

The Observer

Women



JOANNE DIOSZEGI



PAULA CARY

Mrs. Irene Dioszegi, widow of the late John L. Dioszegi of River Rouge, announces the engagement of her daughter, Joanne, to Lawrence E. Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald T. Thompson of Farmington. The bride-elect is a 1968 graduate of Western Michigan University and is teaching German in the Kalamazoo public schools. Her fiancé graduated from Farmington High School in 1964 and from WMU in 1968 and is employed as an assistant manager by the National Bank of Detroit. The couple is planning a June 20 wedding.

Laurice Rahaim Bride Of William Koch

Laurice Ann Rahaim became the bride of William D. Koch in a double-ring ceremony Saturday, Nov. 15, in St. Eugene Catholic Church, Detroit. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rahaim of Southfield, and Mr. and Mrs. William Koch of Livonia are parents of the bridegroom. The Rev. John Sullivan heard the couple's vows.

GIVEN by her father in marriage, the bride wore a Victorian gown of ivory peau de sole with alencon lace bodice and trim and a chapel length train and veil. Her flowers were white and orange roses surrounding a white orchid.

Joel Hovio of Detroit, a matron of honor and the bridesmaids were Rachel Brennan of Detroit, sister of the bride, Charlie Dunn of Southfield, Bonnie Fere of Farmington and Nancy Talick of Detroit.

Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Allen M. Jordan of Hartsoagh Avenue, Plymouth, announce the engagement of their daughter, Martha Ellen, to Frederick D. Skellenger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Skellenger of 12 Mile Road, Novi. The bride-elect is a 1967 graduate of Plymouth High School and a 1969 graduate of Schoolcraft Community College. Her fiancé graduated from Northville High School in 1967 and expects to complete studies in highway technology at Schoolcraft next May. No wedding date has been set.

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Lord Mayor's Party

Visitors Enjoy Shopping Trip

By MARGARET MILLER

Shopping facilities may vary a lot from Plymouth to Plymouth, but the shoppers are a lot the same.

That was evident Wednesday when visitors from Plymouth, England, paying an official visit to Plymouth, Mich., decided to take a side trip to the Westland shopping center.

"The shopping places we have aren't at all like this," remarked the Lord Mayor George Creber, whose English Plymouth is beginning plans for a center of its own. "It's a

lot of shops within a shop, isn't it?"

Noticing the dime store, though, he was on more familiar ground.

"Course used to be threepence and sixpence," he said. "Sell just small things. Now they have lots more, many more expensive."

That's how it is here, Americans in his party agreed.

THE LORD Mayor, Mrs. Irene Mabel Creber who likes to be called Jo because her maiden name was Jo, from her Spanish ancestors who were

shipwrecked on the English coast, wanted to look at toys.

She enjoyed the big toy shop display and was delighted to receive three model cars for her 10-year-old grandson.

She also smiled over the stuffed animal display—there's an eight-month-old grandchild, too—and was entranced by the cute children's clothes.

"It's nice to see such lovely things for dressing up the little ones," she said, looking at a tiny red velvet jumper. "I never saw anything like this when my babies were small."

Displays of teen clothes brought a recollection of the

drab clothes she wore at that stage of life.

"We had to go to the 'maid' shop," Mrs. Creber said, adding that the term referred to young girls rather than servants. "The clothes there were not very pretty."

THE LORD Mayor and his lady agreed that maid coats and wide ties are seen often in England than here.

"You'll have to agree that the fashion leadership is on our side of the Atlantic," His Honor said. He admitted then that it took a rare occasion to get him into a shop. "I have to be

dragged in to get a suit," he added.

Interested in records and ski clothes were Mrs. Stuart Lloyd Jones, wife of the English Plymouth's town clerk, who is really more like a city manager, and her daughter, Penny, who came from her job near Hamilton, Ontario, to spend a little time with her parents during their two-week American visit.

MRS. LLOYD Jones, mother of four and a gardening enthusiast in England, was intrigued by Westland's architecture and made careful mental notes of the fountain and other decor to pass on to another daughter who is an architect.

"The way the merchandise is displayed here is just magnificent," she said.

She described a new shopping center that had been completed recently in Chester, England. "It's much smaller, of course -- we just don't have the land for anything like this," she said. "It has been built in an old section and preserves the old character of the surrounding area while being convenient inside."

"And I wish you'd say something about our town," she added. "We have such lovely countryside and stretches of the coast of Cornwall. There are stately homes and so many beautiful little unspoiled spots."

A party from this Plymouth will be paying a return visit to the English city during July next year. The exchange is part of the celebration marking 350th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims in this country.

Engaged



MARIAN LILLIBRIDGE

Mrs. Reba Lillibridge of Canton Center Road, Plymouth, announces the engagement of her daughter, Marian Elaine, to Syed J. Saleem of Ann Arbor, formerly of Madras, India. The bride-to-be is a 1965 graduate of Plymouth High School and a student at Eastern Michigan University. Her fiancé graduated from Madras University in 1966 and is working on a master's degree at EMU. No date has been set for the wedding.

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VISITING LADIES -- Mrs. Richard Blodgett, (right) wife of Plymouth's city manager, points out local sights to Mrs. George Creber, (left) wife of the Lord Mayor of Plymouth, England, Mrs. Stuart Lloyd Jones, wife of the

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