

# The story of two brides

## Thoughtfulness is keynote in writing a guest list

Today's families may have lost some of their traditional closeness but when there's a wedding, family members do come together.

It can cause some anguish when an engaged couple sits down with the bride's mother to compile the guest list.

Should you invite relatives in Victoria even though you know they couldn't possibly come? Will Aunt Minnie, confined to a wheelchair and unable to travel, be hurt if she gets an announcement instead of an invitation?

It's decisions such as those that cause weddings with tears.

There are individuals who must be invited. They are the clergyman who performs the ceremony and his wife, if he's married; parents of the groom; grandparents and brothers and sisters (with their spouses) of both the bride and groom; parents and spouses of the attendants.

No one should be invited who isn't on close terms with at least one member

of the bride's or groom's family.

It is ideal if the number of wedding guests is the same for the bride as for the groom.

Usually it is the mother of the groom that makes up the list for the groom's family and she consults with the bride, or her mother.

Careful consideration must be made for guests coming from out-of-town, how far they must travel and how they can be accommodated.

There are three types of invitations that may be issued: An invitation to the ceremony only, an invitation to the ceremony and reception, or an invitation to the reception only.

Announcements go to a wider circle of friends and acquaintances, who are not invited. They are mailed on the wedding day.

Often, although it is not necessary, the groom's parents, or a close friend of the family will have a dinner, or party following the wedding rehearsal.



Peggy Covey, Gordon Gaterelle, Bonnie Sugden, and David Forfar get together in the park after a day of shopping in the district's leading stores. In the following pages they will show you how easy it is to find everything young home-makers need right around home.

## Marriage Customs Traced To The Past

The enlightened bride of today is not superstitious. She is not foolhardy either. So the tradition of wearing "something borrowed and something blue" survives - just in case it might help achieve that happiness forever after.

In the distant past it was the wedding veil that supposed to be borrowed from a happily married

woman with the hope that some of the marital bliss would be transmitted to the newlywed.

The wearing of blue was the assurance of a love that was true. The English bride of the 17th century wore clusters of blue ribbons stitched on various spots of the bridal gown. Her modern counterpart usually prefers a fancy

blue garter.

Many other popular marriage customs can be traced to the curiosities of the past.

Legend would have you believe that in tribal times, a man might capture a woman he wanted from a neighboring tribe. The trusted buddy he asked to go along to help with the kidnapping was the

original "best man".

To keep the girl's family from rescuing her before the union was a "fait accompli", she was taken into hiding for a certain length of time. There you have the origin of the honeymoon.

The wedding ring, a symbol of the fetter with which the bride was bound, has long had special care.

It was believed that the loss of the ring meant the loss of affection.

The wedding cake, the teller of tales says, depicted fertility, and so it followed that the finer the cake, the more prolific the union. That is, if the bride made certain to cut the first slice.

Other superstitions

surrounding the cake was that everyone present must eat a little. Every morsel of cake eaten enhanced the newlyweds' chances for success in the business of living together.

And the bride, if she were to have complete fidelity from her mate, must eat some but save some, at least until after the birth of her first child.



Want to go away in style and comfort and still have money left over to enjoy the honeymoon? Go Mazda. Peggy and Gordon, shown here, with E. J. Wideman at PINE HILL AUTO, 4002 SHEPHERD AVE., AGINCOURT, were surprised when E. J. told them about the amount of room and low cost. They are shown here in front of PINE HILL looking at the new MAZDA 1600, 1800 and a pickup.

## The Honeymoon — Living Like A King

How would you like to live like a lord and his lady while touring the beautiful and romantic British Isles?

This dream of a perfect honeymoon can come true, thanks to a new travel program called Country Homes and Castles in Great Britain.

Honeymooners can tell the folks back home that they had tea with the Dowager Marchioness of Tweedale, spent the night listening for the ghost of Sir Robert Brudenell at

Deene Park, or that they passed a few lazy days under the same roof that covered the heads of King James IV, King Robert the Bruce and Mary Queen of Scots at Pitcapple Castle.

Rates for an overnight stay for two range from \$27 to \$78. This price includes all liquor, a gourmet dinner with wines, a hearty English breakfast and all the facilities of the house including servants, tennis courts, swimming pools, and fishing and hunting privileges.