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RANDY DORST/Staff photographer

Contractors' work requires review

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agreed Ruth Seligson of Today's
Bride, Birmingham.

In choosing a gown, Seligson sug-
gested brides ask the opinion of either
their mother or a friend.

The season and the nature of the
wedding are other considerations in
choosing a gown, the two women said.
A winter wedding generally requires a
closed neck and long sleeves. A for-
mal wedding requires a formal dress.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER

Before signing a studio contract,
couples should look at the work of the
photographer who will do the actual
shooting, advised Eileen Holzman
who, with her husband, Buz, owns Bir-
mingham Photographers in Birmingham
and Buz Holzman Photography in
Southfield.

Frequently, studios will show sam-
ples of work done by some of their
photographers. "But when they send
someone out to shoot your wedding, it
(can be) another person whose work
you haven't seen," Holzman said.
Couples should think twice about

hiring a studio or photographer who
seems hurried or insensitive, Holzman
said. They may wind up being pushy
during the wedding and hurry the cou-
ple along at the reception, rushing
them to cut the cake and throw the
bouquet.

Also, Holzman advised, look for hid-
den costs. Some photographers
charge for extra mileage or limit the
hours they will spend on a job.

Select a photographer affiliated with
the Detroit Professional Photogra-
phers Association, Holzman said.
"That way you know you're dealing
with someone committed to a certain
level of quality and ethics."

THE HALL

Couples should sample the food a
hall serves before renting one.
"What it boils down to is, the bride
and groom are feeding a vast number
of friends and relatives," said Chuck
DeSantis, food and beverage director
for Troy's Hilton Inn. "If the food is of
good quality, if the guests get a good
meal, it's not hard after that to get
people to rave about the wedding."

If the hall has a dining room,
DeSantis suggested a couple eat there
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