

GUEST AT 699 HOTELS CLAIMS TO HOLD RECORD

On Move for Half Century
Started When Seven
Months Old

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Hale and hearty after more than half a century spent in traveling from hotel to hotel, Henry E. Knapp of St. Paul, Minn., who is now stopping at the Waldorf, claims the record for having signed more registers than any other man living. Mr. Knapp says that he has stopped at 699 different hotels.

He started traveling at the age of 10 months. Later in life his business kept him traveling. For 25 years he has been retired, and has spent his retirement in traveling.

"I have been keeping a diary since 1867," said Mr. Knapp yesterday, "and my memory has always been rather good. About 18 months ago, in the course of conversation some one expressed a wish to know how many hotels there were in the world. It was perhaps an idle question, but it started me wondering just how many I knew and I began to count up, and my record today is just 699. Mind you, those are all different hotels."

FIRST JOURNEY

"I do not recall my first journey because I was only 7 months old when I was taken down the Mississippi on a steamboat from my home in Fort Madison, Iowa, and then the following winter we were brought East to Pennsylvania and I visited my grandparents in Massachusetts.

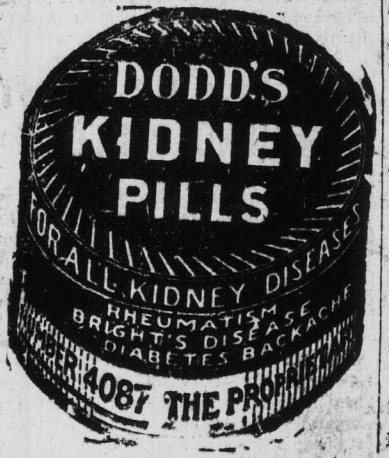
"I made my first voyage to Europe with my father in 1869; that was on the old steamer China, a gigantic craft of about 2800 tons. On that trip I acquired a taste for lengthy journeys, for we stayed aboard ten months. We came back, as I recalled it, in what was the crack liner of the Atlantic passenger carrying fleet, the Russia of the Cunard Line. As I recall her, she was under 4000 tons. It took about nine days for the journey. From that time to this I have spent most of my time traveling."

QUEEREST HOTEL

"Mrs. Knapp and I have never had any thrilling adventures during our journeys, though we have been in earthquakes in Japan and California, but these did not happen to be serious.

"About the queerest hotel at which I ever stopped was in Italy. That was before I was married. My father and I with a couple of married friends from Philadelphia were driving over the Corniche Road from Nice to Savona, Italy, and came to a little town called Luino at nightfall. The only hotel in town boasted of just two guest rooms and we furnished its complement. The only furniture in our room was a bed and a chair, and I may note that the double bedstead went to dinner loaded with a corresponding fare.

"I think one reason why Mrs. Knapp and I have never lost anything in hotels, even in foreign countries, may be that we have sought the best hotels and achieved the good-will of the hotel keepers."



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Weddings

Scott-Miller

In the Germain street church at 6:30 o'clock this evening, the marriage of Miss Helen Jane Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Frederick Miller, 87 Victoria street to Charles Harold Scott, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. N. C. Scott, Douglas avenue, will be solemnized. Dr. S. S. Poole will perform the ceremony. The church is tastefully decorated with palms, ferns and a profusion of golden glow, phlox and other garden flowers. Marking the guest pews are clusters of gypsophylla tied with bows of white satin ribbon and tulle.

The bride will be given in marriage by her father, and she will be attended by her cousin, Miss M. Dorothy Christie, as bridesmaid, and by her cousin, little Miss Aurele M. Wilson, as flower girl. Dr. A. J. Coughlan will be groomsmen and Walter A. Miller, brother of the bride, and G. Sherman Dearborn, will act as ushers.

The bride will wear a lovely French gown of white beaded georgette, simply made, with court train of white crepe back satin, lined with blush pink georgette. Her tulle veil will be arranged in coronet effect, embroidered in pearls and rhinestones, with wreath of orange blossoms caught at the sides, and falling in graceful folds to the end of her train. She will carry Columbia roses and gypsophylla, with a shower of sweetheart roses.

The bridesmaid will wear a gown of orchid georgette with rhinestone trimmings, a large black hat, faced with orchid, gold shoes and stockings, and a scarf of gold tulle. She will carry pale yellow gladioli and mauve sweetpeas. The little flower girl will wear a bouffant sleeveless frock of peach shot tulle, with goilets of cream lace, and on her hair will be worn a bandeau of silver leaves. She will carry on her arm a bouquet of the same material as her dress, filled with sweetheart roses, which she will strew in the path of the bride and bridegroom as they leave the church. Miss Betty Blanche will preside at the organ and as the wedding party enters the church will play the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, and after the ceremony Mendelssohn's wedding march. During the signing of the register Mrs. George McKel will sing "O Perfect Love."

Mrs. Miller, mother of the bride will wear a powder blue georgette costume with large black hat, and ermine tie and will carry an old fashioned nosegay. Mrs. N. C. Scott, mother of the bridegroom will wear a dress of broad crepe, trimmed with Spanish lace, a scarf of Spanish lace, and a black satin hat, and will carry a nosegay of flowers.

Following the ceremony a reception will be held at the home of the bride's parents, Victoria street. The rooms are decorated with beautiful cut flowers in mauve and yellow. The bride and bridegroom will receive before the mantle piece in the drawing room, where sweetpots in shades of mauve and white, and golden glow, interspersed with greenery, form the background. The bride's table will be centred with a pyramid wedding cake, trimmed with orange blossoms and silver butterflies. Silver candelsticks containing mauve and yellow candles will also be used in the decorative scheme.

Mr. Scott and his bride will leave on the evening train for Montreal, Toronto, Atlantic City and New York. The bride will travel in a dress of Sinbad blue satin, trimmed with grey, and a coat of Sinbad blue mole-texture trimmed with grey squirrel. She will wear a small grey and blue hat, and grey gloves, shoes and stockings and handbag. A large array of beautiful gifts received are a fitting testimony to the popularity of the bride and bridegroom.

Walter A. Miller, brother of the bride, of Sheet Harbor, N. S., is a visitor in the city for the wedding.

Crozier-Wood

A quiet wedding which will be of interest to a large circle of friends in East Saint John and elsewhere will take place this evening at the Baptist parsonage, East Saint John, when Rev. I. B. Colwell will unite in marriage Frank M. Crozier, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Crozier, of Willow Grove, to Violet E. Wood, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Wood, of East Saint John. The bride, who will be unattended, will be given in marriage by her father, and will be becomingly attired in a dress of peach flat crepe and tailored coat with

brown fox fur. She will wear a black picture hat of panne velvet and satin, with shoes and stockings to match. After the ceremony the young couple will leave on the Boston train for a wedding trip to U. S. cities, and on their return will reside in the city. They have many friends who will extend good wishes for their future happiness.

Robertson-Thorne

A very pretty wedding was solemnized on Tuesday evening, Sept. 14, at Washington street Baptist church, Lynn, Mass., when Miss Myrtle E. Thorne, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Thorne, and Frank E. Robertson, son of John and the late Hattie I. Robertson, both of this city, were united in marriage by Rev. C. A. Underhill. The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Charles A. Thorne, of Boston, was becomingly

Johnston-Fadler

A wedding of much interest to friends in Saint John was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Fadler, 817 Elmhurst avenue, Highland Park, Michigan, on Saturday, September 4, when Miss Thelma Fadler became the bride of William J. Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnston, of Quispamsis, N. B. Rev. George Fale officiated. The bride, who

was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin trimmed with lace, pearls and rhinestones. Her veil was of real lace, trimmed with ferns and orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white bridal roses and lilies of the valley. The ceremony took place beneath an arch of palms and gladioli. The bride was attended by two matrons of honor, one in yellow the other in orchid tulle, and carrying yellow roses. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston later left for Buffalo by boat and will also visit Mr. Johnston's mother at Quispamsis. They expect to return home via Boston and New York.

Crabbe-Cochran

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents on Sept. 14, when Nellie G., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cochran, Bloomfield Sta-

tion, and J. William Crabbe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Crabbe, of the same place, were united in marriage by Rev. H. Stanley Young. The bride was becomingly attired in a French blue satin backed crepe gown and carried a shower bouquet of sweetheart and Columbia roses with maiden hair ferns. The house was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves, asters and sweet peas. After the ceremony a dainty luncheon was served and the happy couple left by automobile for a trip through the province. On their return they will reside at Bloomfield. The groom's gift to the bride was a wrist watch. She received many other beautiful presents, including articles of cut glass, china and silver and substantial checks.

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