



Mrs. James Grotian

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**Carol Sue Mahlan  
Is Bride Saturday  
Of James Grotian**

White candles and vases of white snapdragons and pom poms graced the altar of the Antioch Lutheran church of Hoagland for the Saturday evening marriage of Miss Carol Sue Mahlan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mahlan of route 1, Hoagland, to James Grotian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grotian of route 7, Fort Wayne.

The Rev. Robert Whitenight performed the double-ring ceremony at 6:30 o'clock. Mrs. Lloyd Borwn and Gene Brown provided nuptial music. Included in the vocalist's numbers, were "The Lord's Prayer" and "Wither Thou Goest."

Wearing a gown of taffeta, the bride was escorted down the candle-lit aisle by her father. The molded bodice featured an embroidered scalloped scoop neckline outlined in sequins and pearls. Traditional long sleeves ended in points over her hands. Her very bountiful skirt featured a scroll design with pearl and sequin motifs with a small puffed bustle detailing the back.

Her fingertip veil of silk illusion was caught to a crown of pearls. Miss Mahlan carried a white prayer book topped with a white orchid and lily of the valley.

Mrs. Norman Steuer, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor in a capucine gown of plain and embroidered taffeta. Of ballerina length, the princess style gown featured a scoop neckline outlined with embroidered taffeta. Her full skirt featured inserts of embroidered taffeta and a tailored bow at the back neckline.

Following the supper, the meeting was opened by Mrs. Orval Baughman reading from the book of Ephesians, six to 16. Mrs. J. M. Doan read and gave a preview of part one of "Spiritual Life For Methodist Christians."

Class president, Mrs. Doan, presided over the business meeting for which a number of hymns were sung by the members. After the business session, a social hour was held.

Those on the committee included Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Doan, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Baughman, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Sprague, Mrs. Harold Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Elsey, Mr. and Mrs. Willard McBride, and Mr. and Mrs. Delmar VanHorn.

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# SOCIAL

**FIFTY FOURTH WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED**

The 54th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ira McBride was observed Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee McBride in Eting Acres.

The elder Mr. and Mrs. McBride were married February 11 in Mercer county, Ohio in 1905. They moved to Adams county in 1914 and have resided in this area since.

They are the parents of seven children and 29 grandchildren. They also have 10 great-grandchildren.

Those who attended the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Carl McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Barr, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McBride, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mygrant. Several of the younger generations of the family were also in attendance.

**BETTY HAUGK INSTALLED  
BY RAINBOW GIRLS**

Chapter 24 of the Rainbow girls held their installation of officers Thursday at the Masonic hall. The chapter room was decorated in the Valentine theme. Installing officers were Miss Carol Norquest, drill leader; Mrs. Anita Macklin, chaplain; Miss Elaine Cochran, recorder; Mrs. Harry Dailey, organist; and Mrs. R. O. Wynn, installing mother advisor.

Miss Betty Haugk was installed as the worthy advisor in the impressive ceremony. The new worthy advisor was escorted to the east by her father, Robert Haugk, and her cousin, Miss Lou Ann Aftelder. The Rainbow Girls then formed an arch, dressed in white aprons and white hats, and carrying kitchen utensils. Miss Donna Shoaf sang "Green Cathedral," after which Miss Haugk was presented with a bouquet of red roses.

Other officers and their posts included Miss Kay Wynn, associate advisor; Miss Julia E. Ellsworth, charity; Miss Karen Zimmerman, hope; Miss Onalea Barkley, faith; Miss Marcella Whitestone, recorder; Miss Eleanor Miller, chaplin; Miss Alice Alwein, drill leader; Miss Taya E. Erickson, love; Miss Janet Miller, religion; Miss Colleen Kelly, nature; Miss Carol Norquest, immortality; Miss Don Sue Bixler, fidelity; Miss Cynthia Collier, patriotism; Miss Margaret Azbell, service; Miss Becky Maddox, con. Observer; Miss Mary Beth Snyder, outer observer; Miss Arville Smith, musician; Miss Jeanne Finlayson, prompter; Miss Marna Wilson, choir director; Miss Etta Mae Soliday, Hoosier Staff and local reporter; Miss Nancy Gephart, historian; Miss Barbara Burk, rose lecturer; Mrs. Alton Corson, mother advisor; Mrs. Francis Ellsworth, associate mother advisor; and Mrs. Robert Colter, choir mother.

As Miss Wynn took her station, Miss Kelly and Miss Collier sang, "I Would Be True" after which Miss Judy Rhodes read a poem entitled "A Song to Mothers." After all officers had been installed, the worthy advisor introduced her relatives present. The meeting was closed with all those present repeating the Lord's Prayer.

A reception was held following the installation, for the new officers.

Members of the Salem Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at the home of Mrs. Eliza Merriman Thursday at 1:30 o'clock.

Queen of Rosary study club members will meet with Mrs. Homer Rauch Thursday at 8 o'clock.

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**OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL P.T.A.  
MEETS FEBRUARY 2**

The January and February meeting of the Vera Cruz opportunity school P.T.A. was held February 2 at the school.

Plans for the benefit dinner were announced by Mrs. Floyd Petzel, chairman of the ways and means committee. Tickets were distributed to the parents and members of the executive committee. The dinner will be held at the Elks in Bluffton February 28 from 4:30 o'clock until 8 o'clock. The Chatterbox sponsored a record hop recently with a can of food as the admission. Part of the food was given to the school and will be used for the dinner.

Pupils of the school were taken to the Shrine circus Saturday. Announcement was made that the teachers, Mrs. Alfred Girod, Mrs. Hugh Cobb, and Mrs. Harvey Inskip have completed a course of 18 weeks at Fort Wayne and have given tests that were required by the course, to the children.

Plans for the future meetings were announced with the next meeting to be held March 6. Refreshments were served in the cafeteria by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Eicher, Mrs. Palmer Sprunger, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Blocker, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zook, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Roman, Mrs. Mary Stephens, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Caston.

**PRAYER SERVICE PRECEDES  
REGULAR CLUB MEETING**

Mrs. Paul Nussbaum led members of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Monroe Methodist church, in a five minute prayer service preceding the general February meeting held recently.

A piano prelude by Mrs. Russell Mitchell opened the meeting followed by the business session conducted by Mrs. Glen Stucky. After the minutes and roll call had been taken, Mrs. Stucky announced that the world day of prayer services would be held at the church Friday at 7 o'clock. The Organ Augsburger will be the speaker for the meeting to which the public is invited. Plans were also discussed for the father and son banquet to be held April 1.

The devotional period opened with the group singing, "He Leadeth Me" with Mrs. Elmer Inniger reading devotions. Miss Donna McCullough, accompanied by her sister Joselyn, presented a vocal solo, Miss Carol Haggard, evening speaker, told of her work at the Methodist youth camp at Albuquerque, New Mexico, last summer. Following a vocal duet by Mrs. Philip Barger and Mrs. Arlene Mitchell, Mrs. Stucky closed the meeting with a prayer.

During the social hour, refreshments were served by Mrs. Shelly Stucky, Mrs. Ed Faurote, Mrs. Richard Martin, Mrs. Gerald Cook, Mrs. Howard Hendricks, Mrs. Clarence Dicks, and Mrs. Flossie Gerhardt.

The Ladies Fellowship meets recently.

The Ladies Fellowship members of the Missionary church met recently in the basement of the church.

There were 13 members and two guests, Miss Dorris Garbo-

den and Mrs. Raymond Winteregg, present for the meeting which was spent in sewing a comforter and quilt blocks.

The business meeting was opened by the president after which Mrs. Gerald Gerig gave the opening prayer. Mrs. Mervin Rupp read the devotions using Ephesians five, verses one to 15. The theme on "stewardship of our time and redeeming the time for the Lord" was given by the leader.

After the song, "Take Time to Be Holy," had been sung, the meeting was closed with a prayer.

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Mrs. Dan W. Krueckeberg

**Maryanne Sahr Is  
Married Saturday  
To Dan Krueckberg**

Miss Maryanne Sahr became the bride of Dan William Krueckeberg in a double ring ceremony performed Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the Redemption Lutheran church of Battle Creek, Mich.

The vows were read by the Rev. E. W. Nuelken before an altar

decorated with baskets of roses and carnations. Nuptial music was provided by Mrs. Donald Wilson, organist, and Miss Gloria Peterson, soloist.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Sahr of Battle Creek, are parents of the bride and the bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Krueckeberg of Decatur.

Attendants in red velvet proceeded Miss Sahr down the aisle, which was lit by candles tied with white ribbons. The gowns of the matron of honor and bridesmaids Mrs. Richard Schroer, and Miss Cherry Hyslop, Miss Adrene Rerfier, and Miss Karen Johnson, respectively, were styled with sheath lines and skirted with red nylon net shaped like a petal. They wore matching bands of red feathers and carried bouquets of white carnations and roses. Miss Debra Butler served as flower girl in a matching red velvet dress.

The bride appeared on the arm of her father, in a gown of silk taffeta.

A great skirt shaped like a petal folded into cartridge pleats to form a chapel train. Delicate traceries of re-embroidered aconite lace, seed pearls, and sequins accented the high bodice which was detailed with a bow. Her fingertip veil of illusion, was caught to a queen's crown of lace edged with seed pearls and sequins.

Attending his brother as best man was John Krueckeberg of Decatur. Ushers were William Zwick, Phillip DeBolt, and James Sheets, all former classmates of the bride.

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