

WHO'S WHO and doing what

By EDDYE K. KIM

FOLLOWING ARE HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS for the Bride-to-be for a successful wedding.

(1) Look for your wedding dress the day after you say "yes". Order invitations two months in advance. Attend to everything as early as you can, so that last-minute crises find you able to cope.

(2) Alone, or with your maid of honor, choose the bridesmaids' dresses well in advance. The color you decide upon for their dresses may influence the two mothers' selections--so do not dawdle.

(3) Well-chosen gifts are a gracious way of expressing appreciation to attendants for having added so much to your wedding. The bridesmaids' luncheon is the proper place and time to present them.

(4) Remember your Father's bank account. Punch is the least expensive refreshment. Domestic champagne is just as festive as the imported variety.

(5) Get tranquilizers for mother. It seems that God provides the bride with a built-in tranquilizer to let her drift through the last few days on a pink cloud. A mother has no such immunity.

(6) For the reception, have guests' names and table numbers typed on index cards and arranged alphabetically; this pre-supposes you've made a seating plan. It's a big job, but it puts compatible people together.

(7) At the latest, every gift must be acknowledged a month after the wedding. Do as many before the ceremony as you can. Remember to thank guests once again as you receive them.

(8) Persuade your fiance and ushers to have the bachelor party a week before the wedding, at least. This will give him time to regain the equanimity he needs for that last mile down the aisle.

(9) Make your wedding rich in ritual. Follow all the lovely traditions that have become a part of marriage, but don't let the form overshadow the substance--the solemn commitment of vows.

(10) When you and your husband reach your honeymoon destination, send a telegram to your parents thanking them. They will be pleased to know that you have not forgotten them.

Next week--tips for the Bridegroom.

SORORITY ACTIVITIES

Alpha Kappa Alpha's Theta Theta Omega Chapter was, for the first time, included in the National Sorority's Annual Far-Western Regional Conference held at the El Rancho Hotel in Sacramento, California. It was the Sorors' 37th Conference.

Miss Margaret Crawford, local AKA Basileus attended the meeting hosted by Eta Gamma Omega Chapter. Conference Theme was "Alpha Kappa Alpha Embraces the Challenges of the Sixties".

Making the trip with Miss Crawford were her mother, Mrs. M. G. Crawford who is head of the Department of Basic Education at Wiley College in Marshall, Texas, and Mrs. Lula Johnson. The two younger ladies capped their exciting trip with a shopping spree in San Francisco.

NOW IT'S THE "DRUNCH"

The explanation for the unusual name is simple--it is the "in" term for social gatherings which combine lunch and dinner and festivities begin at 2 p.m. Such was the occasion when charming Helen Carruthers, owner of the Vegas City Nursing Home at 8th and Stewart streets entertained registered nurses, Florence Gaurther, Marybelle Tomlin, Cornelia Smith and yours truly, recently at her beautifully appointed home on Veronica street.

Mrs. Carruthers was celebrating a leave of absence she has given herself from her nursing home in order to participate again in the many community activities she had necessarily had



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Mother - Daughter Banquet at El-Bethel Church



WHEN YOUTH TAKES OVER things begin to happen--As was the successful "happening" when the Youth Choir of El Bethel Baptist Church inaugurated the first of a planned Annual Mother and Daughters Banquet. Supervising the lovely and thoughtful event were Mesdames Rosie Brewer, Elnora Glasco, and Mildred Lawson. Young hostesses were the Misses Maxine Brewer, Diane Glasco, and Rosie Lawson. Seated from left are: Maxine Brewer, Diane Glasco, Beverly McGhee, Willie B. Coleman, Carolyn Brewer, Rosemary Blackwell, Rosie Lawson, Rose Green, and Thelma Prather. Standing (l-r): Mesdames Elnora Glasco, Ruth Gordon, Betty Coleman, Rosie Brewer, Rosie Williams, Mildred Lawson, Florine Dixon, Lee Burney and Bertha Prather.

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to shelve in devoting all her time to the nursing home.

AM&N COLLEGE CHOIR'S CONCERT A TRIUMPH FOR LOCAL ALUMNI

Books and classes may be de rigueur for Arkansas AM&N college students who make up the College's famed Choir most of the time, but on last Thursday night, it was Concert Time for the Chorus of mixed voices that under the direction of Sheldon B. McGee gave a superb performance at the Las Vegas High School Auditorium.

The local AM&N Alumni Chapter's Prexy, Jimmy Gay and the entire membership can take a well-deserved bow for the role the Chapter played in sponsoring the concert and as hosts to the musical visitors. Even more laudatory is the Chapter's untiring efforts in encouraging local students to prepare for and attend college and in awarding full tuition scholarship to deserving students who are selected by the local Chapter's scholarship committee.

Because we applaud the activities of this group, we are happy to give the time and space to listing the members. James Gay, who served as Master of Ceremonies at the concert is, as has been noted, President of the Chapter, Elsie Sellers, recording secretary; Bernice Moten, executive secretary; Lacryne Simmons, Treasurer. On the membership roster are the Mesdames Annie M. Norwood, Alice Moore, Gladys Winstead, Emily Meads, Ethel Johnson, Naomi Goynes, Lillie Scott, LaNeal Rayford, and Trudy Love. Male members are Clint Wright, the VOICE photographer; Charles Cooper, Lee Rayford, Aubrey Baker, U. L. Winfrey, Robert L. Jacobs, and H. T. McCoy. Miss L. McCamey appears to be the solo single member.

Localites appearing on the program were Anthony Thomas who led the National Anthem and Mayor Oran Gragson who officially welcomed the AM&N Choir to our City and all the attending patrons to the Concert.

Now that we have expressed our gratitude to the Chapter for bringing us such a delightful evening of culture and entertainment, the Chapter, in turn, has requested that we express its appreciation to the patrons and donors who made the event such a sparkling success.

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ALPHA OF THE WEEK

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" 'A Wider World Ministry' is what I am hoping for. One of the things that helped sustain me during the long-winter months, was the thought of everything I could learn and see were I to be elected as a delegate to the World Family Conference to be held in London, England in August, this year. I am happy and grateful that I was elected and will be attending the Conference'. These were the words of Rev. Marion Bennett, one of the City's most distinguished ministers and citizens.

The objective of the Conference is the conception of a base for a wider ministry of the world by establishing a Center of Worship which would cut across all lines of race, culture, class, creed, or religion.

A DEEP AND ABIDING motivation guided Rev. Bennett through his secondary schooling at Sterling High School in Greenville, South Carolina and throughout his training at the Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Georgia where he obtained an A.B. degree. He served as Student Body President at Atlanta's Interdenominational Theological Center from which he earned a B.D. degree. It was there that he became a leader in the Atlanta Sit-In demonstrations.

The Rev. Bennett has also done Advance Studies at Atlanta University and Nevada Southern U.

Among the religious posts he has held are included the pastorship of Wesley Methodist Church, York, So. Carolina, Summer Evangelist at Boulevard Temple, Detroit, Michigan, and at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. He is presently Pastor of the Zion Methodist Church here in Las Vegas.

In his community, he is Chaplain for the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, NAACP President, Co-Chairman of the OJT Opportunity Council, Advisory Board Member of the Youth Opportunity Center, and member of the Clark County Ministerial Association.

Rev. Bennett is married and he and his devoted spouse, Gwendolyn have a four-year-old daughter who will make the trip to England this summer with her parents.

It is a pleasure to salute as "Alpha of the Week", the Reverend Marion Bennett.

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