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People About Town

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D. & C. SEP 20 1936 MARY GREENE

GOLFING daughter of a golfing family, Jean Ramaker of Wilshire Road is an outstanding member of the Rochester's younger set. Not content to sit and twiddle her thumbs, Jean has taken up golf in a serious way, and recently won the women's Western New York Association medal tournament . . . She shot an 81, which is most impressive, in as much as it is o. e below the course record established by Mrs. Walter Lyons, Jean's closest rival in golf.



MISS JEAN RAMAKER

The national amateur tournament will begin at Canoe Brook Country Club in Summit, N. J., next week, and among the entrants will be Jean, the only woman to compete in this tourney, as far as I know. . . She is a good friend of Betsy MacLeod of Buffalo, who is one of the best golfers in this section.

Jean will be a sophomore at Wells College in Aurora this year. She is much interested in sociology, and plans to major in it, and do work of a social nature after she graduates. . . Jean follows in the footsteps of her father, who was a well-known athlete in his college days at the University of Rochester.

She played basketball at school last year. . . She also plays an excellent games of tennis and likes to swim. She also rides horseback a great deal. . . She is fond of sports in general, and her participation in almost every form of sport is a good indication of that fact.

Like every young woman, Jean is interested in clothes, although not unduly so. She says she merely displays a normal interest in them. She likes music, and plays the piano. In her spare time she knits and reads. She loves to dance and is always one of the most popular gals on the floor at the various social functions about town.

She loves dogs, and owns a beautiful Irish setter, which is not trained to hunt because no one in the family cares about hunting.

Ida Randle, Long Active in CC. Made Women's Group Head

Actively identified with the Chamber of Commerce since 1918, Miss Ida M. Randle was installed as chairman of the Women's Group at the chamber this noon.

Gray-haired, blue-eyed Miss Randle is treasurer of Teall's Ice Cream Company and was recently installed as president of the Rochester Zonta Club.

She believes that "women are really getting places as an important factor in business, that business has accepted women because they are more understanding in many ways than men."

Miss Randle came to Teall's about a year ago after serving as treasurer of Moseley and Motley Milling Company. Rochester born, she lives at 39 Essex Street, has served on the executive committee and program committee of the Women's Group in the Chamber of Commerce. The group meets twice a month to stimulate interest of women in the work of the Chamber.

It's not all work with Miss Randle. She is a garden and book enthusiast, has an extensive rock garden at her home. She likes "nothing more than a drive into the country."

Miss Randle is a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club and the women's group of the Rochester Association of Credit Men.



Ida M. Randle

Assessor's Widow Claimed by Death

Mrs. Nina B. Rapp, widow of Fred H. Rapp, former city assessor and building contractor, died yesterday (Dec. 6, 1936) at her home at 456 Plymouth Avenue South.

She had been a member of Corn Hill Methodist Church for more than 50 years. She was a member of the King's Daughters, Zama Temple, Daughters of the Nile, and Benevole Chorus.

She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Frank J. Kinney, of Rochester, and Mrs. Carlyle R. Campbell, of Syracuse; a sister, Mrs. H. W. Farum, of Colorado, and three grandchildren. Funeral services will be conducted in the home tomorrow at 2 p. m., with the Rev. George Keeling officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Wife Ends Life After Mate Dies

Brooding over the death of her husband, Mrs. Ruth Rappaport, 29, of 39 Thayer Street, took her life yesterday morning in her home, according to police.

Erie Rappaport, a brother-in-law, made the discovery when he called at the Thayer Street house shortly before 11 a. m. The odor of illuminating gas was filtering through the door when he arrived and he called police.

Mitchell Rappaport, her husband, Benjamin Franklin High School teacher, died after only two days' illness of pneumonia. Coroner Richard A. Leonardo was notified and said he would grant a certificate of death by suicide while temporarily insane.

She leaves her mother, Mrs. Rebecca Levy; two brothers, Julius Blumensthal, of Chicago, and August, of Rochester; five sisters, Mrs. Charles Liberman, Mrs. Franklin Rapp, Mrs. Perry Rapp, Mrs. Milton Rapp and Mrs. Walter Peca. Private funeral services will be conducted today.

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Jean Reed has been selected to play a role in "The Tempest" which is to be presented Friday and Saturday nights in the McCarter Theater by the Princeton Theater Intime and the Theater Arts Departments of the Finch School, where Miss Reed is a student. The play will be the annual houseparty weekend production at Princeton. Jean's dad and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lester H. Reed of Ambassador Drive, and her brother, Mortimer, are planning to see the performance, and another brother, Philip, who is a student at the Hill School at Pottstown, Pa., also will attend the play.

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Descendant of the pioneer family from which the village of Spencerport takes its name, Mrs. Mary Spencer Goff Reese, 76, will be laid to rest with services at her West Avenue home in Spencerport at 2:30 p. m. today. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Mrs. Reese, who died Monday, was a granddaughter of Daniel Spencer who came from Connecticut in 1804 and purchased the land which became known as Spencer's Basin and finally Spencerport.

Born Jan. 13, 1861, the daughter of the late Joseph A. and Isabella G. Wright Spencer, Mrs. Reese was educated in Spencerport and for 10 years, beginning when she was but 14 years old, was organist in Spencerport Methodist Church.

She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Walter Miller; three grandchildren, Mrs. Russell Harradine and Arlene and Burton Miller, and several nieces and nephews, all of Spencerport.

Wilson-Reichard Invitation Out

Invitations are in the mail today for the forthcoming marriage Nov. 21 of Miss Carolyn Reichard and Richard M. Wilson of the University Club.

Miss Reichard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hampton Reichard of Colgate Street, and Mr. Wilson's parents were the late Dr. and Mrs. Sydney Wilson of Nebraska City, Neb.

The wedding will take place in First Unitarian Church, followed by a small reception for members of the immediate families and intimate friends at the home of Miss Reichard's parents.

Attending Miss Reichard will be her sister, Miss Mary Roselyn Reichard.

Hugh H. Wilson will be best man for his brother.

Justice Van Voorhis Chooses Secretary

Appointment of Miss Evelyn M. Reinagle, 1237 Long Pond Road, Greece, as his secretary in his new chambers on the third floor of the Courthouse was announced yesterday by Supreme Court Justice John Van Voorhis.

Miss Reinagle of the last nine years had been a stenographer in the law office of John Van Voorhis' Sons, in which Justice Van Voorhis was a partner until he assumed his present judicial post Jan. 1.

Hills Call Girl Forest Ranger Eager to Bring Down Bear



Miss Harriet Rega, New York's only woman fire observer and former Rochesterian, wants a bear. And she plans to shoot it during the next two weeks while on furlough from her ranger duties in the Adirondacks. Then she'll visit her mother here.

Harriet Rega Heads For Beloved Shack In Adirondacks

Harriet Rega, Adirondacks forest ranger girl from Rochester, has gone up to the hills to bring down a bear.

Atop Bald Mountain, where her lookout post is, she was cleaning her rifle yesterday and surveying the autumn foliage below with eager anticipation.

Monday she will pack provisions and set out for her hunting shack deep in the woods, six miles behind Nick's Lake, Old Forge, to spend two weeks gunning for big game.

Every season but two in the last 18 years she has brought down a buck. But this year she wants a bear. She has seen two and thinks they will be plentiful. She has not killed any game this season because of a rule she observes never to hunt until she has concluded her duties as fire observer.

After the hunting season Miss Rega will return to Rochester to visit for three weeks before returning to the woods for winter trapping. If it were not for an invalid mother, who lives here, Miss Rega would never leave the mountains again.

"The forest has become the only environment in which I feel free and contended, and the deeper in the woods I can live, the more I love it," she declared. However, she said she is in no sense a recluse. She is a congenial person and the only people to whom she objects, she said, are those who look upon her as a "curiosity in temperamental makeup."

When she returns to the mountains after her visit in Rochester, she will take to skis and snowshoes to cover the miles of trap lines she plans to set out. Her lines take her far away from any hunting camp, and she sleeps in lean-tos in the forest.

People About Town

By MARY GREENE D. & C. DEC 6 1936

VIRGINIA RIEGEL, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley A. Riegel of Yarmouth Road, is petite, attractive individual with all sorts of talents and interests.

Of all the things she does, Ginny likes best to write. She loves to pen short stories, and so serious about this game is she, that she plans to make a career of it, eventually doing scenarios for the movies. She says that as yet she doesn't know how successful she'll be, but she keeps plugging away at it, and if determination means anything, she will probably be one of the outstanding writers in Hollywood some one of these days. Meanwhile, she writes for the fun of it, and is gaining a good background by reading lots and lots, and by varying her activities so that she will be familiar with all sorts of people and situations.

Ginny has traveled a lot—all over the United States and Canada—and is planning on doing more of it. She loves to drive, and is hoping to take an extensive tour of this country soon. She attended school last year in Virginia, and prefers the South to any other section of the country. She would "give anything in the world to live there," being especially fond of Florida.

Fond of yachting, she has often gone along as crew on her cousin's boat in the waters around the Thousand Islands. She says that "playing skipper" is more fun than anything. She rides horseback, although she maintains that she is not too expert. She has never ridden in any shows, because she prefers to "ride for the fun of it," and evidently being contestant in a horse show does not come in her category of amusement.

An habitue of the greens at Oak Hill, Ginny plays golf quite a bit, and also "plays at" tennis. She loves to cook, and doesn't mind doing dishes, so long as there are plenty of people to help her. In fact, Ginny likes to have lots of people around all the time—just for company. She likes parties and conversation, and humanity in general. And naturally, she loves to dance. It is her favorite of all the indoor sports.

Virginia is genuinely interested in social enterprises. She spent most of last summer doing side work in a clinic in one of the hospitals here in town, and she intends to "really do it seriously" next year. She is frankly superstitious, and thinks that the clothes now dictated by fashion experts are very very nice, although she is of the opinion that even more important than style or fad is a well-groomed appearance. This is a firm conviction of hers, and Ginny really practices what she preaches in this respect.



MISS VIRGINIA RIEGEL

Rescue, Care of Flood Victims Vividly Told By Red Cross Woman in Letters to Mother

Hardest Job Attending
Those Broken by
Strain, She Says

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By MARGARET FRAWLEY ..

One night she assisted in delivering a baby and the next she was bitten by a pig in the Court House.

But that's all part of the job of flood relief to Miss Ruth Riley, Red Cross field worker and daughter of Mrs. A. E. Riley of 356 Winton Road North. Miss Riley, who is regularly attached to the Kentucky district, reported in a letter to her mother yesterday that it was dark in the Court House and she didn't see the pig roaming about until he had made himself felt so emphatically.

Director of the present relief program in McLean County, she recounts leaving on the last train out of Louisville, Jan. 21 and the trip to McLean County by truck, ambulance, and finally with mules pulling a private automobile.

"It took the train eight hours to make a three-hour trip," she wrote. "A landslide fell across the track and had to be shoveled off. When we arrived at Hawesville the water was so deep it came to the top step in the train. This train stopped here and the people getting on were hysterical. One woman said she walked in the station to buy a ticket and the water came in so fast that she was carried out of it."

Arrived in McLean County she said from 80 to 95 per cent of the whole area was under water.

"Two whole towns, Rumsey and Calhoun, where I have been not only had water in every house but in Rumsey most of the houses were floating upstream and downstream according to the currents that hit them. With no stores open and all roads cut off the problem of feeding has been something. In a



MISS RUTH RILEY

town of 9,000 population, 2,000 refugees had to be handled. In another of 11,000, we had to feed 5,500. The weather had been cold, sleety and the water rough.

"Besides this population to rescue all through the large rural areas, there were thousands of cows, pigs and other animals. Boats were at a premium. There were seven towns in the area all isolated from each other. I had one Coast Guard boat at first but I got 12 motor boats and barges working. I didn't sleep for five nights, though I tried to sleep two of these. The stores in Rumsey went under water first and I just bought the stocks ... lock,

Was Bitten by Pig in
Dark Courthouse
In Kentucky

stock and barrel—in three groceries."

With refugees established in the school houses with guards, janitors, nurses and home economics teachers bossing the cooking, the ministers began holding services and "during the worst you could hear hymn singing everywhere," Miss Riley said.

"As a so-called damned Yankee" it was amusing to have a Kentucky gentleman ask her to handle a bunch of Negroes, she said. The Negroes had been working on the boats getting people back and forth across the flood water and had become terrorized.

Of morale, she remarked:

"The hardest thing I have had to handle have been people who couldn't stand the strain. Men have broken down with worry and exhaustion more than women. When such people came to the office I hustled them off to the health depot for medicine and we put them to sleep on cots."

The water is receding, but is still plenty high, a 45-foot stream 10 miles wide, she reported.

The work of directing relief may sound heroic, but it's just a business of living in "rubber boots for days and days." Of her trips out from headquarters, she said.

"I've had one or two rides through terrible mud and once had four oxen pull me out when a car couldn't move. Another time a buggy wheel broke and we went down," she concludes.

Singer Accepted By Opera Maestro

Word has been received of the acceptance of a Rochester girl as voice pupil of Maestro Clemente de Macchi,



Petrina Rizzo

musical director of the Municipal Opera Association of New York City.

The student is Petrina Rizzo, former pupil of Madame Marguerite Castellanos Taggart of this city.

Mary Eidam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Eidam, 74 Arbordale Avenue, a graduate of the Eastman School of Music last June, has been awarded a three-year violoncello scholarship at the Peabody Conservatory of Music, Baltimore, Maryland.

Distinguished Researcher To Be Heard

The Women's Group of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce will play host Wednesday evening to one of this city's most distinguished, though little publicized women, Dr. Frieda S. Robbins.

Assistant to Dr. George H. Whipple, dean of the University of Rochester School of Medicine, Doctor Robbins was recently co-recipient with Doctor Whipple of the Nobel Prize.

Doctor Robbins is a graduate of the University of Chicago. Shortly after her graduation she went to the University of California as assistant to Doctor Whipple, then head of the medical school connected with that University. Her special field of endeavor has been research in connection with anaemia.

Widely Traveled

A world traveler, the distinguished woman makes Europe her goal every three or four years. Her topic before the Women's Group will be "Some of the More Recent Developments in Medical Research."

Believed to be Doctor Robbins' only public address before a similar group in Rochester, the Women's Group through its chairman, Miss Eleanor Good, has extended an invitation to many other women's organizations to attend the supper meeting and pay tribute to Doctor Robbins.

Reservations Necessary

Anyone interested in hearing the speaker may do so by making advance reservations by telephoning or writing the Chamber of Commerce. Tables of eight persons may be reserved.

Miss Ida M. Randle is program chairman of the Women's Group. Other members of the Executive Committee are Miss Ellen Putnam, vicechairman; Miss Flora Armbruster, Miss Orel Adams, Miss Laura Comstock, Dr. Isabelle K. Wallace, Miss Marcella Reichenger, Miss Grace Tanner, Miss Mabel Perdue, Miss Ethel Pearson.

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TALENTED, well-read, possessor of a sparkling wit, Miss Gene Robins of Monroe Avenue is one of the most interesting young women in town.

Gene has traveled extensively. When she was a child, she lived in Europe, spending most of her time in Germany and France. She says she doesn't remember all the things one usually remembers

about the "old world," but she does have pleasant recollections of feeding pigeons in parks, and of the convent school which she attended while living there.

Two years ago during her vacation she traveled extensively in the western states, making a complete circuit of the Rockies. Of all the places she visited, she liked Glacier National Park best, because she likes to camp and fish. Gene likes nothing better than outdoor life. This last year she saw much there was to see in New England and Adirondacks. She likes this section of the country, but was disappointed in Gloucester. She wound up her summer by going to New York and seeing lots of plays—she loves the legitimate theater—and such fascinating things as the Aquarium and the various art galleries and museums. Gene says that New York is grand for a few days, but she would not want to live there. She would prefer to live in the country—especially in Vermont or New Hampshire—but she likes Rochester better than any other city she has seen, because of the beautiful residential section.

Talented daughter of a very talented mother, Dr. Frieda Robins, co-winner of the Noble prize with Dr. George Whipple two years ago, Gene does not aspire to any sort of career. She loves to cook and sew—in fact she designs and makes most of her own very attractive clothes—and although she is majoring in economics at the University of Rochester, she does not plan to do anything in a business way after she graduates.

Gene's hobby is collecting lovely and rare editions of books—especially of poetry. She prefers the work of Thomas Sterns Eliot, a poet of the modern school. She loves dogs, but hates cats. Gene says she likes bridge, but refuses to take it seriously. She doesn't like to dance, but loves tennis. She would like to ride horseback, if she could stay on the horse when she attempted it. But either Gene or the horse has a fixation, because she always is thrown at some time or other during her outing. Her golf game is terrible, according to her, and she can't sing a note, but she loves concerts.



Miss Gene Robins

Wadsworth Son To Take Bride D. & C. JAN 9 1937

An engagement of marked interest to society in the Genesee Valley is that of Miss Eleanor Roosevelt of Washington, D. C. and Reverdy Wadsworth, son of Representative James W. Wadsworth and Mrs. Wadsworth of Genesee, which has just been announced.

Miss Roosevelt is the daughter of Mrs. Henry Latrobe Roosevelt and the late Mr. Roosevelt of Washington, D. C., and Skaneateles. Mr. Roosevelt, a distant relative of the President, was serving as assistant secretary of the Navy at the time of his death, Feb. 22, 1936.

Miss Roosevelt is well-known in the Valley, having been a frequent visitor there. While a debutante in 1934, she was chosen queen of the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington.

Mr. Wadsworth, who is now residing in Chicago, studied at St. Mark's School at Southborough, Mass., and was graduated last June from Yale University.

His father, Representative Wadsworth, who comes from a long line of Genesee Valley landowners is the great-grandson of the James Wadsworth who came in 1790 from Durham, Conn., to what is now Livingston County.

James Samuel Wadsworth, son of the pioneer James Wadsworth, became a leading citizen of New York State and at the outbreak of the Civil War enlisted in the Union Army and rose to brigadier general. His son, James Wolcott Wadsworth, father of the present James W. Wadsworth, was known as a financier, former member of Congress and agriculturist.

Representative Wadsworth married Alice Hay, daughter of Secretary of State John Hay in 1902.

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Engaged to Reverdy Wadsworth



Miss Eleanor Roosevelt

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Miss Mary Rowe's Rites Announced

Funeral services will be held at 3 p. m. tomorrow for Miss Mary Caroline Rowe, 53, at the Pittsford Methodist Episcopal Church.

For nine years night supervisor of nurses at the Genesee Hospital and its predecessor, Rochester Homeopathic Hospital, she died Thursday afternoon at the hospital after a long illness. A graduate of the Homeopathic Hospital's training school in 1918, she was night supervisor from 1923 to 1932, at which time she retired because of illness.

Miss Rowe is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rowe, 65 State Street; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth DeWitt, Fairport, and Miss Martha Rowe, Pittsford; four brothers, Charles Doyle, Fort Worth, Tex.; George Rowe, Macedon Center; Thomas Rowe, Le Roy, and Albert W. Rowe, 120 Anthony Street; and several nieces and nephews.

Along the Promenade

By MILDRED BOND

Parenthood a Serious Business, Says Mrs. Robert Rowe, State's Vicechairman of PTA

WHEN two million women in the country take seriously their responsibility as parents and join a movement such as the National Parent-Teacher Association to learn child philosophy, children's problems and school programs, the potentialities of that movement for improving homes, schools and communities are almost immeasurable, in the opinion of Mrs. Robert Rowe, vicechairman of the New York State Congress of Parent-Teachers.

Mrs. Rowe, who has three children of her own, a girl and two boys in elementary and high schools, is spending her energies as a leader in the Rochester units of two national organizations, both of which are educational more than social. She has assumed the presidency for the coming year of the Rochester branch of the American Association of University Women, and continuing as vicepresident of the Parent-Teacher group.

Graduates of colleges in which there is no discrimination against woman students or woman teachers are eligible for membership in the Association for University Women, but each college must have proper dormitories for women, a woman's dean and a certain number of women teachers and must pay proper salaries to its faculty. Alumni of colleges not eligible, according to Mrs. Rowe, want to know why they are not eligible and demand the answer from the colleges from which they were graduated, often resulting in improved conditions in those colleges.

The organization is virtually the only one, with the exception of the Rockefeller and similar foundations, which awards fellowships for higher education for women. It gives out 1,000 of such fellowships throughout the nation, Mrs. Rowe said. In Rochester the A.A.U.W. furnishes a



MRS. ROBERT ROWE

\$500 fellowship biennially to the University of Rochester.

Its study groups are another method of adult education, a continuance in many cases of study done previously in college and perhaps discontinued after its members have left their alma maters. The national program lists its topics for study under four headings, international relations, national problems, fine and applied arts and educational trends. Each of the 15 local study clubs plans its programs accordingly, all study reflecting something of the main topic as outlined by the national association.

Mrs. Rowe, who has been both a parent and a teacher, has worked for the Parent-Teacher Association ever since her marriage and in various ways has helped to organize groups and to map programs for such groups.

Mrs. Rowe was graduated from West High School, the University of Rochester and Mechanics In-

Both a Teacher and a Parent, She Helps to Build Up Educational Ideal on Wide Scale

stitute. Later she taught English and history. She was president of the Parent-Teacher Association of School 37 and then president of the Rochester Central Council P.T. A. She served as state program chairman before she became vicechairman of the state congress. For eight years she has had a part in summer sessions at Cornell University to outline courses of study. She was instrumental in editing and having published a state book to be used in PTA clubs, supplementing the national book previously used. The state book is called "Public Education in New York."

Mrs. Rowe pointed out that the members of the Parent-Teacher Association gain no great social reward and certainly no monetary one, only the satisfaction of keeping up with educational trends and thoughts on today's children. The PTA reaches into every stratum of society, for rich and poor alike have children. The association is nonsectarian and nonpartisan and has nothing to fear in the way of exploitation, Mrs. Rowe said. The job of the national and state officers is to see that the local units follow educational standards and ideals, never degenerating into "afternoon tea-parties. The members never interfere with professional educators or methods of education. Education will progress only so far as the public will let it, said Mrs. Rowe, but through courses of instruction and conferences and a great national program PTA members can know what progress is being made.

Mrs. Rowe has no ambitions to be a typical "clubwoman," but enjoys clubs that have study features in connection with them. Her avocation is music for herself and her children. She was a member of the old Tuesday Musicales and is now a member of the Wednesday Morning Musical Society.

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Miss Leslie Savage of Monteroy Road, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Cornelius Savage, whose engagement to Dr. Herbert Anthony Clark of Elmdorf Avenue is announced. Miss Savage is principal of School 7.

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When Progress Takes the Prize

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Miss Marjorie Schefinger, right, University of Rochester junior as she received the Rosenberg prize last night from Dean Helen D. Bragdon. Award goes annually to student showing the greatest gain in her first two years of study.

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U.R. Student Gains Award For Scholastic Improvement

Marjorie Schefinger, 19, student in the School of Nursing, last night won the Susan Colver Rosenberg prize awarded annually to the University of Rochester woman student whose work has shown the greatest improvement during her freshman and sophomore years.

The \$25 award was made by Dean Helen D. Bragdon before students meeting in Cutler Union. Miss Schefinger is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Schefinger of 343 Avenue B.

The prize winner, a junior, not only showed outstanding scholastic progress but also increased her "quality" points from 14 to 58 between the end of her first and second years in school. Those points are awarded on a general basis.

Also awarded last night was the Alpha Sigma Sorority cup which went to Sigma Kappa Upsilon sorority for highest average scholarship. It was received by Louise Morgan, president.

Kin Crosses Fingers on \$17,000,000 Fortune

Housewife, 67, Recalls When Half-Sister Married in Wealth

By MARGARET FRAWLEY

As a small girl, Mrs. William Scheffel of 11 Walton Street learned proverbs. She keeps remembering the one about not counting your chickens before they're hatched.

That's the way she feels about her possible share in the \$17,000,000 estate of her half-sister, the late Mrs. Henrietta E. Garrett, who died intestate in 1930 and the disposition of whose large fortune will be the subject of hearings opening Thursday in Philadelphia. Mrs. Scheffel will be the first of some 17,000 claimants to be called.

A slim, white-haired woman with a direct, friendly smile, Mrs. Scheffel's appearance belies her 67 years.

She and her husband have worked hard all their lives, have known prosperity and more recently the pinch of hard times. They live modestly and simply in the Walton Street house, growing old pleasantly together. In an offhand way, they are very proud of one another. They share a good many jokes. Mrs. Scheffel has a pleasant, musical laugh and her husband likes it well enough to keep it echoing through the tidy little kitchen.

He had to tease a bit to persuade her to bring out the picture from the family album taken just before her marriage. He wanted the reporter to know what a handsome, fine young woman she had been. They use one another's names, "Mary" and "Billy" with a frequency which suggests they enjoy the repetition.

The family album will play an important part in Thursday's hearings. As a small child Mrs. Scheffel remembers her mother announcing that Theresa was going to get married to a wealthy man and smiling over the picture of herself the young Theresa had sent home. Theresa was the daughter by an earlier marriage of Mrs. Scheffel's father, the late John Simlinger. That was her childhood contact



Buoyed by hopes of obtaining a share in a \$17,000,000 estate left by her half-sister in Philadelphia is Mrs. William Scheffel. She will leave Wednesday to attend court hearings there

with the beautiful young half-sister who married three times, her last husband being the late Walter

Garrett, snuff manufacturer. Mary Simlinger remembered the picture years later when she bought

17,000 Claimants Seek Estate Left by Snuff Maker

the album. She persuaded her mother to give it to her and inserted it as the first picture in the book. With other identifying material it is now in the hands of her attorney, Carl Bechtold, who will also represent her brother, John Semlinger, a patient in the Veterans' Hospital, Canandaigua.

As a young woman Mary Simlinger moved from Pennsylvania to Rochester, and married William Scheffel. He conducted a hotel for many years at the corner of South Avenue and Griffith Street. The present untenanted building on that site is a reminder of those successful days and the taxes they pay on their "white elephant" is one of the reasons they live modestly these days. They have two children, Mrs. Howard E. Erwin of 967 Genesee Park Boulevard and John Scheffel of 336 Roxborough Road.

Mrs. Scheffel said yesterday she wasn't sure what she would do with the money, if and when she gets any from the Garrett estate.

"I think we'll just pay our back bills and stop scrimping," she remarked with a laugh. "There are plenty of places to put any nest egg that might come our way."

"Sure, we'll have a good time," grinned her husband in spite of her frown.

The case has dragged out seven years, so the Scheffels are not as excited as their friends. Mrs. Scheffel said when the first letter came from the lawyers in Philadelphia, with its imposing array of registered stamps on the envelope, she was slightly dubious. Once a long while ago some attorneys wrote her from Hamburg, Germany, about an estate. She wrote back but never heard again. But the Philadelphia letters kept right on coming.

Wednesday night she will be boarding a train for Philadelphia, but she'll keep her fingers crossed until the estate is settled.

Autopsy Bares Heart Attack

An autopsy revealed that a heart attack caused the death of Mrs. Loretta Swanson, 36.

Her body was found in the bathroom of her home at 19 Oneta Street, Irondequoit, by Policeman Willis C. Crane who, with Mrs. Swanson's sister, Mrs. Julius W. Stein, broke into the home yesterday.

Mrs. Stein of 3542 St. Paul Boulevard became alarmed when she was unable to reach her sister by telephone. Mrs. Swanson, whose husband, Harry W. Swanson, is traveling on business in Pennsylvania, complained of not feeling well when she left work Monday night.

Water was running from opened taps in the bathroom and had soaked through the house to the basement, where it was several inches deep.

Lincoln Friend 101 Years Old

A Rochester woman whose memories hark back to balloon trips over the rebel lines with Abraham Lincoln, celebrated her 101st birthday anniversary today.

She is Mrs. Sarah Cawthra Schoeffel of 346 Glenwood Avenue, widow of Francis A. Schoeffel, dashing Civil War colonel who led Rochester troops through many a bitter skirmish against the Confederate Army.

Her birthday anniversary was observed quietly. Mrs. Schoeffel, her family said, has not enjoyed the best of health recently. A year ago, when she celebrated her 100th birthday, a large party was given in her honor.

Mrs. Schoeffel is the mother of two sons who were colonels in the army. Col. Francis H. Schoeffel with whom she lives and Col. John B. Schoeffel of Schenectady.

When she was 26 years old, and a bride of three months, Mrs. Schoeffel was among the women who aided in caring for the Civil War wounded.

Treasured among her memories is a balloon trip with Abraham Lincoln over the Battle of Fredericksburg.

A balloon flight in those days, she said, was about as risky as standing in the path of a rebel "minnie" ball.

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Life Dear to 'Little Lady at Window,' 101

Mrs. Sarah Schoeffel Known for Cheery Wave to Friends

At 101 Mrs. Sarah Cawthra Schoeffel of 346 Glenwood Avenue still blows a kiss to her friends.

Feebly, 'tis true, she sits by the window on the second floor of her home and watches the pedestrians, many of whom wave to her.

But at 101 she retains the sparkle of perpetual youth. And, at 101, she wants a party. Her birthday anniversary is today.

However, the cards have been stacked against the little gray old lady this year. There has been much illness in the family, so there will be no party. But close friends will call, and her children will be present. They are Mrs. Frederick A. Frost, with her husband; Col. Francis H. Schoeffel of Rochester, and Col. and Mrs. John B. Schoeffel of Dunkirk.

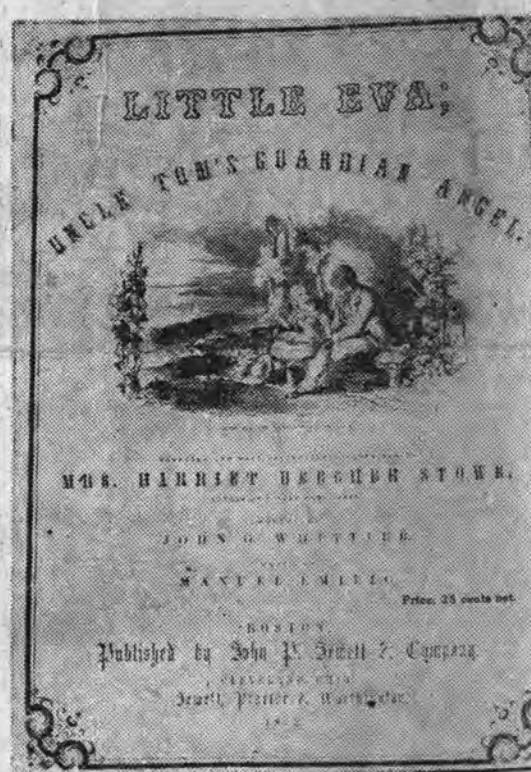
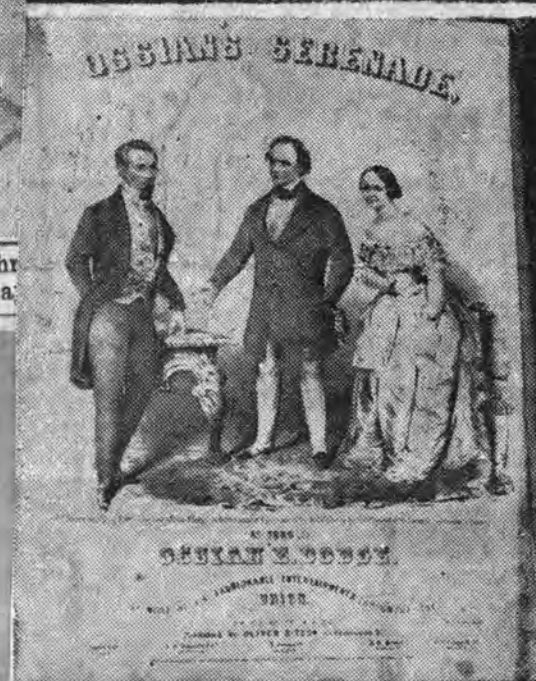
Yet the little lady in the upper room intends to make it a party, for she well understands it's the spirit and not the formality, that makes a celebration.

When a reporter yesterday called to add his tribute to those hundreds which will come today, Mrs. Schoeffel looked up eagerly from her reading. (Yes, she still reads, and, moreover, her hearing is comparatively good) "You'll come and see me on my birthday?" she said, her tone a friendly invitation.

As the reporter left, she blew a kiss—and it was her own gift on her 101st anniversary.



"Well started" on her second century is Mrs. Sarah Cawthra Schoeffel, who will celebrate her 101st birthday today.



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. W. Schulz of Albany seen as they examine the song which John Greenleaf Whittier dedicated to Harriet Beecher Stowe and her "Little Eva." Below at right is the cover of the song and at

left another item in Mrs. Schulz' collection. On the cover of this song are P. T. Barnum, center; Jenny Lind and another singer of the '50's who remains unidentified. The title is "Ossian's Serenade."

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Poet Whittier Wrote Lyric Dedicated to Stowe 'Little Eva,' Albany Woman Reveals on Discovering Copy of 1852 Song

1st Star in 'Uncle Tom,'
Classic Still Living,
In Her 81st Year
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*Dry the tears for holy Eva.
With the Blessed Angels leave her.
Of the form so sweet and fair,
Give to earth the tender care.*

Albany—And of whom do you suppose the great poet, John Greenleaf Whittier, was writing in his customary lyric vein?

Why, of Little Eva, the heroic child martyr of Harriet Beecher Stowe's immortal tome of antebellum days, "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Whittier wrote the lyrics of the song and Manuel Emilio the music.

According to the original copy of the printed opus in the possession of Mrs. Ernest Schulz of Albany, the music was published and copyrighted in 1852. That same year the first dramatic performance based on the famous story was given in Troy with Cordelia Howard, then only 4, now 89, as the first player of a part that has launched 10,000 stars since then.

It was a story about Cornelia Howard, now Mrs. MacDonald of Belmont, Mass., appearing in the Albany Evening News that caused Mrs. Schultz to search the ancient bound books of sheet music in her possession.

Received Old Music

Mrs. Schulz was reared by a wealthy Albany family, who employed her father about their home. Ultimately she was given much of the music which had once embellished the drawing room, the ballads of the days before the Civil War that belles in crinoline sang by candlelight as they gathered about the old square piano.

The published story of Mrs. MacDonald as the Shirley Temple of 80-odd years ago recalled to Mrs. Schulz a song in her collection. She searched and found it. From the date it is evident the playwright and Whittier were simultaneously inspired by the story of Uncle Tom. There is no indication, however, that the song was used in the show.

In the bound volumes of old songs in Mrs. Schulz's possession are many of the early publications of Jenny Lind's songs, as well as probable first editions of many

Stephen Collins Foster compositions. Printed on rag paper, the music is in a fine state of preservation and probably would attract wide attention from collectors. One book is devoted to college songs popular directly after the Civil War, including those sung at Union, Amherst and Williams.

Dedicated to Author

"When I read the story of the first Little Eva and learned she still was alive at 89, I immediately thought of some way to let her know that at least one copy of the song written about the character and printed the same year she appeared in the play might be of interest," said Mrs. Schulz. "You'll notice that Whittier dedicated the song to Harriet Beecher Stowe."

Following the four verses of Whittier's poem to Little Eva quoted at the outset, the remainder of the song goes:

For the golden locks of Eva
Let the Sunny Southland give her
Flowery pillow of repose
Orange bloom and budding rose.

All is light and peace with Eva.
There the darkness cometh never.
Tears are wiped and fetters fall
And the Lord is All in All.
Weep no more for happy Eva.
Wrong and sin no more shall grieve her.
Care and pain and weariness,
Lost in love so marvelous.

Gentle Eva, loving Eva;
Child confessor, true believer.
Listen'r at the Master's knee;
"Suffer for such to come to Me."
Oh, for faith like thine, sweet Eva.
Lighting all the solemn river
And the blessing of the poor
Waiting to the heavenly shore.

MRS. SEARCH, 66, DIES IN HOME

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Mrs. Harriet L. Search, 66, mother of Mrs. Irving Johnson of Gloucester, Mass., died yesterday (Oct. 21, 1936) in her home, 42 Thayer Street.

Mrs. Johnson is the former Electa Search, wife of Capt. Irving Johnson, skipper of the world cruising schooner Yankee. She was here last week with Captain Johnson for a visit to her mother and to speak on another prospective world voyage.

Besides her daughter, Mrs. Search is survived by her husband, Bertram L. Search. Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow at 2 p. m. at 137 Chestnut Street. Interment will be in West Henrietta.

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Islanders Pay Mercy Debt

Pitcairn islanders, rescued by Irving Johnson and his wife, the former Electa Search of Rochester, after a shipwreck more than one year ago, now have repaid their debt.

The Johnsons' pilot boat, Yankee, put into the remote Pacific island a few weeks ago with the entire ship's company suffering from fish poisoning. Many were seriously ill, including Mrs. Johnson and her 11-month-old son, Carl.

The islanders, descendants of the historic mutineers of His Majesty's ship Bounty, took the victims ashore and nursed them back to health. The episode was described in a letter received at Cristobal, C. Z., from Chief Magistrate Richard Edgar Christian, whose ancestor, Fletcher Christian, led the mutiny.

The letter was dated Feb. 12 and addressed to W. D. Taylor, Cristobal postmaster.

The Johnsons earned the great gratitude of the Pitcairners on their previous world cruise in the Yankee when they picked up members of the picturesque colony stranded on an island and sailed them 300 miles back to their homes.

Woman Gets New Bank Job

Miss Bessie M. Seely has been appointed to the staff of the Rochester Savings Bank to have charge of that bank's school savings program.

Miss Seely has been assistant to the trust officer of the First National Bank of Rochester for several years. A graduate of Syracuse University Law College, Miss Seely also has been on the staffs of the Syracuse Trust Company and the Union Guardian Trust Company of Detroit. Her appointment to the school savings position was announced by Edwin Allen Stebbins, president of the Rochester Savings Bank.

YACHT CREW POISONED ON WORLD TRIP

Rochesterian III
From Bad Fish,
Letter Tells

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Fish poisoning is among the hazards of round-the-world cruises as experienced by the Irving Johnsons and their friends aboard the schooner yacht Yankee.

Mrs. Johnson, the former Electa Search of Rochester, and her 11-month-old son, Carl, are described in a dispatch from Balboa, C. Z. as among the victims of poisoning which infected the entire schooner crew just before the boat put in at Pitcairn Island early in February. Arrival of the Yankee at Pitcairn is recounted in a letter received at Balboa from Chief Magistrate Richard Edgar Christian, descendant of Fletcher Christian, leader of the Bounty mutineers.

Christian's letter, addressed to W. D. Taylor, postmaster at Cristobal, C. Z., and dated Feb. 12 gives the following description of the incident:

"The Yankee arrived last week from Easter Island and, my! What a lot! Every one aboard ate fish they caught two days before reaching Pitcairn, excepting one of the boys, and got poison and very bad, too.

"They just cannot manage their ship so we put four of our boys aboard with the captain and chief officer and took all the rest ashore. We treated them the best we could in hot water and with a change of food, keeping them for one week. Some of them just have to be carried from the landing place.

"While the captain was waiting for his company to be fit to sail, he, with 33 of our men, took the Yankee 110 miles to Henderson Island to get wood for us, making the trip in three days.

"Sunday night we put the Yankee's company aboard again, pulled up their anchor for them and bid farewell to a much better-looking lot as they sailed for Mangaroa, New Zealand. The good thing of it all is that there are quite a few of our folks who have been poisoned with fish, so we know just what to do with them.

"When the Yankee arrived the captain and cook were the worst looking in the lot. The poor cook had to be carried from the landing place. Poor man, he cannot walk. Anyway, they are all well and

happy again when they leave us."

The Yankee, converted Dutch pilot vessel, sailed from Gloucester Mass., last November on a world cruise commanded by Johnson and manned by a crew of socially-prominent young men and women. The contemplated world cruise is estimated to be a 33,000-mile voyage and will bring the party back to the home port in May, 1938.

Captain and Mrs. Johnson, since their marriage here Sept. 15, 1932, have traveled adventurously. They spent their honeymoon cruising in the schooner Twilight. Then in November, 1933, they sailed in the Yankee on a world cruise, returning May 5, 1935.

The crew is composed of prominent families, the cook, Fritz Vollmecke of Hagen, Germany, being the only salaried hand.

Sterling Hayden of Gloucester, was listed as first mate; James Deniels of Buffalo, second mate; James Kennish of Utica, engineer; R. Donald Hall of Seattle, ship physician; Alan Eurich of Youngstown, O., radio operator; Edmund Zacker of Hartford, Conn., photographer, and Miss Nancy Holdworth of Brookline, Mass., and Gloucester, was listed as a sail maker.

Miss Holdsworth was scheduled to debark at Tahiti where Helen Shumaker of Buffalo, was to board the craft for the remainder of the trip.

Listed as seamen were David Donovan, New York; James Lincoln, Cleveland; Leverett Davis, Hartford, Conn.; Jack Manchester, Batavia, N. Y.; Robert Welsh of Rockport, Ill.; and Elwyn Chesley, Rowayton, Conn.

Rochester Girl Makes Air Trip To See Spanish Rebellion

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Miss Wilma Shannon

An adventurous Irish-American girl "with a hankering after new sights" will be able to describe the Spanish rebellion from first-hand knowledge to her Rochester relatives and friends.

She is Wilma Shannon, 32, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Shannon, 234 Canterbury Road, an employe for nearly two years of Selfridge's department store in London, England.

Associated Press dispatches today reported that Miss Shannon was one of a party piloted by George Selfridge Jr., in his private airplane into the Spanish war zone. Landing near Burgos, held by the rebel army, the visitors announced to puzzled officers that they "just come to see the shooting."

At her home today Mrs. Shannon said a recent letter from her daughter had announced plans for a weekend trip to Austria, "but goodness knows, I never expected they'd go into the Spanish war zone."

Wilma Shannon was graduated from East High School with honors in 1921 and four years later completed her course at Smith College. After doing personnel work at Macy's New York City, for a while, she joined the Selfridge staff.

Completing the plane party were brother-in-law and sister, Viscount reported to be Mr. Selfridge's and Viscountess Jacques de Sibour.

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Miss Mary Sheehan Glad
She Lives in Era of
Educational Progress
With Chance to Help

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MISS Mary Sheehan, viceprincipal of Washington Junior-Senior High School, is grateful to have been allowed the privilege of living her life during the very period in American history in which she would have chosen. She is also grateful to have been allowed the privilege of being on the firing line, so to speak, in the field of education.

"The past two decades with the emphasis on opportunities for every child whether he be brilliant or slow, business or college or industry bound, have been among the most fascinating in the history of education. It has been fun to have shared in it," says Miss Sheehan.

Nor is that the whole story. Mary Sheehan has served in the departments of English, Latin, study coach and counseling and since 1926 has been viceprincipal of Washington High—a typical cosmopolitan high school with more than 2,200 pupils, eager to be prepared to take their places in this great country of ours and to contribute to its progress.

Today there are four major curricula — college preparatory, commercial, fine arts (and practical arts with opportunity for all to develop every talent. There is too a citizenship training program that is noteworthy. Not to many years ago, however, Washington High School was the first junior high school this side of the Mississippi River and was in the nature of an experimental laboratory pioneering in the developing of curricula now generally accepted for junior institutions.

Miss Sheehan remembers the thousands of principals and school superintendents who have come to Washington High to study the work being done there in extra curricular activities, in pupil assemblies in which the pupil himself is largely responsible for the program presented and in pupil government, a term which Miss Sheehan believes to be a misnomer.

The University of Rochester organized and maintained the original junior high program in the school.

Through this experience Miss Sheehan became the author of a book "Extra Curricula Activities in the Junior High School," and has been a contributor to educational magazines.



MISS MARY SHEEHAN

One of two Rochester women to be a viceprincipal of a high school Miss Sheehan's duties besides being the direct representative of the principal is the supervision of book work, registration and the making sure that the individual child is not neglected in the mass. The child who does not excel scholastically is given some training or opportunity to shine in some other way, says Miss Sheehan.

Mary Sheehan was born in Cambridge, Mass., and was brought to Rochester with her parents because they thought it an ideal city for children. She was graduated from the College of St. Elizabeth, New Jersey, with

the degrees bachelor of arts and bachelor of education. She has studied and is now studying in the University of Rochester to keep abreast of education matters, has taught in the summer school of the University of North Carolina for eight years and in the University of Rochester summer school for seven semesters.

While Miss Sheehan was a member of the faculty of the summer school of the University of North Carolina. Women in 35 states had been given voting rights but those in North Carolina had not. A campaign was being conducted there and Chapel Hill became a battleground. Since Miss Sheehan had used her right to the franchise it was thought fitting to have her make the opening speech in favor of women voting and thus she pioneered in another field.

In Rochester Miss Sheehan helped found the Rochester

Teacher's Credit Union and has been a director since its beginning. In 1931 the Credit Union was started with 15 members and a capital of \$1,500. The Union operates as an investment and loan body. Today it has 943 members and a capital of \$130,000.

Three times in the history of the Rochester Teacher's Association has it elected a president for the second term. This honor was given Miss Sheehan. A member of the board of directors of the Rochester Branch, American Association of College Women, Miss Sheehan is also on the educational committee of the Civic Music Association. She was chairman of the committee which revised the RTA constitution, member of the tenure of the National Education Association and if she has any time left does gardening, writes, lectures and enjoys dramatics. Her enthusiasm is tremendous.

Hard Work Longevity Recipe Offered By Seneca Falls Woman, 105 Today

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Seneca Falls—Mrs. Anna Sheridan of 108 Mynderse Street will celebrate her 105th birthday today.

When asked yesterday for a recipe for her longevity, Mrs. Sheridan, who doesn't look nearly as old as her years, replied, "Hard work—that's the only recipe I have to offer."

Mrs. Sheridan, the oldest resident in Seneca County, has outlived all other members of her family including three children, her hus-

band and several brothers and sisters.

She was born on Mar. 25, 1832 in County Leitham, Ireland, and in her early twenties, was married to Hugh Sheridan of the same place.

Leaving her two sons in Ireland, Mrs. Sheridan together with her daughter, Mary Sheridan, came to America in 1867. They crossed the Atlantic in a sailing vessel and the trip required several weeks.

Mrs. Sheridan makes her home with Mrs. Matilda Reynolds,

Along the Promenade

Catholic Women's Club Head Keeps Active in Varied Capacities as She Holds Office Post

By MILDRED BOND

IF there is one thing in the world which Miss Lucy R. Sheridan would not know what to do with it would be time on her hands. A business woman first and foremost she takes her executive abilities with her and puts them to work in the club work which she likes. A private secretary to the president of a Rochester utilities corporation, she also runs a home (with a pet canary); she is president of the Catholic Women's Club, which has 1,200 members; she likes to drive a car; to visit Cape Cod each summer; to read and to attend many of the season's concerts as a subscriber, and to knit and to play bridge.

Often she is called upon to talk to groups of business students about the desirable qualities of "the perfect secretary," and after telling the youthful "would be secretaries" first to learn their business she does not hesitate to speak about personal appearance as an asset. She outlines for them no list of things taboo, lipstick or red finger nails or well-coiffed hair and manicured nails, for these things she believes to be important to a business woman's sense of well-being, along with conservative dress.

Miss Sheridan has talked to college groups although she did not have the advantage of a college education. She wishes she had, she says. Good music and good literature, book reviews and similar things have always had a strong appeal for her and have been put into her already filled schedule.

Miss Sheridan likes people, which is practically the same thing as saying that people like her. The Catholic Woman's Club, of which she is president, is carrying out an educational program and doing a good-sized piece of welfare work which she approves. The women are organized into groups. They have a fine clubhouse on Alexander Street, where they meet frequently.

The largest group, says Miss Sheridan, is the Business and Professional Women's group which meets monthly and can be counted upon in any emergency. This group has social meetings and hears book reviews. It packs Christmas baskets for about 100 families and distributes them.

Camp Madonna on Canandaigua Lake, the only Catholic girls' camp around Rochester, is one of



the chief concerns of the Catholic Women's group. Although some 300 girls enjoy the facilities of the camp, several hundred have to be turned away each season and this distresses Miss Sheridan as president of the club. She would like to see Camp Madonna greatly enlarged so that all Catholic girls wishing to enjoy the camp facilities may do so.

In the club also are groups such as a Big Sister Group, a social service group, a group of women who visit Iola and do what they can there; a mission group, which raises money for Catholic missionary work in far off places—altar linens, clothes, books and other necessary things.

One group of women from the Catholic Women's Club do service at the Association for the Blind; another helps at the Toy Bureau. Crippled children are taken from school to the Cathedral to study catechism. And there are the Girl Scout groups who meet at the club and who once a year entertain their sister Scouts there

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in a grand jamboree. Leaders from the Scout groups usually come from the ranks of the Women's Club, Miss Sheridan explained. The Needle work Guild has a representative group from the Catholic Woman's Club too. All in all, Miss Sheridan finds the club program very much worth while and satisfying.

Before taking up her duties as president of the Catholic Women's Club Miss Sheridan served as president of the Rochester Zonta Club. She is a member of the Women's Group of the Chamber of Commerce and was one of its first chairmen.

Conclave Lists Mrs. Sibley Speaker

Girls' Friendly Society will have its national council meeting in St. Louis, Mo., this week with Mrs. Harper Sibley listed as one of the guest speakers.

The conference, beginning tomorrow, will continue through Sunday.

Attending from Rochester and vicinity will be Miss Jeanette Dorsey of Rochester, chairman of St. Luke's branch for the past two years, and Mrs. U. P. Hedrick of Geneva, national head.

Discussion groups, special interest groups, panel discussions as well as luncheon meeting, teas and dinners will occupy delegates to the conference. The council will close with corporate communion next Sunday in Christ Church Cathedral, followed by breakfast at Hotel Jefferson.

Personality growth and development, race problems, world peace are among the topics to be discussed during the conference.

Miss Helen C. C. Brent of William Smith College, Geneva, will preside at the meetings.

Mrs. Sibley Returns to City Bearing Capital Honors

One hundred leading women of Washington Saturday paid tribute to Mrs. Harper Sibley, wife of the former president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, who has returned to Rochester after two years residence in the capital city.

Wives of cabinet ministers and justices of the Supreme Court, women's club presidents and prominent social and church workers gathered to honor Mrs. Sibley and present her a handsome scroll bearing their signatures.

From Mrs. Wilson Compton, Mrs. Sibley received a hand-made silver and jade bracelet, engraved inside with "Washington Remembers Georgiana Sibley."

Distinguished Guests

Guests included: Mrs. Charles Evans Hughes, Mrs. Harlan Fiske Stone, Mrs. Daniel C. Roper, Mrs. Henry A. Wallace, Mrs. Anton Phelps Stokes, president of the Girl Scouts of America; Mrs. William Corbin, Mrs. Harold Moulton, Mrs. Karl Fenning.

The honorary luncheon Saturday followed a busy Friday afternoon in which Mrs. Sibley and Mrs. Henry Alvah Strong, former Rochesterian, participated in dedicating the new six-story women's dormitory at George Washington University.

Dedicated Dormitory

The dormitory, bearing Mrs. Strong's name and made possible through her philanthropy, was dedicated by her "to the growth of human spirit that God and State may be served by noble women."

Mrs. Sibley, First Lady at Odds on Youth



MRS. F. D. ROOSEVELT

America Safe in Hands Of Its Young People, Says Mrs. Roosevelt

A nationally prominent Rochester woman and the first Lady of the Land disagree about American youth, it was revealed last night.

Speaking at the Silver Jubilee dinner of Girl Scouts, in New York Friday night, Mrs. Harper Sibley, wife of the president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, had deprecated a growing tendency throughout the nation to demand reward for which no work was done.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt rose to the defense of youth.

"Far more of this generation than of the older ones expect to earn their own living, and refuse to have things handed to them on a silver platter," she declared.

"The future of America is safe in the hands of its youth. Each new generation has new ideas, just as we in our time had ideas different from those of our parents. But we must trust our young people and believe in them, for their objectives are the same as ours, though their methods may differ. We all want the same thing—a better America for the future."



MRS. HARPER SIBLEY

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Along the Promenade

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Columbia Preparatory Head Brings Broad Interests, Extensive Education to Pupils

MEDIOCRE at tennis, golf and other sports and detesting bridge, but never outgrowing a desire for and habit of going to school and studying something new, incidentally doing a great deal of traveling in this country and Europe, is Mrs. Della Simpson, head of Columbia Preparatory School which is now housed in the beautiful oak-paneled house at 22 Goodman Street, former home of Mr. and Mrs. Warham Whitney, for many years leaders of society in Rochester.

Mrs. Simpson loves children and likes to know them and their problems. She considers it a privilege to have them around her and to be able to guide and teach them.

Born in Nebraska where her father was almost a pioneer in the field of law in his community she spent her summers as a child in Colorado, Michigan and Minnesota and other western states. She attended the University of Chicago, majoring in History and receiving both B. A. and M. A. degrees. She then became dean of the University co-educational day school in Cinn. Ohio.

She became intensely interested in International problems and went to Switzerland to study there in the School of International Studies. She studied in Oxford, England, and has done research work in various subjects at Harvard University, University of North Carolina and Columbia University, availing a Ph. D. degree because she believes that too much research work done along one line tends to draw one away from the small child and teaching.

There are many subjects about which Mrs. Simpson wishes to learn more than she now knows. Psychology is one which she intends to pursue this summer in Vienna. She has attended conferences in new education in England and in Nice, Italy, and is grateful for improved teaching methods and the general acceptance of the idea of developing the child and making him contribute his share to the general group, rather than the former

idea of developing the individual for himself alone.

"We are a country of consumers as well as producers, Mrs. Simpson points out, and improvement in education lies in the contribution each of us makes to the group. Education is no longer "handed" out, she says. The child no longer accepts things because they are told they are so, but the child today sees the whole picture. His studies are parts of a correlated whole. Mrs. Simpson insists she is a progressive in education, but a progressive with a small "p."

Mrs. Simpson recognizes the freedom of the child, but says on studying freedom of the individual one finds he is not so free after all. Too much freedom too easily becomes license. In the beautiful library-study hall (formerly the ballroom of the Whitney home) 25 to 30 girls study around a lovely fireplace seated in Windsor chairs as they would be in their own homes. Beauty of surroundings are theirs and they are sensitive to it, she believes. There is no noise. Each child has learned self-restraint and to recognize the rights of others. All are on their honor.

Mrs. Simpson came to Rochester from the Mary Wheeler School of Providence, R. I. Having lived in various parts of the country, she likes the seacoast best. She has observed that students along a seacoast are more inclined to have a better grasp of international problems than students living inland. At the same time, students with no proximity to the sea know and understand much about domestic affairs. Discussions of recent election results have proved to her that today's child is surprisingly aware of present day issues

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Studies Now Presented As Correlated Whole In Effective Teaching Says Mrs. Simpson

and is really quite unprejudiced.

"Every subject in the school curriculum is questioned for its utilitarian positive and actual returns and for its aesthetic and cultural benefits. No longer does the student study Latin, English or science and if a failure in these subjects take up art and music. All these subjects are correlated.

In the nursery school Mrs. Simpson says food is properly chosen, properly prepared and served in a sunny and pleasant room and the hungry child eats. She makes no microscopic study of the child without an appetite, believing that all things being as they should, a hungry child will eat.

All children from nursery to high school graduate interest Mrs. Simpson and all can be found in Columbia School.

Along the Promenade

Miss Mabel Simpson Is First Woman to Head 90-Year-Old N. Y. Teachers' Association

ALTHOUGH the novelty of being the first woman to be elected president of a 90-year-old organization, the New York State Teachers' Association, has long since worn off, the honor and the responsibility still remain with Miss Mabel Simpson. When she faces some 10,000 of the Association's 47,000 members in a meeting scheduled later in the year at Madison Square Garden, New York, the responsibility overshadows the honor in her estimation.

All the teachers in the state, with the exception of those actually teaching in the metropolis itself, a number large enough to populate a large city of the state, have membership in that powerful organization whose aim is to improve teaching procedure for children and the welfare and interests of the teachers themselves, said Miss Simpson, who finds her avocation interesting, even if more than a bit strenuous. Rochester teachers alone number 7,000.

The association is divided into 10 zones all of which have meetings Miss Simpson attends. She has served as vicepresident and president of the Rochester zone and on executive committees for several years and so was prepared for the responsibility of

being the president of the huge organization.

The association owns its own building, a self-supporting one in Albany, and has a paid executive secretary there. The secretary watches legislative bills in Albany, although there is no lobbying or political machinery and none is necessary, Miss Simpson said.

The teacher's retirement and welfare department of the Association is housed in the Albany building. A fund of \$188,000, which is expected to be raised to \$200,000 within the year, has been contributed toward a welfare fund to be used for teachers who do not qualify for retirement pensions or need aid.

The cases are studied carefully, Miss Simpson said.

An outstanding piece of work accomplished by the Association is the publication of one of what Miss Simpson acclaims as the finest educational journals in the country, New York State Education, a monthly magazine to which teachers and normal school students contribute.

Miss Simpson who is listed in "Who's Who in American Education," comes from Ithaca, where she began teaching after graduating from the University of Rochester and taking a master's degree from Columbia University and doing graduate work in the University of Chicago. She has taught in extension departments and summer school of the University of Rochester, Columbia University and the University of California. She has been a teacher and principal in

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elementary schools and was a charter member of the faculty of Washington Junior High School in Rochester. She is now general director of the elementary school program, meeting teachers and principals in conferences to outline and interpret curricula for public school pupils from kindergarten to seventh grade.

Miss Simpson developed her supervisory program on a co-operative basis. Ten years were spent in bringing together in compact form subject matter used in teaching. Social relations was taken as a major subject and all other subjects were arranged around that.

A task that took five years was co-authorship of a series of English textbooks, "Growth in English," used in Rochester schools. She was author of a supervisory study of history.

Miss Simpson has traveled throughout this country, the West Indies and South America from which she recently returned. She likes the theater and music and has sung in a church choir in Rochester. Probably her greatest joy is the companionship of her 82-year-old mother, who, Miss Simpson says, reads more books and listens to more radio programs than does her busy daughter.

Miss Simpson Quits Post; Noted as School Director

Work for Elementary Education Gained Wide Recognition

The Board of Education yesterday received with regret the resignation of Miss Mabel E. Simpson, for 18 years director of elementary grades and kindergartens for city schools.

Miss Simpson has been appointed associate editor of "New York State Education," official publication of the New York State Teachers' Association.

An organizer and developer of Rochester's elementary school system, her resignation was termed by James M. Spinning, superintendent of Rochester schools, a "great loss."

"Energetic and capable in the first degree," Mr. Spinning said, "Miss Simpson has developed in this city a modern progressive program of elementary education which is famous throughout the country. Her talents have been recognized far beyond Rochester both in the acceptance which her textbooks and published articles have met and in the extent to which she has served the Teachers' Association."

Served as Teacher

During the last 23 years, Miss Simpson has been associated with Rochester's schools in various capacities. For six years, she taught in the elementary grades of School 18 and for two years at Washington High School. For a year, following the death of Miss Emily Bradshaw, she was principal of School 29.

When appointed to her office with the Board of Education in January, 1919, Rochester had not organized its elementary system under a central clearing house. It was Miss Simpson's job to create a unified system with a focal-point office where problems of the organization could be brought.

"I did not even have a desk," said Miss Simpson yesterday. "But it was tremendously interesting to start from scratch and build the system through the years. Breaking away will not be easy."

Active in Association

During the last nine years, Miss Simpson has been active in the New York State Teachers' Association. She has served on financial and executive committees, as president and vicepresident. She is the only educator in the United States re-elected to the presidency of the association in its 90 years. Her second term of office expired November, 1936.



MISS MABEL E. SIMPSON

With a subscription list exceeding 50,000 "New York Education" is said to be the largest publication of its kind in the country. A monthly, it is devoted entirely to the interests of education in New York. Miss Simpson will assume her duties Aug. 1, one month after her resignation becomes effective.

A graduate of the University of Rochester and Columbia, Miss Simpson is author of several educational text books and a frequent contributor to educational magazines. She has lectured during the last three summers at the Universities of California, of Rochester and Columbia.

Noted City Educator Quits Board

"A great loss to Rochester's public schools," was Superintendent James M. Spinning's comment today on the resignation of Miss Mabel E. Simpson, organizer of the modern elementary education system here.

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Begins Duties Aug. 1

She will begin her new duties Aug. 1, a month after her resignation becomes effective.

"Breaking away will not be easy," she said. In all, she has been connected with Rochester's schools for 28 years, of which six were as teacher in School 18 and two in Washington High School. After the death of Miss Emily Bradshaw, she was principal of School 29.

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SALVATIONIST PIONEER DIES AT AGE OF 61

'Army' Service of
Mrs. Singleton
Begun in 1893

Death yesterday (Nov. 22, 1936) claimed Mrs. Della A. Singleton, 61, a pioneer Salvationist in the Rochester area and a holder of the highest office the Army could bestow here.

Mrs. Singleton joined the Rochester corps in 1893. She and her husband, John W. Singleton, have given a combined service of 85 years to the corps.

Mrs. Singleton was born in Rochester. She was Della Phillips when she and Mr. Singleton were married in one of the first Salvation Army weddings conducted in this area, two years after she became a member. Among the offices she held was visiting sergeant in the hospitals, brigadier leader in charge of services at the County Home, and, at the time of her death, young people's sergeant major. As such she was responsible for all of the work of the young people's organizations within the Army.

With her husband, she lived at 140 Brayton Road, Greece, but she died in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gerard J. Dick, 210 Brayton Road. The body will rest there until tomorrow noon, when it will be taken to the Salvation Army Citadel, 64 North Street, for services to be conducted by Maj. John H. Brunner at 2 o'clock.

Honorary pall bearers will be uniformed corps cadets, all young girls. A guard of honor will meet the cortege at the Citadel and accompany it when it departs.

Besides her husband and daughter she leaves a son, William L. Singleton, and five grandchildren.

Along the Promenade

Miss Ruth E. Smalley, Director of Visiting Teachers, Says Work Will Expand

GREATER expansion of social case work and more visiting teachers in the public schools within the next few years, due to the lessening of the gulf between progressive education and social work or work done with the individual child in the class room, that is the vision of Miss Ruth E. Smalley, director of Visiting Teachers of the Rochester Board of Education and interpreter of human behaviour.

Next month she will step out of school work to become a member of the faculty of Smith College School of Social Service. As the work done there is taught in the summer, Miss Smalley also will do supervisory work and carry on research for United Charities in the Middle West, operating out of Chicago.

The Rochester Public School system was one of the first educational systems to support visiting teachers, Miss Smalley points out. Social welfare societies and settlements used to furnish case workers until about 1913. All but 11 of the Rochester schools today have visiting teachers and all of the schools use the facilities of the visiting teachers' office in the Board of Education Building.

As the schools have taken over the matter of health guidance and vocational guidance without duplicating the work of the home but rather supplementing it, it has become increasingly desirable that the schools with trained teachers who are experts in child guidance help to develop healthy personalities as well.

Miss Smalley says that she feels that if anything the more sensitive the child and the greater his potentialities, the more he needs guidance in developing a happy, effective personality and the ability to take his proper place in the group, to get the most out of life.

So today the privileged as well as the underprivileged child has the services of a visiting teacher of which there are 17 on the staff of the Board of Education. No longer is emphasis put on salvaging the pre-criminal, but of rounding out the whole child, regardless of privileges. The talented and the untalented child now receives individual attention.



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RUTH E. SMALLEY

Ruth Smalley, who was born in Chicago, was graduated from the University of Minnesota and taught in a Rochester, Minn., high school. English and journalism were her chosen subjects and she has written not only professional articles for publication

but short stories and poetry as a hobby and means of self-expression. While teaching she took notice of healthy and unhealthy personalities among her pupils and wished that she could help them.

After she had done graduate work in William and Mary College and the University of Wisconsin, she entered the Social Service School of Smith College and received a master's degree. She became associated with the Child Guidance Clinic of Newark, N. J., which was conducted by the Board of Education there. Later she went to the University of Chicago Graduate School of Social Service Administration as

Expert Leaving Here To Train Students at Smith College Social Service School

field worker instructor in psychiatric and medical social work and from there she came to the Rochester Board of Education.

Miss Smalley believes that there is no greater field in which to reach children than that of the public schools. At Smith College she will train teachers to be visiting teachers. The work is all absorbing, she says, as a different kind of service is needed for different schools and groups of children.

Besides writing as a hobby

Miss Smalley enjoys flying and covered quite some distances by air. Social work is fatiguing, she believes, for there is always so much to be done. To keep abreast of current literature on sociology tends to keep a social worker busy after working hours, yet Miss Smalley finds time to read much general literature.

Rochesterian Gets Smith College Job

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Teaching and field work as a staff member of the Smith School for Social Work will claim the services of Miss Ruth Smalley, whose resignation as head of the department of visiting teachers of the Board of Education was announced yesterday.

Miss Smalley, who has held her post at the board since September, 1935, will leave July 1 for Smith to teach social case work through the two-month session of the School for Social Work. She also will go to Chicago to engage in research as a case worker for the United Charities Society and act as field supervisor for Smith students carrying on their winter research studies in midwest cities. Summers will take her back to the college teaching staff.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota, Miss Smalley completed graduate work at Smith College and received her master's degree there.

Miss Smalley's successor at the Board of Education probably will not be named until next September, according to Superintendent of Schools James M. Sullivan.

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Woman Marks 81st Birthday

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Mrs. Andrew J. Smith will celebrate her 81st birthday Sunday at her home in West Avenue, Hilton.

She was born in Illinois, coming to the town of Hamlin in 1856 with her parents. There she resided until her marriage in 1876. She and Mr. Smith celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, December 13.

They have one daughter, Miss Mabel Smith, Lansing, who is supervisor of the Registration of Nurses for Michigan; two sons, Fahy of Columbus, Ohio, and Stanley of Hilton, and five grandchildren.

Lack of Leisure Time For Favorite Sports Revealed by Physical Education Professor

Only warning which Miss Merle Spurrier, head of the Physical Education Department of the University of Rochester's College for Women, and an associate professor, would give to persons considering physical education as a vocation is the fact, sad but true, she says, that a real sports lover entering that field will find he will not have enough leisure to participate actively in his favorite sport. Miss Spurrier's favorite sport is tennis.

In the 14 years during which Miss Spurrier has been at the University she has seen many changes in both the geography of the school and the physical education program. The gymnasium building in which she is now housed was once almost half of the whole College for Women. With the transfer of the College for Men to the River Campus, her domain has been greatly enlarged. There were almost no outdoor sports when she came to the University,—some folk dancing, informative gymnasium, swimming, basketball and an outing club. Now physical education is a required subject throughout the student's first and second years. This being true, Miss Spurrier knows every woman in the college and she can watch character development through the student's motor activities.

The work is strenuous but

fascinating and filled with human interest, Miss Spurrier says. She hears many confidences which would never have been forthcoming in any other classroom, she believes. Games and individual sports make for informality and Miss Spurrier believes she knows just about how the student rates her, how many of the University professors rate the students and students' opinions of their professors. It is great fun for Miss Spurrier. Her interest is never so much in the student who has had a good background of sports before coming to the University as it is in the student who has no taste for games or sports and who enters wholeheartedly into the college program, excels and even becomes a leader. This is what Miss Spurrier finds exciting. Many an excellent student in classroom studies makes a poor spectacle on the gymnasium floor or in contests, and it hurts. Attitudes shown by these girls are really important educationally, Miss Spurrier thinks.

Few college women like to play baseball. Many girls have played basketball in high school or preparatory school and this sport is continued in college along with hockey. The sports upon which Miss Spurrier places special emphasis are the individual sports, swimming and life saving, tennis, badminton, golf, archery, riding, (when time allows), modern dancing, all of them sports which can be used beyond college years and therefore useful and educational.

Merle Spurrier was born in Cincinnati and attended Ohio Wesleyan University, majoring in English and disliking physical education. She came in contact

with Amy Morris Homans, founder of the graduate school course in physical education at Wellesley College and became interested in the subject, did graduate work there and began a happy career. She was good at sports, she admits.

A faculty resident of the University co-operative dormitories for several years, she did nearly 24-hour duty. To offset her strenuous winter career, Miss Spurrier travels every summer. The proud owner of a delightful farm in New Hampshire, her beloved New England, she spends only a part of her summer vacations there and "gallivants" (her friends put it) all over Europe. She thinks she will find plenty of time later to spend on her farm when tennis and traveling have become too strenuous for her. Today she still finds walking not strenuous enough to be called a real sport or hobby.

Most satisfactory trip which Miss Spurrier has taken she made on an Export Line freighter sailing slowly to the southern Mediterranean countries, Gibraltar, Greece, Bulgaria, Roumania, Italy, Algiers and Smyrna.

Miss Spurrier and four companions drove their own car through Spain, Italy, France and Belgium during another summer. This was entirely satisfactory, she says. She has a real contempt for persons who forego residence in Florence, with its beauties, for the comforts of France. Spain she could never bear to see again, she believes. She can picture its recent devastation too vividly.

Last summer Miss Spurrier went to England and saw the Wimbledon Davis Cup matches. She would like to be able to really know the plain people in England as she knows them in her own country. This summer she visited the West coast, drinking in its beauty, bearing up under intense heat (California weather boosters notwithstanding), and visiting dormitories and physical education departments in western colleges.

Cornell Prize Won By Rochesterian

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Miss Doris E. Smallridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smallridge of 1767 Hudson Avenue, is one of five senior women at Cornell University chosen to be the first winners of the \$200 alumnae prizes.

These prizes were established by the federation of Cornell women's clubs at its annual meeting last June and were awarded on the basis of character, scholarship, leadership and general interest.

Miss Smallridge is a member of the Home Economics Club, Kermis, Mortar Board, Women's senior honorary society and of Delta Delta Delta, a social sorority.

Along the Promenade

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Her Role as Mayor's Wife Leads Mrs. Stanton to Face Many Public and Social Duties in Year

DID you ever attend seven picnics in one day? Or have 50 newspaper pictures snapped of you in some four years' time, no two of which seem to resemble one another? Do you have to stop and chat to from 10 to 15 friends or acquaintances whenever you venture downtown on a business errand or a bit of shopping? No. Ah, then you are not the wife of the mayor of a city of 300,000 souls? And these are but a few of the things which may be pleasant and even flattering but tend to be a bit wearing throughout a period of four years, according to Mrs. Grace Stanton, wife of His Honor, the Mayor of Rochester, Mr. Charles S. Stanton.

Admitting that the wife of a mayor lives her life out in a figurative goldfish globe, Mrs. Stanton also admits that life is very interesting at that and has many compensations as well as a few trials. Though the dinners, parties, balls and picnics you attend may be too many in number you cannot forget that your friends are honoring you by requesting your presence and often you find yourself seated next to a very charming dinner companion whose conversation you recall a long time and whose friendship you may value very much for years.

If you haven't thought about it it may surprise you to know that the Mayor's wife comes in for much criticism from well-meaning friends. If she is naturally friendly and rather democratic someone is liable to think she has not enough dignity and if she tries to strike a dignified pose her old friends may think she is becoming snobbish, and there you are. If she does not wear gloves someone may criticize her for that and if she wears them that may make someone else uncomfortable.

When you are called upon to lead a grand ball, such as the annual Military Ball at the Armory or the President's Birthday Ball as Mrs. Stanton has done more than once, friends will tell you you really should not have carried the train of your gown on your arm and if you let it drag someone else will tell you that you should have carried it on your arm. After four years of this sort of thing, Mrs. Stanton says, you resolve to be yourself, natural, friendly and as interested as is possible for you



MRS. CHARLES STANTON

have learned that you cannot possibly please everyone at all times.

Mrs. Stanton is naturally interested in people and things, but she does sometimes long for the companionship of her own family in her own home. She loves to read and to sew and to play bridge and has a capacity for having a "grand time," but the only time she has left in which to read are the hours between midnight and morning. When practically every one else is having at least a two-week vacation during the summer the Mayor has council meetings to preside over and corner stones to lay, speeches to make and, in short, do the honors for the city itself.

And then there are the picnics. In the winter there are dinners and balls. As business intrudes so much on their home life, due to the Mayor's obligations of various sorts, Mrs. Stanton attends some public dinners to be with her husband, she confesses.

Each year the Stantons do go to Florida where Mr. Stanton's family resides. Mrs. Stanton belongs to numerous clubs. She is greatly interested in the work of

Charming Hostess Finds Much Compensation in Her Varying Rounds to Overbalance Trials

the Monroe Society for the Handicapped of which Mrs. George Schlegel is president, and she has a great admiration for its president and founder. Mrs. Stanton does not believe herself to be cut out for a leader, she says. She has never been actively connected with partisan politics and avoids politics as a subject of conversation among her friends.

The Stantons have two lovely daughters, Myrtle and Dolores, who think their father is a "pretty grand man." Some day in the future, perhaps, the Stanton family will be able to arrange its own daily schedule and just enjoy itself with no responsibilities. Then, says the wife of the Mayor, she can indulge in pleasant memories when she met the President and Mrs. Roosevelt and Governor and Mrs. Lehman and numerous other people prominent in the life of the city and country or otherwise. Just now the whole family is very busy with civic and social duties.

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People About Town

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By MARY GREENE

SUAVE sophistication—poise and intelligence—these are my ineffectual words when I write about Peggy Steele. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Steele of Shoreham Drive, Peggy is dark, with lovely eyes and a charming reserve. . . . And behind this poised quiet lies a grand sense of humor and a ready wit which sparkles in her dark eyes.

Peggy danced for years, and loved it—everything from ballet to tap and back again. She planned on making this her career, but a leg injury interfered with her plans, so now she dances just for pleasure.

Her favorite indoor sport is reading. . . . She reads everything, but prefers novels to anything else. . . . One of her favorite authors is Morgan. . . . Although she likes music, she doesn't have a great technical knowledge of it.

Riding and swimming are Peggy's pet diversions. She isn't interested in golf. . . . She isn't especially interested in politics. . . . Dramatics are a source of great enjoyment to her. She has been an active worker in the Community Theater, and was in several plays at Columbia, which she attended before going to the University of Rochester.

Peggy is intensely interested in art, especially the designing of clothes and interior decorating. . . . Although she hasn't thought much about it, she thinks she would like to make one of these two fields her career. . . . And incidentally, her interest in clothes is evident in her personal appearance. . . . She always looks as if she had just stepped from a bandbox, although she wears her very attractive outfits with a casual indifference, always an asset to a well dressed woman.

Bridge is not one of Peggy's manias. . . . in fact, she plays it very badly. . . . according to her modest statement. . . . She doesn't like liver, but maintains that in every other gastronomical aspect she is easy to please. She loves to cook, and likes to knit, but hates to sew. . . . And after she has finished her college course, she hopes to travel all around this planet of ours.



MISS PEGGY STEELE

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Another Stride Toward New Home



Hedwig Stenuf, Viennese figure skating champion and daughter of Joseph Stenuf, Rochester auditor, is shown in this Associated Press photograph as she left the Europa in New York after arriving for the International Figure Skating Carnival in Madison Square Garden to take place Mar. 27 to 31. Miss Stenuf will come to Rochester after the show ends.

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For her first breakfast in Rochester, Miss Stenuf ate sparingly—as usual. She had prunes, oatmeal, cookies and coffee.

Hedy Hopes To Become Second Sonja

By PAT BURGESS

A dainty, blond Viennese girl of 14 whose dream is to become a future Sonja Henie, today settled down in her adopted home, Rochester.

She is the internationally known Hedy Stenuf.

All morning she struggled to unpack a pile of trunks containing her more than 40 costumes at the 475 Colvin Street home of her father, Joseph Stenuf, auditor of H. B. Brewster Company.

Assisting her were her mother, Mrs. Caroline Stenuf, whom she calls "Maman," and her brother, Theodore, 12, who with Hedy came here to resume a family life broken off when the father came here to make his fortune, leaving the family in Vienna.

They arrived last night from New York City, where they were met by Mr. Stenuf at the end of their trip from Paris. In Paris Hedy won acclaim from critics as "the future Sonja Henie" for her fine exhibition skating in the Palais de Sports.

"Parees" she bubbled to reporters and cameramen, "ees home to me. Rochester seems much like it. I think I like it here. Today I see this city all over, then, I know for sure."

In meager, but good English, she outlined future plans. Her hope is that permission from her Paris athletic club will arrive in time to permit her to skate in a big carnival to close Montreal's winter season.

Meanwhile she must limit her training to swimming and gymnasium work for, as she ruefully stated, pointing disgustedly at icicles on the porch eaves, "You have no ice here but those."

After several months of hard work and study in Paris next fall, Hedy plans to tread an icy trail to the big meets of Europe, Canada, and the United States.

Her wide, sparkling, brown eyes are steadfastly set upon duplicating her European successes on this continent. She now holds the Viennese championship and won fourth place skating for Austria in the last Olympic Games.

"My free skating is good. My school figures, no. When both are good, maybe when I am 16, I will become like Sonja Henie, perhaps," she said.

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Here in Rochester to make her home with her family is 14-year-old Hedy Stenuf, Viennese figure skating champion. She is pictured trying on a pair of skates at her home, 476 Colvin Street

R.V.F. Reath - Bagg-Wong

Youthful Olympic Skater Comes to Live with Father

Brown eyes bubbling with excitement, Hedy Stenuf, 14-year-old Viennese free skating champion, bounded from a "beeg" train here last night and (fast as the twinkle of her skates on the ice) became a Rochester resident.

Born in Vienna, the little blond beauty who wants to "become another Sonja Henie," will make the city her headquarters while training for future skating bouts. Her father, Joseph Stenuf, is auditor for a local firm.

Standing tall as he could for his 12 years, Hedy's only brother, Theodore, beamed wordlessly in the railroad station. It is his first trip to America. "Maman," Mrs. Caroline Stenuf, held tightly to her daughter's leopard-skin-clad arm. It is her first trip to America, too. They all will live at 476 Colvin Street.

Already holder of the Viennese championship, Hedy won fourth place in the last Olympics in the free skating class. For the past four or five months she has been giving exhibitions in England and Paris. Next year, she hopes to represent the United States in the world-wide figure skating competition to be held in Europe.

"All the free skating I can do fine," Hedy declared, shaking her gold curls for emphasis. "But it is the school figures that I must learn. Lots of what you call special figures that are hard to learn."

To master the intricate technique, Hedy will study in Europe for several months this year. On artificial rinks in New York City and at Lake Placid, she will practice alone—but "Maman" will go along to "help me and keep me from getting lonesome."

Ever since she was five years old Hedy has been skating.

"I do it because it is so much fun," she said. "But now I am going to make it more fun. I am going to study hard so that one day I will win the world's championship. Maybe by the time I am sixteen. Then for 10 years I will be another Sonja Henie."

Two years ago, the petite champion exhibited in Madison Square Gardens. "That was the first time I came to America—ever," she said. "And this is my first trip to Rochester. I like it. Very much. But not so well as Paris. That is the only place that I feel at home."

In Paris, where she exhibited last month in the "Palais Des Sports," critics are calling Hedy "the new Sonja Henie." "Every skating step she takes," one Parisian sports journal declared after her first appearance in that city, "is an inspiration."

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Skating Star Descends on City



Hedy Stenuf, 14-year-old Viennese skating sensation, arrived in Rochester last night with her mother and young brother to make their home with her father, Joseph Stenuf. Here Hedy is seen with Mr. and Mrs. Stenuf at New York Central Station

DEATH CLAIMS
LILA STEWART
Wm. S.
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Miss Lila Agnew Stewart, director for years of many of the largest charity balls and pageants in New York and throughout the country, died of a heart ailment in her home in New York early yesterday morning.

She is survived by a brother, Charles Stewart of Rochester.

Her death came just two days before she was to have staged her latest production, the President's Birthday Ball in the Waldorf-Astoria, where she lived for many years. She had been ill and under an oxygen tent for a bout a week. She had directed the last three birthday "parties" in the Waldorf Astoria in honor of the President.

Created Entertainments

Miss Stewart assumed responsibility for each entertainment from its inception to the finish. She planned the central themes, did the necessary research work, trained the casts and designed the costumes. It was said she had trained more than 40,000 young men and women in various forms of entertainment.

She began her career in presenting glamorous spectacles at benefit balls throughout the country, but in later years devoted her time to New York. For several seasons she staged the annual Charity Carnival at Madison Square Garden for the benefit of the Junior Health Center. From year to year she also staged the Miami-Biltmore fashion show and ball for the Goddard Neighborhood Center, The Velvet Ball for the New York Infirmary for Women and Children, the Lace Ball for the Children's Village and many similar entertainments in connection with the social service work of the New York Cancer Institute.

Monticello Native

Miss Stewart was born in Monticello, the daughter of James L. and Martha Agnew Stewart. Her father was a well known lawyer in that community.

After graduation from Monticello Academy, she started a small dancing school. Interest in the dancing class on the part of New York residents who passed their summers in Monticello was largely responsible for Miss Stewart's rise to greater achievements. She finally moved with her family to Kingston and then to Middletown, where she produced her first benefit performance, a costume entertainment to aid Thrall Hospital there.

From Middletown she toured the country, organizing shows in Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Cincinnati, Denver, New Orleans, Chicago, Detroit, Louisville and Boston.

Funeral services will be conducted this afternoon in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Church, New York City. Burial will be tomorrow in Hillside Cemetery, Middletown.

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Ruth Quinby Stewart,
Social Leader, Dies

Twilighted memories of a gracious, courteous period in Rochester's history cling, for hundreds of people here, around the name of Ruth Quinby Stewart, wife of Dr. Joseph W. A. Stewart, who died Tuesday evening, Mar. 9, 1937.

Both as a dancing teacher to the children of Rochester society and as a leader of that society, she made, in the words of one of her former pupils, many "contacts of affectionate regard."

The daughter of Gen. Isaac G. Quinby and Elizabeth Gardner, Mrs. Stewart was born in a house at Plymouth Avenue and Troup Street, in what was then called the "Silk Stocking Ward."

About a year later, her family moved to the home in Prince Street built by General Quinby, now the office building on the Prince Street Campus of the University of Rochester.

Center of Social Life

Here the social life of Rochester centered as the 19th Century merged into the 20th and here Mrs. Stewart lived until the house was turned over to the university.

Mrs. Stewart then built and occupied a house, on the same lot, that is now the Faculty Club of the university.

When Mrs. Stewart was still in her teens, she became assistant to Mr. Cobleigh, leading dancing master of the city, and upon his retirement she continued his classes, becoming herself dean of the city's dancing teachers, holding that position in her profession until she retired in 1916 to marry Doctor Stewart.

Doctor Stewart is a former dean and professor emeritus of pastoral theology of the old Rochester Theological Seminary.

Pupil Writes of Classes

A pupil writes of those classes and their teacher:

"How many who are now parents and grandparents can recall being almost lifted by her strong arms while she patiently co-ordinated their first chaotic movements of the dance into some semblance of rhythm and form?"

"To see her walk across a ballroom—in the early days, Powers', and later, the old Genesee Valley Club—was in itself an education in poise and grace. But to those privileged to belong to her classes, she gave far more than knowledge of the dance. In fact, that was slight in significance compared with the byproducts of courtesy, graciousness and presence which mere nearness to her seemed to engender."

In 1904 she adopted a daughter, Lois, who died in 1934.



Mrs. Ruth Quinby Stewart in a portrait taken at the height of her career as society's dancing teacher

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Although she was an aristocrat among the city's aristocrats, her acquaintances declared that she exemplified true democracy, counting many of her friends among those in the humblest walks of life. At her summer home at Dwight, Ont., she shared the simple interests of the residents of the community.

Interested in Charity

Religion played an important part in Mrs. Stewart's life. Baptized at old St. Paul's Church, she later became a member of Christ Episcopal Church, of which she was a life-long communicant. She also had a great interest in charitable work, serving on the boards of directors of the General Hospital, Hillside Home for Children and the Church Home. She was a member of the Roundabout Club and the Columbia Twig.

Besides her husband, Doctor Stewart, she is survived by three brothers, Capt. John Quinby, U. S. N., Arnot Quinby and Henry D. Quinby, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at the home, 45 Hoyt Place, Friday at 2:30 p. m., the Rev. Charles C. W. Carver, rector of Christ Church, officiating. Interment will be in Dwight, Ont.

People About Town —

By MARY GREENE

DANCING and drama, reading and writing, poetry and prose and imitations and impersonations.

Janice Stonaker of Oliver Street is truly a person with Thespian inclinations. Not only does she attend the theater, but, if there is a shortage of drama in her vicinity, she makes it. One of the guiding geniuses behind the Civic Theater on Gregory Street, Jan is a person of talent. She has acted for years. She thinks that she got her start at the tender age of two, when she sang war-songs in public. A further incentive was the five-dollar gold piece she won as prize at Miss Baldwin's School for Young Ladies at Saranac Lake, awarded to Jan. for her excellent recitation of "Po' Little Lamb," by Paul Lawrence Dunbar.

Jan. has not decided as yet whether or not she will make acting her career. At present she is doing it for the fun of it. She has long been an active member of the Community Theater, and is one of the outstanding members of the Stagers of the University of Rochester. Last summer she was a member of the stock company at Phelps and did outstanding work there.

This year she is everything from leading lady to call boy at the Civic Theater. And everyone who saw the musical comedy "Polychrome," which was presented at the University of Rochester last winter, will remember how she out-Harpoed Harpo Marx in one of her many clever impersonations.

Among other things, Jan. likes to write, especially poetry, and her keen sense of humor bubbles over in all her work.

Jan. loves to dance, and her favorite band of the moment is Benny Goodman. She likes bridge, but her favorite indoor sport is ping-pong. She belongs to Oak Hill, but as yet has not had time to become serious about golf. She thinks that she will soon settle down to strenuous practice. She is not interested in politics, but she does like to ride and swim. She loves to travel, and has trekked all over Europe, and has been to California, Florida, and practically every accessible spot in the United States.



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Mother Named Librarian



Mrs. Paul Strassenburgh, shown here with her daughter, Lucinda Jane, of Avon, has been appointed acting librarian of the Barber Memorial Library to succeed Miss Gertrude Hocmer, whose resignation was accepted by the library board. Miss Hocmer will be the full time librarian at the Avon High School this year.

Miss Sullivan Funeral Thursday

Funeral services for Miss Catherine L. Sullivan, Rochester business woman who died Sunday (Mar. 28, 1937) will be conducted Thursday morning.

Rites will be at the home, 289 Emerson Street, at 8:30, and at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 9 o'clock. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery.



Miss Sullivan was vice-president of the Catherine Sullivan Women's Ad Club and treasurer of Johnson & Lund Inc., manufacturers of dental supplies. She was 46.

Military Services Arranged for Nurse

Military funeral services for Miss Nelle Ansatasia Sullivan, for 16 years an army nurse with rank of second lieutenant, who died yesterday (June 3, 1937) in Rochester, will be at 1 a. m. tomorrow at 605 South Main Street, East Rochester, and at 10:30 o'clock in St. Jerome's Church there. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery, Rochester.

In the World War, Miss Sullivan served overseas for a year with Unit 67, in various army hospitals. Returning to the United States, she did nursing duty at Walter Reed Hospital until her retirement. She was a member of Florence Nightingale Post, American Legion.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. James H. Peterson of Penfield, Mrs. Mrs. Albert E. Wolf of Point Pleasant and Miss Imogene Sullivan of the U. S. Marine Hospital in Baltimore.

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