Gadabouting In Baltimore

Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Davis now Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Johnson

With Lula Jones Garrett

Mother Nature dribbled snow on the landscape, Monday morning, as would a hostess decoring for a party event . . . and at the proper moment flashed on the sun, flooding the scene with the same brilliance as would a great candelabra . . . for the weddings of that day.

Guests, who drifted casually into St. Andrews Chapel, St. James Episcopal Church for the 11 A.M. ceremony which united Dr. Elaine Carsley Davis and W. Du-Bois Johnson, chatting gally before the ceremony began, had not risked one whit those colorful Easter chapeaux.

The little chapel's altar had vases of white flowers flanking the tall white tapers posed against a red velvet background. The Rev. Fr. Robert Powell lighted the candles. The Rev. Fr. Donald O. Wilson took his place at the altar.

Mr. Johnson and his best man, Charles Lee of Washington, walked to the left of the altar, to be followed by Mrs. Marguerite Petersen, lovely in white brocaded frock and tiny write hat.

Then came the bride. And she never looked prettier . . . which is saying something! For Elaine is as perfect an illustration of beauty and brain as need be found.

For this event she wore a two - piece frock of soft gold peau de sole, matching shoes, a small veiled hat and a white orchid. The dress was a bolero affair, fastened at back and underpinned with a pleated cummerbund.

Five minutes later the couple was receiving felicitations from the 50 - odd guests who witnessed the ceremony . . . and shortly later were winging to Chicago. They will be at home at his Ellamont Road place.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are Baltimore City School folks . . . she supervisor of special projects and he on the family of Edmondson High School.

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CHARM AND simplicity marked the wedding of Frances Murphy Wood and Clarence Henderson, which took place at high noon in St. James Episcopal Church Auditorium the same day.

The auditorium was lovely in its Easter decor of white flowers, and warmed by a galaxy of intimate friends. But, was no lovelier than the bridal party.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, Dr. Carl Murphy, wore pale beige silk shantung suit with matching accessories and a white orchid, and was attended by her daughter Toni Wood, in pink shantung, and Bernadine Harrison, whose shantung suit was in a deeper tone of tan. Miss Wood's corsage was a pink orchid and Mrs. Harrison's orchid mint green to match her hat.

Mr. Henderson had as best man, Miles Harrison, and his nephew, Leonard Henderson, was Toni's escort.

Three priests participated in the ceremony. They were the Rev. Frs. Robert Powell, Donald Wilson and David Croll. Jeannette Walters was soloist and Mack Statum was at the console. Altar boys were the bride's son, Jimmy Davis and the Harrisons' son, Miles, Jr.

A. Paul Moss, Marvin Davis and Leonard Henderson, Sr. were ushers.

Following the ceremony, Dr. and Mrs. Murphy entertained at their Mount Park home for the newlyweds.

Guests included:

Messrs. and Mesdames John J. Oliver, Sr., D. Arnett Murphy, George Lottier, Freddie Howard, Walter Dyson, Royal S. Weaver, Jr., John H. Murphy, 3rd, Marvin Davis, James H. Murphy, Howard Murphy, A. Paul Moss, George Taliaferro, Miles Harrison, R. David Scott, Allen Broadnax of Richmond, Va.;

Mesdames Helen Henderson of New York, mother of the bridegroom; Carlita Jones of Buffalo, N. Y., S. Edward Smith, Vashti Matthews, Reginald Daniels, Alma Kennedy;

Misses Susan M. Wood, Montress Ford, Madeline Murphy, Vashti Smith, Patricia A. Payne, Frances Wood; Leonard Henderson, Sr., Samuel Redd, Leonard Henderson, Jr., James E. Wood, Jr., Miles Harrison, Jr., and Brice Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Henderson are also city school personnel. He is on the faculty of the Carver Vocational High school, an instructor in music, and she is an elementary teacher. They are at home on Elgin Avenue for the nonce.

Bernadine Harrison entertained at a cocktail shower for Frankie Wood on Saturday before the wedding. The hostess was smart in a hostess gown with gold lame jacket and chinese gold and tangerine print skirt.

Her hors - doeuvres were taste tempting . . from hot meat balls with mushrooms to hot oysters and caviar.

Guests about were Hermione Weaver, Bettye Moss Ida Smith, Gladys Daniels, Merita Stokes, Sadie Jenkins, Jean Davis, Phyllis Diggs, Vonzella Murray, Louise Robinson, Arnetta Lottier, Nikki Randolph, Elsie Scott and Stevie Harris.

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MRS. WALTER T. DIXON entertained at a linen shower and luncheon, Saturday ago, for Audlyn Higgins, who is being married to Thomas Williams, Jr. on May 23.

Mr. Williams, incidentally, was named administrative officer for East Africa with the Peace Corps, on Wednesday of this week. The bride-elect is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. I. B. Higgins.

Guests at Olivia's (Mrs. D.) party for her were Mesdames Thomas McPherson, Jerome Harrison, whose forthcoming