

Mayflower Descendants Eat Real Johnny Cake and Recall Ancestry

Dr. George Utey Explains Origin of Plymouth, Where Pilgrims Landed, and Tells of John Smith's Trip to New England.

BY BEATRICE BURGAN
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HAD any one of the 41 signers of the compact penned in the cabin of the Mayflower in November, 1620, walked into the meeting of the Society of Mayflower Descendants of Indiana last night at the Propylaeum they would have been awed with the reverence with which their experiences were mentioned. They would have been bewildered at the array of the table appointments, so unlike their primitive goods, but they would have detected a taste distinctly familiar in the hot biscuits. Those biscuits were made of Rhode Island Johnny cake meal ground by water power between granite stones, and William E. Osborn, who obtained it explained that the grain grown in Rhode Island was of the same variety of Indian corn or maize relished by the members' ancestors. At another of the dinners Mr. Osborn provided water from Brewster Spring in Plymouth, where the Pilgrim fathers settled.

These ancestors, too, would have approved the accuracy of Dr. George Utey's explanation of the origin of the name Plymouth. Dr. Utey, of the Newberry Library in Chicago, told the story of John Smith's trip to the New England seaboard before the Mayflower dropped its anchor.

Smith made a map of the shoreline but hesitated to publish it without names. So he appealed to young Prince Charles who marked it with titles chosen at random. He designated Cape James in honor of his father, Stuart's Bay for his family and Charles River for himself. The spot where the Pilgrims were to settle, he named Plymouth. "And so the name was not given by our forefathers to epitomize the title of the English port from which they finally sailed," Dr. Utey said.

The society paid honor to Joseph A. Minton, founder of the Indiana society and former governor, by electing him governor emeritus. Mrs. Tilden Greer recalled that M. Minton began in 1914 to seek organization of a society in this state similar to those established in the East. On April 14, 1915, at Mrs. Minnie Coffin Murphy's home, the society was formed. Mrs. James G. Haston, historian, is Mr. Minton's daughter.

Mrs. Fred Hoke, retiring governor, presented the members and guest speaker on the program. She sat at the speakers table with Mr. Hoke, Dr. Utey, Mrs. Greer, the Rev. George S. Southworth, Dr. Utey, Mrs. Southworth, Dr. and Mrs. Leon Zerkas, Louis J. Bailey, state librarian, and Mrs. Bailey.

Dr. Utey talked on genealogy, a topic of particular interest to Mayflower descendants. The Indiana Society members have donated many of their books on the topic to the state library and announced contributions to the library of such books as its latest project.

Geneological Records
Dr. Utey explained the importance of geneological records from the standpoint of the new respect the science of heredity, of the interest of insurance companies, lawyers and doctors in making their decisions, and the cultural uplift to individuals when they become interested in "who" they are. He cited that Washington had no time to collect and write his family genealogy and explained that many cultured Chinese families can trace their ancestry back 2000 years. For the Chinese to forget one's ancestry is to be as a brook without a source or like a tree without a root.

He ridiculed the craze to discover royal ancestors and a coat of arms, to which, he said, less than 50 families in the country actually are entitled. "It is more important rather to see that your ancestors are proud of their descendants," he concluded.

Dungan Family Largest
The Dungan family had the largest representation of members present at the dinner. They included Samuel O. Dungan, Mrs. John Williams, Mrs. Hallie Wagener and Miss Amber Dungan, all of Franklin; Charles J. Buchanan, Mrs. Clyde Titus and Mrs. Jess Pritchett Jr. Their relatives, who were guests, included Mrs. Dungan, Mr. Williams, Mr. Pritchett, Mr. Titus, Mrs. Buchanan and Mr. Wagener.

Other new officers with Mr. Southworth are Mrs. Hoke and Mrs. James P. Watson, deputy governors; Mrs. Greer, recording secretary; Mrs. Albert Gall, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Leon G. Zerkas, treasurer; Mrs. Haston, historian; Eugene E. Stacy, elder; Dr. Fletcher Hodges, surgeon; Mr. Minton, captain; Mr. Buchanan, J. L. Schell, Miss Sara Katherine Laing, Mrs. Sidney J. Laing, Mrs. Frances Reed, Mrs. Cornelius Posson and Halford W. Howland, board of assistants; William C. Smith, deputy governor general, and Mr. Osborn, assistant general.

PLAY PRESENTED AT BRIDGE PARTY
A play, "A Call on Miss Housewife," was presented under direction of Miss Leona Berlin of the Indianapolis Power and Light Co. last night at the first bridge party held in the company's new auditorium. Members of the Alpha Delta B. Alumnae Club sponsored the party with Mrs. K. L. Lupton as general chairman. Assistants were Mesdames Harry McCalla, Tom McDuffy and Lee A. Hart, and Misses Dorothy Miles, Mary Welsh, Mary Frances Hale, Caroline McKay and Martha Frost.

Proceeds will be used for the society's Christmas altruistic work.

BELGIAN WOMEN TO BE CLUB TOPIC
Mrs. John Jones is to be hostess Monday for a luncheon of the Venetian Chapter, International Travel-Study Club, Inc., and is to be assisted by Mrs. Louis Trager and Mrs. Elizabeth Underwood.

Mrs. S. R. Artman is to talk on "The Women of Belgium" and Mrs. Harry Shoorbridge is to read a paper on "Ruben, the Musician." Mrs. Gertrude McLean, Mrs. Clarence Riesley and Mrs. W. A. Wise are to be guests.

Attend Clinton Rites
Mrs. Eula Griffy, Mr. and Mrs. James Lynch, Mrs. Elizabeth Tyne, Mrs. Mae Marcum Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pauley went to Clinton today to attend the exemplification of work of Indiana Job Daughters, Bethel No. 5. Mrs. Guida Runyan, Terre Haute, grand guardian, was to attend.

Bride-to-Be Feted
Miss Mary Elizabeth Ziegler, bride-to-be, was entertained last night at a dinner given at Cifaldi's by Miss Helen McGrath. Other guests were Mesdames S. R. Hawk, B. J. Loyal, Paul Dixon and Misses Mary Murphy, Mary McGrath and Frances Roach. Miss Ziegler is to be married Thanksgiving morning to Leonard Derleth.

Husbands to Aid Play
Husbands of P-T-A members of William H. Evans School 2 and community members are to take part in "Ladies for a Night" to be presented Tuesday night in the school auditorium. Mrs. Ervin Buescher, president, and the executive board arranged the entertainment.

Arrange Thanksgiving Dinner and Dance



First Thanksgiving dinner and dance of the Indianapolis Branch, American Association of University Women, is to be held Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Woodstock Club. The dinner is to be served from 7 to 9, to be followed by dancing until midnight.

Committee chairmen, pictured above, left to right, include Mrs. S. W. Benham, tickets; Mrs. Oscar M. Helmer, entertainment; and Mrs. C. D. Alexander, general chairman. Mrs. Willis B. Lincoln Jr., a co-chairman of general arrangements with Mrs. Alexander, is not in the picture.

Members of Mrs. Benham's committee are Mesdames W. L. Worchester, E. C. Kleiderer, Ray H. Briggs and Charles L. Rose.

Conviction of 'Curfew Girl' Unjust, Representative City Residents Believe

Verdict Returned by 'Hill Billy' Virginia Jury Is Termed Gross Miscarriage of Justice by Citizens Who Think She Acted in Self Defense.

BY HELEN LINDSAY

Indianapolis believes in the innocence of Edith Maxwell, Virginia's "curfew girl," who faces a 25-year prison term for the death of her mountaineer father. "Hill-Billy" Virginia's "new-fangled gal" should have gone free, according to statements today from such representative persons as James A. Collins, former Criminal Court judge; Miss Jessie Levy, Indianapolis woman attorney; and Mrs. C. J. Finch, Seventh District Federation of Clubs president.

Basing his opinion upon newspaper accounts of the trial evidence, Judge Collins, who served on the Marion County Criminal Court bench for 16 years, said the girl merited an unconditional pardon by Gov. George C. Perry, Virginia.

Self-Defense Evident
"All of the elements of self defense were in the Maxwell girl's case," Judge Collins said. "She had been attacked brutally by her

father, who was drunk. She was trying to save her own life, not to kill him.

"I feel sure that if she had been tried in Indiana, she would have been acquitted on that ground."

A drunken man is an easy victim, Judge Collins explained. "The least blow will upset his equilibrium," he said. "I remember a case in Indianapolis where a young man came out of a saloon, and assaulted a passerby on the street. The attacked man struck the drunk, knocking him to the ground. He died from a skull fracture, and the man who struck him was acquitted on a self-defense plea."

Postmortem Might Have Helped
"Had I been defending the girl, I would have insisted on a post-mortem to determine the cause of death. I believe that it would have shown that Trigg Maxwell died from a skull fracture, as the result of a fall, rather than from the blows inflicted by a woman's shoe in his daughter's hand."

"The constitution of Indiana provides that the penal code shall be founded upon the principle of reformation and not of vindictive justice. But the hill-billies' evidently believe in vindictive justice."

"Edith Maxwell was convicted because she had acquired city clothes and manners."

Miss Levy also believes that prejudice against different clothing and training than that to which it was accustomed caused the girl to murder her father.

"Gross Miscarriage of Justice"
"It was a gross miscarriage of justice. She was not tried by a jury of her peers. The illiterate environment and training of her father's neighbors convicted her," Miss Levy said. "No one could presume that blows from a woman's shoe would result in death. Edith Maxwell tried to thwart her father's vicious assault and in doing so, killed him. I wish she lived in Indianapolis. I would be happy to help her in her fight for freedom."

"I feel confident that the Virginia supreme court will hold the verdict was contrary to the law and the evidence, if the case is appealed. Edith was tried in a prejudiced atmosphere, where bias alone decided her fate. It is an unfortunate situation, but one

that the higher courts must remedy. The girl is entitled to a chance in life, which her neighbors refuse to give her."

Women Think Verdict Wrong

Although it is against the policy of local women's organizations to take action in such a question, Mrs. Finch believes many women are incensed over the conviction.

"I have heard women in a number of groups discussing the case," she said. "The all feel that it was a miscarriage of justice and that the girl should have been freed on a plea of self defense. Women feel that a girl of that age, who has been allowed to teach school, should be allowed to lead her own life, and to regulate her own hours."

If Indianapolis sentiment is representative of that throughout the United States, protests of "Hill-Billy" justice may flow into Virginia from many communities. On the strength of these protests to Virginia's governor and higher court officials rests the fate of the 21-year-old school teacher who deserted her mountaineer training for modern ways, it was pointed out here today.

Luncheon and Bridge Honor Future Bride

Misses Judith Miley and Jean Southard were hostesses today at a luncheon and bridge party in the Columbia Club. Honor guest was Miss Mary Martha Hockensmith, who is to be married to Victor P. Hertz Thanksgiving Day at St. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

Their guests included Mrs. Donald DuShane, Appleton, Wis., who is to be married on Monday in the wedding. Mrs. DuShane is visiting her mother, Mrs. Henry McCoy.

Others were Mesdames Esther Hoover, Mary Vance Trent, Elisey Crosier, Jane Crawford, Mary Ella Julian, Marian Ballinger, Susan McGaughey and Gayle Thornbrough.

RECENT BRIDE TO BE GIVEN LINEN

Guests attending the party which Mrs. Martin Schneider and Miss Jennie Park Sheffer are to give tonight at Mrs. Schneider's home, 3107 Broadway, are to present Mrs. John Kenyon Collins, recent bride, with gifts of linen. Mrs. Collins was Mrs. Constance Roche before her marriage recently in Chicago.

Guests with Mrs. Sophia Roche, the bride's mother, are to be Mrs. Walter Crow, Peru; Mesdames Wallace P. Daggy, James Harris, Gordon Worley and Martha Lee Pierce, and Misses Alice McMahon, Martha Funnier, Florence Sanders, Dorothy Roche, Marie Ham, Viola Mason, Betty Roche, Lucille Pickle, Mary Dyer and Helen Elizabeth Martin.

PROSPECTIVE BRIDE HONORED AT PARTY

Mrs. Louis F. Bauer was hostess for the party which she and Misses Mary Beechem and Julia Hamill gave Wednesday night for Miss Martha Bany, who is to be married to Harry Mahoney Thanksgiving at St. Roch's Church.

Guests with Miss Bany's mother, Mrs. Frank Bany, included Mrs. Harold Johnke, who is to be matron of honor; Mesdames Thomas Monahan, Max De Vietten, William Lewis, Howard Harlan, Edwin Rode, Elmer Shockey, Lester Wilson and Misses Ruth Shimer, Agnes McCarty, Mary Alice Burch, Jean Hayworth, Jane Boyle, Maxine Roberts, Pauline Sandler, Henrietta Tuttle, Beulah O'Brien, Rosina Hansing, Alberta Taylor, Mary Catherine Slatery and Lillian Sauer.

Club to Hold Lectures on Day's Topics

Business and Professional Women Announce Schedule.

A lecture series, meeting the national and state programs of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs concerning knowledge of pertinent questions before citizens today, is to be conducted by the local league, according to Miss Genevieve Brown, president.

Miss Lena Madelin Phillips, New York, president of the International Business and Professional Women's Clubs, is to be speaker at a meeting Monday night, Dec. 2, at the Kirschbaum Center. Her subject is to be the equal rights amendment and international topics.

Earl Beck, consultant engineer of Eli Lilly Co., is to address the group at a meeting Jan. 6 at the Woman's Department Club on the old-age pension phase of the Social Security Act. Edward J. Green of the McCready pension engineers, also is to talk on the act.

Judge Camille Kelley, Memphis, Tenn., is to speak March 19. Tentative plans have been made for additional lectures by the committee: Mrs. Nell Warren, education; Miss Ruth Schell Martin, public relations; and Miss Isabel Drummond, international relations.

At a regular meeting of the local club last night at the Woman's Department Club, Dr. J. Raymond Schütz, head of the department of social science at Manchester College, outlined the need for social security. He defined it as broader than economic security in meeting the need for fundamental things necessary for human personalities.

"Eleven million of our nation of 60 years and over have three claims for social security, namely, the technological industrial trend, the loss of their lifetime savings and the definite trend in smaller families, which leaves a smaller number to care for the old outside of the government." Old age pensions, he predicted as here to stay, but how they are to be distributed, how much they are to provide and who is to pay them, are to be worked out.

CLUB COMMENTS ON CHURCH ART

Members commented on "Art in Churches" during the program at the New Century Club meeting Wednesday at Mrs. John W. McCord's country home at Sheridan. Mrs. George O. Lehman arranged the program which also included "Romance of Oriental Rugs," by Mrs. Emil Soufflot, and "The Mystery of the Oriental Rug" by Mrs. J. E. Barcus.

Twenty-five guests were present. Mrs. McCord was assisted by Mrs. Carl Bask. Thanksgiving favors appointed the serving tables.

SORORITY TO HAVE HOME-COMING FETE

A home-coming luncheon of Phi Delta Pi Sorority is to be held Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Columbia Club with Miss Louise G. Kiehl as chairman. A meeting to complete arrangements is to be held Friday at Miss Karl's home, 3115 Guilford-av. Miss Karl's assistants are Miss Frances Kochendorfer, Menominee, Wis.; Miss Alice Lange, Chicago, and Miss Elizabeth Raafala, Syracuse, N. Y.

GROUP RE-ELECTS 3 OF ITS LEADERS

Mrs. Marie M. Bowen is the re-elected president of the Mutual Service Association. Others re-elected are Mrs. Bernard Guedelhoefer, secretary, and Miss Gertrude Forrest, treasurer. Mrs. B. P. Prunk is new vice president and Mrs. Florence K. Thacker, parliamentarian.

New directors are Mesdames G. George, Sally Butler and Hazel Williams.

SHOPPING AROUND with Dorothy

Dramatic, glamorous evening gowns embrace such an array of fabrics and styles . . . that every girl, regardless of type, can be superbly understanding. I claimed for myself a preview of the holiday dances, or maybe "a night at the opera," by stopping in MORRISON'S second floor. The "formals" are simply devastating in variety. Rich damasks with jeweled backs and the quaintest bustles, embroidered, matelassé, white crepes sparkling and starry with rhinestones, sophisticated crepes of the Grecian mode . . . well, I could picture a spectacular dance floor with every one of the fashions floating by. You'll notice a trend among formal wear toward higher front necklines but with daring décolletage in back. And oo-oo . . . they're so many versions of the popular white evening gowns. Variety occurs again in MORRISON'S prices—smart styles for every budget. Not alone for young things, their sizes from 38 and above include many lovely and feminine frocks for dinner and the dance.

How about a nosegay of forget-me-nots . . . delivered in the clever cellophane pack?

THE NEW "HAND-CUFF" BRACELETS ARE SURE TO CLICK AMONG NOVELTY SEARCHERS. BEST WEAR THEM BOTH ON JUST ONE WRIST, THOUGH.

Such a crowd stands by to watch HELEN WETHERBEE doing postal portraits. She is a marvel 20 or 30 minutes. . . \$1 . . . that's all there is to it. Why don't you take the youngsters to her studio during next week's vacation? (Ayres 5th floor.) Just the Christmas gift for fond admirers.

So you're invited out for Thanksgiving Dinner. You can so easily make it a standing invitation if you'll heed this word of prompting. Thoughtfulness counts. RSVP with flowers for your hostess. And by all means, if you should have to send regrets, let a box of friendly chrysanthemums grace your absence. The mums at TEMPERLEY'S this season are radiantly beautiful—Daisy types, Pom poms, Buttons, Sprays, and most intriguing Anemone type Chrysanthemums. Look well to your own Thanksgiving table. The feast will be incomplete unless autumn flowers add life and color. Phone HA 1361 or stop in 5518 College-av.—You're always so welcome.

And so closes the week of highlights from the shops. Turn in to this page next Tuesday.

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RECENT BRIDE



—Photo by Payton.

Mrs. William Needham, above, was Miss Eleanor N. Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Edwards, before her marriage Oct. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Needham are at home at 1022 N. Tuxedo-st.

Booster Club's Formal Dance to Be Tonight

Riviera Booster Club's Thanksgiving dance is to be tonight at the clubhouse, with W. F. Swope, president, in charge.

A musical program by the Hoosier Trio, consisting of Lois Le Saulnier, violin; Lillian Starost, cello; Helen Starost, piano, is to be given during dinner. Entertainment of British Isle folk songs is to be given by Mesdames V. R. Teter, William J. Goory, Preston Highley, Harold Schlinch, Arthur Madison and Eugene C. Felt.

Table is to be decorated with crystal candlesticks and orange tapers, and centerpieces of yellow chrysanthemums. Music is to be provided by Jimmie Miers and his orchestra.

Reservations have been made by Emmett Green, N. E. Boyer, Russell N. Edwards, W. L. Bridges, Raymond Cashon, F. L. Dickson, Elmer Gilson, Francis Joy, Harvey Dodge, Clifford Johnston, Chester Snyder, Ord Hiatt, Mrs. Fred Marshall, I. F. Heidenrich, Clarence Griener, Earl Finley, Dr. W. W. Peet, Edward Herrold, R. S. Winchester, E. V. Mitchell, Dr. Harold Trusler, Herman Roesch, Ralph E. Suits, Elmer Goldsmith, Forest Marlette, John Lichtenberg, A. M. Buck, A. B. Fuller, L. M. Ingling, D. W. Hedges, Ernie Ambuhl, Rollin E. French, E. P. Bayless, Frank Nesbitt, A. L. Terstege, V. A. Anderson, Harry Vandevander, N. C. Sears, Wayne Swope, William Hughes, Dr. L. W. Kirtley, H. D. Unger, Robert Berry, Fred Hoffarty, Dr. G. Hinshaw, John Dougherty and H. D. Hedges.

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Luncheon at Club to Follow Town Hall Talk

Following John Mullholland's lecture tomorrow morning at the Columbia Club under the auspices of the Town Hall, the speaker is to be special guest at a discussion luncheon.

Others at the speaker's table are to be Mr. and Mrs. Russell Frazier Pierson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome K. Bash, Miss Catherine Lapenta, Mrs. Robert E. Kirby, Miss Helen Ready, Miss Mildred Gilmore, Miss Martha Jean Baker, Mrs. Charles Efronmyn, Mrs. Ray Levy, Mrs. Ernest Kruttsch and Henry Drake.

The speaker is to be introduced by J. Elder Blackledge at the lecture.

And next week-end it's the opera! Better be brushing up on the stories of Aida, Lohengrin, and Madame Butterfly . . . for when such artistic treats are booked for our stage it's the least we can do to receive them with a properly inspired "bravo" . . . gushed at the right moments. Get that classic

"The Book of the Opera—For your self (you're always intended to own one)" and see that the budding music students in your family have access to one of these faithful and comprehensive guides to real music appreciation. PEARSON'S, 128 N. Pennsylvania St., has The Book of the Opera and priced from \$1.50 up. I'd consider it seriously, if I were you, as a pre-holiday gift . . . and thence to the theater.

You should see the hand—some English type golf bag . . . oval shaped . . . with 3 pockets!

"home" is making every effort for a big Thanksgiving! The dinner Mrs. Fischer is planning includes roast turkey and all the fixings . . . heaped on the platters, served family style. (\$1.25 per plate). Very clean, new, and colorful appointments. And "home" is just a short drive—6566 W. Washington Street. Phone BE 3028 now for special party reservations.

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