



Miss Rose Louise Currie — Photo by Johnson

Parents Announce Daughter's Betrothal

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Currie of route six, Decatur, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rose Louise, to Sherman Lee Archer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Archer of route six, Decatur.

Miss Currie is a 1961 graduate of Pleasant Mills high school and is employed by the Navy department in Washington, D. C. Her fiancé is a 1960 graduate of Pleasant Mills high school and is employed by the federal bureau of investigation in Washington, D. C.

The couple will exchange vows April 7.

RUTH SIPE & JAMES KITTS ENGAGEMENT REVEALED

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Sipe of route six, Decatur, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ruth Elaine, to A/C James E. Kitts. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Kitts of Van Buren.

Miss Sipe is a graduate of Adams Central high school and is employed in the office of Aerquip Corporation. She also teaches accordion at the Decatur Music House.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Van Buren high school and the School of aviation technology of Purdue

University. He is presently an aviation cadet in the U.S. Air Force navigation training school at Harlingen Air Force base, Texas.

No date has been set for the wedding.

MONROE WCTU MET WITH MRS. FERDINAND MARTZ

Mrs. Ferdinand Martz was hostess in her home recently to the members of the Monroe WCTU. Vocal selections and lessons comprised the meeting's agenda.

Sonia Poorman entertained the members with the vocal selections entitled "Away in a Manger," "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," and "Away, Far Away Over Jordan." Devotions by Mrs. William Butcher were taken from the second chapter of Luke and prayer was offered by Mrs. Eva Brewster.

Mrs. Jack McBride gave a lesson on effectual citizenship to the group, using material from the Union Signal magazine. "Romans Ten and Nine" from a leaflet was read by Mrs. Homer Winterregg.

"There is no reason why Christmas should be let down after Christmas," was read from Eugenia Price's book by Mrs. Otto Longenberger.

During the meeting, Mrs. John Gage gave the treasurer's report. The ladies then joined to sing "Blest Be the Tie" and the dismissal prayer was offered by Mrs. Martz.

The group then enjoyed a gift exchange.

RECENT BRIDE HONORED AT SURPRISE SHOWER

Tuesday, December 26, at 7:30 p.m., a surprise bridal shower was held at the home of Mrs. Harold Dick, of near Bluffton, for Mrs. Jerry Allen Sprunger, the former Sharon Reinhard. Hostesses were Mrs. Dale Fruechte, Mrs. Bernard Meyer and Mrs. Harold Dick.

Upon her arrival Mrs. Sprunger

was presented a lovely corsage of red carnations. The evening was spent playing games and prizes were won and presented to the bride by Mrs. Larry Meyers, Mrs. Lucille Lautzenheiser, Mrs. Ernest Sprunger, Mrs. Ed Reinhard, Mrs. Della Sprunger, Mrs. Tillman Lehman and Mrs. Cliff Nussbaum.

The color scheme for the evening was red and white. The dining room table, which served as the gift table, was laid with a lace tablecloth. The centerpiece, which was a large and very beautiful arrangement of red carnations, white mums and greenery, was centered with a miniature bride and groom. The chandelier over the table was decorated with streamers of white crepe paper and a red and white bell was suspended from the center.

Refreshment of assorted cookies, salad, potato chips and coffee were served. Favors of miniature mailboxes inscribed with the name and address of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sprunger contained nuts and mints.

Guests attending were the Mesdames Ernest Sprunger, Cliff Nussbaum, Della Sprunger, Aaron Reinhard, H.B. Woodruff, Willard Steiner, Larry Meyers, Tillman Lehman, Ed Reinhard, Lucille Lautzenheiser, Charles Fell, and the Misses Zilla Sprunger, Lydia Habegger, Sylvia Reinhard, Connie Woodruff, Anne Steiner and Vickie Steiner.

LIVE AND LEARN CLUB MET ALL DAY AT MRS. BARKLEY'S

Mrs. Chalmers Barkley was hostess to the Live and Learn home demonstration club Wednesday for an all day meeting. Mrs. Glen Roughia and Mrs. Ivan Barkley were the assisting hostesses.

Twenty-two members, five children, four guests, and one honorary member, Mrs. Marion Stults, were in attendance. Mrs. Floyd McBride was welcomed as a new member.

Mrs. Ivan Barkley, president, conducted the business meeting, during which time the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Leo Workinger. Mrs. Ivan Roth read the Christmas story, followed by prayer by Mrs. Gladys Koos. New officers for the coming year were installed by Mrs. Dan Stricker, county president. Mrs. Rolland Gilliom was the winner of the door prize.

The next meeting will be January 31 at the home of Mrs. Hugh Nidlinger.

The Hope circle of the Union Chapel church will meet at the home of Miss Jeanette Brown Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Robert Workinger will be the program leader.

Unit two of WSWs of the Bethany EUB church will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Fred McConnell. The program will be presented by Mrs. Henry Adler.

The Union Chapel ladies will have their regular monthly meeting Thursday, all day, in the church basement. A pot luck dinner will be served at noon.

Members of the Eveready Sunday school class of the Methodist church will meet at the church Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The Work and Win class of the Trinity church will meet in the Fellowship hall Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. Hostesses for the meeting will be Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Garner and the Rev. and Mrs. Penrod.

Unit One of the Bethany EUB will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Martin Zimmerman.

Charity circle of Union Chapel will meet at the home of Mrs. Don Smith Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The fourth district meeting of the American Legion auxiliary will be held at the Union Baptist church, 2200 Smith street, Fort Wayne, Thursday, January 11, at 10 a.m. Members of the local auxiliary desiring reservations should call 3-3566 by Monday, January 8.

LOCALS

Joanne Lichtensteiger of Wren, O., has been dismissed from the Van Wert county hospital.

Fred W. Mills of route 2, Cloverdale, sent in his renewal to the Decatur Daily Democrat, and reports 15 degree temperature and two inches of snow.

Steve Edwards and Jim Reidenbach, both students at Hanover College near Madison, returned to school today after spending the holidays with their families.

Mrs. Bobbie Lou Neuenschwander underwent surgery Monday at Parkview Memorial hospital in Fort Wayne. Her room number is 228.

William Thornton, Jr., was dismissed from the Lutheran hospital Friday following surgery Thursday morning. He will be recuperating at his home for two

SOCIETY

Clubs

Calendar items for each day's publication must be phoned in by 11 a.m. (Saturday 9:30).

Colleen Heller

TUESDAY
Pocahontas lodge, Red Men hall, 7:30 p.m.
Nu-U club, 136 S. 11th street, 1:30 p.m.

Beta city council, Mrs. Raymond Seitz, 8 p.m.
Dutiful Daughters of Bethany, Mrs. Fred Chronister, 7:30 p.m.
Eta Tau Eigma, Mrs. Joe Rash, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
St. Gerard study club, Mrs. Joe Beauchot, 8 p.m.
St. Cecilia discussion club, Mrs. Nolan Welker, 8 p.m.
Women's Guild of Zion E & R, church social rooms, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY
Psi Ota Trading Post: 1 to 4, Donna Roth, Mary Jane Allison, Shirley Libby; 6 to 9, Karen Galbreath, Marian Koontz.
Town and Country club meeting, postponed.

Hope circle of Union Chapel, Miss Jeanette Brown, 7:30 p.m.
Unit 2, WSWs of Bethany, Mrs. Fred McConnell, 7:30 p.m.
Union Chapel ladies aid, church basement, all day.

Eveready class of Methodist, at church, 7:30 p.m.
Unit 1, WSWs of Bethany, Mrs. Martin Zimmerman, 7:30 p.m.
Charity circle of Union Chapel, Mrs. Don Smith, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY
Psi Ota Trading Post: 1 to 4, Judy Kable, Mary Strickler, 6 to 9, Karen Galbreath.
Work and Win class of Trinity, Fellowship hall, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY
Psi Ota Trading Post: 1 to 4, Barbara Fuelling, Wilma Jacobs.
39ers round and square dance, Work and Win class of Trinity,

BIRTH

At the Adams county memorial hospital:

Richard and Patsy McAnelly Gaskill, 222 N. 4th, are the parents of a baby boy born Sunday at 10:37 p.m. He weighed five pounds and one and one half ounces.

A baby girl weighing eight pounds and eleven ounces was born Sunday at 12:58 a.m. to Norris and Beverly Lewis Blocker, 609 Grant street.

Roscoe and Juanita Norton Miracle of route two, Berne, are the parents of a baby girl weighing seven pounds and five ounces, born Sunday at 6:13 a.m. Sunday at 4:55 a.m., an eight pound, seven ounce daughter was born to Charles F. and Sharon Fisher Stetler of route four, Decatur.

Gordon and Lana Opal McBride Singleton, 614 W. Adams street, are the parents of a baby girl born at 6:47 p.m. New Year's Day. The infant weighed seven pounds and five ounces.

A baby boy weighing seven pounds and 12 ounces was born at 9:15 a.m. New Year's Day to William and Norma Salmon, Smitley of route one, Bryant.

Hospital

Admitted

Charles McCullough, Decatur; Doyle Haines, Bryant; Phillip Patterson, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Melvin Brown, Geneva; Mrs. O. P. Mills, Decatur; Mrs. Hila Murray, Decatur; Master George O'Campo, Decatur; Mrs. Catharine Ehling, Monroe; Leroy Riffe, Decatur.

Dismissed

Mrs. Richard Pyle and baby girl, Fort Wayne; Carl Christner, Berne; Wilbur Meeks, Decatur; Doyle Haines, Bryant; Master Alan Beiler, Berne; Mrs. Charles Mowery and baby girl, Decatur; Mrs. James Brown and baby girl, Decatur; Mrs. Ronald Morton and baby boy, Decatur; Mrs. Wendell Beer and baby boy, Decatur; Mrs. Lewis Manns and baby boy, Ossian; Mrs. Gordon Burkhardt and baby girl, Decatur; Mrs. Robert Cavanaugh and baby boy, Monroe; Clarence Beiersdorfer, Berne; Sylvan Strahm, Monroe; Mrs. Robert Ellenberger and baby girl, Berne; Master George O'Campo, Decatur; Herbert W. Hawkins, Berne; Mrs. Elva Bauserman, Berne.

Joseph Stoekel Dies Monday in Iowa Home

Joseph Stoekel, 79, of Dyerville, Ia., brother-in-law of Mrs. Bertha Kramer of this city, died Monday at his home. He had frequently visited in this city. Mrs. Kramer and Kenneth Conrad will attend funeral services Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Stults of Waner Robins, Ga., returned home after spending the holidays with Stults' mother, Mrs. Harry L. Stults.



Mrs. Charles Bert Wymer — Photo by Cole

Call, Wymer Wed In Baptist Church

Miss Karen Elaine Call, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Call, of 110 E. Grant street, became the bride of Charles Bert Wymer Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist church.

The Rev. Robert McQuaid received the double ring vows before an altar decorated with green foliage, poinsettias and candelabra. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wymer of Kendallville.

Miss Barbara Harden, organist, played "Always," "Because," "Indian Love Call," and the traditional wedding marches and C. Allen Lehman, vocalist, sang the nuptial selections, "Whither Thou Goest," "With This Ring," "That Is Why," and "Wedding Prayer."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride appeared in a chapel length gown of chantilly lace over satin. The basque bodice featured a scoop neckline edged in tulle, jeweled with sequins and seed pearls and long lace sleeves tapering to points over her wrists. The gathered lace skirt was fashioned with a band of satin which swept to a chapel train. Her bouffant veil of pure silk illusion was held to a chantilly lace crown trimmed with sequins and seed pearls and she carried a small bouquet of red rose buds atop a white Bible.

Attendants to Miss Call included Miss Pat Leitz, maid of honor, and Miss Kathy Call and Mrs. Richard Kreisher, sisters of the bride as bridesmaids. Miss Cindy Kreisher and Howard Call, niece and nephew of the bride, served as flower girl and ring bearer. Each attendant was wearing a red brocade sheath dress with red chiffon overskirts and matching red shoes.

Their white gloves and pearl necklaces were gifts of the bride. White fur headpieces completed their costumes and each carried a bouquet of white mums.

Mrs. Call was wearing an ivory brocade dress with matching brown accessories for her daughter's wedding and Mrs. Wymer was attired in a beige lace dress with black accessories. Both mothers were wearing corsages of red rose buds.

Ted Weaver served his cousin as best man and guests were ushered to their places by Gary Wymer and Richard Wymer, brothers of the bridegroom and Joe Call and Ed Call, brothers of the bride.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the Decatur Community Center for approximately 125 guests. A red and white theme was carried out in the decor of the room with bells and bows. Red candles and green foliage graced the serving table from which Mrs. Gary Millington, Miss Helen Elliott, Miss Carolyn Crozier, and Mrs. Nolan Hoffman served the guests attending. Helping with the gifts were Miss Janice Summers, Miss Barbara Bloom, Miss Connie Call and Miss Linda Austin. Registering the guests was Miss Barbara Johnson.

When the couple left for a wedding trip of unannounced destination, the new Mrs. Wymer was

wearing a beige wool sheath with brown accessories. She had pinned her small bridal bouquet to her coat.

The bride is a graduate of Decatur high school and attended Fort Wayne Commercial College. She is presently employed as a secretary at the Memorial Baptist church in Fort Wayne. Wymer is a graduate of Kendallville high school and is stationed at Virginia with the United States Navy aboard the USS Forrestal.

Thomas L. Gase Completes Course

FORT RUCKER, ALA. (AHTNC) — Army Pvt. Thomas L. Gase, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose L. Gase, 103 S. Tenth st., Decatur, Ind., completed the five-week aircraft maintenance course at The Aviation School, Fort Rucker, Ala., recently.

Gase was trained in the servicing and maintenance of rotary and fixed wing aircraft and in the operation of army airfields. The 20-year-old soldier entered the Army last August and completed basic combat training at Fort Knox, Ky. He is a 1961 graduate of Decatur high school.

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Amos Moser Dies In California Hospital

Amos Moser, 73, of 305 West Bryan street, Berne, died at 2 a.m. Sunday at a hospital in Tracy, Calif., after an illness of three weeks of pneumonia which developed, following surgery.

Mrs. Moser, retired employee of the A. J. Moser Ford garage at Berne, and his wife, Mary, were visiting their daughters in Tracy when he became ill.

Born in Wells county Aug. 5, 1888, he was a son of Elias and Mary Reinhart-Moser, and was married to Mary Stucky Dec. 24, 1914. He was a member of the Evangelical Mennonite church.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Gordon Felber and Mrs. Orlyn Habegger of Tracy; one son, Emerson C. Moser of Elwood; eight grandchildren; three brothers, Edwin Moser of Craigville, Menno of Bluffton and Eli of Fort Wayne, and two sisters, Mrs. Herman Gerber of Bluffton rural route, and Mrs. Joe Bauman of Berne. One son, two brothers and two sisters are deceased.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Yager funeral home in Berne, the Rev. E. C. Steiner officiating. Burial will be in the Evangelical Mennonite cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. today.

Funeral Held For Mrs. Ethel Ulmer

Funeral services were held Dec. 27 for Mrs. Ethel R. Ulmer, 76, of Bluffton, a former Decatur resident. She fell at her home Dec. 16 and fractured her left arm and right thumb, and died Dec. 24 at the Clinic hospital in Bluffton. Born March 1, 1885 in Wells county she was the daughter of John W. and Susannah Ruppright Rex, who lived on North Second street for many years. Her marriage to Frank Ulmer took place here Jan. 2, 1915. He died in 1956.

Several cousins survive in the Decatur area, in addition to four daughters, Miss Martha Ulmer, Bluffton; Mrs. Glen Wheeler, Hartford City; Mrs. Roman Stein, Ft. Recovery, O.; and Mrs. Robert Eichhorn, Huntington; one sister, Mrs. Lacy Pastor, of Huntington; and two grandchildren. She was a member of the First Baptist church of Bluffton.

Cub Scout Pack 3061 Will Meet Thursday

Cub Scout pack 3061 will have its January meeting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Lutheran school auditorium. All members and their parents are asked to attend.

Driver Is Fined For Running Stop Sign

William Henry Galloway, Fort Wayne, paid a fine of \$1 and costs, a total of \$19.75, in city court this morning on a charge of running a stop sign.

Galloway was arrested by the Indiana state police this morning, when he failed to stop for the sign at the N. Second street extended and U.S. 27 intersection.

Traffic Light Story Erroneously Reported

The accident in which the traffic light on the southeast corner of the Monroe and 13th street intersection was struck down Thursday, was erroneously reported in Friday's Daily Democrat.

Grace Irene Green, 803 Parkview Drive, was stopped on 13th street, waiting for the red light to change, when struck by a car operated by Edward Gerber, route 4, Bluffton. The Gerber vehicle then crashed into the traffic light and knocked it down.



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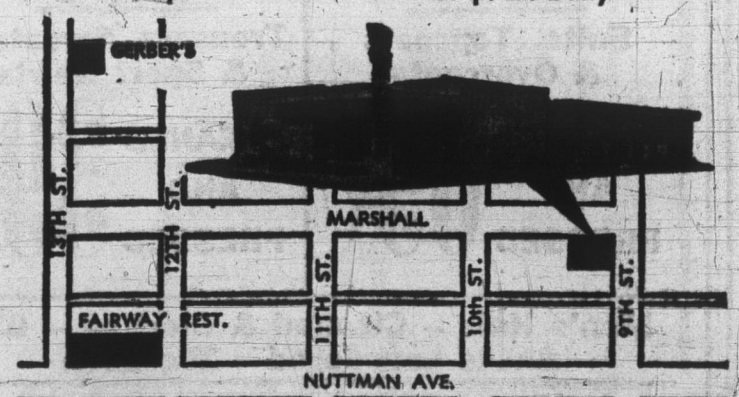
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