

## Sunday Wedding Most Charming

A wedding as lovely as any young couple could dream, was that which united Miss Martha Morrison and Mr. Walter Hunsaker last Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist Church.

In an atmosphere made golden by the sunlight streaming through the tinted glass; filled with the fragrance of a thousand roses and tremulous with the songs of birds and the soft music of the organ. Rev. Ford Gilbert impressively performed the ceremony. And the kiss with which the happy groom saluted the bride was far from perfunctory.

Miss Maydell Pistole at the organ played many of the old, sentimental melodies dear to every heart. Just before the bridal party entered the church, William Wallace sang "Because."

To the strains of Mandelsohn's Wedding March, the bride came up the aisle on the arm of her father, Mr. W. H. Morrison, who gave her into the keeping of the groom. She was attended by two former school friends, Mrs. Elaine Ramsey of Los

Angeles, and Mrs. Fred Alred of Santa Barbara. Frances Scudder of Los Angeles, a college mate of the groom, acted as best man. Giles Morrison and Bob Hunsaker were the ushers.

The service was impressively read by Rev. Ford Gilbert. After receiving the congratulations of the assembled friends the bridal party repaired to the Morrison home where the bride cut the wedding cake and served punch.

The bride was a picture of loveliness in a gown of pink lace over pink satin. She wore a finger-tip veil of pink tulle edged with a lace applique and carried gardenias and lillies of the valley with a lace handkerchief which her grandmother Morrison had carried years ago at her wedding.

Mrs. Ramsey was gowned in pale blue gorgette and carried pink sweet peas while Mrs. Alred was garbed in pale yellow lace and carried orchid and pink sweet peas.

The happy pair left late Sunday afternoon on a honeymoon trip and on their return will be at home at 514 South Seventh street.

The many beautiful gifts received by the bride bear witness to the affection in which Mr. and Mrs. Hunsaker are held by their many friends.

## Oil Seekers More Hopeful

James H. Down and other members of the Commonwealth Oil Company which has been for nearly ten years prospecting for oil in what is known as the Arden anticline, ten miles southwest of Las Vegas, have had their hopes revived recently.

Oil prospecting is always an expensive and an uncertain game, but its rewards are great. More than ten years ago Mr. Down and others located approximately 100,000 acres of prospective oil lands and secured a government permit to drill. A company was formed and some money provided for the purchase of drilling machinery and the expenses of drilling.

The work was prosecuted as rapidly as financial limitations would permit and a depth of 1440 feet finally reached by the bit, when by an unforeseen circumstance, the cable broke and left the sixty-foot string of tools in the bottom of the hole.

That was fifteen months ago. Since then large expense has been incurred and much effort put into devising means of recovering the lost tools, and clearing the hole for further drilling.

The drill was finally removed from the hole by the device of drilling another hole alongside the first. However this left the situation such that it was necessary to fill the hole with concrete for sixty feet, then redrill in a straight line through the concrete. This work has finally been approximately completed and the well is in good shape and 15 1/2 inches in diameter to the 1440 foot depth.

The Editor of the Age visited the site of the drilling for the first time early this week. It was a revelation the amount of work that is in evidence there.

A derrick 96 feet in height has been built to replace the one destroyed by the wind some months ago. The drilling machinery is powerful and up to date. Power is supplied by a steam engine provided with steam from an oil-fired boiler. Camp buildings appear to be adequate.

At the present time the drilling is done by Charles Bostaph and D. W. Snow, expert drillers. Now the order has gone out for the addition of two more crews so that drilling can be kept up for 24 hours a day. Mr. Down informs us that it is the intention of the company to keep the work going to such a depth that the formation will be proved one way or the other.

For the first time the writer was able to understand what expert geologists based their hope of finding oil in the particular location. Heretofore it has been a vague generality so far as we were concerned when reference was made to the Arden Anticline.

It is perfectly evident when the proofs are pointed out that there is a fold in the earth's structure creating a dome something like eight or ten miles wide and perhaps eighteen miles long. This dome, outcroppings in the adjacent mountain range show, is underlain with what is known as the Pennsylvania limestone formation. Where the well is located erosion has removed approximately 2,000 feet of the upper formation. The problem of proving the field apparently re-

## Worden Would Beat McCarran

Dr. John E. Worden of Carson City has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate against Senator P. A. McCarran. His platform seems to be a promise to obey implicitly every demand of the president.

Dr. Worden states that he is primarily interested in the campaign because:

1. The Democratic Party must be represented by a Democrat who is willing to abide by the dictation of the ballot box.
2. There is need for complete party and consequently one hundred per cent administration support from Nevada's representatives in Washington.
3. He has complete confidence in the sincerity of President Roosevelt's declaration that he "will never let the people down."

## Rotarians Plan Fish for Dinner

Members of Las Vegas Rotary Club and their ladies will have a fish dinner Saturday night beginning at eight o'clock at the Elks Club.

The dinner is the result of an attendance contest extending over several months in the latter part of 1937, in which the team headed by Chet Gilbert was defeated by the team under the leadership of Al Corradetti, the losing team being the unwilling hosts for the affair.

solves itself into the work of putting a hole down into the Pennsylvania formation which, in many fields practically assures the presence of oil.

Some distinguished oil geologists have been brought in by Mr. Down and have given it as their opinions that conditions here are very favorable for the formation of oil. Among them are S. J. F. Sur, Ralph Arnold, John W. McGee and a Russian geologist named Boschnacian.

The Commonwealth Oil Company, a Nevada Corporation, is owner of the drilling enterprise and of a considerable area of land upon which permits to drill for oil have been issued, still valid and good until December 31, 1939. Charles P. Ritter is president of the company. He is an experienced oil operator, and owner of producing wells at Huntington Beach and is also drilling in new territory at Torrance, Cal. Fred Deirart is vice-president, and Jas. H. Down of this city, secretary and treasurer, and resident agent.

Mr. Down states that the company is not selling stock to the public, but that the entire expense of the drilling operations in the Arden field is borne by a few of the interested parties.

This is the last time that permits to drill will be issued by the government under the same favorable regulations as those which Mr. Down and associates secured their location and permits. Regulations have been changed to make it much more difficult to prospective drillers to obtain possible oil territory in the future.

## Mexico Joins S. F. World's Fair



Mexico will be a major participant in the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition on Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay, and here Senorita Hortense Melero, Mexican beauty, christens the International Signpost on the island. Senorita Melero was sent by the Mexican Consul General as a representative of Mexico on an official visit to the site of next year's World's Fair of the West. In colorful native costume, she typifies Mexico's "fair sex" at its best.