

Hastings and Vicinity

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Miss Lena Stevens Weds Alvin Chura

The marriage of Miss Lena Stevens and Alvin Chura, both of Hastings, R. D., took place in St. Bernard's Church Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Mr. Chura is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chura. The bride's parents are deceased. Father Adalbert Kalsch, O.S.B., pastor, performed the double-ring ceremony and sang the nuptial mass. Attendants were Miss Kathleen Dumm and Joseph Yonkoske, cousins of the bridegroom, and Miss Eileen Giesler and Joseph Maluchnick, also cousins of the bridegroom.

Given in marriage by her brother, Richard Stevens, the bride wore a floor-length gown of net over taffeta. Her shoulder-length veil was attached to a net band and she carried a bouquet of carnations, baby's breath and ribbon. Miss Dumm and Miss Giesler wore ballgown gowns, the former in orchid and the latter in blue, with matching headbands. They carried colonial bouquets of pink and yellow carnations.

Breakfast was served at the Chura home and dinner at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Elmer Baum, Cherry Tree, R. D. A reception took place in the St. Boniface Grove hall.

Upon return from a honeymoon trip, the newlyweds will reside on Hastings, R. D.

Our Trip to Virginia Comes to An End

Halfway between Richmond and Williamsburg are the famous James River Plantations, where buildings of 1619, 1726, 1730 and 1740 are kept in beautiful repair. At Fredericksburg is Kenmore, home of Col. Fielding Lewis and his wife, Betty Washington, Lafayette, Count Rochambeau, John Paul Jones, Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson were guests at Kenmore.

Historic Williamsburg, capital of colonial Virginia, is America's most famous restored city. Here you step into the past and relive the 18th century as you visit the Governor's Palace—the Capitol of 1705.

Williamsburg has been restored to its colonial appearance at a cost of more than \$30 million. Eighty original buildings still stand in the mile-long and half-mile wide historic area. More than 600 modern structures were removed to make way for the restoration or reconstruction of over 325 colonial residences, public buildings, famous gardens, streets and greens.

America's Great Historical Drama, "The Common Glory" is produced at Williamsburg each year from June 30 to Sept. 5. This emotionally intense, humanly warm story of the creation of the American Republic, has a cast of 150 and is now in its eighth season.

At Culpepper, where we stayed another night, we browsed through a National Military Cemetery, reading inscriptions and epitaphs. Carving on some of the oldest tombstones has been almost obliterated by the elements during the two centuries or more that they have marked the burying places of pioneers. Heroes of our country's wars lie in this peaceful spot. The large monument erected by the Keystone State, our own beloved Pennsylvania, in honor of its dead is particularly symbolic and attractive.

And, by the way, the Confederate museum at Front Royal we learn, had just about every remainder of the South's part in the Civil War except the rebel yell. Now it has the yell, too.

J. T. Malone of Armory, Miss. recorded one on tape while he and his wife visited there recently. The Mississippi Confederate said he learned the yell from the late Thomas Riddle, a C. S. A. Army veteran.

On our journey and while stopping at places of interest we were amazed to see cars with license plates from about every state in the Union, as well as Canada, which proves that tourists are attracted in great numbers by the many natural wonders and scenic beauty of the Grand Old Dominion—the State of Virginia.

Cpl. Lechene Works Out On Army Truck

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George Bernance spoke a great truth when he said: "When we deliberately shut our eyes to a truth, we always end up by hating it."

A number of Hastings people plan to attend the Marian Hour at 7 p. m. August 11 in St. Mary's Church, Patton, when veneration of the "Pilgrim Virgin," beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima, will conclude the services.

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Parochial School To Open Aug. 30

St. Bernard's Parochial School of Hastings will, in line with parochial schools throughout the diocese, open for the 1954-55 school term on Monday, Aug. 30. Father Francis A. McNelis, superintendent of parochial schools in the Altoona Diocese, recently announced the opening date. The opening date has been set a little earlier than other years to make it possible to complete the term by the end of the first week in June.

All children who will be six years of age by Aug. 30 are eligible for registration. Children who will reach their 6th birthday by Jan. 1 will be registered on a conditional basis. They must pass mental or reading tests, showing they have attained a mental age of six years at the beginning of the school year.

AT MOOSE THEATRE "Monte Carlo," with Merle Oberon and Richard Todd is the feature for the Moose screen on Friday and Saturday.

Sunday's picture will be "Torpedo Alley," starring Mark Stevens. A cartoon will be on both bills.

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First of Pageant Rehearsals to Be Held Here Friday

About 15 Men, 10 Women Needed Locally

First rehearsal for Hastings part in the historical Sesquicentennial pageant, "Homeland of the Alleghenies" will get under way here Friday night at 8 o'clock. Rehearsal time had been set for 7 p. m., but the time has been changed to an hour later.

A group of local folks met at the high school building here last Thursday evening, with Miss Betty Davis of Ebsenburg, pageant casting chairman, and Mr. Howard Assalant, pageant director, but the number was rather small, and more local folks are urged to participate. All wishing to take part in the pageant, and not already contacted are invited to come to the school Friday at 8 o'clock for the first rehearsal. About 15 men and 10 women can be used in the cast.

As the pageant will be presented each evening during Sequi Week, not everyone perhaps may be able to participate each evening. And so a rotating cast would be advisable. That is, one group could take part one evening, another group could go the second evening, and so on. Of course if some of the members can participate each evening, all the better. At least 400 or more persons will make up the cast from all over the county.

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A cavalcade of Sequi boosters from the Countyseat visited town a few minutes Monday, on a tour of the north of the county.

Little League Player Here Fractures Left Leg

Jimmy, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yeager, of this place, suffered a fracture of his left leg last Thursday while playing in a Little League baseball

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