

Miss Merle Rhoten Becomes Bride of John Reeves at Church Rites Saturday

One of the impressive wedding ceremonies of the summer season took place Saturday afternoon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church when Miss Elizabeth Merle Rhoten, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander Rhoten, became the bride of John William Reeves, son of Mrs. Walter Roberts and the late William A. Reeves. It was at 3 o'clock that Rev. George H. Swift officiated at the nuptials before a setting of white gladioluses, chrysanthemums and Esther Reed daisies with a touch of blue for accent.

Vocalists were Mrs. Robert F. Anderson and Ervin Potter. Miss Ruth Bedford was the organist. Patrick and Michael Kelley were the acolytes.

Of imported Chantilly lace was the exquisite bridal gown, fashioned with a bouffant skirt bordered with deep scallops of the lace at the hemline and terminating in a chapel train. The long, torso style bodice was made with a portrait neckline embellished with seed pearls. Her headdress of lace was also encrusted with seed pearls and held in place her fingertip illusion veil. She carried a cascade of stephanotis.

Attendants Wear Blue Chiffon

The gowns of the attendants were of romance blue nylon chiffon designed with shirred bodice and waltz skirts. They wore matching halo headdresses and blue shoes. Their cascade bouquets were of white asters. Mrs. David Alexander Rhoten (Coralie Doughton), sister-in-law of the bride, and Mrs. Carroll Keasey, sister of groom, were the matrons of honor. Miss Shirley Webber and Miss Beverly Beakey were the bridesmaids.

Gay Lewis, the bride's cousin, was flower girl and she wore a white chiffon frock styled like the attendants and she carried a silver basket filled with white flowers. David Keasey, nephew of the bridegroom, was the ring bearer.

Doyle Dodge stood with Mr. Reeves as best man and seating the guests were Wayne Rogers, Jack Coker, John Ticknor, Truman Blankenship, Daniel Haddad, David A. Rhoten and Carroll Keasey.

For her daughter's nuptials Mrs. Rhoten selected a powder blue-linen gown accented with starched lace medallions and a colot of velvet petals. For the church she donned an India silk and gold stole. Her carriage was of rubrum lilies. Mrs. Roberts attended her son's marriage in an Empire silk and cotton gown of gold, green and cocoa with cocoa accessories. She pinned a cluster of stephanotis to her gown.

Greet Guest At Reception

The newlyweds greeted their guests at a reception in the parish hall. Pouring were Mesdames G. Koenig, Leonard Goldblatt, Oscar I. Paulson, H. W. Hughlett, Janie Tufts, Miss Myrtle Reeves and Miss Mary Louise Lee. Cutting the cake were Mesdames E. A. Rhoten, Mrs. Celia Elttreim, grandmothers of the bride and groom respectively, Edward A. Brown, Gardner Knapp, Warren Baker and Allan Carson.

Assisting were Mesdames Bruce Cedereth, Gary Jones, G. W. Ross Jr. Edward Becker, Charles Layport, Everett Stroud, Earl McFarland, Ralph Lisle, E. J. Rief, Robert W. Ross, Wayne Rogers, Misses Beverly Rief, Sandy Ross, Betsy Ross, Linda Rhoten, Marion Carson, Rosemary Rhoten, Mary Ann Little, Karen Blitz. A group of relatives and long-time friends of the Rhoten family served as hosts and hostesses and Mrs. Lee S. Ross played organ music throughout the reception.

For her wedding trip the new Mrs. Reeves wore a pink dress with aqua and pink mandarin style coat and pink accessories. The couple will make their home in Long Beach, Calif.

Bride at St. Paul's Episcopal



Mrs. John William Reeves, who was Elizabeth Merle Rhoten before her marriage Saturday afternoon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Rhoten and Mr. Reeves is the son of Mrs. Walter Roberts. The couple will live in Long Beach, Calif. (McEwan Studio.)

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Meet for Dinner

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The July dinner meeting of the

Merle Rhoten Reeves wedding

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