



THE SOCIAL WORLD



Announcements of engagements and contributions of interest relating to weddings and social gatherings should be sent to **Lady Editor, "Sporting and Dramatic Review" Office, Auckland.** In all cases the writer's signature and address must be attached (not for publication). Photographs of wedding groups will be reproduced by arrangement.

Mrs. W. H. Parkes, who recently returned from England, is staying at Mon Desir, Takapuna.

At St. John's Church, Latimer Square, Christchurch, on February 11, the marriage was celebrated of Miss Rose Dorothy Field, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Field, of Kaituna, to Mr. John Trevor Robertson, formerly of Edinburgh, and now of Wellington.

Mrs. R. L. D. Kidston and her daughter, and Miss Haybittle, have returned to Wellington from Sydney.

General Pau and Madame Melba had a great welcome on arriving at Vancouver.

Major Sir Robert Walker and Lady Walker are visiting the Hermitage, Mount Cook.

Mrs. Vivian Riddiford, Wellington, and her children are on a visit to Mrs. Thorne-George, St. Stephen's road, Parnell.

Miss Hilda Miles, Wellington, is leaving for a trip to Vancouver.

The engagement is announced in an exchange of Lieutenant Mark Caselberg, youngest son of Mr. M. Caselberg, to Miss Marie Ziman, eldest daughter of Mr. David Ziman, of Reefton.

Mrs. J. Franks, of Yaldhurst, Canterbury, who is in her seventy-ninth year, has been working for the Red Cross since January, 1915, and has completed 400 pairs of socks for soldiers.

Mrs. Henry Brett, of Auckland, is on a visit to Christchurch.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Macdonald, Auckland, are the guests of Mrs. Cyril Ward, Merivale, Christchurch.

Advice by cable from Melbourne announces the engagement of Miss Dulce Metz, Christchurch, to Mr. Russell Joseph, of Melbourne.

At the Church of the Sacred Heart, Petone, Mr. Thomas O'Neill, son of Mr. F. O'Neill, of Glenham, Southland, was married to Miss Cecilia Levey, tenth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Levey, of Plunket Avenue, Petone.

Miss Zaidee Nathan, Wellington, has left on a visit to England.

Miss Fraser, daughter of Sir William Fraser, leaves by the Makura for Vancouver.

The Auckland Education Board has granted permission to a Morrinsville teacher, Miss M. Harper, to exchange with a Canadian teacher, subject to the approval of the Chief Inspector.

Mrs. J. R. Gibbons has been approached by two large societies in Wellington, and asked to allow herself to be nominated for the Wellington City Council, and she has consented to accept nomination. A woman councillor has never yet been elected in Wellington, but Auckland at present has two, Miss Melville, a solicitor, and head of the Auckland Civic League, and Mrs. McGuire, wife of the medical superintendent of the Auckland Hospital; Christchurch has one, Mrs. Ada Wells.

Dr. Gladys Montgomery, formerly of Papatoetoe, has been appointed honorary anaesthetist at the Auckland Hospital.

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Miss E. H. Cole, house secretary of the Palmerston North Y.W.C.A. Hostel, was presented with a silver-backed mirror, brush and comb, by the boarders prior to her departure for England. Miss Gebbie succeeds Miss Cole.

Mrs. S. Nathan and her daughter, Mrs. Bickerton Fisher, intend leaving for England shortly.

Twenty-five New Zealand nurses left for Australia last week, under direction of the Public Health Department, to assist in fighting the influenza epidemic. This was in response to a request made by the Australian authorities. The names of the nurses are as follows:—G. Gill, A. Hayward, G. Gardner, V. Montgomery, F. Howatson, W. Hyams, I. Gunn, H. O'Connor, (Mrs.) E. Eccles, J. Burbush, E. Pollard, S. Polden, (Mrs.) M. Tattle, H. Petersen, K. Noble-Campbell, H. Macgregor, E. Rendall, E. McIntosh, A. Knowles, F. McDonald, L. Boardman, A. Ireson-Jones, H. Hall, J. Hogg, C. Colley.

An interesting wedding took place at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, on January 29, when Surgeon-Lieut. George Wade Sinclair, eldest son of Colonel Eric Sinclair, of Manly, Principal Medical Officer, N.S.W., was married to Miss Grace Bell Groom, youngest daughter of the Hon. Littleton E. Groom, Minister for Works and Railways, and acting-Attorney-General of the Commonwealth, and Mrs. Groom, of Toowoomba, Queensland. The Rev. G. W. Ashton (an old friend of the bride's family), Incumbent of All Saints', St. Kilda, officiated, assisted by the Precentor of the Cathedral, Rev. H. Kelly. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful gown of rich ivory duchesse satin, with an overdress of white georgette, embroidered in silver. Each side of the skirt was prettily arranged, and a long court train fell from the shoulders. The veil, reaching to the hem of the dress, of magnificent Venetian lace (kindly lent by Mrs. Norman Brookes, and worn at her wedding), was suspended from a coronet of orange blossoms. A

Miss Lolita Robertson (Mrs. M. B. Figman in private life), who with her husband made many friends in Auckland during their season of "Nothing But the Truth," makes a special study of stage frocking, designing all her own confections, which suit so well the lines of her graceful girlish figure. Her first frock in the Truth crusade play is a brocaded taffetas, patterned in leaf green and violet flowers alternating with a silver stripe, fashioned a la Dresden, revealing a petticoat skirt of ecru lace and bunched up with narrow streamers of violet ribbon velvet. A small drooping hat of violet tulle with a tiny circlet of leaves completed an alluring toilet. The second gown was delicate pink souple satin following the moyenage line, the softly pleated skirt being topped with a pale blue piping with full pouches at the side lined with blue broche. The long sleeves were of pink ninon, a frill of the same outlining the simply-cut corsage. In "The Man on the Box," which Mr. Figman will produce in Wellington in addition to "Nothing But the Truth," Miss Robertson wears a wedding gown that strikes the last note in exquisiteness. Of rich ivory taffetas, it is solidified with a pattern of silver thread worked in entrancing design, and is cut in one piece moulded to the figure and terminating in a fish train. The décollete bodice is caught with a massive cabochon of silver, and the short full sleeves are of heavy beaten silver lace. Another creation she will be wearing as Betty Annesley in a symphony in sapphire blue and emerald green, the tunic top ending in a cascade of dewdrop brilliants, which set off the softness of the befrilled underskirt of georgette.

Mrs. Deans, Christchurch, who is leaving for England, was entertained at a farewell tea by Mrs. Carey Hill, president of the Christchurch Victoria League, last week.

The marriage was celebrated at All Saints' Church, Palmerston North, on February 19, of Miss Noeline Keeling, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Keeling, of Palmerston, and Lieutenant Ernest E. Lewer (M.C.), only son of Mr. E. O. Lewer, of Karori. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. Hubert Keeling, wore a short gown of Brussels net over shell pink charmeuse, with frills of Limerick lace. A court train of duchess satin lined with shell pink hung from the shoulders. She wore a Juliet cap of Limerick lace and the bridal veil which had been worn by her grandmother. The bridesmaids were Misses Sandy McDonald, Patricia Keeling and Peggy Bagnall. Lieutenant B. J. Jacobs was best man, and Captain Mills (Wellington) groomsmen. The bridegroom and his attendant officers were all in uniform. Lieutenant Lewer gained his commission on the field at the battle of the Somme, earned the M.C. at Messines, and was seriously wounded in July, 1917, at Le Basse Ville, and later invalided to New Zealand.



MISS CECILIA MORRIS, M.B.E., of Reefton, who has been a devoted worker in the cause of patriotism during the war years.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nathan, of Auckland, with their daughters, the Misses Mollie and Joyce Nathan, leave on a visit to England in April.

"If the competitions do nothing else," said Mr. J. F. Montague, judge of elocution at the Wellington competitions, "it fosters a love for the beautiful in poetry and good music. Competitors are compelled to learn the pieces set for them, and, having done so, they remain with them a joy for the rest of their lives. So it is with music. The pieces set for competitors are invariably the best of music, and must have an elevating effect on the young people who have to learn them for all time."

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sheaf of lovely water lilies was carried. The bridesmaids were Miss Jessie Littleton Groom (sister of the bride) and Miss Lorna Lukin (daughter of Judge Lukin, Queensland). They were dressed alike in palest blue and pink tulle, veiling shell pink crepe de chine, trimmed with trails of handmade fairy roses; pale pink tulle veils, held in place with wreaths of fairy roses, were worn, and their posies of blue forget-me-nots and Cecil Brunner roses, veiled and tied with tulle, completed the colour scheme. The trainbearers, Cynthia and Elaine Brookes, were daintily frocked in pink and blue tulle, caught with trails of roses. They were mob caps of pink and blue tulle, and carried lover's knots of pink roses and forget-me-nots.

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