

HOME AND GARDEN

1ST WITH MRS. M'K.

Mayor-Elect And Wife, Wed 18 Years, Met When Both Worked In Same Bank

At 9.30 o'clock last night, Theodore Roosevelt McKeldin, Jr., slid down the balusters. In white woolen pajamas he perched on the balustrade and beamed down at his mother, who didn't have the energy left to scold him.

The day had been as exciting for 6-year-old Teddy as for his father. For his mother, it had just been hectic...

Baltimore's new first lady heard the election returns, as did many other housewives over the radio. The only thing unique about the family scene at 332 St. Dunstan's road was young Teddy, with pencil and pad counting up the votes.

Went Out To Vote

Except to vote, Mrs. McKeldin had not been out of the house all day. Teddy has just enough of a cold to confine him to the house. With the assistance of his 3-year-old sister, Clara, and a constantly ringing telephone, he didn't leave his mother much peace.

She was completely calm, however, when she later joined the Mayor-elect for acceptance of congratulations at Republican headquarters at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

Wearing a smartly tailored navy blue silk suit topped by a small-brimmed white hat trimmed in blue, the slender matron, by her appearance, belied the fact that she had been married eighteen years.

Met At Bank

The young lawyer, with nothing but a future, met his wife when he went to work as a bookkeeper for the First National Bank. She was assistant in charge of the bookkeeping department and taught him to run a ledger.

"As I recall it, I did," she laughed last night. "If I didn't I will certainly hear about it."

In later years, it proved very handy to have a wife with a knowledge of dollars and cents. Mrs. McKeldin runs the family finances as well as the home. But her husband is going to be Mayor. She will remind you of that, if you ask her about anything controversial.

Competent Artist

A graduate of the Maryland Institute, she is a competent artist with a preference for charcoal drawing.

But I don't have much time for



MRS. HONOLULU MCKELDIN

WIFE OF NEW MAYOR—Mrs. McKeldin was at home with her two children, Teddy, Jr., and 3-year-old Clara Whitney McKeldin, when she received the news that her husband had won the election.

that now," she commented. "The children keep me too busy."

She has found time to put in a victory garden: "My husband isn't a gardener. He spends his time reading books." And next week she will have charge of the annual Flower Mart in Mount Vernon Square. In 1933 and 1934 she won silver vases from *The Evening Sun* for her garden.

Garden Clubs

Her only clubs are the Garden Club of Goyans and the Home and Garden Club. War has added Red Cross work. Currently, she is taking a Red Cross course in dietetics at the University of Maryland.

"Oh!" she remembered. "I'm supposed to go to class tomorrow. I don't know how I will make it, if the phone rings as much as it did today."

During the gubernatorial campaign last summer, a politician was heard to ask Mr. McKeldin to bring his wife and children on a political outing:

"The folks would appreciate it."

Mr. McKeldin's reply was emphatic:

"No, I'm not riding to power on my family. They stay out of this."

The election won't change things in the McKeldin household.