

at the CHURCH DOOR

By JULIE CANDLER

There's more to the story about the six Hungarian refugees now being sponsored by the First Baptist church.

If things had worked out as originally planned, there wouldn't have been a double wedding at First Baptist church last week. For the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Emil Kontz and the Rev. Dr. Robert Macoskey went to the Detroit railroad station intending to pick up only one refugee couple and a father with his son. When they returned from the station, they brought six Hungarian refugees with them. They had met Istvan Kerekcs and Terez Pap, one of the engaged couples, and Ignac Pinter and his son, Bela, according to plan.

While they were at the station, Dr. Kontz noticed a lone couple who apparently had not been met by anyone.

ADDRESSING THEM in the Hungarian language of his parents, Dr. Kontz asked, "And where are you young people going?"

The answer of Clara Karsay and Szilard Kiss was that they didn't know, for they had no place to go. They were part of an unassigned group which was to be turned over to the YMCA, Dr. Kontz said. Still, they were friends of, and had escaped Hungary with the other four.

The next Sunday, during church service, Dr. Kontz told the story and said, "Good friends of the congregation, what would you do?"

Their answer was to set about helping the six to find a home and jobs.

FOR THE TWO couples who were married by Dr. Kontz last week, they not only found temporary furnished apartments, but they heaped a huge table with gifts which were presented to the couples at the dinner following the marriage.

There were dishes, cooking utensils, brooms and cleaning equipment, stocks for their cupboards, and linens. They were provided through a fund which members of the church raised, through contributions from the Sunday school children, and by individual members of the church who made special purchases.

Members of the church's Women's Mission Union furnished the couples with new blankets.

On the committee which is directly responsible for helping the new arrivals are Mrs. Delyle Sevice, Mrs. Edwin Minks, Mrs. Robert Boltwood, Mrs. Earl Bramblett, Herbert Fleming, Mrs. Roy Johnson and Dr. and Mrs. Macoskey.

THE COMMITTEE'S next task is to find jobs for the five adults. Pinter is a former lumber merchant, Mr. and Mrs. Kiss are turret lathe operators, Istvan Kerekcs is a leather craftsman, and his wife is a former forelady in a textile plant.

Another task which lies ahead for the committee is to rent a large order house in the Birmingham or Pontiac area, where the six can live near one another.

Dr. Macoskey said this week he would welcome any suggestions about job opportunities or possible permanent living quarters for them.

Meanwhile, 13-year-old "Sukie", as Bela is called, is living with Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Crouch, of 778 E. Square Lake road, Bloomfield township. He attends Hickory Grove school and enjoys tobogganing and playing with the Crouch's 11-year-old son, Charles.



AS HE WORKS at the task of buffing a candlestick stand, Nancy Fisher discusses one of the altar appointments she is making with fellow metalworking student Dave Tompkins, of Bloomfield Hills. Dave holds one of the two-foot-high candlesticks which will be placed on the altar of the new Franklin Community church.

Young Member Prepares Church's Altar Appointments

In the metal shop at Cranbrook Academy of Art, a slender, blond girl is preparing two large brass candlesticks.

Sometime soon the two two-foot-high appointments will be placed at either side of the altar at the new Franklin Community church. At the center of the altar, there already stands a three-foot-high cross, also the work of 21-year-old Nancy Fisher, of 28393 Wellington, Franklin.

Designed to blend with the architecture of the beautiful colonial church, preliminary sketches of the cross and candlesticks were turned over to Nancy by the church's architect.

UNDER the supervision of her metalwork instructor, Richard Thomas, Nancy tackled the largest work she has done so far at Cranbrook. One candlestick alone weighs 13 pounds. Nancy completed the designs and prepared trifolds, symbols of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, which are placed at the four tips of the large cross. She has directed the production of some

Miss Rowland To Be Speaker At North Church

Speaker at the Women's Association meeting of North Congregational church next Tuesday, at 2 p.m., will be Wilmina Martin, executive director of Merrill Palmer school.

After graduating from Wilson college, Miss Rowland spent three years in China as a teacher. On her return she traveled to many colleges in the United States and the world in behalf of the Student Christian movement. She then returned to Yale Divinity school for further study, receiving her MA degree from there. After three years on the faculty of Women's College of the University of North Carolina, she did further work at Union Theological seminary in New York.

Before coming to Detroit, she served as director of promotions and publications for the national office of United Church Women.

Mrs. John Moorhead will introduce her and Mrs. William Comb will have the devotions.

The same day the Bible study class of the Women's association will meet at the church from 10 a.m. to noon for study based on the Old Testament. Mrs. E. L. Martin will be the leader.



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Alliance to Hear Noted Psychiatrist

The Women's Alliance of Birmingham Unitarian church, meeting at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at the home of Mrs. John K. Bagby, 972 Oxford road, Birmingham, will hear a talk by a well-known psychiatrist. She is Mrs. Marvin Fisk, member of the staff at Pontiac state hospital, who will discuss the work done at the institute.

Parent-Teacher Night is being planned at North Congregational church under the direction of Mrs. Frank G. Betz, superintendent of the church school, next Tuesday, at the church at 8 p.m. Dr. John W. Kistler, newly appointed associate minister at North church, will speak on the subject, "What are we really saying—at home, in the church class?" The session is planned so that parents with children enrolled learn more about the work of the church school and talk personally with their children's teachers.

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