



MRS. EDITH GREEN
Oregon



MRS. IRIS F. BLITCH
Georgia



MRS. MARTHA GRIFFITHS
Michigan



MRS. COYA KNUTSON
Minnesota

Capitol Hill Is Going to the Ladies

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Correspondent

It will be Ladies' Day on Capitol Hill when the 84th Congress convenes Wednesday, Jan. 5.

A record number of 15 women will be in the House of Representatives. In addition, the re-elected Sen. Margaret Chase Smith (R-Me.) will be over in the Senate, bringing the total of feminine lawmakers to 16, an all-time high.

Four more women won House seats this year at the expense of four members of the opposite sex. But if congressmen are grumbling over the loss of their male companions, it's a safe bet they'll look twice at the female replacements.

Heads will turn when Mrs. Iris F. Blitch of Georgia walks down the aisle. Besides being one of the four new ladies in the House, she's a real Southern belle. She's a Democrat, like the other three, but her slim figure, wavy dark hair and smiling brown eyes ought to boost bipartisanship 100 per cent.

It's hard to believe this striking brunette, who was named Queen of Georgia's legislature, is the 42-year-old mother of a daughter and son aged 22 and 19. Last summer she ousted veteran Congressman W. M. Wheeler for the Democratic primary nomination, which is the same as election in Georgia.

Since 1950 Mrs. Blitch has been

a member of the state Senate, and before that she was in the Georgia House of Representatives for a term. In 1948 she was elected to the Democratic National Committee.

Coffee Expert
When Mrs. Edith Green comes to town she'll be an expert on coffee, although she probably won't want another cup of it. During her campaign in Oregon's third congressional district she held approximately 350 informal coffee hours.

This was one of the gimmicks which accounted for her victory over Republican Tom McCall. In 1926 the new lady representative was named the outstanding high school girl in the state of Oregon. Since then she has been compiling an outstanding record in educational and civic affairs.

For 14 years she taught in the public schools, and she has been extremely active in the League of Women Voters and the PTA. Just the other day attractive Mrs. Martha W. Griffiths, the newly elected congresswoman from Detroit's 17th district, flew to Washington to look for an apartment. But she never had a chance to find one, for too many friends and well-wishers wanted to chat with her.

The first Democratic woman to win a House seat in Michigan, 42-year-old Mrs. Griffiths scored a stunning election upset over Rep. Charles G. Oakman, an Eisenhower Republican. Her husband and number-one fan, Hicks G. Griffiths, is a former chairman of Michigan's State Democratic Central Committee.

Both are lawyers, and in 1946 they began to revamp Michigan's demoralized Democratic Party. In 1953 Gov. G. Mennen Williams, who is the third partner in the law firm, appointed Mrs. Griffiths judge in Detroit's Recorder's Court.

"Among other things, she's a terrific cook," says her proud husband. "But to get her to make my favorite I have to invite guests. It's what we call waffle brownie, which she serves with ice cream."

Politics Once Hobby
"Politics used to be just my hobby," explains Mrs. Griffiths, "although now it has taken over

all my time. Actually, Hicks got me into it. One night back in 1948 an elderly lady interested in women's rights called up and asked me to run for state representative.

"I declined, but when my husband heard of this he told me, 'Call her right back and tell her you'll be glad to run.'"

Mrs. Griffiths didn't even win the primary. But in 1948 and 1950 she was elected to the state legislature.

Pretty Mrs. Coya Knutson became the first woman in Minnesota to win a seat in Congress when she upset Rep. Harold Hagan (R.) last Nov. 2. And no wonder, for she was one of the most appealing and versatile candidates ever to confront the voters of the state's ninth district. She's an accomplished singer, organist and choir director. She was formerly a schoolteacher and 4-H leader.

"It was my musical training which I credit with getting me through the campaign speeches," says Mrs. Knutson, whom everyone calls "Coya." As a child, this was the closest she could come to pronouncing her proper name, "Cordelia," and it has stuck ever since.

Mrs. Knutson's sparkling blue eyes and pleasant smile have been winning her friends for years. Her husband, Andy, and 14-year-old son, Perry, are used to doing their own cooking and housekeeping, for Mrs. Knutson is serving her second term in the Minnesota legislature.

Of course she'll resign now that Washington beckons. "At the present my biggest worry is clothes," she laughs. "I wore them all out during the campaign."

All of the incumbent congress-

women were re-elected this year. They are: Gracie Pfof (D-Ill.), Marguerite Stitt Church (R-Ill.), Cecil M. Harden (R-Ind.), Edith Nourse Rogers (R-Mass.), Ruth Thompson (R-Mich.), Leonor Sullivan (D-Mo.), Edna F. Kelly (D-N.Y.), Katharine St. George (R-N.Y.), Frances P. Bolton (R-O.), Vera Buchanan (D-Pa.), and Elizabeth Kee (D-W. Va.).



'MOTHER OF THE BRIDE'—The lovely bride doll, Nanette, which was given by Blanche Jarkham Guild through its annual donation drive, was won by Judy Gwyther, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Gwyther of Creswell. The drive netted over \$1,000, which will be given to Children's Hospital School for scholarships for needy Lane County children.



HAPPY WINNER—Another proud winner of a Christmas doll is Elaine Lawson, 8, daughter of Mrs. E. J. Dolf of Eugene. The doll, Victoria Elizabeth, given by Sigma Phi Gamma sorority in a donation campaign carried on before the holidays for its welfare fund. The sorority is a new chapter of a national group engaged in welfare work.

THE MATURE PARENT

By MURIEL LAWRENCE

Should Education Stand in Love's Way?

A divorcee in her mid-thirties writes: "I am financially secure and need not remarry for security. But I have been dating one of the finest men I have ever known. I am not sure I can marry him if I want to, but it's beginning to look as though he may ask me."

"He has a good trade and has worked for one employer for 13 years. He is nice looking, has an easy-going personality and I enjoy his company . . . but . . ."

"He has no education to speak of. He writes poorly; reads only with effort, and his grammar is pretty bad. His table manners are slipshod."

"On the other hand his vocabulary is amazingly good, which I understand is a sign of intelligence. He is courteous to women. He always rises when I enter a room, and holds doors for me."

"Am I being a snob in being afraid that my friends and office associates would think I had married beneath me? Should I marry him?"

IMPORTANT QUESTION

Isn't one important question entirely overlooked in your letter? Do you love this man?

If you love him enough to accept him "as is," without embarrassment before your friends and business associates, be thankful for his love and dependability. You wouldn't be doing him an injustice to marry him.

But don't marry him if you are ashamed of him. That could only end in bitterness for you both. Some women can marry a man with less education and be perfectly happy. But that would be a most difficult situation for a woman overly concerned with what "they say."

Only your own heart can tell you whether or not you could make this man a good wife. A wife who would never be ashamed of him because of the educational and social opportunities he has missed.

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