

Thru The Looking Glass

First Ladies of Fashion

By LOUISE WILSON

(Louise Wilson, Women's Editor of WHAM, is heard twice daily at 9:10 and 10:05 A.M.)

While all the First Ladies of our country have left their influence on fashion, not since the days of Dolly Madison, however, has there been such a fuss about fashion in the White House as there is today. What the First Lady wears, or does NOT wear, any time, any place, is fashion news... even headline news.

What Jacqueline Kennedy wears, many copy. The tiny pillbox worn well back on the head. The sleeveless two-piece dress. And now recently, the one-shoulder covered, the other bare. All of these are well on the way to becoming fashion classics. Of course, the attire of any First Lady, whether she happens to have a good fashion sense or not is of interest that continues long after her lifetime and is of much historic value.

MANY OF YOU in your visits to the famed Smithsonian Institute in Washington have paused to admire the fascinating display of inaugural gowns worn by all the First Ladies. It's an impressive story of changing fashions in America.

For the rest of us who cannot travel to Washington to see this display and for those of you who have seen it but never tire of viewing it, the company of Evyan Perfumes has had the gowns faithfully copied in "One Hundred Years of Great Lady Fashions."

This collection features seventeen ballgowns, stich and line for line copies of those worn at Inaugural Balls by all

the wives of U.S. Presidents from Mary Todd Lincoln to Jacqueline Kennedy. The collection is insured for \$100,000.00 and will be seen in Rochester's biggest department store beginning tomorrow and continuing for one whole week.

When you view them all, note in particular Mrs. McKinley's gown which cost \$9,800, to reproduce because of the delicate work with beads and crystals. When finished, it weighed forty pounds, still a lot less than one of the gowns worn at the recent Glamorama at the War Memorial.

The second most costly gown to reproduce (around \$7,000) is Mrs. Truman's dress. The original was made of materials purchased in France and no longer available at any cost. Duplication of the featured design meant hand embroidery, a difficult, lengthy and tedious.

PICTURED GOWN is that of Frances Folsom Cleveland, a young beauty who became a White House bride and had a tremendous influence on fashion. What Frances didn't like, didn't last! She disdained the bustle and it disappeared. (Thank goodness!)

She was First Lady from 1886-1889 and again from 1893-1897. The gown shown is from her second stay in the White House and demonstrates all the fascinating feminine follies of the day. The waist, tapered and tiny. The hips, gently rounded. Narrow straps over the shoulders, ruffles and velvet masquerading as sleeves. The bodice of rose velvet; butterflies perched at the neckline.

The skirt, a sweep of brocade satin with a suggestion of a train. A truly formal ballgown, this is but one of seven-teen you can see for one week only... when the Great Ladies exhibit visits downtown Rochester.

For the name of the store where Great Ladies Exhibit will be seen week of Oct. 28, please phone the Courier Journal, BAKER 5-6210.

Seton Groups In Action

47TH BRANCH of Seton Workers of St. Mary's Hospital will meet at home of Mrs. Walter Knapp on Mareeta Road. Plans for the Seton Sale and Christmas luncheon and party at the home of Mrs. Al Meyer.

57TH BRANCH met Wednesday, Oct. 25 at home of Mrs. Jose R. Puente in Northumberland Road. The members project will be to assemble the program for the forthcoming Seton Ball.

67TH BRANCH met at the home of Mrs. Raymond Storer, 41 Webster Road, Spencerport, Oct. 24 to make articles for the Seton sale.

61ST BRANCH meeting Thursday, Oct. 26 at home of Mrs. Owen Fitzpatrick of Quaker Drive. Group is working on project for Seton sale.

14TH BRANCH will meet at St. Mary's Hospital, Tuesday, Oct. 31 at noon. Hostesses, Mesdames Walter Morton, Orr Sixbey, John Van Norstrand.



Fashion Show Held At Lourdes

A Fashion Show, narrated by Mrs. Joseph Bula and Mrs. Gerald Frawley, put on an entertainment for the regular meeting of the Mothers Club of Our Lady of Lourdes church, Elmira, was termed a huge success with a record attendance.

Members expressed sincere appreciation to Mrs. Francis P. Leo, program chairman and to Mrs. Nathan Berman of the Fabric Center.

MRS. BERMAN furnished the wardrobes modelled by Mesdames John Foy, Edward Gribbin, Alfred Lucas, Bernard Trifoso, James Wilson, Paul Farrell, William Kelly, Donald Levinger, Charles Thurber, Thomas Tranter and Miss Eileen Foy.

Others assisting were Mesdames Ellis Havens, James Carmody, Thomas Loll, Charles Taylor, Jerrold Bednek and Joseph Zawko.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Harold von Hagn and Mrs. Thomas Polivick.

Dorland-Masters Wedding Held

Miss Angela Marie Masters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Masters of Harwick Rd. and Warren M. Dorland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dorland of Queensboro Rd., were married Oct. 21 in St. Ambrose Church. The Rev. Joseph W. Daily officiated.

Miss Gloria Prytula was maid of honor and bridesmaids were Mrs. Henry G. Masters, Mrs. William Crandall and Miss Janice Pritchette.

Henry G. Masters was best man and ushers were Fred Pozneroy, William Crandall and Donald Sweet.

Wednesday, Nov. 1—Rudolph Kolb, Holy Family Church. Thursday, Nov. 2—George Wegman, St. Anne's accompanied by Nocturnal Adoration Society of that parish.

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At Our House

Two Sides To The Coin

By MARY TINLEY DALY

Dear Mrs. Daly:

I am so MAD at baby sitters! You don't need baby sitters but your married children do and I wonder if their experiences parallel mine?

There are three teenagers in our neighborhood, all the rest of us being young families needing the services of these girls. Maybe it's the law of supply and demand, but these three really rule the roost. We pay the going rate, 50 cents an hour. What do we get? They come late, making us late for a party, movie, parish lecture, novena or whatever. They plump themselves down in the living room, complain if the TV is broken, raid the refrigerator and tie up the phone.

LAST NIGHT was the well-known last straw. It made me mad enough to write and ask that through your column you speak to sitters. Yesterday was our fifth wedding anniversary. We had engaged the services of Miss High-and-Mighty (we'll call her Sally) a week ago for seven o'clock so that Hugh and I could go to dinner and the theater. This kind of costly entertainment we seldom enjoy.

I spent the afternoon in anticipation: doing my hair and nails, remodeling the dress I had worn the evening Hugh proposed. By 5:00 p.m. the three children had been bathed and put into their pajamas. By six the baby was in bed, almost asleep. The other two were having supper. Hugh came home with the same sort of corsage he first gave me — we're a sentimental pair. From 6:30 to 7:00 we enjoyed a leisurely cocktail while the children played.

Seven o'clock, no Sally. Seven o'clock, no Sally, so I telephoned.

"Sorry, Mrs. F..." Sally's mother said, "but Sally had no right to accept a sitting assignment on a school night. Her grades are not adequate."

Honestly, Mrs. Daly, I don't know whether I sighed or sobbed into that telephone or blurted out the whole story. At any rate, Sally's mother got the idea.

Within five minutes a sullen Sally was on our doorstep. Hugh and I left but with some of the glamour eroded off the evening. After dinner and the theater we met friends and were invited to "drop by our apartment."

"We have to take the baby sitter home," I said to Hugh a couple of times.

"She can snooze on the couch," my groom commented, thoroughly enjoying his fifth wedding anniversary.

PULLING the ace out of the hole, I asked, "But Sally's mother?"

That ended the party, far as we were concerned.

Sally was delivered to her home by 12:30 with \$3 in the pocket of her jeans — paid as though she had come on time and stayed until one o'clock.

She drank all the milk in the house. (We had to borrow from the neighbors for breakfast.) She ate cookies in the living room by the TV, dropping crumbs all over the rug.

Mrs. Daly, what is the matter with teenage girls these days?

Wrathfully, Mrs. M.G.F.

Dear Mrs. M.G.F.:

It's pretty clear that relationship between you and Sally is one of misunderstanding. If she takes good care of the children, she has fulfilled her primary obligation. The other complaints might be worked out by a conference with your neighbors and a laying down of ground rules for the sitters. Also, how about a consultation with the teen-agers' mothers?

CERTAINLY I sympathize with you at the less-than-perfect fifth wedding anniversary celebration. Mrs. M.G.F. On the other hand, Sally's mother had a point, though of course you should have been informed of the situation a week or so in advance. "I'm sorry, Mrs. F. Sally's mother said, 'but Sally had no right to accept a sitting assignment on a school night. Her grades are not adequate.'"

Do you remember your own teenage baby sitting days, Mrs. M.G.F., and how you felt about your clients? And some day your own little daughter probably will be a sitter.

Points of view differ, particularly when that view touches on one's children somehow, though, understanding and mutual good will usually make for an agreeable compromise.

M.T.D.

Women Sponsor Card Party

Bath—Chairmen of the public card party sponsored by the Rosary and Altar Society of St. Mary's on Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall, were as follows:

MRS. GENE Mancini and Mrs. George Yost, chairmen; Mrs. Joseph Mouchan and Miss Marion Thalman, ticket chairmen; Mrs. Michael Candelpu and Mrs. Richard Deegan, refreshments; Mrs. Vincent Keefe and Mrs. Donald Stilwell, prizes; Mrs. Andrew Hopyak and Mrs. Emilio Yannie, cleanup chairmen.

The public was invited.

Jesuit Retreat

At Cenacle

A retreat for married women is planned at the Cenacle Retreat House, 693 East Ave., Rochester, for the weekend of Nov. 10-12. This retreat will be conducted by the Rev. Edwin C. Haungs, S.J.

SEVENTEEN private rooms are available in the new wing recently added to the building, plus many lovely rooms in the older part of the house. Early reservations will be given preference. Retreatants may avail themselves of the library, conservatory and the spacious grounds surrounding the house during leisure time. Ample parking facilities are available at the rear of the premises.

The weekend retreat includes eight conferences by the retreat master, opportunity for daily Mass and Holy Communion, ample time for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and consultations with the religious.

Elected Head

At the regular monthly meeting of the Rochester Regional Chapter of the American Association of Hospital Accountants on Oct. 17, Brian Mannion, accountant and assistant business manager of St. Mary's Hospital, was elected president of the Chapter to take office on Jan. 1, 1962.

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WHEN FATHER ANTHONY comes to DECCHISCEHAL, a mission in ERITREA, he sleeps in the mission church. The church is his only protection because wild beasts roam the area at night and the rain comes down in torrents. But, as FATHER ANTHONY knows, one ought not to sleep in a church. FATHER ANTHONY himself will build a shelter to sleep in if we can help him. What can you do?

THE CATHOLICS in ADDICOLON, ERITREA, are ashamed of their "church." It is nothing but a grass hut with a mud roof. It is not fit for HOLY MASS. Would you like to build—or help build—a new church in ADDICOLON as a memorial to your family or loved ones? The parishioners will contribute the labor free-of-charge. The materials will cost \$2,200.

WARTILE in ETHIOPIA (in the area of TIGRAI) is crowded with Catholics during the long rainy season. The Bishop would provide a priest so that the people could assist at Mass and have the sacraments—but WARTILE has neither church nor rectory. The total cost? \$7,500—Will you give \$10?

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