

Activities of Women Prominent in the Social Life of the Nation's Capital

In the Social World

By MAUD McDOUGALL.

Washington went over the top Thursday night... It was fairly intoxicated with the news that Germany had surrendered... The news that she had landed overseas to do the same thing over there explained the new photograph of her...

R. told a friend when he was in the White House, she is having "a perfectly corking time." His daughter, Alice, who made the most of her opportunities in the same position. She had different ideas of a good time—but she certainly had one, even as Miss Margaret Wilson does.

MRS. COLVILLE BARCLAY, wife of the counselor and charge d'affaires of the British Embassy and their youngest son.



Who are both likely to be naming their wedding days soon. There are no two better known girls in Washington than those two, both belonging to what is technically known as the resident set...

Wasn't it an interesting election? It would seem to prove—well, almost anything you want to prove. That it is not wise to say "politics is adjourned"—after a long time...

At the White House, they tell me, the President, at least as interested in the returns—all alone, except for Mrs. Wilson; though Mr. Tumulty had a group of interested politicians in the White House office...

The most astonishing, and distressing—regardless of politics—of the early returns was the report that Champ Clark had been defeated in his home district. Even those who hoped that, through the election of a Republican House, he might cease to be Speaker, would have keenly regretted his ceasing to be Speaker...

There was, on the whole, rejoicing that Washington was to have the Truman Newberry back from Detroit. They were part of the cabinet circle. Mr. Newberry was Assistant Secretary and then Secretary of the Navy during the entire four years of Roosevelt's second term—and are regarded as eminently desirable both politically and socially.

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Miss Davison was one of the first American girls to go abroad and in now, I believe, a petty officer on duty in England. From which I assume that the engagement is a war romance, and that she met Lieut. Commander McCormick "over there."

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Still there was the feeling that if the Lewises lost, Washington would not necessarily lose them—the administration would take care of them. Whereas if the McCormicks lost, Washington would lose them. And that would be a distinct loss. For they are young people of ideas, and their retaining, while it has for the past two years been welcome, is still a distinct loss.

Last year they had a house up on New Hampshire avenue, within about a block of Mrs. Stotesbury's former home, now occupied by the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Houston. Or, rather, they had two houses, for the scarcity of available and suitable houses made it almost impossible for them to find one that met their requirements. So when they bought a house on New Hampshire avenue, handsome, but not large enough, and another next door to it, and exactly like it, also available—they promptly took them both—and were able to make themselves quite comfortable.

This year, however, they have taken a big old fashioned house down on Jackson place—a house that is owned by Mrs. Richard Townsend, and which was her home until she bought, remodeled, and occupied her present home up on Massachusetts avenue. It was occupied up to the beginning of the year by Chevalier and Mrs. McRappard, when the former was the minister of the Netherlands, and has traditions of hospitality to be maintained.

And, to return to our engagements, there are Sophie Johnson and Ethel Harlow, whose engagements were both announced a week ago and

Lewis told fortunes throughout the evening. And all sorts of organizations from the country clubs to the suffrage associations are sending out notice of the resumption of weekly dances interrupted by the influenza.

The National American Woman's Suffrage Association keeps open house Friday evenings for war workers and soldiers and makes all most cordially welcome at their headquarters at 169 Rhode Island avenue. There are by the way rather laughing in their sleeve at having elected Mrs. Mary M. Lilly to the State legislature in New York, from a rock-ribbed Republican district, on the Democratic ticket.

For six terms a Republican has been returned to the assembly from this district. So certain was this party of its hold on the district that no campaign was made for its recapture this year. With something of the spirit that prompted other leaders to put in a woman where victory seemed impossible, the Democrats selected Mrs. Lilly this year as the opposing candidate of Abraham Ellensbogen, who has been in the legislature four years.

Mrs. Lilly is apparently as much surprised as any one, though she worked hard for the election she admits that she had not the most remote idea of winning. Says Mrs. Lilly: "I can only promise that I will do everything in my power to further legislation that will benefit the women of the State and try to repay those who gave their time, strength and ability to help me."

My first duty will be to prove myself 100 per cent American. I have been a school teacher and a lawyer, and I have tried to be an American first, last and all the time," Mrs. Lilly said. "I shall stand for advanced legislation on women's rights in Albany and work for concrete pay for women workers. I want to see a minimum wage law and get rid of the garbage plant at the foot of Seventy-seventh street, also to protect Riverside Drive."

Mrs. Lilly has a son, J. Joseph Lilly, who is a captain and judge advocate at Camp Dix.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Bloch have returned to their home in the city after a stay of some weeks in New York, the guest of relatives.

Mrs. A. Koenigsberger is back in Washington after enjoying a short visit to relatives in New York.

Mr. M. Simons after spending some time with friends in New York has come back to his home.

The Misses Miriam Oettinger and Fannie Rich have resumed their studies at Goucher College, Baltimore.

Mrs. M. S. Cohen has returned to her home in the city after a short visit with friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. M. Ball has been enjoying a short stay with relatives in Philadelphia, but she is now at home.

Miss Alene Kronheim, after a visit with relatives in Philadelphia, has returned to Washington.

Miss Florence Levy, who has been spending some time with relatives in Charlestown, W. Va., is expected back at her home in the city shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lewy, of Baltimore, who have been visiting relatives here, have gone home.

Mrs. W. Hahn and daughter are now in their new home in Cleveland Park.

Mrs. J. D. Kaufman and Miss Elizabeth Anne have returned to their home in the city after spending some time in Nashville, Tenn., the guests of relatives.

Miss Rose Berman has returned to her home in the city after spending some time with relatives in Boston, Mass.

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