

CAROLYN DORSEY

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Finishing School, Coming Out and Marriage in Brookline, Massachusetts

Stephen Dorsey cum laude from Dartmouth worked for \$25.00 per week at First Boston Corporation; narrator worked at Best & Co.

Daily maid arrived at 4 PM to cook dinner

Stephen Dorsey brought to Washington by Dr. Hopkins, former President of Dartmouth

worked at War Production Board, UNESCO, later joined State with Wriston program

Stephen Dorsey became Middle East expert

Two daughters, birth and education

Narrator's family long associated with US Navy, Army; was at home in Washington

Narrator's uncle responsible for planting of cherry trees around Tidal Basin

Wilhelmina -- marvelous cook, housekeeper, baby sitter -- goes along to Beirut

Narrator, children and Wilhelmina evacuated from Beirut to Rome

Wilhelmina continues on to her home in Virginia

Wilhelmina not permitted to accompany family to Sudan

Returned to Dorsey house, rented by Chester Bowles

Bowles eventually bought a house, tried to woo Wilhelmina away

In Beirut, Ambassador Heath took Wilhelmina to American Community Church while Dorsey's attended Anglican church

Temperature 126° in Khartoum for Christmas dinner

Wilhelmina's account of life with Bowles family

Mrs. Bowles wore saris and sandals; was "very stingy"

Family-style, informal entertaining because Mrs. Bowles refused to hire extra help, expected Wilhelmina to cook and serve a dinner for twelve alone

Wilhelmina in England

Americans at Consulate in Genoa objected to Wilhelmina in language class

Discussion of children's education

Stephen Dorsey's audience with the Pope

Loy Henderson requests impromptu luncheon for 25 guests on cook's day off
Driver sent to find cook, locates him in the mosque
Narrator cancels bridge party; her partners bake cakes for the luncheon
Henderson acknowledges inconvenience to narrator; praises meal

Dorsey's assumed representational duties for Ambassador Moose

Sudanese guest at dinner takes liberties with Embassy wife at party. Because he is local VIP, her husband does nothing