston, Mass., both cousins of the bride.



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COMMUTER'S WIFE Remember Your Child Has His Own Life; Let Him Live It!

By HELEN BRUNSON
Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

Term grades from some colleges are coming up soon and many a parent will wonder, "Why doesn't my child do better? I did."

Yes, perhaps you did do better in school. But he is one person, you are another. Though you have a right to expect him to do his best, there is no justification for expecting him to do more than he can, with the mental equipment he received at birth.

Many a college student, now near failing, dreads the thought of his grades going home, for he has, all through his school years, been pushed, prodded and scolded.

It may be that he or she is not even college material, but is there because of the ambition of his parents. Some families where most members are college people feel disgraced when their child doesn't take to higher learning.

AND SOME parents try to force their child to follow a vocation he detests, because that business is traditional in the family.

There's the publisher whose son hates magazine work, but wants to sell iron pipe instead. The doctor whose son will have none of medicine, but does want to work on a newspaper. The banker whose boy dislikes bonds and notes, but would like to be an interior decorator.

Mothers, too, have pre-conceived ideas of what their children should succeed in.



Mrs. Brunson

One says, "I can't understand Nancy's not liking to sew. Why when I was nine, I made whole wardrobes of clothes for my dolls, yet Nancy won't spend one minute with needle and thread."

ANOTHER MOTHER wants her girl to take toe-dancing, but the girl is just plain clumsy and hates it.

And how many children have suffered torment practicing the piano when they loathed it?

Parents should examine, carefully, their reasons for expecting this or that from their children. If it's a matter of pride, of hoping your child will outdo someone else's, then your reason is not valid. For if the child doesn't have the ability, you could lay the groundwork in him for anxiety, inferiority and a deep sense of failure by trying to force him.

IF YOUR reason is wanting him to succeed where you failed—in popularity, in sports, in scholarship, then you are, grossly unfair to him.

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