



Surprise for Gen. Biddle

EIGHT YEARS LATER: The bride and bridegroom discuss the wedding day with the best man and the man who "gave the bride away" at the surprise anniversary party given by Margaret Biddle for her husband, Brig. Gen. A. J. Drexel Biddle, yesterday. Left to right: Lieut. Gen. Harold R. Bull, best man; Gen. Biddle, Mrs. Biddle, and Maj. Gen. Miller White.

All the Guests Kept the Secret

By Winzola McLendon

MARGARET BIDDLE gave a surprise anniversary party yesterday for her husband, Brig. Gen. A. J. Drexel Biddle. What the general had thought was "just a few people for cocktails" turned out to be a gathering of old friends who have played important roles in the Biddles' married life. In fact, the celebration might very well have been called "This is Your Married Life."

Maj. Gen. Miller White, the man who "gave the bride away" in Frankfurt, Germany on July 11, 1946, was there with his wife. Another member of the wedding, Lt. Gen. Harold R. Hull—the best man—and Mrs. Bull came by to offer their congratulations. So did Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Goddick Allen who were guests at the wedding. Arriving with the Allens were Mrs. E. M. Egan and Lt. Milton Egan.

Five-year-old Antonio and his sister, Meg, 3, greeted

the guests with their parents. Both mother and daughter wore pale blue—Mrs. Biddle's a sleeveless bouffant cocktail-length cotton, Meg's a dotted Swiss with many starched petticoats. Antonio was immaculate in white linen.

Flowers were a bloom everywhere. Everyone—well almost everyone—sent flowers. There were arrangements of all sizes and shapes and blossoms of every color and variety.

THE CHIEF of Staff for the Army and Mrs. Matthew Ridgway, she in white silk over pale pink, walked over from their quarters for the party. The general is one of Meg's godfathers and attended her christening in Paris.

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