

JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Comments on Various Events in Society—Two Weddings Planned to Take Place in June—She Regrets the Death of Miss Sinnott

THE engagement of Mr. Dil Biddle and Mrs. John Reed, which was announced on Monday, was quite a surprise to many of us, because somehow most of us had got into the habit of thinking that Mr. Biddle was a confirmed bachelor. It is an awfully nice engagement, for Mrs. Reed is a very lovely woman. She is the daughter of the late Adam Evers, and lives at 1814 De Lancey street, with her mother and sister, Mrs. Taylor Walthour, whose son Taylor died so valiantly in France on September 27. Mr. Biddle is the son of the late Charles J. Biddle. His mother, who was Miss Emma Butler, died several months ago. He is a brother of Charles Biddle, an uncle of Charles Biddle, our famous Philadelphia ace. Though no date has been announced for the wedding, it is understood that it will take place soon, and very quietly, as both Mrs. Reed and Mr. Biddle are in mourning.

JUST think of it! When you hear the wedding dates you realize that the men indeed coming back, do you not? There are Agnes Brockie and Paul Smith, both going to be brides. Agnes Brockie has been engaged to Jack Mason for nearly two years. Of course, if it had not been for the war and his enforced absence they would have been married before now, but as he had to go over just about the time their engagement was announced it could not be then. Agnes is awfully cute-looking. She is the daughter of the late William Brockie, and her mother has since married William Warden, you know. They live in Red Gate, the Warden place in Germantown. Agnes and Jack's wedding will take place on June 7 at St. Luke's Church, in Germantown.

Edith Smith and McClure Fahnestock are to be married, too, in June; in fact, their wedding will take place before Agnes and Jack's. It is scheduled for June 2. The wedding will take place at St. Luke and the Epiphany Church, on Thirtieth street near Pine.

In both cases I hear there are to be no bridesmaids, but each bride has chosen her sister to be her maid of honor. In the case of Agnes Brockie, Elizabeth Brockie is to be her attendant, and Edith Smith will have her sister, Mary C. Smith, as maid of honor. But as the tide comes nearer I'll tell you more about it.

IT WAS with great regret that I learned of the death of Miss Mary Sinnott on Monday afternoon at her home, 1816 Rittenhouse Square. She was a most lovable and loved woman. And it seems to me that there has scarcely ever been a good work undertaken in this city that I can remember in which she has not taken part. She has always given freely of her time and money, and that there will be many to call her memory blessed there is little doubt.

She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Sinnott, the latter of whom died on Christmas Day after an illness of several months. Miss Sinnott had been the victim of one severe illness after another for a number of years, but in spite of her illness and suffering she insisted on keeping up her good works, and on the very day of her death refused to have put off a meeting of St. Vincent's Home committee that was to take place at her home. In fact, it made her happier to know that her colleagues in the work were keeping up what she was too weak to do. She was active in war work, a patron of art and music and was greatly interested in the School of Industrial Art.

Miss Sinnott was a sister of Mrs. Ryan Devereux, whose husband was a nephew of the late Archbishop Ryan, and of Miss John and Charles Sinnott. A lover, the late Joseph Sinnott, was at one time a member of the staff of the old Philadelphia Times, of which Colonel A. K. McClure was editor. His father, the late Joseph F. Sinnott, endowed a room at the University Hospital for newspaper men and women in memory of his son. Miss Sinnott was educated at the convent of the Sacred Heart, then at 1324 Walnut street, and was graduated from St. Vincent's Home, where she was the last Mother Agnes and Anna Sinnott, were religious of that society of nuns. Her uncle was Monsignor James P. Sinnott, rector of St. Charles's Church, this city, and Bishop McGinley, of the Philippine Islands, was a cousin.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mrs. William Douglas Mason, of Chestnut Hill, has issued invitations for the wedding of her daughter, Miss Katherine C. Mason, and Mr. Harry M. Chubbuck Hewson, on Wednesday, June 4, at 7 o'clock, in the church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Miss Mason will be given in marriage by her brother, Mr. William Clark Mason, and will be attended by Mrs. Edwin Warren Beach as matron of honor, and by Miss Ellen Howard Douglas, and Miss Polly Mason as flower girls. The best man will be the bridegroom's father, Dr. Adinell Hewson, and the ushers will be Dr. William Hewson, Mr. Adinell S. Hewson, Mr. William W. Keen Freeman, Mr. Alfred G. B. Lewis, Mr. Ransford Beach and Mr. Frederick L. Moore, U. S. A., of New York. The wedding will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Strubing, of Chestnut Hill, have issued invitations for a dinner at the Philadelphia Country Club on Saturday evening.

The wedding of Miss Frances D. T. Bent, daughter of the Rev. Rufus Howard Bent, and Mrs. Bent, of 2316 De Lancey place, and Mr. Albert Wales Hayward, son of Mrs. Wales Hayward, of Bridgewater, Mass., was solemnized at noon today in the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, assisted by the Rev. Henry A. McKubbin, of Germantown. The bride wore her traveling suit of dark blue with a hat to match.

Mr. Hayward is a graduate of Harvard, and Mrs. Hayward has recently returned from Wilson College, where she was a member of the junior college.

The marriage of Miss Katherine Cunnock Blodgett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wood Blodgett, of New York, and Major Morris Hadley, son of President Hadley, of Yale University, will be solemnized early in July at Pride's Crossing, Mass.

"POISON GAS" LEAGUE TOPIC

Loyal Legion Will Learn of Its Horrors as Republican "Castle"

"Poison Gas in Modern Warfare" will be the subject of an address to be delivered by Major Joseph Leidy at a meeting tonight of the headquarters commandery of the Loyal Legion.

The meeting will be held at the Union League.

The lecture will be illustrated, and at its conclusion there will be an election of officers.

Mrs. Morris Dallett, of Greystone Manor, Westtown, will give a dinner dance on July 2, to introduce her daughter, Miss Margaret A. Dallett, who will be among next season's debutantes.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Lea are spending some time at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Montgomery, of Ardrossan, Villanova, are spending several days at the Traymore, in Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Hovington

LOCAL CAST TO APPEAR IN ORIENTAL FANTASY

Players Ready for Curtain's Rise on "Farrakruz," to Be Shown Friday at the Broad

Finishing touches on the training of cast and chorus for Friday afternoon's production of "Farrakruz" were put on at the Ethical Culture Society's clubrooms last night, and the colorful Oriental spectacle awaits now only for the scene shifters and a preliminary try-out on Friday morning to make its appearance at the South Broad Street Theatre.

"Farrakruz" is one of the most ambitious pantomimes ever attempted by a combined cast of professionals and amateurs. Its production will be assisted by many of the stage devices borrowed from the Russian ballet. In the name part will appear Benjamin Lisler, well known in Philadelphia's great theatrical enterprises. Miss Agnes McTigonal, who leaves for Chicago soon to join the Chicago Opera Company's ballet, will appear in solo and other dancing roles with Miss Esther Phillips, who has had charge of the training of the dancers.

Nominally the production is to be given by the Southwork Players, a guild of young people recruited at the Southwork Neighborhood House, Front and Eleventh streets, for which institution funds are to be raised as a part of the summer's campaign for vacation camp expenses for working girls. As a matter of fact, the talent of these young artists has been largely augmented from the ranks of friends and patrons of the Neighborhood House, and from talented semiprofessional persons well known to Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edward Ferraro Layell has designed the various costumes in strict accordance with the dress of the Orient, and in so doing, by adapting heirlooms of silk and brocades contributed by society maids and matrons, she has achieved a costume that will color the performance throughout. Incidentally, she has offered for use as the tail-man in the production a large white topaz, long a family treasure. It plays a prominent part in the plot of Far Eastern intrigue and love, about which story and music are woven.

Other principals in the cast are Henry Shepherd, who plays both the boy and the king; Miss Esther Mallis, as Malissa, the sorceress; Miss Virginia Maxwell, as Hanu, the favored princess; Master Jack Dougherty, as the mad prince.

The committee in charge includes Mrs. Samuel B. Jordan, chairman; Mrs. Edward Ferraro Layell, chairman of production; Mrs. J. Carter Fuller, treasurer; Mrs. J. Howard Reber, secretary; Mrs. William Barnham, Mrs. C. Lincoln Furber, Mrs. W. H. Heulings, Jr., Miss Marie Ernst Kennedy, Mrs. James P. Lee, Mrs. Frederick A. Shellen, Mrs. Juanita Smith, Mrs. Henry Whit Tetwiler, Mrs. Louis Barclay Robinson.

GEOGRAPHICAL TO ELECT

Nominees Unopposed—Le Roy Jeffers to Lecture

The annual election of officers of the Geographical Society of Philadelphia will be held tonight in Witherspoon Hall at 8:15 o'clock, followed by an illustrated lecture to be delivered by Mr. Jeffers, F. R. G. S., secretary of the Bureau of Associated Mountaineering Clubs of North America. The nominees for officers tonight are unopposed. They are Prof. William E. Lingard, president; Henry G. Bryant, vice president; Dr. J. E. Burnett Backenham, recording secretary; Dr. Paul J. Sartain, corresponding secretary; and William K. Haupt, treasurer.

COLLEGIANS TO GIVE PLAY

St. Joseph's High School Student-Actors Will Appear Tonight

"A Celebrated Case" will be presented tonight and tomorrow night by the students of the St. Joseph's College High School. The play will be given under the auspices of the St. Joseph's Dramatic Association in the auditorium of the school.

REAL CAMP FOR GIRL SCOUTS

Will Occupy Part of Marines' Paoli Stamping Grounds

Part of the encampment occupied by the marines last summer at Paoli has been rented for the Girl Scouts' camp to be held during the latter part of June and during July and August.

This announcement was made today by Miss Elisabeth N. Fox, of Torresdale, who is director of camp activities for the Girl Scouts.

Three barracks buildings have been purchased, which will be used for mess hall, general assembly room and office. The girls will sleep in tents, which will be pitched upon the hill overlooking the beautiful Chester valley.

The camp is planned to accommodate 100 girls per week. Miss Leona Maxim, assistant director of the Girl Scouts, will be in charge and Miss Elisabeth N. Fox will act as advisor.

Girl Scouts will complete in naming the camp. A prize will be given to the scout who submits the most appropriate name.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Girl Scouts this morning Miss E. Owen Martin, the acting commissioner, stated that \$775 had been cleared at the recent rummage sale held at 724 Chestnut street for the benefit of the camp. All of this money will be used to buy equipment.

MRS. CHARLES HARRIS

Who before her recent marriage was Mrs. Emma Elsie Brill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Brill, of 4418 North Twenty-first street

MISS THEODORA KEITH LILLIE



Miss Lillie, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lillie, of Briarwood, Harford, was one of the exhibition dancers at the welfare dance at the Ritz-Carlton this week

THE READER'S VIEWPOINT

Letters to the Editor on Topics of General Interest

For acceptance and publication in this column, letters must be sent to the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger. They must be signed with the name and address of the writer. Letters will be published only if the confidence is not abused. No money will be paid for the use of space. The publisher of the Evening Public Ledger is not responsible for the return of unsolicited matter. No copyright matter will be published, nor will any discussion be permitted.

A Little Girl's Speech

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—I am sending you this speech which I made up. I wonder if it can be published in your newspaper. I am eleven years old and I am in the sixth B grade. EDITH BERKOWITZ, 310 South Third street, Philadelphia, Pa.

America's Call

Now, ladies and gentlemen, I have just a few words to say about the Victory Loan. You know how our boys suffered away there. Now let's bring them home by buying bonds—Victory bonds.

Now let us give our money cheerfully and get your money back. Friends, brothers, unless, sons will be coming home in the meantime.

Now buy and buy, not only because you are afraid somebody will call you a slacker and disgrace you, but because you are a true American and of American blood.

Now, come on, step up, and buy, buy, buy!

If you don't buy Victory bonds we have a right to call you a slacker. You may have bought one, but buy another; it won't hurt you.

Now, my friends, who is going to buy the first bond? The Kaiser thought he was going to win, but we won; our boys won. Now let us show the Kaiser we will bring them home victoriously by buying bonds—Victory bonds.

The End, EDITH BERKOWITZ.

Suggestion for Poster

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—I have thought of a good plan or picture for the sale of the Fifth Liberty Loan bonds.

A very tall picture of General Pershing with a hand uplifted holding a large V in the air, making an appeal to our country. "Give a strong pull and a last and I'll bring your doughboys all home."

He should be surrounded by some of his soldiers with linked hands ready to swing up and down. And outside of them an immense crowd holding up their hands and a banner replying, "We have and will invest."

G. W. MENING.

Hun Treatment for Shell Shock

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger: Sir—A recent newspaper article reports "war psychosis" as the medical term superseding "shell-shock" at the war risk bureau. Medical literature adopted this term long since, and some authorities held that the condition developing under the stress of the battlefield argued a "pre-war psychosis." The patient assumed to have collapsed because of an innate or pre-existing psychosis.

JOB FOR MOTHERS, AIM OF SPECIAL U. S. PLAN

May 11 Set Apart for Plea on Behalf of Women Whose Men Paid "Great Price"

Getting a job for mother is quite as important a part in solving the employment problem as finding work for father, and the women's division of the United States employment service has asked the clergy in this part of Pennsylvania to mention this fact on Sunday next.

The United States employment service is making a drive this week to secure jobs for returning soldiers and sailors. The drive began May 1, which, at the request of the secretary of labor, was designated as "Employment Sunday," and will end on May 11, Mother's Day.

Because of the national observance of Mother's Day the women's division has asked that a special appeal be made for the employment work for women.

"There is one side of the employment problem which must not be overlooked," says Miss Juliet R. Stackhouse, assistant to the federal director for Pennsylvania, "women's work. Many of the men who went overseas will not come back, and the future burden for the support of the family rests on the wife or sister or mother. Many men have been so unfortunated that they will be unable to return to their former employment. Women are leaving war work daily and are trying to secure employment in peacetime work."

"In the readjustment the women's division is doing its share to solve the employment problem by providing for the families of the soldiers and sailors."

During the month ending April 25 the women's division placed more than 500 women directly in positions. Sixteen hundred persons visited the office at 228 South Tenth street to see about getting help. A large number of these persons filed requisitions for domestic. In the same month the division had almost 1000 applicants for work of all sorts.

Advertisement for Stanley CECIL B. DeMille's "For Better, For Worse" at the P. L. A. C. E. Theatre.

Advertisement for LOUIS BENNINGSON "The Road Called Straight" at the P. L. A. C. E. Theatre.

Advertisement for ARCADIA "The Road Called Straight" at the P. L. A. C. E. Theatre.

Advertisement for VICTORIA HAROLD LOCKWOOD in "SHADOWS OF SUSPICION" at the P. L. A. C. E. Theatre.

Advertisement for REGENT HAROLD LOCKWOOD in "SHADOWS OF SUSPICION" at the P. L. A. C. E. Theatre.

Advertisement for CIRCUS AT 9th and Hunting NOW.

Advertisement for GIRLS GOING TO CAPITAL High School Students to Have Rousing Three-Day Outing.

Advertisement for B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE "NOT YET MARIÉ" presented by a company of 13.

Advertisement for METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE "YSAYAY and ELMAN" next Friday evening, May 9.

Advertisement for GALI-CURCI "TONIGHT TONIGHT Welcome Home DANCE" under auspices of 7-POINT CLUB.

Advertisement for DANCING Cortissoz at the ORPHEUM MAT. TOMORROW, 10c, 25c, 50c.

TO CHOOSE VICTIMS FOR 'SOPH CREMATIONS'

Burning of Unpopular "Profs" in Effigy One of University Week Joys

Voting will take place today at the University of Pennsylvania to determine the most unpopular professors, who will be burned in effigy at the sophomore cremations to be held on Franklin Field on "Heyday," May 21.

Nominations have already been made, but the results will not be officially published. They can be obtained from the tellers at the voting booth tomorrow. The number chosen is undecided, though there have seldom been more than two men chosen for this doubtful distinction.

"Heyday" is one of the time-honored institutions at the University, and always occurs in University Week, which comes during the latter part of May. On the same night that the cremations are held the moving up of classes will be signalled and hordes of happy freshmen will dance around a huge bonfire and toss their despised dinky caps into the blaze.

Many of the best-known teachers at the University have been chosen for "cremation." The choice generally falls on a man teaching freshman or sophomore classes, since he receives a larger proportion of votes. The entire program for University Week this year has been announced. On Monday, May 19, there will be the freshman-sophomore party, which will be held in Franklin Field, in which the object is to remove that particular article of apparel from everybody possible.

On Tuesday the sophomore-freshman bonfire will be held for all those who are physically able to attend. In the afternoon, baseball teams of the junior and senior classes will meet on Franklin Field.

On Wednesday will be the "cremations," and contests for the Dean's Trophy between members of the two lower classes. These are always held in the evening. In the afternoon the sparsity team will play Columbia at baseball. Other events will conclude the eventful week.

Advertisement for SHUBERT THEATRE featuring "The Road Called Straight" and "Oh, You Women!"

Advertisement for Little Amplicity at the SHUBERT THEATRE.

Advertisement for PARLOR BEDROOM BATH at the SHUBERT THEATRE.

Advertisement for ADELPHI BROADWAY featuring "The Heart of Humanity" and "Temptation."

Advertisement for CIRCUS AT 9th and Hunting NOW.

Advertisement for GARRICK MAT. TOMORROW featuring "The Heart of Humanity" and "Temptation."

Advertisement for THE CAVE GIRL featuring Lola Fisher and a Superb Cast.

Advertisement for TIGER ROSE featuring Lenore Ulric and Original Cast.

Advertisement for FRED STONE featuring Jack o' Lantern and Benefit Dances.

Advertisement for METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE featuring YsaYay and Elman.

Advertisement for DANCING Cortissoz at the ORPHEUM MAT. TOMORROW.