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While the weather man was setting a sort of record, here, Tuesday, Mrs. Evan Gilkes scored up one of her only, along the hostessing line, with a midday luncheon.

The party was in honor of her brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clement Sr., of Durham, N.C. Mr. Clement is assistant director of agents of the North Carolina Mutual Insurance company.

He Mrs. Clements and their children, Helen, William Jr., Westley and Arthur, were en route home from a vacation in Cleveland, Niagara Falls and New York City.

To dine with the visitors were: Mr. and Mrs. John Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker and daughter, Norma; Dr. Cyril Atkins and daughter, Sylvia; Dr. and Mrs. McKinley Reesby; Everett Reesby of Boston, brother of Dr. Reesby; Mrs. Verda Welcome and her relative, the Rev. William Wyatt of Salisbury, N.C.; Mrs. Elsie Carter, Mrs. Julia Calloway and Miss Violet Haywood.

PEREGRINATORS

Most of the news the week concerns the comings and goings of the natives and about the visitors they have lured within their gates.

Mrs. Henrine Vincent of St. Louis, Mo., national treasurer of Iota Phi Lambda sorority, is guest of Mrs. Emma H. Brown, here, this week.

She was feted by Evelyn Wilkey, Eastern regional directress of the sorority, Mrs. Brown, president, and Gladys Palmer, vice president, respectively of the city chapter; Hortense Cain, Mabel Waters, Fannie Poulson, Vivian Young and Mary Brittain.

That schoolmarm - mother-daughter combine, Olivia Bates and Ovella Dorsey, came in from a vacation in the West. They did Denver, Colo., Cheyenne, Wyoming, Chicago, Ill., and New York. Olivia's husband, Leon Bates, joined them in NYC.

The Harold (Florsie) Clarks took their books and went off to Pittsburgh, thence to Ohio for stops in Cleveland, Elyria, and Oberlin. Visited Dr. and Mrs. John Patterson in Elria, Katrie N. White a enjoying Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Mrs. Josephine Wallace is back from a month's vacation in Ohio. She visited Cleveland, Mansfield and Fremont. Mrs. home from the summer in Mansfield; and the Wallaces entertained Mr. and Mrs. James Brünson of Mansfield (she's the daughter of Mrs. Wallace) over the week end. The Clarence (Odessa) Dysons came in from Atlantic City after a week of Shore City fun.

Mrs. John H. Mrphy Jr. was in Kansas City, Kans., last week. Was runner-up in the flight (golf). Went on to Gary, Ind., for another bit of play. Yvette Murphy and Emily Jones limped in; happiest but happy, from the motor trip and top-flight feting that took them to the Far West, and where they marked their map by the parties, not the miles, scheduled to enhance their vacation.

The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Matthews (Union Baptist Church) will be off for the National Baptist convention in Miami, Fla., this week ... thence to a real vacation in Bermuda. The John Halls (Philathea) motored to North Carolina to pick up their small daughter who slimmered with her grandparents, are home now.

The junior Dr. Charles Woodland went to Philly, last week, fetched back his pretty wife and their children, thus scotching those rumors that their marital bark was on the rocks. She had been in the Quaker City for medical treatment.

POTPOURRI

When a man bites a dog, that' news ... and it's equally news a man has to be chased 10 years to be given a tidy bunch of C. notes. Hugh Macbeth, Los Angeles, Calif., attorney, was S. town, this week, and Roy S. Bond, attorney, who administered his father's estate that many years back, finally pinned him down long enough to get a release signed and turn the inheritance over to Mr. Macbeth.

Came a sweet voice over the phone, Monday: "In your column, last week, you said that Mrs. Margaret Blake divorced Dr. James Blake. Dr. Blake divorced her. This is his secretary speaking." Oops, I'm sorry! Mrs. Blake became Mrs. J. J. McRae a few days ago.

Victor Gray, formerly of this town, now living in Carolina, and Helen Pulman, Spartanburg, S. C., schoolmarm, have a September 26 date with a parson.

And Daniel Clark (Pinky) also a former Baltimorean and on the Morgan State College faculty up to a couple of years ago, and Hilda Hendricks, Morgan college librarian, will be wed at her home in Smithfield, N.C. Saturday.

Cute Miriam Abrams has been Mrs. Albert Butler (he's son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Butler) for more than a year. He's a junior at Morgan State. She is a social security employee.

The Frank Phillipses (Bettye Murphy) have a Sept. 17th date with the Stork ... the lady is going to be another daughter.

Hardest person to maneuver into being an honoree say those close friends, is Xaveria McDonald, for whom a surprise was given by her husband, Dr. George McDonald, some days back.

The party at their summer home, Arundel-On-The-Bay, gathered all the neighbors and a considerable sprinkling of town folks. Mr. McDonald got super help from Lillian Berry and Audrey Butler at Arundel, Pauline Watts, Baltimore. "Sook" got an indescribably lovely imported necklace from the physician.

Pauline Caulk has had as house guest for the past two weeks that attractive teen-ager from Medford, Mass., Ann Hayes.

Party surprise for Mrs. Rea

Mrs. Adler G. Rea, beautician of Brooklyn, N.Y., formerly of this city was given a surprise birthday party on Saturday, by Charles A. Jones, and Hilda A. Day, daughter of Mrs. Rea.

The honoree had just returned from a week's vacation in Meherrin, Va., where she visited relatives.

The following guests were on hand to surprise her:

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Crawley, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Moore, Mesdames Virginia Smith, Pattie Taylor, Annie Martin, Marie Barnes, Mildred Brown.

Mesdames Dora Carey, Hilda A. Day, Alice Tanner, Ann Compton, Margaret Griffith; Misses Edith Butler, Mary Addison.

Orell Spruiell, Charles A. Jones, John H. Jones, John McCormick, Posie Reynolds, Henderson Neal sr., Thomas Chaney, Robert Dett, Jerome Hughes, Walter A. Day Jr., James Davis and James Seay.

Mrs. Rea left Sunday for Brooklyn and will leave for Saratoga Springs, New York for a week's vacation there.

Surprise party for Mrs. Henson

Mrs. Margaret Henson of 1106 Harlem ave. was honoree at a surprise birthday party, recently.

Guests included:

Mr. and Mrs. James Phillips of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, Mrs. Susie Curtis, Mrs. Hattie Kelly, James Malloy, Claude Bessus, and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Gail.

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NOTE FROM PARIS — Orcel, of Paris, offers this pancake-type hat of paille, with bow in front and veil. Striking with bag to match.

No radical changes forecast in Paris styles says Stewart

By OLLIE STEWART

PARIS—While the consensus of opinion seems to be that "Paris designers plan no radical changes for late summer and fall," the fact remains that the rising curtain in fashion houses here reveals a wealth of new ideas, imagination and color schemes, so bold and eye-catching that overseas buyers and casual shoppers alike find themselves walking around in circles.

Nothing new — but something different, seems the best way to explain it. And this time (previewing the winter 1953-54) Paris had to come up with something really different. Prices are high. The Italian designers are offering stiff competition, and American buyers are developing sales resistance.

So, with chips being down, the big names here had to produce something exciting or move over. The first unveilings, a few days ago, indicate what they have produced.

Skirts 15 Inches

The battle of the skirt lengths flared up for a few days, but when the measuring sticks had cooled off and the smoke had cleared away, what d'you suppose they found to be the average? I'll tell you quick and get you out of suspense. About fifteen inches from the floor.

The reason I take the time to give Paris fashions the once over lightly is to give you nice girls a chance to compare Paris modes for this fall with those in your local stores or at your local dressmaker.

I figured, for instance, you'd like to know about Dior's hip length box coats (worn over fitted suits or dresses) that have take belts placed anywhere behind from below the waist to the bottom of the coat. These are very popular in Paris and can be worn on almost any occasion during the day — from the race track to the schoolroom to a business office.

Or, if you want to be daring on occasions (and what woman doesn't?) you can have a skirt made that blows apart, or forms aprons. Some of the flaring type are no more than wrap-arounds, but they make the boys take a second look.

Lots of people are talking about Balmain and his animal influence. He has a floor - length evening sheath completely covered with sequins that look like the spots of a leopard. It's really mad. Satin skirts are woven like basket. Bogh, Fath and Balmain use animals and parquet floors for their ideas. Fath even has fallie woven to look like Italian - marble floors. Wrapped satin mid-sections show the colors of the marble veins. Fath's skirts are all slim, as if he wants you to know there's a woman inside them.

Maybe you need a new coat. Why not try a tent- coat, which isn't new or startling, but will place you among the women who are right in style with Dior and his Eiffel Tower mode? The most attractive ones fall from tiny collars of fur or satin. And maybe you'd like to know that coats and suits are using lots of hairy gray flannels and tweeds.

For cocktail time, you can cover your sheer dresses of chiffon with a bolero and be real chic. Some models use corset laces to take the place of buttons and other fastenings. Not as handy as a zipper to get in and out of, but people with cocktail time aren't supposed to be in a hurry, it says here. And cocktail dresses are wide and deep at the neckline, with a bow of ribbon on the shoulder.

Knits Score

Like in the spring showings, Fath goes in heavily for knitted dresses. Gray seems to be the favorite color. Some have matching jackets, and others are worn alone with a belt to emphasize a high waistline.

As was mentioned in the beginning, there are no radical changes in basic styles for fall. The big Paris houses have simply come up with creations that are practical, feminine and accented by a different approach.

Here's hoping you can make use of at least one.

Anent Hats

The subject of women's hats is one in which the average man has no business getting involved. Well, I'm as average as the next guy, but where Paris hats are concerned I'm just brash enough to put in my two cents worth — mainly because it is only since I came to Paris that women's hats have ever done anything but make me shudder.

This is no slam on American-made bonnets. It was my fault. I just didn't wake up until I saw some creations by Gilbert Orcel and Sven, last spring. They not only matched the rest of the ensemble, but gave the wearer a distinction that could not have been achieved in any other manner.

Orcel runs the gamut this fall — in shapes, colors, decorations and countries that furnished the inspiration. One of his happiest creations is a Byzantine tiara of emerald velvet decorated in rhinestones, colored gems and gold kid. It is worn with short hair — and if it doesn't do something to a woman's morale, then a whole lot of French women must be wrong.

In addition to tiaras, Orcel goes all out for cone-shaped fezzes, minarets and berets from Asia Minor, North Africa and the Orient. Covered springs hold the hats in place, and Orcel likes his creations worn far back so that the front of the hair shows. Black velvet is a favorite, and decorations run from sapphire, ruby and emerald tones, to coral, sky blue and fuchsia.

Sven features a number called "Everest" — which is a head-hugging helmet (looks like a cowl on a monk), and has a chin strap. It's exciting even in a mere male. In wool jersey, it should be ideal for winter weather. And for women who like their headgear practical as well as decorative, this type of bonnet should be just what nitady has wished for.

You might remember then, that if your new hat is small, close-fitting and worn back on the head, you are as close to the fashion mark as you would be if you had bought your bonnet right out of a Paris collection for fall and winter.

Ross-Price wedding held

The wedding of Miss Natalie H. Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Price, to Lt. Elliott Ross, son of Mrs. Edna Ross and the late Mr. William Ross took place recently at the home of the bride.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a dress of white embroidered organdy and a fingertip veil which fell from a crown of satin and orange blossoms. She carried a white prayer book surrounded by red roses and stephanotis.

Sister Attends

The bride's only attendant, her sister, Miss Deborah A. Price, wore a green and white ruffled pique dress with white accessories and carried a bouquet of yellow roses. Lt. David Hart was best man. Mrs. Dora Queen was pianist and soloist. The ceremony was read by the Rev. C. J. Thomas.

The bride is a graduate of Coppin Teachers College and a city school teacher. Mr. Ross is a graduate of Hampton Institute.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the bride.

Mrs. Williams party guest

Mr. and Mrs. David A. Washington of 1211 Park ave. gave a surprise birthday party Sunday for their daughter, Mrs. Bernice Williams of Altoona, Pa. Guests included Mrs. Hortense Boyd of Philadelphia; Messrs. and Mesdames John Williams, Charles Waters, William J. Tutt Jr.;

Mesdames Selma Bailey, Leona Minor, Fannie Penn, Catherine Swan, Mamie Hall; Miss Arminta Braxton, Miss Florence Bailey, Harold Williams and Worthington Richardson.

MR. AND MRS. DUKES HOST TO VIRGINIANS

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Dukes of 909 Warwick ave. entertained Charlotte, Lula and Charles Harris, Jr., children of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris, Sr. of Petersburg, Va.

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS ROSS ENTERTAINS NEW YORKER

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ross, of 2030 Wheeler ave., had as house guest, this week, Miss Sarah Ross of New York City.

MRS. ANNA W. TAYLOR ATTENDS PYTHIAN MEET

Mrs. Anna W. Taylor of Patapsco Park, attended the 37th annual session of the Supreme Grand Court of Knights of Pythias in Hot Springs, recently.

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Wedding ritual at home for Miss Johnson, Mr. Hawkins

Marriage vows were taken by Miss Dora Johnson and James Hawkins, recently at the home of the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Johnson.

Only the immediate families witnessed the ceremony.

Miss Johnson wore a bouffant white gown, the underskirt of which was made of pearl white satin covered with nylon net, over which hung several panels of white Chantilly lace. The long sleeves, also of Chantilly lace pointed dainty over the hand of the bride, who wore a finger tip veil trimmed in imported lace.

Tiny white pearl earrings were her only accessories. They matched six tiny pearls on the base of the half-hat which held her veil. She carried a small bouquet of white gardenias which tapered down to one gardenia sewed to flowing white net.

Sister Attends

The bride's only attendant was her sister, Miss Elsie Johnson of Inapolis, Ind. She was gowned in blue taffeta and net, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. George Davis was best man.

Mr. Johnson gave his sister in marriage. The Rev. Robert Lane of Parole, Md. officiated.

Men of the wedding party wore black formal trousers with white coats.

Reception Held

A reception took place immediately after the ceremony. The mother of the bride wore a blue street-length dress with pink lace bodice and her corsage was of purple orchids, blending with her small blue velvet cloche.

Guests at the reception included:

Messrs. and Mesdames Robert Dyson, Raymond Johnson, Russell Williams, Louis Neal, William Saunders, William Stokes, Thomas Harris;

Messrs. and Mesdames Rufus Anderson of Indianapolis, William Johnson, Thomas Harris, Richard Bridges, Howard J. Green, Aquilla Scott, Sam Brown, Rupert Williams;

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Delta Sigma Theta to present Miss Rahn in Bizet's 'Carmen'

The wild gay music of Bizet's "Carmen" and the ingenious tongue-in-cheek lyrics of Oscar Hammerstein, II will star Muriel Rahn in the concert version of "Carmen Jones" at Polytechnic Institute, here, Oct. 11.

The presentation will be sponsored by Epsilon Sigma chapter of Delta Sigma Theta sorority.

Satire On Original

Although described as a "concert version" word comes from those who have witnessed the presentation that actually the show might be better described as a "smaller company" of the original Broadway show. All of the songs, dialogue, drama, comedy, and satire of the original star of the Broadway production, Muriel Rahn, is carrying on in this company just as she did for 134 performances on the Great Stem at a $6.60 top, a few years ago.

Carmen Jones itself is an attraction of great magnitude. The music and the book is a paraphrase of the traditional "Carmen" with different names. The original story takes place in Spain to below the Mason-Dixon Line, and the time pushed forward to the days of World War II. The plot is basically the same and the human passions involved are no whit different whether the events occur outside a cigarette factory as in the original "Carmen" or a parachute factory as in the Oscar Hammerstein II book.

Sorors Ardell Jones is general chairman; Dorothy Johnson, ticket chairman, and Sanama Nixon basileus of the chapter.

MURIEL RAHN

Beta Sigma Taus at Ohio session

Robert Norris, Hansel Henry, Arnett Brown, and Calvin Carrington will have this week-end to attend the Copvention of the Beta Sigma Tau fraternity, at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio.

This fraternity, which was organized 1906, was the first interracial and intercultural fraternity in the country. It numbers among its members people of all races, creeds, colors and has chapters from Connecticut to California.

Council versus association

By ALICE A. DUNNIGAN

(Editor's note: Last week Mrs. Dunnigan covered the back ground and political implications of the two largest women's organizations, the National Association of Colored Women and the National Council of Negro Women. This week she gives the opinions of their leaders on the organizations' future.)

Like the Council, the National Association of Colored Women claims to be a "nonpolitical" organization, but it is noted that it elected a smart Chicago politician as its president.

Mrs. Irene McCoy Gaines, a big Illinois Republican, ran for county commissioner in Cook County last fall and almost won.

Having become a politician by route of women's organizations, Mrs. Gaines probably sees the possibility of breathing fresh political life into the nearly defunct NACW. She seized the opportunity and is now addressing women's groups throughout the country. Last month she addressed eight state and regional meetings. She visited Washington making a radio address and had her picture taken with Mrs. Spaulding. She also has had her picture taken with President Eisenhower.

Country-Wide Tour

Mrs. Spaulding as been invited to speak to the NACW clubs throughout the country. On July 26, she addressed the Northeastern Regional Convention at Atlantic City. On Aug. 9, she spoke to the Central Regional convention at Gary, Ind.

On Aug. 16, she addressed the Southwestern region at Columbia, S. C., and on Aug. 25, she talked to the Southwestern regional group at Hot Springs, Ark. All told she will have touched group leaders in 27 states.

Mrs. LaUrva Hedricks, the newly elected executive secretary of the NACW, describes the difference between the two organizations by pointing out that the Association is made up of federations of women's clubs throughout the cuntry, while the Council is composed of all existing women's organizations. This includes such groups as sororities, fraternities, national civic, professional and business groups.

Should Have Joined

She claimed that she did not know the feeling which existed between the Council and the Association until she came to Washington. Pointing out that the Council had invited the Association to become one of its affiliates, she said, "it might have been better if we had."

She says politics had nothing to do with the apparent decline in membership of her organization and the increased interest in the Council during the Democratic administration.

The glamour attached to the Council attracted them, she said. She was referring to the White House receptions arranged by Mrs. Bethune during Mrs. Roosevelt's stay at the Executive Mansion. This tradition was kept up for awhile by Mrs. Truman until the Trumans moved into the Blair House during repair of the White House.

Social Angle

Then there were visits to the Embassies, and teas for such celebrities as the Vice President's wife. There were also gay receptions and banquets. She implied that the Council stressed its exclusiveness by charging a $100 life membership fee.

Claiming that the Association is made up of some of the finest women in the country, she said they still do not go for glamour, but confine their activities to simple teas and banquets honoring some of their own outstanding women.

Mrs. Maomah W. Maise, the new executive director of the Council also denied that the change in adrministration has anything to do with the apparent inactivity of the Council. She says the NCNW has been working its own program all over the country and deepen its financial picture.

The Council, she claimed is planning for its convention to be held in Washington on Nov. 12-14. It expects the usual large attendance because this is the first bi-annual convention and it Mrs. Longfellow Burgess, is also its election year?

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Y members plan 'Sample Night'

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The plans, under direction of Mrs. Ethel J. Day, chairman, include in addition to the "samplingl" of the program which will be offered this fall, an open house.

The new excutive director, Mrs. E. Estelle Thomas, will meet members at this affair.

Miss Conner wed to John Upshur

Miss Florence Conner and John Upsher were married in the home of Miss Mella Upshur, 837 China st., recently.

The Rev. George W. Baynard officiated.

Guests at the wedding were Mrs. Jennie Brown, Robert Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Marley Fields, Miss Upshur, Earl Brown and Melvin Wheatley.

Italian coiffure quite popular now

Two leading beauty culture experts have just returned from Los Angeles and NYC where they have been attendin classes in the latest hair designing and shaping.

They are Miss Mayme Tilghman, president of the Master Beauticians' Association; and Mrs. Mary E. Francis, chairman of the Hair Dressing Guild.

Italian Coiffure

Mrs. Francis reports that the latest style thinks December will be Italian boy and umbrella hatbrees.

The year 1954 will feature longer hair in the mobile type.

Miss Tilghman announced that the beauticians' association will hold its fall institute in October.

PENNSYLVANIANS VISIT MRS. GRACE JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson of Philadelphia, Pa., were guests of Mrs. Grace Johnson of 1400 Whitelock st., last week end.

MRS. IRENE STANLEY VISITS IN ODENTON

Mrs. Irene Stanley of 211 N. Carey st. spent a week in Odenton, Md. as guest of her nephew-in-law and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Augustine Shorter.

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