



NANCY LYNNE DAMASCHKE

Mr. and Mrs. Milton A. Damaschke of Glen Orchard, Farmington, announce the engagement of their daughter Opal G. Damaschke to Curtis Brian Semason son of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Semason of Dearborn. A Nov. 20 wedding date has been announced. The bride-elect is a graduate of Farmington High School and has been a student at Ferris State College. Her fiancé graduated from Dearborn High School and also attended Ferris State College.



SHARON LEE JEFFERY

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jeffery of 23148 David, East Detroit, announce the engagement of their daughter Sharon Lee, to David Earl Haas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Haas of Mayville, Michigan. The couple are planning a fall wedding. Grandparents of Sharon Lee are the David E. Francis of 9461 Brookline in Plymouth.

Kendallarks Fill Farmington with Song All Season

The Kendallarks, under the direction of Mr. George Assem, will present a program for the Women of Kendallwood Farms at St. Fabian's Hall on Tuesday, May 25. The Kendallarks, a three-part chorus consisting of 25 Farmington mothers and housewives, have been singing together since 1957. They perform throughout the Detroit area for banquets, social festivals, PTA's and various social club functions. Among the numbers being sung by the Kendallarks for the Women of Kendallwood Farms will be Hello, Dolly, Hear My Prayer, and Everything's Coming Up Roses. Their programs also include variety acts which are performed by various members of the Kendallarks. Some of the acts being presented for this show will include the Kendall Trio, Piano Duet and Hoyt's Amies. Solists for this performance will be Grace Coffman.

The Kendallarks are nearing the end of the 1964-65 season. Since January, they have performed for the Farmington Senior Citizens, Kendallwood Livonia Music Festival, Ford Hospital Graduating and Alumnae Nurses, Livonia Elks, Kings Daughter & Sons Home for the Aged and Mothers and Daughters Banquet for the Fort Street Presbyterian Church in Detroit and the Evangeline PTA Banquet in Inkster. In addition the variety acts have performed for Fashion Shows, Farmington Exchange Club and were representatives at the Redford Masonic Lodge.

The Kendallarks will end this season with the annual banquet to be held this year at the Thunderbird Inn on June 12. The Management has asked the Kendallarks to render a few songs which they plan to do.

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To Women It May Concern

By LOUISE KUDER

To those of us who traveled to Lansing to share with Governor Romney the report of his Commission on the Status of Women it was an enjoyable day. The weather was beautiful, the luncheon tasty and the company good. A few of the committee chairmen were perfunctory rather than profound.

The Governor, with his usual charm and new political acumen, stated his was the first state in the nation to establish a commission on studying status of women.

He added "Michigan's women have achieved major accomplishments and contribute significantly to our economic, culture and political life. I believe they stand ready to contribute even further to Michigan's growth if we but accord them the recognition they so richly deserve and the opportunity to participate fully. If Michigan is to realize its full potential as a state, every individual citizen's interest and full participation is needed."

To add zest to his words—and sincerity of purpose, he proceeded to make the announcement that on this very week he had appointed a woman to the (presently) all male Civil Rights Commission—Mrs. Frank Wiley from Grosse Pointe.

Two important points were stressed by the 21-woman commission. (1) state-wide regional meetings should be held to present the report to encourage local action on needed changes and (2) the Governor's Commission on the Status of Women should continue to meet future needs as they develop.

The first idea seems sound and logical—the second sounds to me unnecessary, unwelcome, and just another place for "the ladies" to go for lunch.

Several very basic facts were revealed from the study—women are returning to work in greater numbers and earlier than they did. Both economic reasons and a desire to do something challenging other than press an automatic something is perhaps the reason.

In any case there were many suggestions for furthering the education of the women, including the creation of more community colleges throughout the State.

Enforcement of the Equal Pay for Equal Work Law should be enforced. There is a law, but it was discovered by the Commission that it is not being properly enforced.

Extend existing day-care services to include children under 2½ years of age; establish additional child care programs; establish after hour programs in public schools for elementary school-age children with working mothers.

There were perhaps a dozen recommendations from each of the six committees: Education, Employment Policies and Practices, State and Local Politics and Practices, Social and Labor Legislation; Civil and Political Rights, and New and Expanded Services.

Commission members felt, although they came up with about 50 recommendations, they had only scratched the surface of the needs of women, leaving unexamined many basic problems for future study.

While the women have had the vote since 1920, the Commission showed, full participation in the use of this franchise is far from a fact. Nowhere could the committee find discrimination against women with regard to political rights or their opportunities to serve in partisan and government posts—but participation by women as policymakers proved to be disappointing.

It was the opinion of the commission, political clubs of both parties (of which there proved to be many) could do more to educate their members to opportunities for meaningful service, rather than just be the ones always to address envelopes and make the tea 'n' cookies.

So much study has gone into the report and so much can come from it that this reporter intends to keep an eye on what, if anything, comes as a result of the study.

Mrs. Don Kory from Redford Township served on the Committee on Civil and Political Rights and should be an excellent source of information.

Myra Wolfgang (committee on social and labor legislation) might think there is discrimination against American women but all things are relative. To assure us we are not lagging, but rather leading, how about this:

In San Marino, the world's smallest republic, women may vote, but are not permitted to hold public office.

In Sudan—just the opposite—women are eligible for election, but have no voting rights.

In Guatemala, women may vote and run for office provided they pass a literacy test not required of men (shades of Mississippi).

Portuguese women must be heads of families to be eligible to vote.

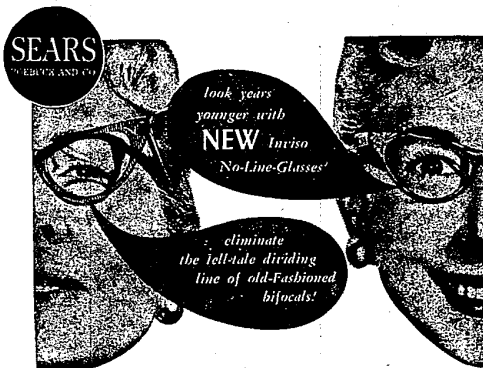
Women cannot vote at all in Afghanistan, Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Lichtenstein and northern Nigeria, Saudi Arabia and Yemen.

How about a world tour for the Governor's commission of efficient ladies?



TRAVELING TOGETHER to hear the Governor's Report in Lansing from his blue ribbon committee studying the Status of Women are (l-r) Delores Kory, Rosemary Lewis, Dr. Ralph H. Pino, Betty Hughes and Mrs. Elizabeth King being assisted into the car by Dr. Pino; and Mary Dumas, Mrs. Mary, Mrs. Lewis, and Mrs. Hughes are from Redford Township, Mrs. Dumas from Livonia and Dr. Pino from Plymouth.

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'June Frolic' For Redford Dems.

The Women's Committee of McClosky, chairman, Pat Sloan; Eleanor Manning, and Civic Club are busy making Janis Dillon, preparations for their "June Frolic" dance to be held on or \$5.00 per couple and include beer, setups, chips and pretzels. For further information telephone Doris McClosky, KE 4-1558.

Co-Chairmen of the affair are Eleanor Manning and Pat Sloan. Other committees include: Entertainment: Nate and Grace Banks; Door Prizes: Millie Rowson and Rose Patch; Name Tags: Fay Galia; Publicity: Marsha Reineck and Ethel Schwartz; Tickets: Doris marshmallow.



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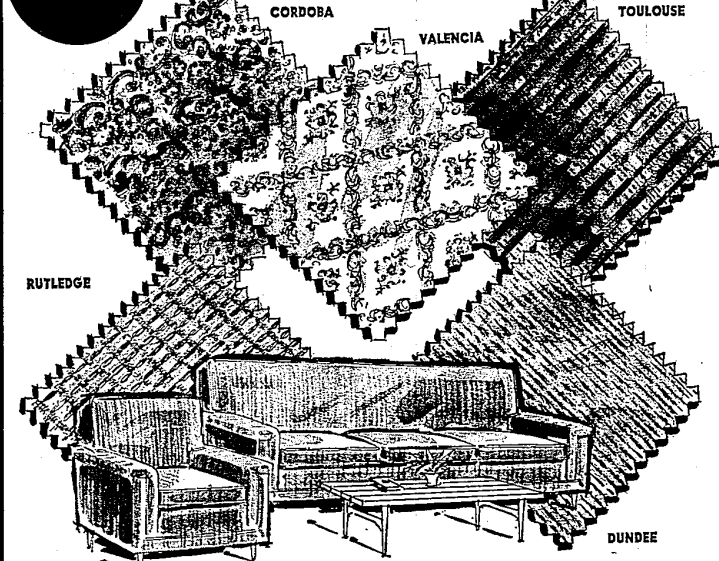
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