The Social Wanderer

Dear Roamer

Entered, officially, the first day of Fall, on Tuesday, so we may well doff our Summer clothes, fans, swim suits, and any other hot weather accessories.

But let us turn now to a recent marriage of much interest.

The wedding of Miss Elizabeth Pharo Browning, daughter of Mrs. Edward Browning, Devon, Pa., and Mr. Henry Gilbert Ingersoll, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Ingersoll, Chestertown, Md., took place at 6 o'clock on Saturday, Sept. 18 at the residence of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Walter Willits Pharo, Haverford, Pa., in the presence of the immediate family and a few intimate friends. The Rev. Crosswell McBee, rector of St. David's Church, Radnor, Pa., officiated.

Mrs. Browning gave her daughter in marriage. Miss Louise Phebe Browning attended her sister as maid of honor and Mr. Daniel Winthrop Ingersoll, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man.

Following a wedding trip the couple will reside in Wilmington, where Mr. Ingersoll is with the Du Pont Co., as a chemist in one of their experimental stations.

And up the county away, we have news of an engagement.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Fogwell, Sr. of Galena, Md., announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy to Mr. A. Harland Bunker, Jr., A. M. M. 1-C, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Bunker of Arnold, Md.

Miss Fogwell attended Salisbury State Teachers College and at present holds a teaching position at Arnold, Mr. Bunker is in the U. S. Navy and is stationed at Pensacola, Florida.

But aside from weddings and the prenuptial events attendant, little or nothing breaks the routine of a busy war-time life. So that when a party comes along—be it small or large, immediately such form of entertainment becomes an occasion.

Last Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Hugh Sease entertained informally at her home in Quaker Neck

Then on Thursday evening, Mrs. Gerald Meyers entertained at a large dessert-bridge at her home in Kennedyville.

The dessert-bridge given last Thursday evening by Mrs. Perry Metcalfe for Miss Harriette Vane was accompanied by a miscellaneous shower. Of course we knew it all the time, but as it was to be a surprise, I could give no hint last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkus Dugdale, of Baltimore and Wyndemere, their home in Quaker Neck, had as their guests over the week-end here, their son and daughter-in-law Lieut. William Morris Dugdale, U. S. N. R. and Mrs. Dugdale whose marriage took place in California last January. Mrs. Dugdale was before her marriage, Miss Barabara Barton, Long Island, N. Y.

The return to school continues—Miss Mary Lou Truslow has returned to the University of North Carolina at Drexel Hill and her sister Jean is continuing at Bucknell University at Lewisburg, Pa., where she entered this summer.

Samuel Massey returned to Charlotte Hall Military Academy on Monday, and on the same day Miss Elizabeth Brown accompanied by Miss Betty White, who was her week-end guest, returned to Garrison Forest School, where they are members of the faculty.

Mrs. Ralph Kellar has returned from a visit of several days in Baltimore, where she was a guest of Mrs. James L. Springer.

Mrs. George Smith is a guest of her daughter in Drexel Hill, Pa. for two weeks.

Mr. Louis Skinner will return to Chestertown this week-end, and, accompanied by his wife who has remained here as a guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Thos. Kibler, will return to their home in Bronxville, N. Y. on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle T. Willis of Washington D. C. were guests last week-end of the former's mother, Mrs. Helen Willis.

Col. and Mrs. H. S. Brown accompanied by Captain and Mrs. H. S. Brown, Jr., and their daughter, Jeremy, came on Wednesday to the former's home, Godlington Manor, and will remain over the week-end.

Major and Mrs. Harry S. Russell spent last week-end here with friends and relatives.

Guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Wm. Jones last week-end included, Mrs. Jones's son Mr. William McCullough; Miss Miriam Jones, Miss Virginia Jones, Mr. Mason Buck and Mr. Waddell McAllister, the latter four of Baltimore.

Mrs. J. Elliott Gilpin, of Baltimore, has been a guest this week of Miss Belle Emory at Piney Grove and Mrs. H. Clay Brown.

The duplicate bridge parties which have been so popular recently will be continued this year. The first meeting will be held Tuesday evening, Sept. 28th at 7:30 p. m. at the Chester River Yacht and Country Club. All members of the Club and their guests are urged to attend and help make these tournaments the success of former times. Be sure to get yourself a partner.

Now comes another week-end, for better or for worse. Time will tell. Let's hope it will be a good one.

Yours an optimist,

The Wanderer

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College Women To Take Over Men's Fraternity Houses

Special provision has been made for the accomodation of young women students at Washington College by turning over three fraternity houses to be used as adjuncts to Reid Hall, the women's dormitory, it was announced today by President Gilbert W. Mead. For the duration of the war, these houses, which belong to the College, will be occupied by local units of three national sororities, each under the direction of a resident house-mother, working under the Dean of Women. Alpha Chi Omega, with Mrs. W. E. Dinger of Silver Spring, Md., as house-mother, will occupy the house formerly taken by the Kappa Alpha Fraternity. Zeta Tau Alpha will live in the former Theta Chi house, with Dr. Esther M. Dole of the college faculty, and the Lambda Chi Alpha house will be taken over by Alpha Omicron Pi, their house-mother being Mrs. Maggie D. Rollison of Chestertown.

This arrangement, it was stated, has been made necessary by the notable increase in women registrants, which made it impossible to house all women students in Reid Hall as formerly.

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U. S., England, Russia Agreed on Fundamental Policies; Observers Optimistic Concerning War and Post-War Cooperation.

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The ink is now dry on the secret footnotes which appear in the memoranda officially recorded after the long and quiet conversations which took place in the presidential study in the White House when the Allied strategists worked out the end of another chapter in the history of World War II.

My own modest notations, scribbled on the backs of envelopes, and on scratch pads, and written in taxicabs, leaning against a White House elm after a press and radio conference, taken down while the President or other officials were speaking, make a clearer pattern.

Words and phrases take on new meanings, rough sketches are filled out in revealing detail.

The speculation, the criticism, the attacks and the apologies which swirled about the Allied policy toward Russia, for instance, it is plain now was built mostly on half knowledge.

While press and public were crying for a tripartite meeting of the representatives of Russia, Britain and the United States, the arrangements for a whole series of meetings were already being made. It was not until almost the end of the Roosevelt-Churchill visit that we learned, first, that the tripartite meetings "on the foreign minister level" had been definitely agreed upon and, second, (which no one then guessed) that a commission was to be formed of representatives of all three powers to discuss the situation arising out of the Allied victories in the Mediterranean in which Russia is so deeply concerned but which, militarily speaking, she has been forced to view from a distance. When we received that news, we were unable to indicate its source.

The Darlan Question

Another source of bitter controversy which has been allowed to fester was cleared up at the same time. Certain groups in England and America from the very beginning violently objected to the choice of Darlan as the man with whom the Allies dealt in North Africa. There have been two revelations on that score which, had they come earlier, might have cleared the air.

One concerns the Russian attitude—and the Russians certainly ought to lean as far to the left as anyone. It now seems that the Soviet leaders, frankly opposed to Darlan and all he stood for, actually accepted the British and American policy on the basis of an old Russian saying that in matters of military strategy—or comparable situations—it is sometimes necessary to deal with the devil and his grandmother.

A word from the chief of staff revealed in his annual report to the secretary of war is interesting in this connection. He says of the diplomatic preparation before the invasion of Africa: "Should an approach be made to a single Frenchman who proved unsympathetic to our purpose, we risked the slaughter of our soldiers on the beaches of North Africa as well as decisive losses to our shipping . . . unexpectedly, Admiral Jean Darlan, Petain's designated successor, and commander-in-chief of all French forces, was found to be in Algiers visiting his sick son when our forces landed. He was taken into protective custody and when it was found that French leaders stood loyal to the Vichy government, a series of conferences immediately followed with the purpose of calling a halt to the French resistance against General Patton's task force in the vicinity of Casablanca."

The Background

Then, on the morning of November 11, the Germans invaded France and Darlan obligingly rejected the pseudo-independent Vichy government and assumed authority in North Africa in the name of Marshal Petain and ordered the French to cease all hostilities.

Just what pressure or argument was used in getting Darlan to yield to Allied wishes has never been revealed or what his motives may have been—they may indeed have been prompted by the devil or his grandmother—but those who knew the inside military expediency, did not quarrel with his action. Death took Darlan from the picture. It did not end the arguments, but since we know now that the head of the Communist state of Russia was able to swallow Darlan, the squeamishness of some of the critics seems a little far fetched.

In the days that followed the recall of the Soviet ambassadors to London and Washington, the outcry over the absence of Stalin at Quebec increased. Roosevelt, Churchill and Secretary Hull were blamed—there was the blow-up over the charges by a columnist who said Hull was anti-Russian.

I talked with Secretary Hull about that time. Whatever his feelings may be regarding communism, he indicated from his remarks to me that Russia was looking sympathetically on the attempts at a joint conference, and a few days later, a high British source stated flatly there was no great divergence of views between the Soviets and the Allies.

Agreement

Both were thoroughly agreed on the necessity of the destruction of Nazi tyranny and Prussian militarism, and it was revealed that Marshal Stalin was rising in prestige with the army and that the Soviet army was rising in prestige with the Russian people until it was already on a level with the communist party itself. This seemed to indicate, as Captain Rickenbacker said when he returned from Russia, that the ideologies of the policies and the capitalist nations were growing nearer.

Today, as Washington looks back on this last visit of Prime Minister Churchill, there is a feeling that not only are Britain and the United States closer in both their war and their post-war aims, but that the possibility of bringing the Soviets into the circle is greater. One reason for this is that certain problems on which there has been disagreement have been met and thrashed out successfully between Roosevelt and Churchill and the way is open to a much more extended discussion with Stalin's representatives.

Meanwhile, the position of Secretary Hull, within the administration, has been greatly strengthened as one after another, he has taken over the functions of all agencies which have any dealings whatsoever with foreign countries. He has placed the question frankly before the President who had to choose between his secretary of state and those who opposed him inside and outside of the state department.

Hull's Position

Secretary Hull's position is this: the policies which I have sponsored and insisted upon have justified themselves. Either my department must have full authority in the field of foreign relations or I will hand in my portfolio.

The President faces, first, a congress which has had time to think over its position, has heard the complaints and received the advice of its constituents. It returns determined to imprint its will on national policy, foreign and domestic. Its texture is and has been for some time strongly away from the so-called new-deal policies, strongly toward the conservative side. Secretary Hull probably stands higher, has more friends, and can exert more influence with congress than any member of the cabinet. The President needs a congress which will stand behind him if he is to carry out the plans for further conduct of the war and the winning of the peace according to methods he believes it is necessary to employ.

And, of course, there is the fourth term ahead, for continuance in office is essential, the President's friends believe, if he is to mold the post-war world.

Secretary Hull is his anchor to windward. This is due to his political influence and also because he and what he symbolizes both at home and abroad, have become inextricably bound up in world negotiations.

And for the President, there is but one objective now—that is, to be the peacemaker as he was the war leader. All else—choice of counsellors, domestic policies, must dovetail into that purpose.

BRIEFS . . . *by Baukhage*

It is estimated that enough waste fats are salvaged in army camps within the continental U. S. to make 1,500,000 pounds of dynamite each month, and still leave a residue of rendered grease for soap stock.

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Christmas gifts to naval and marine personnel overseas should be sent between September 15 and November 1.

Japanese occupation authorities who still haven't succeeded in pacifying the Philippines have decided to send out roving teams of public speakers in an attempt to explain Japan's "true mission" to misguided Filipinos, Manila radio disclosed.

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Bus lines in Washington, D. C., and Los Angeles, Calif., are running their "help wanted" ads on buses.

Delmar—No hunting season may be considered properly opened until one nimrod has mistaken another for his quarry and fired a few shots into him.

The first casualty was John R. Wingate, railroad utility man, who was mistaken for a squirrel by Carroll W. West, passenger conductor, when Wingate went into the woods and sat by a tree. West, walking along the road, spotted Wingate's white cap and fired at it, with excellent aim.

A physician picked 23 shots out of Wingate's head.

Elkton—George Vaggi, proprietor of the Howard Hotel here, who recently purchased the McIntyre farm, located just across the state line, solved the farm labor shortage on Sunday.

Finding it impossible to get anyone to help harvest his corn crop, grown on 14 acres, he closed his hotel and took all his help, including several friends, to the farm and they went to work.

The women prepared the meals for the workers and by sundown Sunday, his crop has all been cut

IN AND AROUND LYNCH

Corp. and Mrs. Marion Counsell and young son, Robert Allan, are visiting his mother Mrs. P. P. Counsell near Cordova. During the visit little Robert Allan was baptised at his grandmother's home.

Miss Dorothy Boone of near Still Pond was the guest of Miss Eleanor Usilton last Friday and Saturday.

Miss Frances Haddaway, Mrs. Irving Smith, Mrs. Wilbur Haddaway, Mrs. Thomas Haddaway, and Mrs. Norman Brice visited Wilmington on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Copper and Miss Mollie Copper travelled to Easton last Friday.

Mrs. Helen Rasin and her mother Mrs. Smedley of Philadelphia are spending their vacation with Mr. and Mrs. William T. S. Rasin and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Haddaway.

Mr. and Mrs. Selby Rasin of Philadelphia were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. S. Rasin last Sunday. Other guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rasin were their daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cox, and small sons, Douglas and Ralph.

Mrs. Edward Harris of Hattisburg, Mississippi and her daughter, Margaret Ann, visited Corporal Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Joiner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rust and son, Robert of Collingdal, Pa., spent last week-end with Mrs. Rust's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Frederick.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Haddaway visited Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gannt of Kentmore Park last Saturday.

Members of this community were glad to see Mr. LeRoy Nickerson out again last Sunday, when he visited the field at Hanson Hall Farm where preparations for the horseshow to be held September 26, were in progress.

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KENNEDYVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ringgold of Baltimore spent the week-end with his brother, Mr. George Ringgold and family.

Mr. Joseph Weer of the U. S. Navy spent the week-end at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Anthony had as their guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Durham. Mr. William Anthony and family, Mr. Warner Geary and family, Mr. Walter Anthony and family and Mr. William Johnson of Wilmington.

Mrs. Thomas Bonwill was absent from school Friday and Monday on account of sickness. Mrs. Charlie Miller substituted for her.

Mrs. Florence Brown of Earlville spent the week-end with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wiltbanks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lipscomb was entertained at dinner at the home of their son, Edgar in Rock Hall in honor of their grandson's first birthday.

Mrs. Hope Copper of Cecilton visited Mrs. George Glenn last Monday.

The Woman's Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Hodge Coleman on Oct. 1st.

The Ladies of the Methodist Church served lunch at Mr. Wiltbanks sale on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ringgold of Baltimore spent the week-end with his brother, Mr. George Ringgold and family.

Mrs. Wilson and mother-in-law of Baltimore spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Groves.

Mr. Earl Nickerson and Mr. Marse Nickerson visited relatives at Hacks Point Beach on Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Fogwell and daughter visited her mother, Mrs. Toulson on Saturday.

Miss Betty Jean Groves of Baltimore spent the week-end at her home

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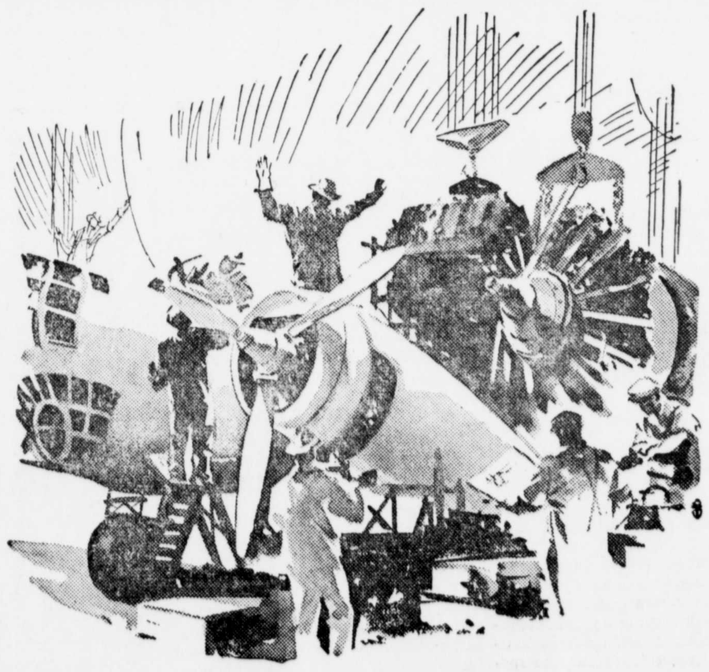
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