

Anne is flying to U.S. to wed Michael

WEARING an engagement ring which she chose with her future mother-in-law, attractive 20-year-old Anne Lawman, of Cottered, will be flying out to the United States in October, to marry her Hitchin boy friend, 19-year-old Michael MacNamara, formerly of 6 Highbury-road.

Anne and Michael first met nearly a year ago when he visited her father's public house—"The Bull"—at Cottered. In March they said goodbye to each other when Michael left this country for a new life in New York, where he is working for Nabisco Foods Ltd.

Since then they have corresponded regularly and a few weeks ago Michael sent Anne the money to buy a ring.

Choosing an engagement ring is not the sort of task a young girl likes to do alone, so Michael's mother, Mrs. P. M. MacNamara, went along to the jeweller's shop with her.

DENTAL NURSE

Anne, who has been living in lodgings in Stevenage, where she has been working as a dental nurse in the Town Centre for three years, is now busily filling in forms for visas ready for the trip.

This is only one of the problems she is encountering by wanting to marry in the United States.

For, when she leaves with her father, Mr. Frank Lawman, she will have to take her wedding dress with her. "It's rather a simple one," she said, "because there will be no attendants, or anybody from my side, except my father."

FILM RECORDS

Mr. Lawman is hoping to be able to take a cine film of the wedding to show the two families on his return.

"I'm not allowed to take very much luggage," he said, "all the spare room will be wanted by Anne to take all her new clothes to America."

Although he has only been in the country for about five months, Michael is already settling down very well in his apartment in Brooklyn, and also thoroughly enjoys his job.

But he did have a little background knowledge of the firm beforehand, because his father is a director of its English counterpart at Welwyn.

MISSES HIS BEER

There is one thing, however, that Michael misses, and that is English beer!

Anne told a staff reporter that she was hoping to be able to take some with her, but regretted there wouldn't be room on the plane.

"Otherwise," she added, "Mike thinks the States are terrific."

So far, no wedding date has been fixed but it will be as soon as possible after Anne and her father arrive.

Accommodation will present no difficulties as Michael's apartment is large enough for two.



ANNE LAWMAN



MICHAEL McNAMARA