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SOCIETY AT ITS SUMMER CAPITAL



Miss Brock and Mr. A. McCoerd



Young guests at Stevenson-Randolph wedding at Narragansett Pier. Left to right—Frances Mills, J. Mills, J. P. Fell, Jr., Catherine Clothier, Gertrude Chase and Elizabeth Chase.

Visitors at Newport Attracted by Cup Defenders and Mrs. Belmont's Political Equality Conference

NEWPORT, July 11.—The weather man has not been very kind to Newport so far this summer. There is no fault to be found on account of the lack of pleasant days, indeed there have been few stormy days since the summer began, but the trouble is that it remains more like early fall or late spring than like summer. Newport is not the only sufferer in this respect, for cool weather seems to be universal along the Atlantic coast. Thus far no great interest has been taken in outdoor affairs.

The indications point to a busy season among the summer residents. There have been many more arrivals during the week and much more entertaining than in any previous week this year. Luncheons have been far more popular than dinners.

A mixed doubles tennis tournament has been played at the Casino during the week and the gatherings there in the mid-morning hours have been large, for the morning concerts were started this week and music has always had a drawing power with the villa colonists. The races of the cup defender candidates off this port have been an attraction to the yachting enthusiasts in the colony. Former Commodore Edwin D. Morgan came up for the races and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney were here on their new steam yacht *Warrior* for a part of the week and almost every day took parties out to see the races.

Pembroke Jones has been another of those who have been interested in the races. Mr. and Mrs. Jones arrived early in the week and are at Sherwood in Bellevue avenue after a season's absence. Mr. Jones, while not an ex-commodore of the New York Yacht Club, bears the title of Commodore among some of his friends. This he was given some years ago when he was the prime mover in establishing the fleet of Newport thirties, which for several seasons furnished daily sport on lower Narragansett Bay. Some of the old thirties are still in commission, and they are racing here on the Fourth of July with the fleet of the Narragansett Bay Yacht Racing Association and both gave a good account of themselves. On one afternoon early in the week Mr. Jones took a party of his friends on his chartered motor yacht *Albert* on a cruise about the harbor to see the three defenders at close hand.

The city has been more or less of a suffrage centre this week. Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont has been in a large measure responsible for this. Her conference of the Political Equality Association, of which she is president, proved a big success, and from the number of society women gathered in the audience on the terrace at Marble House it may be assumed that the votes for women movement is gaining friends among them. Mrs. Hermann Oelrichs, Mrs. Marsden J. Perry and Mrs. James J. Brown were three of the hostesses of the women who came here to speak at the conference.

Then there was a suffrage meeting under the auspices of the Newport County Suffrage League this afternoon at the summer home of Mrs. James Griswold Wentz of New York, who takes an active interest in the work of the league each summer. The Congressional Union, in which Mrs. Belmont is interested, opened its summer headquarters here for the first time this week.

Mrs. Belmont's next big party will be on the evening of July 24. It is to be purely a social affair in honor of her daughter, the Duchess of Marlborough, for whom she has given one or two dinner parties since her arrival. This will be the Chinese ball that is to open the Chinese tea house, erected on the edge of the cliff at Marble House.

Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, who is again giving large luncheon parties on Sunday afternoons, has announced that she is to give a dinner party on the same evening for 100 guests in honor of Mrs. Belmont and the Duchess—"the daughter of her mother," as Mrs. Belmont introduced her at the conference. As the ball is to be a costume affair, all the guests at Mrs. Fish's dinner at Crossways will be expected to appear in Chinese garb. When they are



Mrs. Marsden Perry



Mrs. Belmont addressing audience at suffrage meeting at Newport.

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entertaining in honor of her guests. Thus far it has not been announced whether or not she has in mind any large entertainments. She probably will arrange one or two if her daughter, Countess Szechenyi, comes here. It is still commonly reported that the Countess and the Count are coming.

Mrs. Vanderbilt Entertaining Succession of Guests at the Breakers-- Arrivals of the Week

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Iselin and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Davies have been included among the week's guests. The week has seen the opening of at least three of the summer homes the owners of which have been abroad and have just returned. Those cottagers are Mrs. E. H. G. Slater, who, with her guest, Miss Gwynn of Washington, is at Hopden; Dr. and Mrs. Henry Barton Jacobs, who are at their Narragansett avenue home, and Mrs. T. Shaw Safe, who, as usual, had been sojourning in England. The villa of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills is all ready for their return from abroad.

The week has also seen the arrival of other members of the social colony who have been across the ocean on short visits. Mrs. Pembroke Jones has but recently returned; Mrs. Richard Gambrell is at her Bellevue avenue home once more, and Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt has arrived at the Gill cottage on the avenue.

Among the other arrivals have been Mr. and Mrs. Dulaney Howland, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., who is the guest of her sister for a few days before taking possession of the Astor residence, Beechwood; Mr. and Mrs. William Payne Thompson, Esorton L. Winthrop, Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Cassatt, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Haggin, Mrs. Charles L. McCauley, Mr. and Mrs. Fitz Eugene Dixon, Mrs. Hamilton McK. Twombly, Mr. and Mrs. Francis I. Gowen, Mr. and Mrs. William Goodby Loew, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Phelps Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Forsythe, Mrs. Theodore F. Kane, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lothrop Ames, Mrs. George T. Bliss and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Francis K. Sturges.

James W. Gerard, American Ambassador to Germany, who spent a short time in Newport last summer, is expected with Mrs. Gerard to spend a part of August here.

Mrs. Richard Townsend of Washington, mother of Congressman Peter Golet Gerry, is to spend the summer here and has rented the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sorohan on the cliffs. Mrs. Townsend has been a frequent visitor here, but it is some time since she has occupied a house.

Mr. and Mrs. James Laurens Van Alen had been expected from abroad during the middle of the month, but it has been learned that they will not reach here before August 1. They are to occupy Wakehurst, and will be joined later in the summer by James J. Van Alen, who was recently here, but who has since sailed for England for a brief stay.

An entertainment was given yesterday at Hazard Castle, one of the most picturesque of the old estates of the Pier, for the benefit of the Wellesley College fund. The entertainment was under the immediate supervision of Miss Caroline Hazard of Peace Dale, a former president of Wellesley.

The Point Judith Country Club, which has been open now for a month, has been attracting golf and tennis enthusiasts alike. The annual open tennis tournament of the club, to be held this year as usual under the auspices of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, will commence on August 8. A handicap golf tournament, plans for which are being laid by the golf committee of the club, of which the Rev. Philip M. Prescott is chairman, will probably take place during the first week of August.

Mrs. Samuel Valentine of New York gave a small dinner party at her villa, Valmar, on the Cliffs, on Friday evening for her house guests, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Von Goutard and Louis Keller of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Newbold Edgar of New York and of Southampton, L. I., who have been spending the early season at Narragansett Cottage, left the Pier on Wednesday for Bar Harbor, where they will stay for several weeks, prior to a trip to Europe.

The first of the regular midweek hops, to be held every Wednesday throughout the summer, was given at the Casino this week. Other dances that have been popular at the Pier so far this season are those given nightly at the Mathewson and Gladstone hotels, and the afternoon tea dances at the Mathewson have been attended by many of the cottagers and hotel guests.



Mrs. Elsie French Vanderbilt



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she has with her the Count and Countess Sigray of Hungary. She has had within the last few days Nelson O'Shaughnessy, who distinguished himself as the Charge d'Affaires at the American Embassy in Mexico city during the Mexican trouble. He and his wife spent several days here.

Mrs. Vanderbilt has done some small Prince and Princess Troubetzkoy have been other Newport visitors. Mrs. J. De Forest Danielson, at one time a regular summer visitor here, has been the guest of Mrs. French Vanderbilt, who is entertaining extensively this summer. Mrs. Danielson will not stay long, but will return to her home at Medfield, Mass.

NARRAGANSETT PIER'S NEW BEACH IS OPENED

Most of the Cottagers of Summer Colony Have Arrived-- Dinners and Dances.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., July 11.—The wedding last Saturday of Miss Emily Randolph and Philip Stevenson, the opening ball at Sherry's Casino and the other events of interest to the society that occurred on the Fourth brought a host of cottagers and hotel guests down to Narragansett; now most of the members of the summer colony have arrived.

Commodore Leonard Richards of the Eastern Yacht Club was a visitor at Narragansett Pier during the early part of the week, his steam yacht *Chetela* being moored off the Casino for several days. On Sunday many dinners were given on the terrace of the Casino. At one of the tables were Rear Admiral Charles H. Sigbee, retired, and Mrs. Morris V.