

Monique is left a broomstick and a title

SHE'S THE QUEEN OF THE WITCHES

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A YOUNG black-haired mother was named yesterday as Queen of the Witches. And with the title goes the bulk of a £25,800 estate.

The Queen Witch is Mrs. Monique Marie Wilson, mother of a seven-year-old daughter who lives in a pre-fab in Nimmo-avenue, Perth.

The money—and the title—were left to her by Dr. Gerald Brousseau Gardner, 80-year-old leader of Britain's witches, who died in February.

Under his will, published in the Isle of Man yesterday, Mrs. Wilson inherits £1,500, the contents of the doctor's witches' museum in Castletown, Isle of Man, and all his "equipment, machinery and manuscripts relating to magic." They include a broomstick.

Rights

After a number of small bequests, Mrs. Wilson will also get the residue of Dr. Gardner's estate.

Dr. Gardner also left £3,000 to an English witch, Mrs. Pat Crowther, of O'Connell road, Sheffield.

She was married, according to witchcraft rights, to Dr. Gardner.

Last night "The Queen Witch" and her husband, Campbell Wilson, and their daughter moved out of their pre-fab home to start a holiday.

They will move soon into the mysterious 450-year-old "Witches' Cottage" that she inherits with the museum in the Isle of Man.

Guide

In the summer, Mrs. Wilson — her witchcraft name is Lady Olwen — will act as guide at the museum.

Before she left Perth last night Mrs. Wilson said: "My husband and I will carry on the work of Dr. Gardner."

"We will build up the museum, and work to alter the popular image of witchcraft. It is not an evil cult."

"But before we move into Witches' Cottage, we are planning to have a short holiday."



witch's pose—by the new Witches' Queen . . . Mrs. Monique Wilson.

