

By Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brooks

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Beautiful Reception at Fairfield Inn Given for the J. C. Buchanans

Quite the most beautiful reception in recent months was the one given by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brooks at the Fairfield Inn Wednesday, May 16, in honor of Dr. and Mrs. John C. Buchanan. Illness prevented the attendance of Mr. Brooks, but Mrs. Brooks graciously did double duty.

The reception followed immediately a unique event at the Fairfield Memorial Hospital—the presenting to the hospital portraits of Dr. Buchanan and his father.

Relatives, friends, and contributors to the portrait fund of Dr. Buchanan, together with special friends of the Brookses, were the guests.

Those who assisted the hostess to entertain her guests consisted of the immediate family of Dr. Buchanan and those who were or had been associated with him or with the Brookses: Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Buchanan and children, Evelyn, Billy and Ellen Wallace Buchanan; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sanborn, Mrs. Claudia Buchanan Snowden and daughter, Mary Anne, Mrs. Henri Buchanan Coleman and son, George. Mr. and

beautiful Fairfield Inn was a bower of flowers — many of them from the gardens of friends — artistically arranged. Gladioli and mixed flowers in exquisite containers were everywhere in the drawing room and hall. In the dining room, Mrs. Bertha McCauley and Mrs. Virginia McFadden poured punch, and fancy sandwiches, prettily iced cakes and mints were served, buffet style.

The table was beautifully appointed, overlaid with an embroidered cover, silver candelabra, and an enormous centerpiece of mixed flowers in a silver container.

Goodbyes were said to Mr. and Mrs. Moultrie D. Douglas.

About the whole affair there was an air of informality, a sense of good fellowship, that would have delighted Mr. Brooks if he could have been present. He planned the whole beautiful occasion with the unselfishness that has always been the most prominent trait of his character.