They Were

The former Marion Jackson, who became the bride of the Rev. Karl Downs, of Pasadena, Calif., in June.

Confidentially

By "DIMPLES" SCOTT

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It was like old times when Morgan held its game at the Albert Auditorium last Friday night.

Clara Pratt, just arriving from Smiths, was escorted by Cyrus Marshall and since then has been seen at numerous other places.

Wilson Brown was the first to meet Elenora Pye, who has been attending Freedmen's, and made the date. While at Freedmen's, Elenora's only is Dr. Gordon Hickey, who escorts her about D.C.

Speaking of Freedmen's, Orice Howard wants me to correct a statement I made sometime ago about her Art Scholarship. It seems but it so happens he's only a boy at one of the hotels. Sorry, it was my error after all.

Doris Jones spent her time with Reds Cummings, while the fame, Clifton Murray, was at the Pals.

While on the subject of the Pals, Evans Fernandis took Esther Young. Incidentally, the rumors of Esther's engagement to Charlie Blake are false, according to Charlie's statement some days back. Still, most anything can happen these days.

Alvin Jones and Clemintine Redman were there. Also Monterey Kenney and Leroy Clay.

It seems Oscar Shorter is having a time convincing the wife it was Doc, his brother, who attended the stag for Earle Tutman last week, since I got the brothers mixed.

Bernice Weaver found it impossible to dance at the Bachelors' dance for showing the fine Bulova that Jimmy Wellings gave her for Christmas.

Lawrence Willis gave Orices Howard the long-waited-for ras-dio.

The Warren Nixons (Marguerite Roberts) received the best gift of all when their bundle of joy arrived in time to see the tree.

For once, Fenton Mallory was seen without Harriet Jackson at the Bachelors.

Sylvilia Boyd, attending her first dance, was singled out by Wilson Brown. Will something really come of this romance?

Nellie Conaway and Buddy Cole were seen about, regardless of their having been on the outs for some time now.

Saw Collis Bryant and Dot Bailey during Folwers after the dance.

At another table, Henry Neill held the attention of Gwendolyn Weaver.

Charles Diggs tried his best to keep the admirers from Lillian Logan but eventually gave up and took to the balcony with Eunice Rogers.

Harvey Denmark divided his time with Rebecca Evans and Orr Jones.

Paul Scott and Effie Legans were missed because they did Philly over the holidays.

Charles Woodland did a solo after the long disappearance. Could it be the heart? Don't forget I saw you sometime back.

Others putting in an appearance at the different places were: Carrol, Roland Henderson, Alvin Jones, Helen Curtis, Arnold Bailey, Dolbert Harden and Rachell Banner.

Paul Moore gave Adora Bailey a radio, two kittens and image of Moe Jones, which could have been left off.

Trying to keep up with the affairs makes me forget half of what I know, but you can depend on hearing about the fashion show at Morgan Saturday night and the other numerous dances and parties. So, in case you have forgotten, the number is still 2501 Madison Avenue.

Until I see you where you don't want to be seen,

So Long.

Society

MRS. WILLIAMS HAS DINNER

Mrs. Marion Williams of 1833 E. Madison Street entertained at a Christmas dinner, Monday evening.

Her guests were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jennings and children of Woodbury, N.J., and Mrs. Rosie Smith and Miss Alice Smith of Camden.

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THE WILLIAMSES GIVE PALINA CLUB PARTY

A surprise party was given for members of La Palina Club by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Williams at their home, 1524 McCulloh Street, Wednesday.

Present were:

Earl Roberts, Earl Nelson, Melvin Henry, Carroll Lawson, Joseph Jones, Albert Thomas, J. C. Jones, Barreda Johnson, Chester Pindle, Granville Fisher, Frederick Jones, Abraham Colburn and Thomas Williams.

House Parties Make Gay Holiday Festivities

A large number of informal house parties kept the holiday season a busy and gay one.

MISS STERRETTE HAS BIRTHDAY PARTY

On Wednesday evening, Miss Margaret Ann Sterrette was honoree at a birthday party given by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sterrette of 20 Rich Avenue, Catonsville.

Guests included:

Misses Isabelle Scott, Beatrice Baskins, Stella Hinton, Doris and Louise Wilson, Anna Copeland, Gertrude Williams, Elsy Turnage, Mae Burton, Helen Matthews, Jeanette Holland, Ethel Cole and Ruth Wilder;

Norman Campbell, John McCall, Ellsworth Parker, Emory Cooper, William Cherry, Marshall Thomas, Wesley Burroughs, George Manokee, William Butler, Ralph Mosby, William Adams, James Rucker, Asbury Rideout, Frederick Howard, Hawthorne Smith, Arthur Tate, Horsey Crosby, Freddie Copeland, Vernon Handy;

William Whittington, Irvin Williams, William Copeland, Lee Allen, Ralph Gill, John Gill, John Walls and Richard McCain

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MISS VESSELL IS HOSTESS AT DINNER

Miss Elizabeth Vessell of 1100 Whitelock Street, was hostess at a dinner party at her home, Christmas Day.

Guests were:

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Hill, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, Miss Glenora Lee, Vernon Stovis, Miss Laura Vessell of Orange, N.J., and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Redman of Philadelphia.

After dinner cards was played and refreshments served.

Later the guests were entertained at the Club Astoria.

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SOUTH CAROLINIANS FETED AT PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. John Spain entertained at a dinner party Christmas day at their home, 1122 W. Mulberry Street, in honor of Miss Agle Lee Abrams, former teacher of the Drayton Street High School, Newberry, S.C., and her sister, Miss Mayme Abrams, of the same city.

Guests were:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clemons, Mr. and Mrs. William Bigby, Mrs. Bertha Davis of New York City, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Williams, Mrs. Gladys Virgil, Miss Sarah Love, Mrs. Willia Taylor, Ozel Morrow.

The group danced and had cocktails following the dinner.

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MR. AND MRS. YOUNG MARK 7TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. William Young of 637 W. Lafayette Avenue celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Washington and Mrs. Ethel Stevens were their guests at dinner.

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ARNETT FRAZIER OBSERVES BIRTHDAY

Arnett Frazier was feted on his birthday, Friday, at a party at his home, 405 Calhoun Street.

Refreshments were served throughout the evening.

Guests were:

Mrs. Lila Frazier, Miss Rosella Biggers, Miss Lila Frazier, Baily Ann, and William Calhoun, G. Durham, Miss Thelma Haskins, Ellsworth Burley, Miss Rebecca Forbes, William Forbes, Warren Hargrove, Miss Ethel Forbes, Joseph Forbes, and Wesley Dergan.

MR. MORRIS FETED AT NATAL PARTY

Mrs. Mary C. Morris of 1120 Riggs Avenue gave a party in honor of her husband, who observed a birthday, Monday evening.

Guests were:

Mrs. Hattie Meggett, William Meggett, Henry Williams, Miss Ethelda Smith, Julius Johnson, Miss Anna Snowden, Cornelius Morris and Godfrey B. Morris.

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MRS. WILLIAMS HOSTS PULPIT AID

Mrs. Mary Williams of 1131 N Calhoun Street was hostess to members of the Pulpit Aid Auxiliary of Providence Baptist Church, Monday evening.

The Rev. Herbert Moore was speaker.

After the address, refreshments were served.

Guests were:

Mrs. Edna Smith, Mrs. Mamie Briscoe, Mrs. Carrie Palmer, Miss Carrie Taylor, Miss Hattie Frieson, Mrs. Helen Vance, Mrs. Minnie Moore, Miss Mary Dennis and the Rev. Herbert Moore.

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MISS HILL FETES PHILLY RELATIVES

Misses Elizabeth and Doris Hill of 826 Hampton Street entertain at a dinner party in honor of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Tucker, of Philadelphia, Christmas Day.

Guests were:

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph, Charles Johnson, Mrs. Florence Griffin, Miss Virginia Hill, Russell Griffin and Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas.

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SILENT WORKERS FETE HUSBANDS

Members of the Silent Workers' Club entertained their husbands at a Christmas party, Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Ethel Taylor.

Hostesses included:

Mrs. Ethel Taylor, Mrs. Rosella Johnson, Mrs. Gertrude Quarles, Mrs. Maude C. Jones, Mrs. Mary Harris, Mrs. Thelma Rodgers, Mrs. Mary Davenport, Mrs. Ellen Scott and Mrs. Alberta Gee.

The husbands will have a return party on New Year's Eve at the home of John Jones.

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ALBERT SMITH MARKS BIRTHDAY

Albert Smith was entertained at a party celebrating his birthday, Monday, at his home, 1707 McCulloh Street.

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MRS. STEVENSON HOSTS PARTY

Mrs. Flossie Stevenson celebrated her natal day with a dinner party at her home, Monday.

Guests were:

Mesdames C. Tolson, Beatrice Keene, Agnes Nance, Cora Crowner, Julia Black, Eleanor Burke, Helen Hicks, Helen Conway, Olivia Thompson;

Misses Sarah Hill, Bertha Pinder, Naomi Holmes;

Messrs. Henry Nixon, John Thompson, Jacob Shorter, Arthur Barksdale, P. Peterson, George Nance and Nathaniel Jones.

Baltimore

The former Juanita Jackson, who became Mrs. Clarence Mitchell in September.

Brides

Dr. N. Louise Young, who was married to Dr. Florada Howard in August.

BETROTHED

MISS DOROTHY BERNICE HOPKINS,

Baltimore, whose engagement to William W. Proctor, Morgan College professor, was announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Hopkins, this week.

Sub Deb Chatter

By CHARLES E. DIGGS

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I love to write and rhyme,
And dance and joke and jest;
But the refrain, "Auld Aign Stein"
Suits my sentiments best.

LAURELS

To you of '38 who really deserve it as this year's top turns:

Best Pair: Gordon Boyd and Dimples Scott;

Best Game: Morgan's victory over Hampton;

Cutest Couple: Lydia Nelson and Jacob Woodland;

Best Dance: Jimmy Lunceford's at the Armory;

Best Male Club: Bachelors;

Best Female Club: Tahigwas (who just went co-ed);

Best Co-ed Club: Lords and Ladies;

Best Jitterbug Couple: Jimmy Ward and Bunny Pindle, who always stop the show;

Best Campus Team: Harriet Jackson and Mallory.

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PARTIES

Albert Smith's affair was an elegant swirl of tastes with flickering lights, sweet and swing music and lovely couples turning out, while Alice Gaither held the hostess.

The Bachelors' dance was really a spectacle. The favors and decorations were artistic. The girls and boys jived and rugcut to the tunes of Bubby Johnson as the strains of Mendolssohn's "Wedding March" introduced two newly weds and stopped the show.

The Finoe matinee was a jittering contest with a large crowd.

The East Baltimore crowd outshadowed the Westside boys and girls. Another dance which should be tops in matinees is the Collegiate Bears at the Strand on Monday.

AFFAIRS

Walter Banks and Priscilla Phillips are at it again. Lillian Lockslear and Donald Williams are breaking off. Lelia Logan should hear the nice things they say about her. Bartley Jackson is rushing Annabelle Crawley. Louise Sessoms is asking Richard Gant's address.

Credella Crew was not at the matinee with Michell Coates. Rose Hunt and Campbell were at the game, Friday night. Leon Brown seems to think Ida Lee is lonely. Grace Gross has said "yes" to Douglas Biddle's proposal and a date in February has been set. Dorothy Kelly and the heartbeat, Harry Jefferson, are sporting around.

Loads of news, but give me time to celebrate, as the Les Bons Vivants and the basketball game swing, and time to yell to the top of my voice: HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Clubs

Royal Palm

The Royal Palm Saving Club was hosted at the home of Cornelius Dixon, Tuesday evening. A session was also held at the club home, 1420 Madison, with Mr. and Mrs. Nichols as hosts, Tuesday evening.

Silent Workers

The Silent Workers' Club met Tuesday with Mrs. Ellen Scott at 824 N. Carey Street. At cards, Mrs. Gertrude Quarles won first prize; Mrs. Ethel Taylor, second. Refreshments were served after the game.

Miss Dorothy Hopkins to Wed Morgan College Prof.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis S. Hopkins of 524 N. Gilmor Street announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Bernice, to William Walker Proctor, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Proctor of 714 N. Carrollton Avenue.

Mr. Proctor is a member of the Morgan College faculty.

The wedding will take place in the early spring.

Miss E. Jeanette Day Is Married to Theodore May

With only relatives and a few friends present, Miss Jeannette Day, daughter of Mrs. Ethel Day and William Day, became the bride of Theodore R. May, Jr., son of Mrs. Susie C. May, in a ceremony at Grace Presbyterian Church, Monday at 2:30 p.m.

The Rev. John T. Colbert, pastor of the church, who christened the bride some twenty years ago, performed the ceremony. Meredith Birche, a childhood friend of the pair, played the organ throughout the service.

The bride was attired in a teal blue dress of summer wool with fitted jacket and dubonnet piping, and dubonnet accessories. Her hat was a velvet dubonnet shaki. She wore a corsage of red roses and was given in marriage by her father.

The bride's only attendant, Miss Cecilia Dennis, wore a vintage dress, hat, and accessories and a corsage of red roses.

Miss Lucy Holt, who sang "O Promise Me," immediately before the ceremony, and "I Love You Truly," immediately afterwards, wore a cornflower blue dress with black accessories and a picture hat of the same color with black velvet piping.

Franklyn Williams, also childhood friend of the pair, served as best man. Mr. and Mrs. May are both teachers and were classmates in Douglass High School and Coppin Normal School, graduating at the same time.

Reception

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's father, 2019 Druid Hill Avenue, after which the couple left for New York and Chicago.

In New York, they will be guests of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Berry. In Chicago, they will be guests of his uncle and aunt, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Marmaduke Carter of St. Laurence Avenue.

Preceding the wedding, Mrs. Ethel Day entertained at breakfast for the couple.

Present were:

Laurence Cordery, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe J. Berry of New York, Mrs. Susie C. May, Mrs. Carrie Walker, Miss Bettye Murphy, Mrs. Helen Luca and Mr. and Mrs. William Day.

MISS FONSECA IS NEW YEAR BRIDE-ELECT

Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Fonseca of 1111 Mosher Street announce the engagement of their daughter, Geraldine Doretta, to Isaiah Nunton Robinson of Petersburg, Va.

The wedding will take place early in the New Year.

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MR. AND MRS. WATTS MARRIED FIVE YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watts of 1726 W. Franklin Street, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary, December 27.

Mrs. Watts is the former Miss Dorothy Queen.

The John Blackwells Observe Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Blackwell celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary with a dinner and a tea at their home, 2013 Druid Hill Avenue, Sunday.

Mrs. Blackwell received a diamond ring as gift from her husband.

Their guests were:

Miss Lula S. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Dotson, Mr. and Mrs. James Pulliam, Mr. and Mrs. William Dickerson, Mrs. Janie Watkins, Mrs. Lula M. Wilson, Mrs. Mamie McCoy, Mrs. Liza Mae Oglesby, Miss Kate Hines, Miss Jessie Brown, Mrs. Estelle Dye, Ralph Jones, Roy Simpson; Beatria Oglesby, Dick Oglesby, David Backwel, Mrs. Sallie Hawkins and Miss Quillie Brower of Philadelphia.

Astoria

The Astoria Pleasure Club was entertained at the home of Miss Madeline Coe of 587 Laurens Street, Tuesday evening. Avon Keels and Earl Johnson were guests of the club.

Anne Wiggins Brown, who was married to Dr. Claudius Pettis of New York.

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Church Work Opened Way for Florist Business

PHILADELPHIA FLORIST

By SARA NEELY

A love of flowers and their arrangement engendered by her church work with flowers on the altar of St. Monica Church in Baltimore, resulted in Mrs. Frances Brown Gross's opening a flower shop in Philadelphia.

Born Frances Brown, Mrs. Gross is a native of Baltimore, Md., living at 1018 W. Lexington Street for over eighteen years. Here she resided with her parents until her marriage.

Her early education was received at Baltimore's public schools. She attended school at Fremont and King Streets, under the principalship of Miss Waters, later finishing at the old high school at Pennsylvania Avenue and Dolphin Street.

Moved to Philly

Upon her marriage to Mr. Gross, she come to Philadelphia, where her husband was established in Germantown in the landscape gardening business. Her husband's business was just the incentive she needed to establish her work, although she did not seriously consider opening a shop until her friends, seeing her skill with her own flowers around the home, encouraged her by their commendations.

So, bolstered by her husband's knowledge and her own knowledge and skill and love, she opened a shop at her present location, 208 W. Coulter Street, Germantown.

Exhibited Courage

Not only did she show her courage by opening a business, but by selecting a spot in which no businesses had been able to thrive previously. Her shop, opened three years ago in April, is a thriving concern, attracting two other shops to open beside her, both of which are promising. Her courage really opened up a small colored business center.

Mrs. Gross supplies not only the neighborhood's weddings, funerals, and festivals, but customers far afield, both colored and white. One physician in the neighborhood purchases many plants each year at Christmas for his patients.

Her flower, spray, wreath, and cluster arrangements have been much praised.

Although childless, Mrs. Gross is a great lover of children and pets. Her home at 455 Winona Avenue, Germantown, and shop abound in aquariums and plants. She owns birds and pointer dogs.

Satisfies Customers

Her motto is to satisfy customers, for she realizes satisfied customers bring new ones.

Her hobbies are bridge, in which she cannot indulge now because of her business, and church work. She is an active worker at St. Catherine Church in Germantown.

Mrs. Gross likes to travel and to drive her car.

Because she realizes the value of knowing some business or trade, Mrs. Gross advises young people to stay in school as long as possible and to learn some business and trade. It is valuable all through life.

What's Your Question?

EDITOR'S NOTE: Miss M. A. G., Philadelphia social worker, has consented with some psychic trepidation to answer readers' questions. She is unable to explain her magic powers but maintains that she has been able to answer queries with almost accuracy.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Ques.—I am a married woman, very unhappy, my husband is a great sport, will I ever be happy single? — Lonely.

Ans.—You will go away (separate), but you will not forget your husband, who will in time repent through sickness of his wrongdoings. Keep up courage, you will come together again.

Ques.—Will I ever have a child, and when? — Worried.

Ans.—You have a child, but there will be another within a year or two.

Ques.— Several weeks ago I wrote to M.A.G. and have not heard from her. I want to know what's wrong? — Mrs. I.L.P.

Ans.—Dear customer: I am working night and day, and prayed also over each letter. Place your mind on what you want, if it don't come from me when you ask, you should.

Actions, they will be straightout, help me to help you by worrying, 718.

Ques.—How long will it be before I get into the government service? — P.A.M.

Ans.—Not for sometime.

Ques.—My watch was taken from home, will I get it back, and will I ever hit the numbers? — M.P.W.

Ans.—Something concerning a child. About that watch, you will get it back, but it looks like it will be broken. A man will tell you of a number, play it, it will be a dream.

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Tenant Farmers to Meet in Arkansas

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The fifth annual convention of the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union will be held at Cotton Plant, Ark., December 29, through January 1.

Prominent leaders of labor, church and government will address the delegates, who will assemble from five States of the Mid-South and Southwest.

Albert Mahones Renew Their Wedding Vows in Observing 25th Anniversary

ROXBURY, Mass. — Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mahone, of 87 Bower Street, celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, recently.

Mrs. Ella Smith, sister of Mrs. Mahone, was maid of honor, and her brother, of Mr. Mahone, was best man.

The Rev. Richard M. Cooper performed the ceremony. Solos were sung by Emanuel O'Banyoun, Miss Silvia Ray and Mrs. Ella Davison was master of ceremonies.

There were readings by Miss Annie Randolph and Miss Viola Key. A poem, dedicated to the couple, was read by Mrs. Blanche Davison.

The ushers were: A. Clark, R. Manning, J. Lumpkin, A. Lumpkin, T. Smith, and E. Slaughter.

Mrs. Ella O. O'Banyoun played the wedding march. A repast was served by Mr. and Mrs. T. Jackson.

The next day the Mahones left for a honeymoon in Bermuda.

MARRIED A YEAR

MR. AND MRS. PRENTICE McCOY,

above, celebrated their first wedding anniversary at their home at 1416 Q Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C., last week.

Capital Spotlight

By LOUIS LAUTIER

RING OUT THE OLD! RING IN THE NEW!

A review of the Old Year calls back to mind these events:

Rayford Logan, Howard history prof, sued the Pullman Company for 15 Gs for refusing him a berth from Memphis to Atlanta. He settled for 350 bucks. The Sergt. Darwin Smiths (Margaret) were as R. O. T. C. instructor at Howard—were fouding. The Armstead Davises (Mediel) were divided.

Congress tightened the D. C. gambling laws to break up the numbers game, but the gendarmes continued to bag only small fry. Major Ernest Brown, the police superintendent, kept on turning thumbs down on mixed bouts. But his cops proved as quick as ever on the draw—killing a demented World War veteran and a petty thief who was so rash as to run when a cop called him.

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Jesse Shimer, the Japanese wife, inherited a small fortune from the Henderson estate, and Sobretta, his mate, and Tom Brown, his father-in-law, are tiffing. The George Beasleys (Edna)—he's a pharmacist and she's a schoolmistress—were melted. The Edward Millers (Lillian)—he's a postman—asked for a division.

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The Cross Keys had their New Year's dance in midday at the Cocoanut Grove, an ofay spot since folded, but got mad when the rags poked fun at 'em. Eleven months later the Bachelor-Benedicts, a high hat club, got an ofay caterer to serve their smoker. The Green Parrot folded.

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The Louis Roy, Jrs. (Florita)—she's the tetpachorean teacher of the Royettes, a bit of the Footlight Follies— are having it abrogated. The Vernon Greens (Eva Fitzhugh)—he's the dentist and she was known to the reporters a decade ago as the "Tea Room Girl"—parted. Tom Beckett, the lawyer, passed away.

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Howard conferred the degree of doctor of music on Marian Anderson, the concert star. Sepia lawyers were still excluded from the library in the U. S. District court building—the private property of the D. C. Bar Association. Cholly Hall, the commerce department statistician, was retired.

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Marie Nunez, whose good looking shape draws stares from the males, asked for an annulment of her wedding to Joseph Nunez on the ground she was only 16 years of age at the time of the ceremony in 1935.

Maurice Weeks, the lawyer, got his melting papers from Wyzie Weeks, his New York mate. Harry (Weak Knees) Wells drew a prison term for receiving stolen property, which a gal gave him.

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Julius (Bus) Lee, a Howard law grad, took his third trek to the altar. His bride was Ethel Morgan Brown, a divorcee. Margaret Louise Young is divorcing James Oliver (Trummy) Young, crew. Albert Smith (Big Head Smitty) got a prison term for peddling heroin. Ditto Susie Martin for white slavery.

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William Goodloe, the medico, sought an annulment of his marriage to Ambia Goodloe on the ground that she had got her mail, including papers from Milton Hawk, her former mate, through fraud. When he gets his abrogation, he will go to the altar with Juanita Jones, a cutie. The Rev. John Henry Lewis settled out of court the action of Genevieve Fry, a minor, for damages of 25 Gs for alleged seduction.

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James Cobb, the lawyer, was refused an injunction to keep Howard from dismissing him as a law school prof. He appealed. Dr. Emmett J. Scott, the former university sec'y, withdrew a similar suit. The Robert Cunninghams (Marvel) are making it legal. The NAACP refused to make peace with the local branch.

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The Herbert Marshalls (Betty)—he's a medico—and she's a Freedmen's nurse—reached an amicable settlement. The Talbert Dowlings (Elaine) were unwound. Ditto the Ransellear Shorters (Rosa) and the Milton Hawinses (Ruby).

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Finley Wilson was again re-elected head of the Elks, but the state of his health is worrying his friends. Margaret (Peggy) Coates is unwinding from Louis Coates. Florence Richardson, a Government printing office clerk, is contesting in the Court of Appeals the decree that Douglas Richardson, her mate, got.

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The Frank Bacchuses (Norma)—he's a pharmacist and she's a schoolmarm—exploded. The Robert Evanses (Mabel)—he's a real estate operator and she's an Agricultural department clerk — are unwinding. The Gene Davidsons (Ann)—he's secy of the Howard Alumni Association—were divided. The Charity Coateses (Mary) are unwinding.

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Louis Anderson, a Chicago politico, is in town. The gazettes are trying to confirm a rumor that the curators of Lincoln University (Missouri), except Dr. William J. Thompkins, the recorder of deeds, have resigned but at the request of Governor Lloyd C. Starks. It's a boy at the Arthur Hendersons (Lucy). The lac spots took a lacing all last week.

Cicero Simms and Gladys Anne Fitzgerald, a Baltimore lass, were a holiday merger. The Montague Cobbs (Hilda)—he's a Howard medical school prof and she's a schoolmarm—are infanticipating.

GETS POST IN PANAMA

LOUISVILLE (ANP.)—George W. Clement, appointed executive secretary of recreation at the Silver Clubhouse, Cristobal, Panama, Canal Zone, sailed on the S.S. Cristobal from New York, Wednesday.

Davison was master of ceremonies.

The ushers were: A. Clark, R. Manning, J. Lumpkin, A. Lumpkin, T. Smith, and E. Slaughter.

Mrs. Ella O. O'Banyoun played the wedding march. A repast was served by Mr. and Mrs. T. Jackson.

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Gadabouting in Baltimore

Exchange in Marital Mart Was 1938's Ringside Play

with LULA JONES GARRETT

Divorce and remarriage and the swapping of a few husbands and wives is a well known one-two-punch to the impeccables by now, but the exchange in the marital mart was about the ringside performance of 1938.

While the mink-clad group looked on there were several jots that the old guard would heretofore have turned thumbs down on, but at which the dowagers merely lighted another cigarette and called up their sliver broker for another gift.

For instance, Anne Wiggins Brown, opera star and concert artist, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Brown of this town, scarcely let the ink dry on her divorce before she signed on the dotted line on another marriage intention, that time to Dr. Claudius Pettit of New York. While Dr. Florada Howard, whom Anne had divorced, already had arranged a Nassau honeymoon with Dr. N. Louise Young.

And Belford Lawson, Washington attorney, whom Dr. Young had divorced was on serious terms with Marjorie McKenzie, Washington social worker. The natives' heads swirled around in such a dither on this that even bromide did no good.

But little did they think that they were just beginning to be sent. For no sooner than they had swept the rice from those doorsteps, out came the news that Waltye Murphy, who had a bit back divorced Howard Murphy, was becoming Mrs. Maurice Dolcs, and that Suzette Bennett of the Provident Hospital staff, to whom Dr. Doles had been best beau for years, was making the ides a foursome with C. T. Collins, head of the Brown Mama Baking Company. In fact they did make it a foursome, marrying the same night, and Howard Murphy went over to be the Collins' mainstay at the ceremony.

And to end the year with a bang, if in a slightly different note, Gladys Fitzgerald of the Baltimore Fitzgeralds, and Cleere Simms and Noah Thompson and Dorothy Davis both perked up in Washington on the last day to be wed. Gladys and Noah, all localities know, had been sweethearts for ages, in fact, were understood to have reached an understanding, when, in a sudden their romance was cut off and the other girl went on. Now they pick the same day, in the same place to elope to and damned if they didn't even pick the same hour, twelve noon. Who dares talk of the town's folks' good sportsmanship even in playing the game of love?

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All the happenings of the year were in superlatives. And running second to the coverings were surprise announcements of wings. Ralph Matthews, columnist, brought a fast one by clipping beauteous Thelma Sampson, New York chorine, to a lie after a two-week courtship when the whole East thought him strung in another direction.

Ida Murphy breezed in one day in early summer after having been the past year in the University of Wisconsin and nonchantly informed a waiting world that she had been Mrs. Edward Smith since the past spring.

Patricia Spaulding, sister of the Morgan professor, and secretary to the college president, let it be known that she had seven Mrs. Julius Taylor since the past August. And Violet Haywood, daughter of President and Mrs. John Haywood of Morristown College, been married with the announcement of her marriage to Dr. Charles Sumner of Tennessee.

Well, by then the town was a-twitter in the jitters. But a bit very formal, but nevertheless front page weddings came along to quiet the fluttering breasts. And chief of these, since it made front pages of all the country's newspapers, was that of Juanita Jackson, former youth secretary of the NAACP, and Clarence Mitchell, Urban League Secretary of Minneapolis, with its 1500 guests, its pagaent ceremony, its innumerable gifts and its farewell party at the Pennsylvania R. R. station with Anne Wiggins Brown's singing and Wilson Brown's crooning, and so many folk at the station to see them off that it farely stopped the inside traffic.

Despite the fact that her youngsister, Marion, had taken the jump on her, stealing a part of the spotlight and becoming one of the most popular brides of the year when she wed the Rev. Karl Downs of Pasadena, Calif., Juanita still garnered all her expected glory.

Of course there were other topnotch marriages, such as that of Alice King and Bob Young, with the bride being toasted in the swankiest champagne breakfast of the season; Dr. A. Baxter Whedbee of New York, who made short work of his and Florence Lee's nuptials; Edgar Bassett and Christina Buchanan, who swerved from New York to here for their tying and Alberta Simms, Chicago lovely, and Thomas Wynn, Baltimore undertaker, who eloped to Elkton.

While gossip was being retailed from teacup to cocktail bar anent the nuptials of Juanita and the Nosey Nells were seeing the wedding in the Hubert Delany-Marion Anderson friendship, the localites were more interested in their own back yard and were

WED TO AFRO MAN

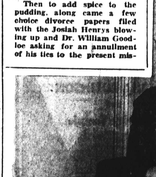
MISS RUTH BERNICE SAMPSON,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Sampson, of 803 N. Fourth Street, Richmond, who was married to Booker T. Gillespie, field representative of the AFRO-AMERICAN newspapers, at the home of her parents on Christmas Day. She is a graduate of Virginia State College and teaches at Smithfield, Va. Mr. Gillespie, a graduate of Knoxville College is a member of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity. A reception will be held on January 27.

APPOINTED

MISS ELOISE HOBSON,

who was recently appointed assistant dietitian at Kate Bitting Memorial Hospital, Winston-Salem, N.C. Miss Hobson completed her dietetic internship at Flint-Goodridge Hospital at New Orleans following her graduation from Winston-Salem Teachers College.



MRS. ALICE D. ANDERSON,

724 Columbia Road, Northwest, who was elected president of the Dunbar High School Parent-Teacher Association when that former vice president of the Pleasant Plains Civic Association and at the present serves as corresponding secretary of the affair. Anyway the Louises weren't bothered, Marvo being too busy maintaining her crown as best-dressed woman in these United.

Then to add spice to the pudding, along came a few choice divorce papers filed with the Josiah Henrys blowing up and Dr. William Goodloe asking for an annulment of his ties to the present missus and being seen about with Cecil Penny.

And just when the natives began to swear they couldn't take any more, things quited down. Morgan lost a game and turned the talk-tide in another direction and umpteen engagements began to be suspected, and the whirl starts all over again.

In the meantime, there were some whopping good times. The Girl Friends held their conclave in New York, swagering no-end, the Guardsmen sailed up the Hudson one night in June and it made whoopee history. The Swags let their hair down hereabouts and left the town gawping and the Chesterfields had such a quiet party that the heath curled up and called a day.

Anyway it was a grand year, and here's hoping that the next will be equal in gaiety, in spice, in surprise and plain old home variety fun.

A Happy New Year!

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