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Ralph W. Voorhees, Rutgers Man, Weds Sarah D. Manners

The home of Mrs. William H. Manners and her son Van Dyke, of Werts-ville, was the scene on Saturday last of a very pretty military wedding, when, in the presence of nearly seventy-five invited guests, Mrs. Manners' daughter, Miss Jane Drake Manners was united in marriage to Ralph Whitaker Voorhees, of New York City, now a Y. M. C. A. secretary at Camp Merritt. The bride wore a gown of white Georgette lace and carried a shower bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. She was attended by Miss Florence L. Van Syckle, of White House, as maid of honor, and by Miss Gladys J. Emmons, of South Amboy, and Miss Mary P. Voorhees, of Middlebush, as bridesmaids.

Edward J. Burns, Jr., Cornell '16, a fellow Y. M. C. A. secretary at Camp Merritt, and Edward R. Dayton, Rutgers, '21, of Flemington, who has been in training during the summer at Plattsburg.

The ceremony was performed by Dr. Oscar M. Voorhees, of New York City, the bridegroom's father, assisted by Rev. Widmer MacNair, of Holmdel, N. J., an uncle.

The bride was given away by her brother Van Dyke Manners, and the wedding march was played by Miss Helen M. Updyke, of Princeton, N. J.

The house was tastefully decorated with trailing vines, while the ceremony was performed under an arch of roses decorated with American flags to accord with the uniforms of Mr. Voorhees and the ushers. A bountiful collation was served, a unique feature of which was a cake furnished by the army baker at Camp Merritt.

Mr. Voorhees is a graduate of Rutgers, class of 1916, and was connected with the college for two years as the Alumni Secretary. He has been in Y. M. C. A. service since last April, first as educational secretary and later as head of the publicity department. Former Governor Foster M. Voorhees, now of High Bridge, was among the guests.

After a wedding journey which will take them through southern Canada and the Adirondacks, Mr. and Mrs. Voorhees will make their home at Cresskill, N. J., a short distance from Camp Merritt.

October 3
1918

Mr. Ralph W. Voorhees,
Y.M.C.A.
Camp Merritt, N.J.

Dear Ralph:

I am sorry that I have not written you before, but we have all been so unusually busy trying to make ready for the establishment of the S.A.T.C. here that there has been no time whatever for attending to anything else. It has been very much like the few days before the 150th anniversary.

All of us here at the College were glad to have the announcement of your marriage. May I wish you all happiness and every success in the coming years.

I am wondering if you would not care to take your effects from the Alumni House. We have placed everything in a big box which is in the upstairs hall. It would relieve us if you could arrange to get them or to have them sent to you.

Things have changed very little here at the College. The Alumni Quarterly is late because of my attention to other things, and the Rutgers Club of New Brunswick seems to be dying a slow and painful death, but otherwise things are going along and we are doing our best to make it worth while. Let me hear from you how you are getting along.

Cordially yours,

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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
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October 5, 1918.

Mr. Earl Reed Silvers, Alumni Secretary
Rutgers College, N. Brunswick N.J.

Dear Mr. Silvers;

I hereby tender
my resignation as Alumni Secretary
and Secretary of the Alumni Council
in order that I may continue my
war service with the Y.M.C.A.
Through you and those associated
with you in alumni affairs, I
know that the alumni work
will be carried on and the
Alumni Quarterly and War Service
Bureau will continue to keep the
alumni in touch with the College.

Extend my
kindest regards to the members
of the Council.

Very sincerely yours
Ralph W. Cookes



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October 6, 1918.

Dear Ned,

I am planning to
be in N. B. at an Educational
conference on Oct. 18 + 19th
and will take care of all
my things then. I do not
understand that they are still
in the Alumni House as I
wrote Arthur Layton to carry
them over to the D. A. House
till I could get them. I would
have you ship them but

there are so many things that
I could not possibly use here
and everything is so uncertain,
so if you can hold them
till I can get them in a
couple of weeks I shall
then be able to make full
disposition of them.

I have been intending to write you a letter concerning Camp Muntt but you know my limitations in wielding the pen. Then there is so little time to do anything that it is not definitely up to you to do.

I thank you for your kind expression of best wishes. Outside of an automobile accident, we have been getting along famously. Those powder blasts were felt a way up here. At four yesterday morning we were awakened by what seemed to be a robber forcing the back door. I shouted "Who's there" and a lot of other humorous stuff but to no avail. I guess it must have almost seemed like a direct hit at Railway.

Give my best regard Helen. Tell her I hope married life agrees with her.

Vastly yours
Ralph.

P.S. I am sending formal letter of resignation

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Mr. Ralph W. Voorhees,
Building No.3
Y.M.C.A.,
Camp Merritt, N.J.

Dear Ralph:

I shall look forward with pleasure to seeing
you here in New Brunswick on October 18 and 19. Your
effects in the Alumni House will be held for you until
that time.

Most cordially yours,

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