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The old sweet carols ring again,
And in the waiting hearts of men
New hope, new joy, new peace are born,
As on that first bright Christmas morn.

And may their message come to you,
And linger on, the whole year through,
And may the days that lie before
Hold only happiness in store.

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EYNOTE

THOSE WEDDING BELLS RING AGAIN

We knew it was coming, and now your scribe must record some charming details of Juanita's wedding. Many friends gathered in the Takoma Park Church, Sunday, Nov. 25, at 7:00 P.M. to enjoy this happy occasion. After fifteen minutes of appropriate music by Mr. Harold Doering, Elder Ralph Watts and Mrs. Raymond Hill alternated with solos fitting to the occasion. The guests particularly enjoyed the aptness of the song "Juanita," which was performed with good taste and much feeling.

The groom, Mr. Robert Kerr, attended by Mr. Kenneth Adams came from the pastor's study. As an interesting innovation, two of the ushers, Elder Orville Wright and Earl Hilgert marched in from the side on which the bride usually appears, and then the bridesmaids, Miss Elvire Roth and Miss Miriam Kerr entered, followed by the maid of honor, Grace Coyle, cousin of the bride. Last of all, of course, came our Juanita, looking unusually cool and poised in her lovely white satin dress and fingertip veil. (I couldn't see a quiver in the bouquet.) The setting on the platform was charming, with the rose, blue and gold satin dresses of the bride's attendants contrasted with the dark suits of the groomsmen. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Elder L. L. Moffitt, and at its close 150 guests adjourned to the Review and Herald chapel to present their best wishes for the happiness of the young couple as they go on to their work in Vermont. Fern Woodruff added to the pleasure of the guests by playing wedding music on the grand during the reception, and Mrs. Hill sang another solo, "I Love You Truly." May you have all the best, Juanita, in your new responsibilities.

Thelma Wellman

KEEPER TAKES TO THE AIR

It was a beautiful day when I took off from Grand Rapids in a large 21 passenger plane. As we left the field in Detroit we crossed the river and traveled on the Canadian side. It was fun watching the boats on Lake Erie. Between Pittsburgh and Washington the hostess served lunch and just had time to gather up the trays--one hour. All too soon we swooped down at the National Airport and home!

Grace Coyle

WHAT GOES ON

Ora Williams enjoyed a short visit to New York City enroute to the Autumn Council. She went windowshopping and to Radio City.

Kitty Sawyer was called home to Collegedale because of the serious illness of her mother. At last report, her mother was improving.

Home to Ohio for Thanksgiving weekend was Pauline Klady's good fortune.

Elder Wells visited Evelyn and Josephine before going to Grand Rapids. Then Evelyn spent a few days with her sister and husband in Madison, Wisconsin. She arrived in a snowstorm, had a good visit, and was brought back to Chicago by car. After a shopping tour in Marshall Field's, she returned by train to Washington.

Elsie Minesinger went to Baltimore to shop for a new outfit. On her return her friends were eager to see her purchases--said purchases consisted of twenty cents worth of cookies.

Zippie's husband spent his last furlough at home and together they went sightseeing in Washington. The event was a glimpse of Prime Minister Attlee.

After Autumn Council, Louise Surface headed for California by way of Minneapolis. She is expected back in Washington the first of January.

Mildred Dumas was here for a few days. She will soon be leaving for Buenos Aires.

Thanksgiving morning, Genevieve and her sisters were surprised by the arrival of their father from Ohio. On Saturday night they were giving a welcome for Major Becker returned from Italy. When the guests arrived, there were a number whom they had not invited to the welcome. The party became a housewarming for the Melendys, as well as a welcome. The guests presented beautiful fireplace equipment.

Miss Thora Thomsen is in Washington while awaiting transportation to her home in Denmark. While in the Philippines during the war for four years she heard nothing from her family. Her work in supplying food for missionaries in Camp Holmes met a real need. Later she was court-martialed by the Japanese.

Hazel Shadel's mother is living here now with her daughters.

In Detroit on the return journey, Katie Farney was having lunch with two nieces, when her brother and little niece, whom she had not expected to see, came and joined the party. Not bad, for a forty-five-minute wait.

Elaine Shull is happy to have her brother Everett now living in Washington and working with Elder E. L. Hanson.

Esther Benton is rejoicing in word that her brother Willis--for years a prisoner of war in the Philippines and later in Japan--is safe in the homeland again. She and the family are looking forward to a reunion at the holiday season--they hope!

When Mary Paul went to Autumn Council, and Olive Dowswell's husband came home from overseas duty, all on the same day, it all worked out beautifully, for Ingrid visited T. Rose for a week and left Olive and Wally in full possession of the apartment. Everybody was happy about the whole thing!

Florence K. and Elder Rebok drove to Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Thanksgiving morning, to visit sister Mary Rebok, then on to New Jersey for two Sabbath engagements, an overnight call at another sister's home, and back to Washington Sunday morning.

Marilyn Knecht was chief-cook-and-bottle-washer for a week or more when Mrs. Knecht was called home recently by the illness and death of her mother.

Elsie Argent and Esther Benton are rejoicing in the Four Freedoms--freedom from going to church every night, freedom from reporting the sermon when they do go, freedom from transcribing notes afterward, and freedom to do all the things they neglected during the Voice of Prophecy meetings. Ora shared the other third of the burden with Edna Edeburn.

SEMINARY NOTES

We take this opportunity to say "Welcome" and "Good-by" to Miriam Clarke, who has been working the past three months in the Seminary. While she ceases to be a Keeper, Miriam is still a member of the Seminary "family," for she and her husband, Arden Clarke, are mission appointees beginning the study of the French language.

The Seminary library girls are duly awed at the discovery of genius in their midst. Signe Nelson has been chosen by Washington Missionary College as one of its representatives for this year's Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. She's spending all her spare time now filling out blanks about her past history and achievements. Congratulations, Signe!

Mary Jane Dybdahl is recuperating at home after what she describes as the "most uncomfortable" experience she's ever been through - a submucous resection operation. But reports sound encouraging and no doubt she'll be out by the time this paper is - and breathing easier, too.

A new "Keeper" who recently joined the Seminary staff is Elvire Roth. She spent most of her life in Haiti - the daughter of missionaries - but comes to us by way of Pacific Union College, where she was graduated last spring. Elvire will assist her father, Prof. A. G. Roth, in teaching French to the new mission appointees' class.

Esther Yost has specialized in visits with her relatives lately. On November 6, she drove to Philadelphia to visit her sister who had been ill for several weeks. Also, early in November, the Yosts had as guests, their nephew, Elder Neal Becker, and his wife and daughter. After a week's visit they returned to their home in Minot, North Dakota. At a third reunion, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mitchell of South Wilton, Connecticut, visited the Yosts just before Thanksgiving. Mrs. Mitchell is a sister of Mr. Yost and mother of Robert Mitchell who is on the General Conference building maintenance staff.

The Home Study girls report that Juanita Jones spent Thanksgiving at her home in Fredericksburg, Virginia, while Carol King visited friends in Pittsburgh during the Thanksgiving holidays.

THANK YOU !

Before we take leave of this delightful little monthly responsibility - or shall we say, pastime - your Keynote staff wishes to take this opportunity to thank the reporters and other contributors for their faithful service. They did all the leg work. Without them the Keynote could not carry on. So here's to you - T. Rose Curtis, Dorothy Greeley, Mintie Truitt, Thelma Wellman, Genevieve Melendy, Hazel Peter, Theodora Wirak, and Elora Mavs - for your good work each month! 'nd thanks to you who have written special items during these six months - Florence Rebok, Evelyn Wells, Thelma Wellman (who graced our August cover with an original poem), Mary Jane Dybdahl, Esther Benton, Mary Paul, and Grace Coyl.

It's been fun working together, and may I drop the editorial we long enough to thank my fellow-editors, printers, typists for their cooperation.

And now we are reminded of the closing number on the "school-house" party we had last year. Remember? It ended something like this:

"We're going to leave you now - Hurrah!"

--Dorothy Ferren

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