

To take a strong stand on the side of what is right often may appear to conflict with what is termed "being practical," yet he or she who sees the long haul, fights on the side of right has an invincible ally!

Gwen Luce's Engagement To W. O. Briggs III Told

Family Dinner Is Betrothal Party

Gwen Luce's engagement to Walter O. Briggs III, was announced Saturday by her parents, the Harvey Luces of North Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Miss Luce and her fiancé are both on summer vacations from Eastern schools—she from DuChesne resident school in New York City and he from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa.

Briggs, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter O. Briggs Jr., of Martel drive in Bloomfield Hills, is taking summer school courses in business administration at Wayne university before returning to his senior studies at Lehigh. He is a 1952 graduate of Canterbury school, New Milford, Conn.

WHILE SHE attends DuChesne, Miss Luce is studying piano and majoring in home economics. Previously, she attended Williams and Mary college at Williamsburg, Va., where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She is a Kingswood, Cranbrook graduate.

News of the forthcoming wedding which will probably occur next summer, was told at a family dinner party at the Luce home on the highway between McManis, John and Adams, Inc., of which Luce is vice president.

Miss Luce's fiancé is son of the president of the Detroit Baseball company.



GWEN LUCE, FIANCÉE OF W. O. BRIGGS III

Schoolgirls Look to Wardrobes

Cottons and Soft Wools Vie To Be Fashion Favorites

By DOROTHY JEAN ZACK

"Everyone is getting to be more of an individualist in their choosing fashions" one high school girl who has already done much fall shopping told us this week.

While she and her teen-age friends are going in for Italian polka-dot pants, dropped-to-the-hip waistline, and blonder than usual hair, college girls are going into dark plaids and clothes with a background of tradition.

Black Watch plaids, patterns that somehow seem sedate and sporty, are showing up in young wardrobes for all occasions.

CAROL COWGILL has added two of the dark Scotch plaids to her wardrobe, and both in cottons. Carol, who began her collegiate career last year at Stephens, decided winter cottons are her choice of an ideal fashion innovation.

Shown here in a plaid dress that she'll be wearing under coats for classes and that will be taking her, without the tailored white pique dickey, on evening dates, Carol is spending the summer with her parents on Manor road, just off Big Beaver.

She'll be adding warmer tops to her wardrobe this year, such as the white blazer with a jeweled crest, for she is transferring to Michigan State university.

JAN ELKINS, who has worked with Birmingham Eccentric staff this summer as part of her

Michigan State journalism training, says wools are tops for campus wear.

And she pooh-poohs fashion pictures of chicwear with pumps—those 18 miles of sidewalks about MSU's campus discourage high heels, she says.

Robby socks and saddles will be vying with fun and proper slip-on flats for high school wear. Nina Slawson chose white socks and shoes to accompany her grayed-blue lambswool sweater and slightly darker tweed skirt for the photo shown.

STRAIGHT CUT in skirts is still boys, according to Nina, who recommends it for classes. But for dressing up, there's nothing as much fun as the full skirts and the two or three crumpled petticoats such as Sylvia Kordenbrock wore under the gray acetate dress in the photo here.

Carol also likes full skirts—her other Black Watch item is a tangerine skirt with skirt that new stiff fabric, Pallon.

Pat Heflin, in whose home she, Nina and Sylvia are pictured, is fond of her Italian pants. "They're longer than torreadors." Her sister, Sandra, has new lounge pants, of turquoise patterned corduroy, that are equally as "mad." Hers are full length, tapered to the ankle.

PAT AND SYLVIA agreed that all their new dresses are dropped waisted, and the three high school seniors noted that formals are far less popular, both with boys and girls, as after-five dresses.

Earnings have to be large this year, maybe even covering the whole year, the girls say. Long pants have died out as a fad, they aver.

Hair colors are doing a switch, the teenagers say. With Pat and Nina having blonder than usual hair after summer sunning, chlorinated water swimming, and a party where everyone rinsed hair in a complicated concoction including lemon juice and ammonia, the girls say "There's hardly anyone we know who hasn't done something to her hair."



ITALIAN PANTS are of black and white cotton, promise to give Pat long and fashionable wear. Her turtle neck shirt is of heavy knit, also is Italian-inspired garment for easy lounging, or for sports. (All Eccentric Photos)

WHETHER ITS a blonde streak on brunette hair, a jet-black job, shades of blonding as yet, Auburn dye job, the colors are changing for these young darlings-to.

Perhaps they've heard of the retort of the Ambassador to Italy when asked if she bleached her hair: "What blonde woman doesn't today?"

Boy coats, half belted, are important this year as always—the tan ones are perennial but navy is as good, the college girls contacted agree.

COLLEGE OPENING dates are late in September, so many girls have not completed—or even begun—their shopping as yet. Mary, like Sheila McElligott, who will be a sophomore at Marygrove this fall, haven't begun.

Some, like Mary Abbott Terry, a sophomore at Denton, have purchased a few things. Mary has Bermuda shorts and slacks, a new semi-formal dress, dressy wools and a taffeta, and a new bolero to add to her school-going wardrobe.

Working girls will be waiting till end of their summer stints—such as Ann Osborn, who goes to Hollands in Virginia, and Louise Sherriff, who goes to Smith. Both will be sophomores.



PRINCESS STYLE in Carol's winter cotton dress of Black Watch plaid, going great guns in fall fabrics. White pique dickey can be detached.

Newness of Rotary-Roasted Food Uses Its Own Flavor

Robert VanderPyls Share Their Out-of-Doors Meals

(This is second in The Birmingham Eccentric's series of articles on how local women prepare their favorite home-cooked foods for small family gatherings or parties of friends. Experienced housewives and young marrieds are contributing to the series by Dorothy Jean Zack.)

Though Mrs. Robert VanderPyl has her Lake Park home filled with antiques, her recipes are as modern as the rotisserie-roasted Canadian bacon dotted with pineapple chunks.

The Canadian bacon, which she finds ideal for parties in their backyard for four guests and their own family of four uses its own flavor rather than added flavors such as many barbecue recipes suggest.

"IT'S JUST THE meat's real flavor," is the retort her husband gives when he or Mrs. VanderPyl brook a steak or chops on the rotisserie.

"When there's so much rubbing, shaking, and pouring over meats, you lose track of the fact that you have a charcoal broiled steak," the attractive young wife says.

The charcoal gives a flavor, and they may add hickory chips. A gob of butter after the steak is completed is the only flavoring.

CANADIAN BACON is done with pineapple chunks, using about a two-and-a-half sized can for the three-pound chunk shown. (See additional photo on page 1, section 4.)

A clove is placed in each pineapple chunk, and an occasional maraschino is added for

We Heard It Said By: MRS. DONALD W. H. ROTH-ANG, who with her family has moved to 369 Larchlin. "We were very pleased to become subscribers to The Eccentric and already through this medium feel 'at home' in Birmingham. This newspaper certainly deserves the acclaim it has achieved." Rothang, mentioned in an earlier edition, is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N. Y., and Mrs. Rothang attended the University of Buffalo in Buffalo, N. Y.



NEW STYLE IN cookery is done by Mrs. Robert VanderPyl on old style furnishings in their home on Lake Park. Desk is an antique. (Eccentric Photo)

have been cooked, and this rice is added to the egg, milk and vegetable mixture. The dish bakes in an hour at 350 degrees, and will serve eight.

Bride-elect Honored by Parties

Friends and relatives of Ellen Snader and Richard B. Betole have honored them recently by a number of parties. Richard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ari M. Betole of 1124 Covington. The couple will speak their vows on Aug. 20.

Mrs. N. A. Woodworth gave a miscellaneous shower and tea in Ellen's honor at her Detroit home on June 25.

On June 26, Mr. and Mrs. Ari Woodruff and Mr. and Mrs. Howard English hosted a supper party for the couple.

On July 12 Mrs. Frank R. Chapman of Rochester gave a supper party.

Mr. and Mrs. Chad Richie hosted a supper party for July 24 at their Covington home in Bloomfield Village.

The rehearsal dinner will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ari M. Betole on Aug. 19.

Ellen's sister, Janet Snader, will be hostess at a brunch for the bride's attendants on Aug. 20.

Wedding Anniversaries

Fort Wayne, Ind., was the recent destination of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Rapp, 3771 Lincoln drive, when they attended the golden wedding anniversary and reception of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Rapp.

The senior Rapps have three daughters, three sons and 10 grandchildren who helped celebrate the anniversary. The weekend also saw the E. Manuel Herrons, Mrs. Rapp's parents, celebrating their fifth wedding anniversary. Here two daughters, a son, grandchild and great-grandchild were among the celebrants.



EAGER ZONTIANS with whetted appetites gather at the buffet to do justice to fish fry delicacies at the Clevers home. (Eccentric Photos)



HOSTESS Betty Clevers prepares fresh-caught fish in the usual egg batter and cracker crumb dips to prepare meal for guests.

Birmingham - Bloomfield Hills Zonta club members met last week at the Pine Lake home of Mrs. Matthew Clevers.

Menu highlight was a fish fry prepared by the hostess from the word "go".

Mrs. Clevers with children Nancy, Charles and Ruthie, spend many hours on the lake hauling in delectable fish. Processed and frozen they are kept in readiness for family fare and specials for those who do not have "home grown fish" at their doorstep.

The business meeting included reports from Agnes Billings and Elizabeth Welsh on the two girls, which the club sponsored for a fortnight stay at Camp Oakland.

THE GIRLS, sisters, are wards of the Oakland county court and were guests of Zontians at the camp session.

Reports of ticket sales for the Aug. 23 performance at Will-O-Way of "The Remarkable Mr. Pennypacker" also were given. All club members have tickets available.

The group voted for individual purchases of Zonta club pins from the national headquarters office.



LAMBSWOOL for Nina's sweater, wool tweed for her skirt, and covert-like acetate for Sylvia's dress are leaders in fabric fashions.

Attend Wedding In Warsaw, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence W. Kraft and her brother, John Kraft, to Warsaw, Ind. this weekend to attend the wedding of her aunt, Dr. Ruth M. Kraft and Dr. Don F. Strubben, both of Detroit. She will accompany her parents.