

Wed in Historical Church Plan European Bicycle Trip

In a pre-revolutionary church where the groom's grandfather and great-great-grandfather had served, William Overington Reid claimed Ute Cornelia Busemann as his bride Saturday afternoon.

The church is Trinity church, Oxford, in Philadelphia where Mr. Reid's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Reid, Jr., of Clifton road, were married and he was baptized.

After the double-ring ceremony Dr. and Mrs. Busemann of Hampton, Va., hosted the reception for their daughter and new son-in-law at the church community house.

A full-length veil of Brussels lace worn by the bridegroom's mother, sister and sister-in-law, was worn by the bride, along with the ivory satin wedding dress the bridegroom's sister, Mrs. J. L. Upper, of Ann Arbor, had worn. The gown was fashioned after the early Victorian mode, detailed with self-covered buttons running from a pearl embroidered collar to the waist of the long-sleeved bodice. The full skirt extended into a circular train.



MRS. WILLIAM O. REID

Have You Met

Joseph M. Bole, Jr., plant superintendent who is an avid sports fan in his free time, and his family. They moved in March to 1751 Loebert, Beverly Hills from Detroit. He is with Miermat Home Corp., belongs to Northwest Sportsman's Club, and likes to golf, bowl and hunt. His family includes Mrs. Bole, Carol Ann, 8, who attends Our Lady Queen of Martyrs school, and Michael, 5, kindergarten at Beverly school.

When they return they will make their home in Philadelphia.

His Suggestion Worth \$1,000

Leo O. Warner, 999 Chapin, Monday received the maximum employment award of \$1,000 from the Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

It was the second such award in the history of the company's suggestion program, the first time to a plant department employee.

Warner is a switchboard repairman for the company at Royal Oak. He earned the award for a workable control system of making certain paper forms on all teleprinters on a circuit are in correct vertical alignment.

W. T. Kirk, general plant manager for Michigan Bell, presented the check for \$1,000 to Warner at ceremonies held in Detroit.

In his 10 years with the company, Warner has submitted nine suggestions, all pertaining to teleprinters. Of these, five have been accepted and four have been adopted by the Bell System. This is his first higher award.

He joined Michigan Bell in the Detroit teletype repair shop after his discharge from the United States Army in 1945. He remained there until last December when he transferred to his Royal Oak assignment.



MR. AND MRS. THOMAS C. BIRD

Visit in Adrian

Winifred and Grace Rainey of Oakland have spent a few days in Adrian, attending the wedding of their nephew, William Evans German, son of former Birminghamite, Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. German, to Betty Smith, of Adrian.

Here from Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Livingston and son, Terry, came from Linwood, Ohio, to spend the weekend with her aunt, Lucy Purdy, at her home on Frank street.

Saturday Bride Wears Imported French Gown

A gown of imported French silk taffeta was worn by Dolores R. Tirabassi when she became the bride of Thomas C. Bird at a double-ring ceremony Saturday in Holy Name church. The Rev. F. Padlock officiated at the 11 o'clock rite.

Appliques of lace and seed pearls fashioned the ivory bridal veil which fell to a chapel train. Her fingertip veil fell from an ivory shell and bead pearl head dress. She carried a bouquet of white calla lilies and green ivy.

Gerald Zimmerman was best man, and ushers were Anthony Tirabassi and Carl Hein.

The bride's mother wore a beige suit with sand-colored accessories and Mrs. Bird had a blue and purple taffeta ensemble. Both mothers had purple orchids.

Following the reception at Rotunda Inn, the couple left for a honeymoon at Lake Worth, Fla. When they return they will make their home in Toronto, Canada.



TEACHER DEMONSTRATES THE ABACUS Mrs. Annabelle Sumera and Beverly students. (Eccentric Photo)

Ancient Abacus Adopted As an Arithmetic Aid

Children at Beverly elementary and Barnum junior high schools will have new tools to help them learn arithmetic starting next September.

At Beverly, first, second and third grade students will use a modern version of the ancient abacus, while at Barnum approximately 265 sixth and seventh grade students will use the Burroughs instructor-model adding machine.

MALCOLM FERGUSON, Beverly principal, said seven instructors would use the abacus to make "more effective use of our present arithmetic teaching methods."

Each child at Beverly will have a miniature abacus of his own, while the teacher uses a giant size abacus to demonstrate.

Ireland said principals and instructors will attend a pre-training workshop season at the University of Detroit this summer. The workshop will be conducted by Dr. Arnold, many seventh graders made gains in four months which normally would require 19 months of study, and the average achievement gain for all students tested was fourteen months in one four-month period.

Dr. Arnold, director of the University of Detroit, who designed the system.

Venturists-Soroptimists Plan Joint May Breakfast

At a May breakfast Sunday morning, the Soroptimist International of Birmingham and the Venture club will hold their annual induction of new members. The Venturists will also install officers for 1955-56. The event will take place at 11 a.m. at Devon Gables.

Both ceremonies will be performed by Mary Perry of Royal Oak, director of the Midwestern Region of Venture clubs. Helen Larkin, Midwestern regional governor of Soroptimist International, will induct the new soroptimists members.

Miss Georgia Mitchell, past president of the American Council of Venture clubs, will give a talk on "Venturism" and Gladys Heinze, charter member of the local club, will give a talk on "Soroptimism."

At the breakfast, Barbara Smigielski and Ruth Smith, board members, will be installed as the new president of the Venture club. Installed to assist her will be Frances Williams vice president; Jean Mair, secretary; Virginia Cattell, treasurer; Barbara Smigielski and Ruth Smith, board members.

Nancy Dickson and Nina Noble are co-chairmen for the ceremony.

Mrs. Ketchum Meets Ike

Mrs. Berrien C. Ketchum stopped in Birmingham briefly this week, told details of her visit with President Eisenhower in Washington, and departed for Sun Valley.

As new vice president of the Michigan League of Women Voters, Mrs. Ketchum, of the local league, attended the national council as an observer from Michigan.

It was because of the president's pleasure at progress of the Reciprocal Trade bill, backed by the LWV, that he invited the group to meet him in the White House rose garden. Mrs. Ketchum was among those chosen to go.

Mrs. Ketchum reported that the president, who wore a blue suit, looked well and fit. She says, "I kept wishing that my children were there in my place. It would have meant so much to them."

MSU Cites Eleven For Honor Rating

Michigan State university's honor list for Winter term lists 11 graduates of high schools in Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham.

Hills residents are Norman James Bowman and James C. Sawyer, and Birmingham, John Beryl Boulton, Martha V. Dudley, Margaret Jo Ireland, Arvid E. Kallen, Catherine I. McQueen, Georgia E. Roehm, Janice L. Ross, Carolyn A. Shattuck, and Janet Claire Wainson, all with B-plus or higher averages.

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