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KILLIAN—NAMKEN
NUPTIALS SOLEMNIZED

The marriage of Miss Ruth Irene Killian, daughter of Mrs. Martha Killian and the late Rev. T. J. Killian, to Milton Namken, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Namken of Vernon, was solemnized at 8 p. m. Sunday at the Immanuel Lutheran Church with the Rev. Max Stadtmann officiating in the double ring ceremony.

White roses and stock gave floral touches to the altar space where white candles burned in tall candelabra. Mr. Henry Stroebel provided organ music before the ceremony and also played the wedding marches. Mrs. Henry Harms Jr. sang "Oh Perfect Love."

The bride entered with her uncle, Herman Gruetzner, who gave her in marriage. Her gown was of white bridal satin made with a fitted bodice, sweetheart neckline and long fitted sleeves clasped at the wrist with satin covered buttons. Her long train extended from the graceful folds of her skirt. The veil was that worn by her aunt Mrs. Emil Hilsberg at her wedding. It was fitted into a coronet trimmed with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of Calla lilies tied with satin.

Attendants of the bride were Mrs. Herbert Namken of Vernon as matron of honor and bridesmaids were Misses Clara Ann Moebus of LaGrange, the bride's cousin; Clara Anita Schur of Vernon, and Mignonette Pratho, also the bride's cousin, served as junior bridesmaids. She was in a miniature reproduction of the bridesmaids' dresses and carried a nosegay of white sweet peas.

The bridesmaids wore identical dresses of white net styled with sweetheart necklines and fitted bodices fashioned with full skirts. They wore head dresses of net in pompadour puffs and carried arm bouquets of white gladiola.

Herbert Namken of Vernon served his brother as best man and groomsmen were Herman Killian and Clarence Tonn. Ushers included Monroe Wagner of Austin and Rudolph Namken.

The bride's mother and the groom's mother wore gowns of blue crepe and wore corsages of corn flowers.

For the reception following the ceremony, the bride's table was covered with lace, and was decorated with a centerpiece of white flowers in a low crystal bowl and lighted with tall white tapers in crystal candelabra.

The two-tiered wedding cake, decorated with roses and calla lilies, was placed at one end of the table and the crystal punch bowl at the opposite end of the board. Miss Minnie Dank was in charge of the punch service and Miss Lillian Vogel of Longview and Miss Frieda Kurio of Houston were in charge of the cake. Miss Catherine Holtkamp and Miss Madeline Tschatschula registered the guests in the bride's book.

The couple left later for a wedding trip to points in West Texas. For travel the bride wore a redingote model of navy blue with blue and red accessories and a corsage of red carnations.