

It is given to most of us to live a goodly number of years; during those years we are privileged to acquire useful knowledge, rewarding skills, and thus, put to use, earn enough to obtain reasonable mental, emotional, and economic security. How we use our time determines how and where we will travel.

The Birmingham Eccentric

SECTION B

Thursday, December 26, 1957

Beresfords Drink Toast From 179-Year-Old Beakers

Christ Church Cranbrook, banked with Christmas trees, creamy blooms and tiers of tapers, was the setting Saturday evening at eight o'clock for the doubling wedding ceremony of Cornelia Prime Vandever to James Thompson Beresford. The Rev. Robert L. DeWitt officiated.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy George Vandever and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin MacFarland Beresford of Bloomfield Hills.

THE BRIDE wore a princess styled candle-light altar silk satin gown with slightly jeweled alencon lace trim, bell skirt and chapel train. She was the fifth generation in direct line bearing the "Prime" name to wear the blond triangular veil of hand-made bobbin lace, Point de Brussels, first created in Brussels in 1840.

The first bride to wear it was Hannah Stevens Prime in 1843 in Salem, Mass. Its companion veil was accepted the past October by the Detroit Institute of Arts as the first of its kind in its collection—a gift of the bride's mother.

"Connie" carried a cascade of creamy orchids and ivy.

LINDSAY Crawford Vandever returned for the holidays from Abbot Academy, Andover, Mass., where she is a senior, and attended her sister as maid of honor.

Mrs. Gordon L. Waterworth, Jr., a past college roommate and wife of the bride's double first cousin, served as matron of honor.

Other bridal attendants were Virginia Ann Beresford, daughter of the James A. Beresfords of Bloomfield Hills and cousin of the groom; Mrs. William Thompson Beresford, sister-in-law of the groom; Mrs. John Winthrop Crim, sister of the groom; and Margaret Jock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon R. Jock of Flint.

ATTENDANTS were vivid against their setting in cranberry velvet scoop-necked, waltz-length dresses with tiny opera hats and matching satin sashes and slippers. They carried, in subdued contrast, crescent bouquets of pale green cypripedium orchids outlined with variegated holly.

Flower girl, Lucinda Crim, daughter of the John Winthrop Crims and niece of the groom, wore a sheer silk dress matching the bride's with a sash and headband of cranberry velvet. She carried a tiny bouquet of deep crimson rose buds.

Honorary attendants were Georgianna Davidson of Lakewood, Ohio, and Gail Glover of Birmingham, representing the bride's friends at the University of Michigan and Kingswood school respectively.

WILLIAM Thompson Beresford was his brother's best man. Ushers were John Winthrop Crim; John Booth Beresford and Daniel Booth Beresford, cousins of the groom; Charles Walter Frederick, Jr., of Bloomfield Hills, and Gordon L. Waterworth, Jr., double-first-cousin of the bride.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Vandever chose a pine cone brown re-embroidered lace sheath with matching satin panel. Her flowers were spotted brown and green cymbidium orchids.

Mrs. Beresford wore a Madonna blue sheath of peau de soie with matching hat. She accented her costume with white Eucharis lilies on her purse.

THE RECEPTION, following the ceremony, was at the Detroit Boat club and featured white Christmas trees, baskets of creamy blooms with gold leaves and a dance orchestra.

Connie and Jim toasted one another with champagne in seventh generation old silver beakers, also "Prime" heirlooms, exactly 179 years later than the first bride and groom used them for the same purpose.

For motoring to Florida the bride appeared briefly in a moss green double-purpose sheer wool suit highlighted by garnet jewelry, short mouton jacket and matching Palamino leather accessories and luggage.

MRS. ROBERT Bruce Wilkinson of Philadelphia, a relative of the bride, was entertained over the weekend by the Edward Smith Wellocks, also of Bloomfield Hills.

The DeForest W. Candler of Birmingham entertained the Vandever house guests at dinner preceding the wedding ceremony. Their guests were Dr. and Mrs. Rudolph E. Vandever of Rome, N. Y., and their sons, Lauren, James and Peter. Lindsay Vandever's classmate from Abbot Academy and houseguest for the holidays, Joan Gronblad of Almirante, Panama, was also included. Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Johnson entertained three Vandever nephews in their guest cottage.

CONNIE is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Vandever, who now resides in Phoenix and Yarnell, Ariz., and the late Edward Waterworths of Detroit.

The groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Beresford of Bloomfield Hills and the late William D. Thompsons.



TREE DECORATED to portray the story of "Alice in Wonderland."

Tree Depicts Kiddies' Fantasy

NORTH ADAMS—The Arthur Follows Christmas tree on Burnley drive is quite different than most. The difference is not in the ornaments, or the lights, or the color, but in the story it tells.

The story revolves around "Alice in Wonderland" with Alice on the top of the tree, beginning her fall down through the branches to the rabbit hole near the bottom of the tree. The white rabbit is waiting on one of the lower branches. The cheshire cat is nestled on a limb grinning his wide grin.

AT THE BASE of the tree the mad hatter's tea party is in progress with the dormouse, the hare, dodo bird, and the mouse that told the tall tale, seated at the tea table.

Other characters at the base of the tree are gardeners painting the roses red, the king and queen of hearts, the ootipillar with four arms, mock turtle, the duchess on the pig, and the frog and fish in page-boy outfits.

THE FOLLOWS began working on their 10-inch characters the end of September, with Mrs. Follows making the paper-mache heads and dressing each figure. Her son, Arthur, a graduate student of music at the University of Michigan, who is home for Christmas, and her nephew, Harold Fletcher of Livonia, moulded the bodies, hands and feet, out of clay. Many wires and paper were also used before each story book creation was completed.

THIS UNIQUE five-foot Christmas tree stands on a coffee table. The table is covered with a red and white crepe paper tent that lights from underneath when the tree lights are on, giving the scene a soft glow.

A Christmas hobby of the Follows began last Christmas when they portrayed "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Home for Holidays
Marcia Cotter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bart Cotter of Rastburg road, Bloomfield Hills, flew home last week from Trenton, N. J. to spend the holiday with her parents. Mr. Cotter's brother and wife, the James-M. Cotters arrived from Buffalo, N.Y., Christmas Eve.

California Guests
Guests spending the holiday with Mrs. Cecil Hetherington of Hamphrey is her son, William Hetherington and his family. They arrived Monday from San Diego, Calif.

White Tree Accents Decor at Bridal Tea

FOXGROVE—Using soft pastel colors, Mrs. M. F. Mallerder of East Surrey turned her home into a true Christmas fairytale when she entertained some 85 friends at tea on Monday afternoon.

Guests were invited to meet Ellen, who will be married to the Mallerder's son, Fred, in February. Ellen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lewis of West Surrey road.

Mrs. Mallerder, who really has a "way" when it comes to decorations, had trimmed a white tree with exquisite ornaments and used white polinetias and azaleas on low tables. The pastel Christmas fairytale was in evidence throughout the house, with a change of pace in the paneled family room which was done in old fashioned red and green.

The tea table was centered with a white compote filled with pastel ornaments which were covered with tiny flowers and butterflies—these all handmade by Mrs. M.

The color scheme was even carried out in the very tiny pastel flower candies on the tea table.

Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all news—all the society editor about them.

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The New Year —

The custom of celebrating the first day of the calendar year is observed in almost every country. Usually, the celebration consists of religious ceremonies, preceded or followed by festivities.

In the Orient a spirit of gaiety prevails. Homes are decorated, and gifts are exchanged. In Europe this holiday is the occasion of family parties, the giving of gifts, and calling on one's friends.

In America there are church services and parties to watch the old year out; theater and dancing parties, and other social entertainments.

Formerly New Year was a day set apart for formal calls, but the custom has declined greatly.

A Swiss Couple Calls

A Swiss couple dancing around the face of a clock with hands pointing to the hour of twelve beckons guests to the New Year's Eve dinner dance at Birmingham Country club. The invitation reads . . . Welcome the New Year in (See SUB SCENE, Page 7-B)

Belles Make Holiday News with Engagements



KATHLEEN RITA FEELY

Engagement Announced At Dinner

At a family dinner the engagement of Kathleen Rita Feely to John Kent Moore was announced. The bride-elect is the daughter of Emmett Paul Feely, Sr., of Larchlea drive, Birmingham, and the late Mrs. Myra D. Feely. John is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Moore of Vero Beach, Fla., formerly of Bloomfield Hills.

Kathleen is a graduate of Marygrove college. Her fiancé graduated from the University of Notre Dame and received a master's degree in Business Administration from Harvard. An April wedding is planned.



BARBARA DICK

Engagement of Barbara Frances Dick to Lovell George Shore, Jr. is announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Dick of Coral Gables avenue, Lathrup Village. The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lovell George Shore of Birchwood avenue, Detroit.

Miss Dick was graduated from Southfield Township high school and attends Michigan State University. Lovell was graduated from Principia high school in St. Louis, Mo., and is also an MSU student. An April wedding is planned.



MOLLY ANN OLSON

Molly Ann Olson's engagement to Robert Widman Appleford is announced by her parents, the Warren T. Olsons of Madison avenue. Robert's parents are the Alexander A. Applefords of Brachway boulevard, Bloomfield Village.

Molly attended the University of Vermont in Burlington where she was affiliated with Pi Beta Phi. An Alpha Delta Phi and June '57 graduate of Williams college, Williamstown, Mass., Bob is now attending the University of Michigan law school. His law fraternity is Phi Delta Phi. A June wedding is planned.



SALLY BOYD

Mr. and Mrs. George Boyd, 2625 Ayrshire drive, Bloomfield Hills, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sally, to Ralph Springfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Springfield of Gardner's City.

Sally is a sophomore at Alma college and a member of Alpha Theta sorority. Her fiancé is a graduate of Alma college and was affiliated with Delta Gamma. Tau fraternity He is now teaching in the Kent City high school. A summer wedding is planned.



SANDRA ANN CASE

FRANKLIN—At a family party Christmas afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond William Case of Ferndale announced the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Ann, to David Broderick Roehm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walter Roehm of 26460 Woodlure.

The bride-elect attended the Detroit Business college and her fiancé attended Michigan State university. David is a member of the Detroit Athletic Club. No wedding date has been set.



MARY SUE MORGAN

Engagement of Mary Sue Morgan to Charles W. Burnham of Cambridge, Mass., was revealed at a family dinner party Christmas day by Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Morgan of Grosse Pointe. Charles is the son of the C. H. Burnhams of Villa, Birmingham, formerly of Massachusetts.

A Grosse Pointe high graduate, Mary is a senior at Smith college in Northampton. Charles graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is currently studying for an advanced degree at MIT graduate school of geology and geophysics.



PATRICIA HARMAN JACKSON

At a cocktail party Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. William Henry Jackson of Oakland avenue, Birmingham, announced the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Harman, to 1st Lt. Richard N. George.

Present for the event were the prospective bridegroom's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wendell D. George of Watertown, N. Y., and his brother John.

The bride-elect is a senior at Vassar college. Her fiancé graduated from Colgate university and is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He is stationed at Selfridge air force base.



PHYLLIS ABERNETHY

Reception In New York Reveals Troth

The engagement of Phyllis Harriet Abernethy to William S. Hendry, Jr., was recently announced at a reception at the Essex House in New York City by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Abernethy of Stratford, Bloomfield Hills. Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Hendry of East Longmeadow, Mass.

The future bride, who resides in New York City, graduated from Ohio Wesleyan university, where she was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

William, also a resident of New York City, is a graduate of Wilbraham academy and Colgate university, where he was affiliated with Theta Chi fraternity. An early spring wedding is planned.

A Happy New Year to All Our Friends

From the Society Staff of The Birmingham Eccentric