

Snow Baby?

Tiny Margie June Banks received a warm welcome when she was born Nov. 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Banks, 15803 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Banks, and her great-grandmother, Mrs. Pauline Patterson, all of Livonia, figured she needed one because her mother had spent most of her pregnancy period chewing ice.

So Tom Banks, a printer, made up some announcements on the arrival of the family's "Little girl Eskimo."

"For nine months mama ate enough ice cubes to build an igloo—no kidding," said the message to the world.

"The poor kid lived in 'snow banks' for almost 40 weeks, and was the first baby ever

born wearing skis. She cries a lot now, but they're tears of joy—she's finally warm."

Margie June's mother is the former Karleen Donnan, and her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Martin Donnan of Livonia.

Music, Art Featured At Tea

Candlelight and pine will decorate Alumnae Hall when the Marygrove College Alumnae Association entertains Sunday, Dec. 6, from 2 to 5 p.m., at the annual Christmas tea.

Alumnae and mothers of students will bring daughters and friends to the college, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit, to enjoy the strolling student musicians, view the student art show and tour the campus.

The tea will also be an open house for prospective students and for high school and community college counselors.

Louise M. Lewis of Farmington, is a member of the tea committee, and Mrs. John Madias of Farmington is among those acting as hostesses.



AN EXPERIENCED TRAVELER—Robin Chandler Duke came to the Farmington area with only one small suitcase to tell of her travels throughout the world and her meetings with notables from around the world. She is shown as she leaves for her home in New York City, after a talk to the Farmington Town Hall. With her is Shirley Hatfield, president of the Farmington Soroptimist Club, which sponsors the Town Hall.

For Town Hall Duke's Eye View

By BETTY MASSON

The Farmington Town Hall opened its doors to practically the whole world recently when its guest speaker was Robin Chandler Duke, wife of a former U.S. Ambassador, Angier Biddle Duke.

Those familiar newsreels of state visits to Washington took on new meaning as Mrs. Duke explained the planning that goes into them. The work of Americans abroad took on new importance as Mrs. Duke told of her experiences throughout the world.

Her husband was chief of protocol in Washington during the Kennedy and Johnson administrations until President Johnson appointed him ambassador to Spain.

the female visiting dignitary, whether it was the queen of Afghanistan (only five years out of purdah, or seclusion in a harem) or Mrs. Tito from Yugoslavia (whom she took to a small church social in Williamsburg).

"Whatever the color of their politics," said Mrs. Duke, "among all these people there is an element of genius, and it is fascinating to deal with."

And efforts made by Americans to understand these differences are appreciated, she said. "They especially appreciate your effort to speak their language," she added. "U.S. schools should emphasize a second language...it's an important step in learning to get along better." She recommends French or Spanish.

MRS. DUKE brought to Farmington her interest in the whole world, when she said, "There are so many ways of living, speaking and doing. We're all the same, but it's a question of styles and traditions."

TALKING of state visits, she said:

"We, as Americans, can take pride in these arrival ceremonies. They are very well done."

The ceremonies always take place on the White House lawn (saving some of the president's precious time) after the visitors have landed in a helicopter.

The visiting dignitaries spend their first night in the U.S. at historic Williamsburg or Philadelphia. There the visitors begin to discover America through its past.

As the wife of the chief of protocol (untitled and unpaid, but very important), it was Mrs. Duke's job to look after

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Earlys To Celebrate

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Early, 15296 Sumner, Redford Township, will be honored with an open house Sunday,

Dec. 6 to mark their golden wedding anniversary.

Festivities will take place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Manchester Jr., 35499 Richland, Livonia, between 2 and 6 p.m.

Harris Early and the former Bertha Letts were married in Detroit Dec. 4, 1920.

They have two sons, Harris Early Jr. of Detroit and Thomas Early of Otego, N.Y. There also are six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Hartells Married 50 Years

A family dinner party Nov. 29 in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Melvindale marked the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hartell, 1881 Glenmore, Redford Township.

The party, also noting Mr. Hartell's 70th birthday, was given by the couple's five daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Robinson of Livonia, Mrs. Thelma Aune of Taylor, Mrs. Rita Roberts of Gunn Lake, Mich., and Mrs. Marion Ahern and Mrs. Lillian Nelfert, both of Detroit.

The couple was married Dec. 2, 1920, in Port Arthur, Ontario. Mr. Hartell retired from the Ford Motor Co. in 1953 after 40 years with the firm.

There are 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Why Girls?

The practice of calling Atlantic hurricanes by girls' names first started with novelist George R. Stewart in his book, "Storm," written in 1941. In this book, the hero, a young meteorologist, christens the storms after girls he had known.

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