

JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Tells of the Doings of Philadelphians in Newport—She Speaks of Several Old Houses in the Suburbs—A Telephone Sufferer's Threat

REALLY it seems as if Philadelphians were quite running things in Newport this season, does it not? So many are up there and so many are entertaining and apparently right in the midst of everything.

Whenever I think of Pauline I see a picture of her in my mind's eye dressed in a natural linen frock with embroidered collar and cuffs and a drooping dark brown hat over her lovely little brown face and brown eyes and hair and her sturdy brown legs protruding above short socks and the cutest brown ties you ever saw.

Miss Louise Harding, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Harding, left Cape May last week to spend a few days in Atlantic City with her grandfather, Mr. Charles H. Harding.

Mr. Samuel Bispham had Mr. Bruce Blynn as his guest over the week-end in Cape May. Mr. Bispham's sister, Miss Eleanor Bispham, of 2306 De Lancey street, who has been abroad for a year with the Y. M. C. A., is at present doing stenographic work in Brest, France, but will return home some time in September.

Dr. Robert Kilduffe and his daughter, Mrs. W. L. Hirst Bergen, and her small son, W. L. Hirst Bergen, Jr., and Miss Kilduffe, of Lansdowne, have taken a cottage at Stone Harbor, where they will remain for three weeks.

Miss Beatrice Strong Bond, of 117 South Thirty-eighth street, has returned from Sea Isle City, and will leave this week to visit Miss Florence Routh, of Brookline, Washington, D. C.

Miss Hilda Wright Blair, of 5144 Walsingham avenue, is spending the month of August at London, Can., as the guest of Mrs. Edward Stevenson.

Miss Marie McDonnell and Miss Catherine McDonnell, of 108 South Thirty-eighth street, are spending a few days at Cape May.

Miss Genevieve McDonnell, of 180 South Thirty-eighth street, will leave this week with a party of friends for Saratoga.

North Philadelphia Helen Donahue and Miss Anna Gheller, of 2856 North Warnock street, will attend at a block party to be held on Saturday evening in the 2800 block of North Warnock street in aid of the Church of St. Edward the Confessor, Eighth and York streets.

The wedding of Miss Margaret Mayer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton O. Mayer, of 607 North Sixteenth street, and Mr. George W. Wolfstein, of 1330 Spruce street, will take place on Thursday evening, September 11, at 6 o'clock at the Mermaid Club.

Mr. Harry Busch, the bridegroom's brother, will be best man. The ceremony will be followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. James J. Hunter, of 2845 North Broad street, with her daughter, Miss Jean Hunter, will be leaving the week to spend the remainder of the season in Atlantic City.

Mr. David W. Furey, son of the Rev. John R. Furey and Mrs. Furey, of 4535 North Nineteenth street, sergeant at Camp Jackson, S. C., has returned from Wildwood, and will pass the remainder of the summer at the home of Elizabeth N. J. Sergeant Furey's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Baker, who have returned from their wedding trip and are at home at 1428 Powell street, Norristown.

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Miss Ruth Parvin Maurer, of the Wood-Norton Apartments, is spending a week at Ocean City.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Maurer, of the Wood-Norton Apartments, are leaving on a motor trip this week for Montreal, Lake George, Lake Champlain and Quebec, and expect to be gone two weeks.

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Four fire companies from North Wildwood, Wildwood and Wildwood Crest responded, and two firemen—Harold Nickerson, son of Fire Chief Nickerson, and Burt Thompson—were burned about the hands and face, but were able to continue on duty.

Captain Gilliam, of the submarine mother ship Rainbow, stationed at Cold Springs Harbor, Cape May, observed the fire and dispatched a boatload of twenty sailors under command of Ensign Betzer and Boatswain Finnertie to aid the firemen. The sailors did yeoman service and did not depart until the blaze was under control.

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Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Izenberg, pastor of the Trinity Reformed Church.

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Miss Myra Wartman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Wartman, of 300 Rochelle avenue, with her guest, Miss Dorothy Allen, of Birmingham, Ala., will leave on August 16 for a trip to Boston by the way of Fall River and will spend a fortnight in Massachusetts visiting friends. Miss Wartman and Miss Allen recently returned from Salem, N. J., where the former was house at a house party for a number of young people from Wissahickon.

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In a sanitary drinking fountain for horses and dogs less artistic than the garish billboards that advertise various products?

For some reason the Municipal Art Jury, according to members of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, is opposed to drinking fountains but permits commercial billboards and hanging signs to be erected in conspicuous places.

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In reply to the petition, the following FIRST NURSES JOIN AMERICAN LEGION Women Enroll at Mass-Meeting Held by Post 50 at City Club

Post 50, American Legion, has enrolled the first army nurses in the new organization, and as a result its membership, already second in numbers among posts in the state, passed the 600 mark.

The nurses were enrolled at a mass-meeting held last night by the post in the City Club. Hereafter the post consisted entirely of women who served as women in the navy. As all nurses who served overseas are eligible to membership it is believed the legion's membership will increase materially and many more women's posts will be formed in other cities.

Last night's meeting was addressed by Dr. Aertson, Jr., state secretary of the organization. Mr. Aertson commended the women for the impetus they have given the new organization, and predicted women's posts would have a realising in increasing numbers composed of men out of politics.

He also told the members of Post 50 that large, thriving posts, such as theirs, were better than many small ones, and the establishment of many small posts would probably result in much trouble from petty jealousies.

On September 10, Post 50 will give a minstrel show in the Navy Yard Y. M. C. A.

ENID V. HOWLAND TO WED Lady Edgar Speyer's Daughter Betrother to J. R. Hewitt

New York, Aug. 13.—Lady Edgar Speyer, of 22 Washington square, New York, announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Enid Virginia Howland, to J. Robert Hewitt, also of this city.

Miss Howland was educated abroad, but has been in this country five years and is now with Lady Speyer at her country home at Lake George.

She is the daughter of Louis Merideth Howland, of Paris and New York. Her mother was formerly Miss Leonard, a pianist, a violinist and composer, the daughter of Count von Ferdinand Stosch and the Countess, who was a New England woman.

Mr. Hewitt is a graduate of Williams College and an ensign in the United States naval reserve force. The marriage is planned for an early date.

RADIO OPERATORS NEEDED Jobs in Merchant Marine Going Fast, but Supply Is Great

Radio operator jobs are going fast, according to William G. Rice, head of the local branch of the Sea Service Reserve. But there are still many of these berths open. Application should be made at once at 27 South Fourth street. The salary is \$125 a month.

Shipping board officials, who are anxious to keep the country's fleet of cargo ships moving, are experiencing difficulty in finding radio operators for the vessels. Salaries have jumped from \$40 a month before the war to the present rate. In response to a recent call from the Sea Service Bureau many licensed operators applied at headquarters and signed up for service.

The fourth of radio operators has had to effect locally, delaying the movement of cargo ships at this port.

Gets Bulkhead Contract The Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries has awarded the contract for the building of the bulkhead on the west side of the Schuylkill river, south of Penrose ferry bridge, to the McLean Construction Company, of Baltimore, which was the lowest bidder for the work. Approximately 1165 feet of bulkhead will be placed along the Schuylkill river by the contractors, whose bid was \$343,365.

Band Concerts Today Municipal Band, tonight, Belfield playground, Twenty-first and Negro streets. Philadelphia Band, tonight, City Hall Plaza. Fairmount Park Band, afternoon and evening, Belmont Mansion.

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