

## Learn What Marriage is About Before Going Down the Aisle

By ELIZABETH STEWART  
PREVENTING  
MARITAL BREAK-UP

WINSTON-SALEM—If young people learn what marriage is like before they walk down the aisle, there may be fewer unhappy marriages, fewer divorces. This is the view of Mrs. Ethel Nash, Assistant Professor of Preventive Medicine at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Winston-Salem.

As the marriage age in the U. S. falls—and Mrs. Nash says that more marriage licenses are issued to girls of 18 than to any other age group—the divorce rate goes up. One in every two teenage marriages breaks up as compared with one in five in the rest of the population. Why?

For one thing, Mrs. Nash told the Information Center on Population Problems, our young people are ill-informed about the realities of marriage. While many high schools give courses in driver education, cooking and sewing, few have even one in which sex and marriage are

discussed.

Ignorance Isn't Bliss  
Young people recognize their ignorance. When Mrs. Nash and a colleague asked a cross-section of college students throughout North Carolina what information they most wanted as they prepared for marriage, virtually all responded that they wanted specific information on contraception and sex.

Doctors in the state reported that the most frequent questions they got from married couples related to sexual adjustment. Women were most often distressed about fears of pregnancy, and both men and women were concerned that they were not receiving the desired amount of affection from their spouses. They worried, too, about their inability to communicate to each other meaningfully.

Marriage Demanding  
If young people can be helped to see that stress is an inevitable part of marriage, they may be better able to handle



GET SECOND CHANCE—Fred Holman, Mocksville, Mrs. Bertie Chance, High Point, and at right, Mrs. Virginia Fountain, also of High Point, who last week completed a 20-week vocational training program in the A. and T. Project Uplift, talk with their teacher, Mrs. Dolores Coleman, right center.

Two young people who have never had to decide anything more earth-shaking than what to do on Saturday night, when married will have to face up to

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GET SCHOLARSHIP AID—Seventeen outstanding graduates of the Greensboro Dudley High School will enter A. and T. College this fall under scholarship aid provided by the college.

Included in the group from left to right are: (front row) Nkonge Japhet, Victor Carr, Hillis Haygood, William Gilmer, Charles Greer, James Patterson, and George Fraizer.

Those standing are: Joseph Nicholas, Henry Kirksey, Linda Cockerham, Forchonetta Morgan, Theresa James, Christinia Lyles, Patricia Calvin, Phyllistine Good, Herman Smith and Irvin Reeves.

## North Carolina Garden Time

By M. E. GARDNER

What's new in the field of plant science? One new and exciting discovery is N-dimethyl-aminosuccinic acid. If you can't play this one on your harpsicord or your piano, just call it B-995 or more simply, B-Nine.

B-Nine is one of the newer plant regulators. We formerly called these substances plant hormones, but the more inclusive term, regulator, better explains the effect that the substances have on the physiology of the plant.

Plan regulators were first used to induce rapid rooting of cuttings. Most home gardeners are familiar with these and many have used them in the home greenhouse, hotbed or cold frame—rootone, hormodin and others.

Perhaps some of you have used "blossom-set" on your tomatoes or have tried "gibbing" camellias. In the latter case, the formulation used for "gibbing" is prepared from gibberellic acid.

We have used B-Nine to control certain phases of plant growth on chrysanthemums, azaleas and poinsettias in our research greenhouses. The use of this regulator is now standard procedure for chrysanthemums, taking into consideration concentration of solution, method and time of application.

While most of our research with plant regulators has been conducted under controlled environment, such as a greenhouse, we are now finding that B-Nine is giving some rather exciting results with apple trees in bearing orchards where environment cannot be controlled.

At first researchers were considering the possibility of B-Nine sprays replacing the use of dwarfing (Malling) rootstocks in regulating tree size. It has now been found that B-Nine has many additional growth modifying characteristics.

As examples, depending upon the rate and time of application, these are some of the effects: increased flowering and fruit setting; chemical thinning the development of earlier fruit color; darker green colored leaves; a modification of leaf form; and an increase in firmness of the fruit.

It now appears that plant growth regulators will play an ever increasing role in the production of beauty, food and fiber in the plant kingdom.

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## JUNE BIRTHDAY PARTY AT SAINT TITUS HONORS 3 LOCAL MATRONS

"It is not the quality of meat, but the cheerfulness of the guest, which makes the feast," said an Englishman. But the Senior Citizens at St. Titus' Church were doubly fortunate in having both quality of food and cheerful guests for their June birthday party. The honorees were Mesdames Lillian Buchanan, Effie Cotton, and Addie Williams.

The cheerful guests who honored them were Misses Lillian Burton and Bertie Sowell; Mesdames Ada Alston, Alice Brame, Bessie Doby, Flonnie Goodloe, Lelia Graham, Julia Harris, Annie Laster, Mary Lowe, Annie Lyons, Hattie Meadows, Charity Rivera, Birdie Scott, Lillian Thompson, Ida Watts, Julia Wheeler, Margaret Wheeler, and Gertrude Winslow. Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Julia Wheeler were welcomed as new members to the group.

The table was graced with a white linen cloth and decorated with a centerpiece of rose-colored hydrangeas, bowls of variegated coleus, and napkins ornamented with pink candles. For the feast there was on a crystal stand a large pound cake artistically iced in pink and green. This was from Mrs. William's kitchen, as was also a delicious lemon cake. There were dainty and toothsome chicken salad sandwiches in a variety of shapes, made and brought by Mrs. Cotton; and there were ice cream swills for everyone furnished by Mrs. Buchanan. Peanuts and candy by Mrs. Williams and potato chips by Mrs. Cotton completed the feast. After the singing of "Happy birthday to you" and a table blessing, the feast began.

On another table heaped around a vase of red roses and fern from Mrs. William's garden, were the greetings and gifts for the three honorees. The newcomers were introduced to the group, and in turn, old members introduced themselves, each giving

something of interest to herself and or about herself. At the end of the feasting and the laughter and the talk, Mrs. Winslow graciously unburdened the gift table, distributing the gifts and greetings to the honorees. Besides individual remembrances, there were, as usual, a "club gift" and a "club greeting" for each of them. Also the group sent a gift and a card with cheering thoughts to Mrs. Mary Simmons whose extended absence has been due to illness, and who has been greatly missed. The card bore the twenty-two names of those present.

About 5 o'clock daughters and grandchildren were being greatly missed. The card members home, and the group dispersed. The remaining meetings for the summer will begin at ten o'clock on Wednesday mornings.

## A&T COLLEGE MAKES CHANGE IN ADMN. STAFF

GREENSBORO—Administrative changes at A. and T. College, announced last week, will shift a dean to a new position and move another professor as a replacement.

Dr. L. H. Robinson, dean of the School of Education and General Studies, will become director of research, a new position to serve as a central clearing office for the stimulation and coordination of research at the college.

Dr. Robinson came to the college in 1961 as professor of sociology and was elevated to his present position in 1960.

He will be replaced by Dr. Arthur F. Jackson, director of educational research and computer science. Dr. Jackson joined the faculty in 1962 as director of guidance and was named to his present position in 1964.

The changes, to become effective on July 1, were announced by Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, president of the college.

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