

With the Foreign Service

Department Career Started at Age 16

Sangers Plan and Decorate Room; Former Ambassador Visits Indiana

By Selma Roosevelt

For a woman to enter the service of the Department of State at the age of 16 is unheard of—but Mrs. Frances Dabell, now a training specialist at the Foreign Service Institute, is one who did.

"That was so many years ago, I hate to tell you the date," she laughed, "but it was in 1916, when I happened to be traveling abroad."

Mrs. Dabell had gone to visit her brother, Mr. Albert F. Nufer, who is now United States Ambassador to the Argentine. At that time Mr. Nufer was a young foreign service officer stationed in Germany. America had not yet entered World War I, but our mission there had been left with the responsibility of looking after British interests.

"I was at loose ends," Mrs. Dabell explained, "and my brother needed help desperately, so I soon found myself an employee of the United States Government."

And her career with the State Department has continued for almost 40 years with only brief interruptions.

After America and Germany severed diplomatic relations, Mrs. Dabell returned to the states and subsequently was assigned to Cuba, Rotterdam, Cologne, Antwerp and Cairo. During the Cairo assignment she married and resigned from the service in 1934. She was asked to return in 1940.

Because of her fluency in four languages—Spanish, German, Dutch and French—the department was most anxious to have her assist with the refugee and displaced persons problems brought on by World War II.

She then served in Havana, Mexico City, Cairo and Dublin and since 1952 has been with the Foreign Service Institute.

Among her present duties is the job of giving an orientation course to newcomers to the department who are about to go overseas for the first time.

Authentic Arabian Room

The State Department's Richard Sanger, whose book "The Arabian Peninsula," was published recently, must have derived much inspiration from the fabulous Arabian room

which he and his wife planned and decorated.

Located on the bottom floor of his Westmoreland Hills home, the room is authentic in every detail, with a recessed ceiling, arched windows, and a circular canopied fireplace.

Souvenirs of many years spent in the Middle East make up the furnishings—rare Oriental rugs, low divans covered with red and gold cloth from Aleppo, a beautiful screen which once covered the window of the women's quarters in a Damascus harem, chairs of teakwood inlaid with ivory and mother of pearl and vast quantities of brass trays and ornaments.

The Sangers' 13-year-old daughter, Patricia, has a souvenir of her own which is her contribution to the room. It is a green silk harem robe embroidered in gold given to her by the present ruler of Saudi Arabia, King Saud, who also has a daughter her age.

Mr. Sanger is now public affairs adviser on the staff of the Assistant Secretary for the Near East, South Asia and Africa.

Coming and Going: Former Ambassador to Iraq Burton Berry, who has just retired after 26 years in the foreign service, left Washington Thursday for a trip to his native State of Indiana.

The newly-appointed successor to Mr. Berry is Mr. Waldemar J. Gallman, who is now United States Ambassador to South Africa. Mr. Gallman is expected to return to the States in late summer for home leave and consultation before departing for Iraq.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Taylor Peck have returned to Washington after four years in Peru where he was Director of the Peruvian-American Cultural Institute. The Pecks will be here most of the summer visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. David St. Pierre Gallard.

Just returned from an European lecture tour for United States Information Agency, is Professor Bruce Hopper, noted Harvard authority on Eastern Europe and Russia. He and Mrs. Hopper will be in Washington for about 10 days.

Engagements Announced

Mrs. J. A. Hutchison of Minneapolis, Minn., announces the engagement of her daughter Lois to Mr. Russell Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Johnson of Omaha, Neb. Miss Hutchison is a graduate of the University of Minnesota and Mr. Johnson is an alumnus of the University of California, Los Angeles.

The wedding will take place at the Augustana Lutheran Church, Washington, in October.

Palmer-McMeth
Mr. and Mrs. C. Orman Palmer announce the engagement of their daughter Diana to Lt. Raymond N. McMeth, son of Mrs. C. W. McMeth and the late Mr. F. R. McMeth of Birmingham, Ala. A September wedding is planned.

Sheintal-Stein
Mr. and Mrs. Sol Sheintal of Silver Spring announce the engagement of their daughter Nina to Mr. Arnold P. Stein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Stein of Bethesda. A summer wedding is planned.

Miss Sheintal is a graduate of the Gardner School of Business. Her fiancé is attending the University of Maryland.

Loring-Gibbs
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Loring of Arlington, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter Carole Jane to Mr. Thomas W. Gibbs, son of Mrs. Lucius W. Gibbs of Alexandria. A September wedding is planned.

Miss Loring is a graduate of Cambridge Academy in Cambridge, Mass.

Mr. Gibbs is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he is now doing graduate work in metallurgy.

Suter-Redecker
Mr. and Mrs. William M. Suter of Chevy Chase announce the engagement of their daughter Dorothy Ann to Mr. James S. Redecker of Baltimore.

Miss Suter is a graduate of Temple Business College of Washington. Her fiancé is in the Coast Guard.

Bell-Robinson
Col. and Mrs. Charlie H. Bell of Sampson Air Force Base, N. Y., announce the engagement of their daughter Sheila Jean to Capt. Allan K. Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin A. Robinson of Falls Church. The wedding will take place in August.

Miss Bell is a graduate of Madison College in Harrisonburg, Va. Her fiancé is now assigned with the Army engineers at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Schroch-Grogan
Mr. and Mrs. Simon Schroch announce the engagement of their daughter Mary Margaret to Mr. Stanley J. Grogan, Jr., son of Col. and Mrs. Grogan of Washington.

The wedding will take place on September 20.

The bride-elect attended Eau Claire State College, in Eau Claire, Wis., and currently is serving as a stewardess with Eastern Airlines. Mr. Grogan is a graduate of American University, where he is now completing graduate work.

Foss-Anthony
Mr. and Mrs. Noble Foss of Milton, Mass., announce the engagement of their daughter Constance to Mr. Edward Lovell Anthony II, son of Mr. and Mrs.

De Forest Anthony of Washington. An October wedding is planned.

Miss Foss attended Garland Junior College and the University of Arizona and is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. Her fiancé is a graduate of Harvard College and the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, and is now with the Small Business Administration here.

Mr. Anthony is a member of the Badminton and Tennis Club and Longwood Cricket Club. He is also a member of the University and Harvard Clubs of Washington.

Jennings-White
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace E. Barker, Jr., of Arlington announce the engagement of their niece, Miss Betty B. Jennings, to Mr. Chester Jackson White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis C. White of Mathews County, Va. A late summer wedding is planned.

McCallum-Finnerty
Maj. Charles P. McCallum, U. S. M. C., retired, and Mrs. McCallum announce the engagement of their daughter Mary Jean to Mr. Edward Finnerty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Finnerty of Staten Island, N. Y.

Miss McCallum is a graduate of Dunbarton College of the Holy Cross.

Mr. Finnerty graduated from Fordham University and is now attending Georgetown University School of Medicine.

Gorman-McGlynn
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Leo Gorman announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Ann, to Mr. Thomas Michael McGlynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Patrick McGlynn of Washington. No date has been set for the wedding.

Miss Gorman is a graduate of the Academy of Notre Dame and is a member of Omega Beta Delta Sorority.

Mr. McGlynn attended St. Anthony's School and served in the United States Navy during the Korean war.

Snyder-Downey
Mr. and Mrs. Russell W. Snyder of Falls Church announce the engagement of their daughter, Janice Irene, to Mr. Paul Downey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Downey of Rahway, N. J. A spring wedding is planned.

Sapir-Jewish
The engagement of their daughter, Marjorie Carol, to Mr. Gary King Jewish has been announced by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Sapir.

Mr. Jewish, son of Mrs. Halbert Brown and the late Mr. Henry King Jewish, attended the University of Maryland and is now a member of the armed forces stationed at Fort Belvoir.

Spaulding-Begnell
The engagement of Miss Jo Anne Spaulding to Mr. Francis James Begnell of Philadelphia has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Spaulding of Country Club Hills, Va. Mr. Begnell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Begnell of Philadelphia. A November wedding is planned.

The bride-elect, a fourth gen-



MODEL BEHAVIOR—Interested spectators at the practice session for the models-to-be in the Turkish fashion show being held July 15 by the Washington Fashion Group for the benefit of the Costumes Collection of the Smithsonian Institution, include Mrs. Bourke Hickenlooper standing, and next to her Mrs. Thomas Hennings, Jr., and Mrs. Harold C. Hagen. Seated in the back row are Mrs. Richard Simpson, and Mrs. Stanley Rumbough, Jr. On the runway is Mrs. Tazewell Shepard, daughter of Senator and Mrs. John Sparkman.

Plans Start For Turkish Fashion Show

Mrs. Richard Nixon, wife of the Vice President, and Mrs. Erkin, wife of the Ambassador of Turkey, are honorary chairmen for a fabulous fashion show, titled, "A Turkish Delight," featuring a collection of Turkish fashions, past and present.

The fashions are part of a floating exhibition, coming by ship from Turkey to the United States, as a goodwill gesture and will be shown in the newly air-conditioned ballroom of the National Press Club on Thursday, July 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. Miss Elmi Sakas, regional director of the Washington Fashion Group, has arranged for the showing to be sponsored as a benefit and proceeds will go to the Costumes Collection of the Smithsonian Institution.

Mrs. Gladstone Williams has been named general chairman of the benefit and will stage the production, "A Turkish Delight."

Of unusual interest will be the models. In addition to the 10 native Turkish models, transported by ship to this country, many of the costumes will be modeled by women in official life. Among them will be Mrs. Herbert Brownell, wife of the Attorney General; Mrs. Thomas Hennings, Mrs. Bourke Hickenlooper, Mrs. Thomas Kuchel, Mrs. Russell Long and Mrs. George Malone, all wives of Senators; Mrs. John Dempsey, Mrs. Harold Hagen, Mrs. Richard Simpson, and Mrs. William Wampler, wives of Representatives.

In addition, Mrs. Tazewell Shepard, daughter of Senator and Mrs. John Sparkman, and Miss Jean Taft Douglas, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Paul Douglas of Illinois will model on July 15, as will Mrs. Stanley Rumbough, Jr., daughter of Mrs. Joseph E. Davies; debutante Susanne Walker and Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest.

Distinguished patrons and patronesses, headed by the Turkish Ambassador and Mme. Erkin, include the Attorney General and Mrs. Brownell, Senator and Mrs. Clinton Anderson, Senator and Mrs. Price Daniel, Senator and Mrs. Homer Ferguson and Mrs. William Fulbright, Senator and Mrs. Walter F. George, Senator and Mrs. Hennings, Senator and Mrs. Spessard Holland, Senator and Mrs. Hickenlooper, Senator Henry Jackson, Senator and Mrs. Long, Senator and Mrs. Malone, Senator and Mrs. Pat McCarran, Senator and Mrs. John Sparkman, Senator and Mrs. Wampler, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts Wood Bliss, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Bretsch, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Chapman, Col. and Mrs. Alf Heiber, Mrs. Robert Whitney Imbrie, Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Priest and Mr. and Mrs. A. Burks Summers.

Tickets may be secured at the Greater National Capital Committee, 1616 K street N.W.

Cynthia Goff To Be Bride

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee Goff of Bethesda announce the engagement of their daughter Cynthia Ann to Mr. Michael H. Heffron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Heffron. A November wedding is planned.

Miss Goff is a graduate of Stephens College in Columbia, Mo.

Mr. Heffron is a graduate of Fordham University and is attending Catholic University.

Service News

Vacations Forecast Fun for Families

Mrs. Sory Smith and Son Sail for Hawaii; Gen., Mrs. Ogle Return From Germany

By Evelyn Dent

The new Air Force chief of information, Brig. Gen. Brooke E. Allen, and Mrs. Allen, will stay in their attractive house at Gainesville, Va., until the autumn. Their plan now is to move into town in time for the opening of school.

Mrs. Allen's parents, retired Air Force Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Walter H. Frank, live at Hunting Towers, Alexandria, where their granddaughters, Toni and Nikki Allen, are frequent visitors. Toni leaves this week for Mount Shenandoah Camp, near White Sulphur Springs.

Gen. and Mrs. Allen will be joined this week by the former's mother, Mrs. W. R. Allen of Wilmington, N. C., who will spend the month of July with them.

Gen. Allen succeeded Maj. Gen. Sory Smith, who left on Thursday by air for his new post as commander of the new Pacific Air Force with headquarters at Hickam Air Base, Honolulu.

Mrs. Smith with her son, Cadet Nigel Mathieson, left yesterday for San Francisco, where they will board ship for a more leisurely trip to the Islands. Mr. Mathieson will return to West Point after a two-month leave.

One of the most popular couples in the Air Force, Gen. and Mrs. Smith can count their friends in all four corners of the globe, and no doubt they will entertain a great deal in their new home.

Arrive From Wiesbaden
The Air Force surgeon general, Maj. Gen. Dan C. Ogle, and Mrs. Ogle, arrived in New York yesterday from Wiesbaden, Germany. After a brief few days here in order to see their son, Mr. James Ogle, who is a student at the University of Maryland, and to house hunt, they will go on leave for two weeks.

The Air Force assistant vice chief of staff, Maj. Gen. Robert W. Burns, and Mrs. Burns, with their children, Robert and Marcia, left on Thursday for Florida.

Gen. and Mrs. Burns have bought a house at Ormond Beach, Daytona, where the family will live for two months. Gen. Burns plans to stay for this long week end and will return there again for a short visit in August.

The assistant deputy chief of staff, personnel, Maj. Gen. John Stewart Mills and Mrs. Mills, have returned here for a third tour of duty and are in quarters at Bolling Air Force Base.

The family came here from

their home in Del Mar, Calif., where they spent three weeks' leave after a tour of duty at Albuquerque, N. Mex. At present their children, Melinda and John, are enjoying the summer on the Bolling Base.

Newcomers to Bolling

The deputy chief of staff, development, Lt. Gen. Donald L. Putt, and Mrs. Putt with their son William, are also newcomers on the Bolling Air Force Base. They arrived recently from Baltimore, Md., where Gen. Putt had been commanding the Research and Development Command.

They expect to entertain just as soon as they are settled. William Putt has been a student at Baltimore Friends School, and will return there this fall.

Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Richard C. Lindsay have as their house guest Miss Heidi Asper, of Zurich, Switzerland, an American Field Service Foreign Exchange student.

Their son Richard also is home from Manlius Military Academy, N. Y., and expects to attend Sullivan's this fall to prep for entrance to the new Air Force College.

Miss Asper recently graduated from Central High School in Syracuse, N. Y., and is a guest of the Lindsays for the long week end. Later she will join other foreign students for a three-week trip through the Eastern States, returning here for a brief tour of the Capital before leaving for Canada en route home.

Return to California
Retired Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Harold L. George returned to their home in Beverly Hills, Calif., on Thursday as passengers of the non-stop inaugural flight of the American Airlines from Washington to Los Angeles. Gen. George commanded the Air Transport Command throughout World War II and is now Mayor of Beverly Hills.

While in town they stayed at the Mayflower where they entertained for their many friends. Gen. and Mrs. Lindsay were their guests at dinner on Wednesday.

The commanding officer of Bolling Air Force Base, Brig. Gen. Stoyte O. Ross, and Mrs. Ross, have as their house guests Lt. Col. and Mrs. Vincent C. Crofut, of Mitchell Air Force Base, N. Y. They arrived Thursday and will return to New York on Tuesday.

Gen. and Mrs. Kennebeck and



MRS. VERNON G. EDWARDS
The former
Miss Patricia M. Curry.
Her marriage to Sgt. Vernon G. Edwards, U. S. M. C., took place at the Arlington Methodist Church on June 19.



MRS. RICHARD L. ELKINS
The former
Miss Earlean L. Feldman.
The Andrew Chapel in the Methodist Church at Coleville, Md., was the scene of the wedding on June 19.

Ross, have as their house guest Mrs. Daniel F. Smith, wife of Navy Captain Smith, of Pensacola, Fla.

Mrs. Smith, enroute to her Florida home after a holiday spent in Massachusetts and New York arrived here Thursday and will leave Tuesday for the South.

On Friday, Gen. and Mrs. Ross entertained at a 6:30 party in their quarters for their guest.

The summer house at the Ross quarters on Wednesday was a very lively place. When about 16 young people of the Base and their friends held a barbeque picnic. It served a two-fold purpose for the guests to say goodbye for the summer and to welcome others as new arrivals on post.

Melisse Ross, daughter of Gen. and Mrs. Ross, was there to greet the young people, who included William Putt, Cadet Charles B. Stone, Richard B. Lindsay, Robert and Marcia Burns, and Miss Heidi Asper.

Mrs. Ross and Melisse will go to Hendersonville, N. C. for the month of August, and the general expects to spend several week ends with them.

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