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Mr. and Mrs. Gilchrist Honeymoon in Bermuda

Mary Josephine Wiesler and David Welch Gilchrist were united in marriage Saturday noon in St. Hugo of the Hills. The Rev. Francis T. Stack performed the ceremony.

The bride chose an antique ivory satin gown, featuring a fitted basque bodice accented by long sleeves. Delicate appliques of chantilly lace and pearls outlined the portrait neckline. Matching lace bordered the fingertip veil which was secured by a satin shell appliqued with lace and tiny pearls. She carried a bouquet of white roses.

MARY is the daughter of Mrs. Norbert Henry Wiesler, 1043 North Glenhurst, Birmingham, and the late Mr. Wiesler. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harvey Gilchrist, 1231 Cedarbrook lane, Bloomfield Hills.

Mrs. Richard D. Halpin of Columbus, Ohio, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mary Margaret Morrison of Milwaukee, Wis., Sally Wootton of Pompano beach, Fla., Mrs. Arbie R. Thalacker of Princeton, N. J., and Joanne Fetter of Birmingham.

The attendants were dressed alike in crystal white embroidered nylon dresses over matisse taffeta with matching wide cummerbund and sash. Their hats were of matching maize straw with tiny lilacs surrounding them. They carried bouquets of white lilacs and yellow iris.

DAVID Engel Hershey of Birmingham, was best man. Charles J. Potts, Richard D. Halpin, both

brothers-in-law of bride, Keith J. Gilchrist, brother of groom, and Theodore Schwarz were ushers.

For her daughter's wedding and reception at the Bloomfield Hills country club, Mrs. Wiesler wore a gown of ice-blue silk organza over taffeta. Her hat was accented by a spray of lilacs and French veiling to match her gown. The groom's mother wore a cinnamon print with a matching bolero jacket and accessories.

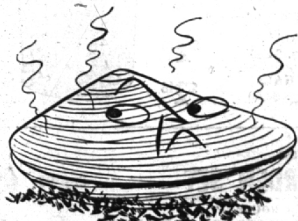
The new Mrs. Gilchrist changed to a pale blue wool suit, with black patent accessories and black and white straw hat for her honeymoon to Bermuda.

The couple will make their home at Graefeld terraces, Birmingham.

Mount Union Coeds.

Two local Mount Union coeds participated last weekend in the May Day Dance. Jane Wallace, 621 Fairfax, Birmingham, was the chairman of the dance and Sandy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stenson, 1065 Putney drive, Birmingham, was chairman of the band committee.

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



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Schedules Show At B'ham C C

The Beverly Hills Improvement Association will present its annual women's activity, a luncheon-fashion show-bridge at noon today at the Birmingham Country club. Fashionists will be from Suzette of Birmingham.

Mrs. William Robinson, Mrs. Gordon Douglas, Mrs. Harry Hiew, Mrs. Donald Hayes, Mrs. William Lutsch, Mrs. Daniel Mayka, Mrs. Ralph Tennant, Mrs. Verne Willard, Mrs. Kenneth Beach and Mrs. Robert Lapham, all active members of the association, will model.

Suzette will feature summer cot-

Four local boys will be leaving for Annapolis Naval Academy July 1. They are Allen Wright, 315 Pilgrim, Birmingham; Lee Abbenethy, 1060 Stratford, Bloomfield hills; Jim Traa, formerly of Bloomfield township and George Huffman, 20590, Scenic, Franklin.

tons, playclothes and active sportswear. All of the models will be displaying coiffures designed for them by Mrs. Bea Sautel, owner of Bea's Gay Nineties Beauty Salon, a new up in Birmingham.

Mrs. Carl Bromel, Mrs. Arden Elliott and Mrs. Martin Edgar are chairmen of the event. Mrs. Arch Simpson, 4433 Sembole, Royal Oak, is ticket chairman.

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The Dog Problem in Bloomfield Village

WHY DO OUR OFFICIALS REFUSE TO ENFORCE THE LAW?

Non-enforcement of the Dog Law in Bloomfield Village has resulted in an increasingly alarming problem. Children cannot play in their yards without being threatened by packs of levery, frenzied, or fat dogs. Children continue to be bitten, with the possibility of necessary exposure to the distress and dangers of rabies prophylaxis. Ladies and elderly people cannot walk in the Village without being challenged by vicious dogs. Postal carriers and tradesmen are prevented from making their deliveries. Residents cannot enjoy their own yards with-

out having a pack of strange dogs yapping at their heels and destroying their lawns and shrubbery.

Must every dog be allowed to run loose until it attacks someone? What are the requirements of the law? The applicable law is Act 339 of 1919 as amended. The enforcement of the Act discloses as part of its purposes: "regulating the keeping of dogs, and imposing powers and duties on certain classes, city and township officers and employees." Provisions here pertinent are as follows:

"Section 1. It shall be unlawful... for any owner to allow any dog to stray beyond his premises unless under the reasonable control of some person or when ordered to avoid barking, commencing with..."

"Section 2. Any person or police officer violating or failing or refusing to comply with any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding \$100.00 or imprisonment in the County Jail not exceeding three (3) months, or to both..."

"Section 3. The term 'Police Officer' shall mean any person employed or selected by the people of any Township and whose duty it is to preserve peace, or to make arrests, or to enforce the law."

Our Supreme Court has repeatedly said that enforcement of this law is required to cope with the inherent dangers of the dog nuisance.

Several years ago, our Association Trustees, reporting the results of a poll they had conducted, stated that 50% of those expressing an opinion were dog owners and that two-thirds of the entire group were in favor of dogs being controlled. However, then as now, the titular heads of the Association have consistently refrained from supporting or responding to this normal consensus in favor of law enforcement. The fact is that an apparent majority of the successive Association dignitaries have been personally averse to compliance with the Dog Law. Some have suggested that our policemen do not have time to enforce this law. At one time the Trustees, with curious whimsicality, suggested in the Village bulletin that cows and horses are entitled to the protection of the Dog Law, but not necessarily humans. On another occasion it was erroneously reported that control of dogs was required only in the night-time, and from time to time it has been clearly intimated that it was not quite desirable in Bloomfield Village, to complain about the depredations of your neighbor's dog.

Some months ago our Trustees consented to publicize the actual requirements of the Dog Law and announced, apparently with tongue in cheek, an intention to enforce it. Yet this lip service to the law has not been followed, to attempted enforcement. On the contrary, while some of our policemen in response to complaints have told us

that the law "doesn't mean a thing", others say that, although the dog situation is the worst that they have ever seen, they are helpless because they have not been given instructions to enforce the law, and that they can do nothing unless a dog bites someone.

Unfortunately, our Township officials have doubtless assumed that the historic attitude of dog bites someone has represented the desires of our community.

A substantial number of the undersigned are dog owners. We do not think it unreasonable that the law requires us to properly confine our dogs and to acknowledge the right of our neighbor to have our dogs not forced upon him. The responsibility of dog ownership should (and the Law says) extend beyond mere acquisition and ownership. Presumably, almost all of the dogs in the Village have owners; a startlingly large percentage of them do not appear to have houses, supervision or care. In frigid weather, in snow and in rain the same dogs may be seen sleeping on the sidewalk, in vacant fields or on anyone's porch. They are killed by automobiles, maimed in dog fights, and stolen. Their owners are opposed to enforcement of the Dog Law. It may reasonably be assumed that many of them are neither licensed nor inoculated. It is only several years since Oakland County reputedly had the highest incidence of rabies in the state. It could happen again.

Notwithstanding the evident compelling reasons for the Law, the stated justifications of those who believe that the Law is not intended for them, and

who have successfully opposed its enforcement, are as follows:

(1) "That a dog should be permitted to run at will" (notwithstanding that dog authorities are agreed that only if you want your dog to revert toward an undomesticated, less predictable, wild state, should you let them run with the pack).

(2) "Practically everyone loves my dog. He would never offend anyone, has yet to bite anyone, and those who complain about him are cranks."

(3) "I have more important things to do than to look after that dog."

Either you believe in observance and impartial enforcement of the law, or you don't. WE URGE EVERYONE WHO DOES TO MAKE IT KNOWN.

If you are told that nothing can be done about the dog situation because the County Warden is insufficiently financed to operate, do not be satisfied with such an answer. Apprehension of dogs is not the exclusive means of enforcing the Dog Law. We have a full-fledged police force specifically assigned to and supported by Bloomfield Village. Our policemen are invested with all of the powers normally accorded police officers, with the right and duty to preserve peace. Opinion of the Attorney General, number 1891 (1955), ASK YOUR TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR TO MAKE IT KNOWN THAT YOUR POLICE OFFICERS WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO FILE VIOLATIONS COMPLAINTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 26 (ABOVE) AGAINST PERSONS WHO, AFTER WARNING, CONTINUE TO VIOLATE THE LAW.

The best interests and the spirit of any community manifestly would not be served if its officials, by neglecting to perform their proper police functions, compelled its residents in desperation to assume the role of law enforcement officials and to file complaints—neighbor against neighbor.

Recently a dog was shot and killed in the Village. Although in certain circumstances a person killing a dog may be within his legal rights, we deplore and oppose the killing of any dog except in cases where such action is dictated by urgent necessity.

Equally regrettable is the fact that those who purport to speak for the Village have over the years invited contempt for the law to such an extent that harassed individuals would be justified in concluding that their only remedy is by resort to self help.

Again, if you believe that the law should be enforced, make it known. The alternative may be that the situation will become much worse before it becomes better; that a vocal minority, indifferent or averse to dog supervision will continue to effectively oppose much needed regulation and control, and that nothing will be done until, perhaps, a Village Trustee's child is tragically injured by a dog.

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