SOCIETY IN BIRMINGHAM AND THE HILLS

BY DOROTHY E. WILLIAMS

YPSI PLAYERS IN GOOD SHOW

Success Greets "Believe Me Xantippe" At Baldwin Auditorium

By C. ELTON BUCK

"Believe Me Xantippe," a four act comedy, was given a successful presentation Tuesday evening by the Ypsi Normal Club players in the auditorium of the Baldwin High School.

George Johnson, the Baldwin High School football coach, as George MacFarland, gave an excellent performance, at times burlesquing the part of the wealthy New Yorker who is the hero of the play.

Virginia Hupp as Dolly Kamman, the pretty daughter of a western sheriff, also won high honors. Her performance was featured by an energetic personality which won the audience from the start. F. Morse Cooke and Earl Correvont also were seen to advantage. W. S. Toothacker, in the role of small-town sheriff, was the cause of much appropriate laughter. Melvin C. Hart and Miss Eleanor Haack gave splendid characterizations of the "stage variety" desperado and a "hard-boiled gangster's moll."

Orchestra Helps

The orchestra opened the performance with a selection from the "Bohemian Girl" and filled in the lengthy intermissions with tuneful music.

The plot centers about the inevitable wealthy New Yorker who goes west to win a bet that he can elude the police for a year.

Of course, the pretty daughter of the sheriff spoils his plan. Here the "love element" enters; the young man assists in the capture of the desperado and the curtain falls on the happy ending.

Others in the cast were: Wynn B. Easterday, and C. McMullen.

CARILLON RECITAL

Christ Church Cranbrook
Sunday, December 15th at 3:45 p. m.

Advent and Christmas Selections in Groups.

Traditional

Veni Emmanuel
Great God, What Do I See and Hear!
We Three Kings of Orient Are
Good King Wenceslas
God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen
Silent Night, Holy Night.

Narrative

O Little Town of Bethlehem
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing.

Devotional

Rejoice, Believers
Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
Adeste Fideles
As With Gladness Men of Old.

Carillon Recital, Wednesday Evening, December 18th at 9:00.

ORGAN RECITAL

Christ Church Cranbrook
Sunday, December 15th at 4:30 p. m.

Chorale ..... Boellman
Scherzo ..... Parker
Angelus ..... Massenet
Serenade ..... Schubert
Hosanna ..... Wachs.

CANTATA WILL BE SUNG ON DEC. 22

Choir Of First M. E. Church To Give Joint Program Of "Bethlehem"

"Bethlehem," a cantata by Maunders, will be presented as one of the features of Birmingham's mid-winter music season, Dec. 22 at the First Methodist Church of Birmingham under the direction of E. R. Edwards, organist and music director.

The cantata will be sung by a mixed choir of 55 voices from both the choir of the Birmingham church and the Grace M. E. Church of Detroit. The performance will begin at 5 p. m. and rehearsals for the cantata are being held regularly.

Soloists for the occasion will be Mrs. Frank Campbell, soprano; Charles Victor Bennett, and H. H. Roberts, tenors; R. D. Richard, baritone, and A. G. Brown, bass. Miss Mildred Green will play the organ accompaniment.

EDITOR TALKS ON SOBRIETY

George R. Averill Discusses 18th Amendment Before Rotary Club

Offering statements from some of the greatest minds the world has produced as support for his contention that "absolute sobricty" is a goal worth the attainment of society, George R. Averill, publisher of The Eccentric, talked for 20 minutes before local Rotarians here Monday noon, logically arguing for the retention of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, or at least respect for it while it is on the federal statutes.

Mr. Averill contended that an individual, or race of individuals, ever attained a high or lasting place in history when aided by the anaesthesia of strong drink; he stated that mankind, under a more complete application of the admonitions and teachings of Christianity, would become more enduring, more filled with peace, happiness, and prosperity.

Although admitting the present conditions surrounding the enforcement of the 18th Amendment as offering material for a debate, he never-the-less claimed that a lack of contemporary law enforcement upon any phase of social progress did not in itself detract from the value of the law or custom under consideration. In support of this statement the speaker stated that "some of you may argue that prohibition, as a rule and regulation for human life, is good at heart, but that the world is not yet prepared to receive it. This argument is upset when you recall that Christianity, although admitted far from being the actual applied rule of today's conduct, was founded 2,000 years ago—none too soon for even the present generation which looks to the example of Jesus for the salvation of the world."

Prior to Mr. Averill's talk the club welcomed a new member, Latta W. Porter, of Baldwin avenue, whose classification is life insurance. James W. Cobb, local postmaster, was complimented upon his birthday by program chairman L. E. Colgrove, who called upon him to say a few words. The club also voted to give $50.00 towards a fund to make repairs to the church building south of Lincoln avenue, so that children in that section may attend Sunday school.

SCOUT LEADERS MEET TONIGHT

The completion of camp regulations for the new Camp George is expected to be made tonight at the regular meeting of the Boy Scout leaders in the auditorium of the Baldwin High School at nine o'clock.

The annual meeting of the sectional leaders at which time written reports of every officer are presented, will be held in January. Results of the competition for the advancement cup which is also awarded at that time will be determined by the number of first and second class scout awards made during the six months' period as well as the number of merit awards made.

More than 300 are expected to attend the January Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts and Shelton Wright, chairman of the Court of Honor is making preparations for the meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Asper, and their daughter, Ruth, of Ravine road are making a pre-Christmas motor trip of 10 days to St. Louis, where they will visit relatives.

LEGION WILL HOLD CARD PARTY TONIGHT

The American Legion benefit bridge party will be held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Rowley, at 1136 Villa Road tonight. Mrs. Helen Emmett has charge of the entertainment, and Mrs. William Boughner is arranging the refreshments.

The money secured from this party will be added to the Christmas fund for disabled soldiers and the children of the Otter Lake billet. There will be about nine tables.

GYROPHYTES MEET

Members of the Gyrophyte club will hold their first luncheon meeting tomorrow at the Community House. Formerly meetings were held at the Chateau Tea Room.

A program of games is planned for the entertainment by Ralph Main, chairman for the day.

Margaret Lunn, Wellesley College student, is said to be a persuasive letter writer, and thereby earns a modest income. Other students employ her to write their dads for money, giving her five per cent commission on the proceeds.

Records of heart action may be recorded on a motion picture screen by means of a new device called the oscigraphiscope.

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Social Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. William Barber, of Emmons Avenue, will entertain about 50 neighbors and friends next Saturday evening at the Bloomfield Park clubhouse. Modern and old time dances, with a five piece orchestra, will feature the evening.

Mrs. Hamilton Paterson, of Bloomfield Hills, entertained at dinner Tuesday night for Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Strong, and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Van Dusen.

Gordon Chamberlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Chamberlin, and Charles Bartow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bartow, will be among those who will return home for the Christmas recess. They are students at the Staunton Military academy, Staunton, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Plant, of Brookside drive, returned home Monday from a week's stay in Cleveland.

Mrs. Bernard L. Synder, of Madison avenue, entertained 12 Detroit guests at a bridge dinner Friday at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Ilett, of Henly drive, entertained the vestry of the St. James Episcopal Church at a dinner at their home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. N. T. Shaw, of Aspen road, was hostess at a luncheon bridge yesterday at the Oakland Hills Country club.

Announcement is made today of the marriage of Mrs. Eleanor Broock Munro, of Lakeside Road, to Wilbur Carleton Scott, of Birmingham, in Detroit, December 9. Mr. and Mrs. Scott are residing at 1666 Birmingham Blvd.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Foss entertained 25 couples at a dinner-dance at the Bloomfield Park clubhouse Tuesday evening. Music was furnished by a five piece orchestra from Klint.

Mrs. E. W. Kurth is sponsoring a bridge party to be given at the Bloomfield Park clubhouse tonight for the benefit of the Lutheran Church. There will be about 20 tables, and members of the church and their friends are invited. Refreshments will be served, and there will be a prize for each table.

Miss Mary Matheson will return home from Dana Hall December 20, to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Matheson, of Vaughn road.

Among the other school and college students expected home for the holidays next week are Miss Evelyn Salisbury, from the Ogontz School; Jack Snoby, from Indiana State University; Misses Betty Guest, and Marjory and Dorothy Faddis, all from Albion; and the Misses Winifred Quarton and Loretta Poritt, from National Park Seminary.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. DeVisser, of Woodward Avenue, returned Sunday from a two-weeks stay in the East. Mr. and Mrs. DeVisser spent a week at White Sulphur Springs, and a week in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Dwelley will give a small farewell tea this afternoon for Mrs. T. T. Hunt, of Ft. Lincoln, Bismarck, North Dakota.

Thorndike Dwelley, a student at Manlius, in New York, will be home tomorrow to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Dwelley.

Mrs Walter G. Morley is among the Bloomfield residents who have entertained recently for Mrs. J. C. Court, of Washington, D. C., who has been visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Glancy. Sunday, Mrs. Clarence Booth gave a small dinner, fo her; and Thursday, Mrs. William O. Stevens, invited in a few guests for tea. Mrs. Court returned to Washington at the end of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Chamberlin, who have been residing in Metamora have taken the Charles W. Stout home on Yorkshire road for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Max J. Stringer, of east Long Lake road, are sojourning in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Dickinson and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Halgren were among the dinner guests Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. George Whitmarsh, of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. William Yaw, of Long Lake road, were spending the winter months in the city. They have taken an apartment at the Indian Village Manor for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. William Crim, of Franklin village, have as their house guest the latter's mother, Mrs. J. Doull Miller, of New York. In compliment to the guest Mrs. Crim entertained Friday at a luncheon at the Lone Pine Inn. Covers were laid for 12 guests.

Mrs. Charles Braffett, of Chicago, who has been the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Braffett of Buckingham Road, for the past three weeks, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Braffett's sons, Roger and Warren Brown will return from their respective schools, Dartmouth College and Fishburne Military School in Virginia, next Thursday, to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.

Mrs. H. T. Ellerby, of South Adams Road, will entertain informally at dinner tomorrow night. The occasion will mark the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Ellerby and Mr. Robert Chisuss.

On Thursday, Mrs. Ellerby gave a luncheon in honor of her mother, Mrs. Ada J. Godfrey.

Miss Margaret Bell, of East Maple Avenue, is making a two-weeks visit in Grand Rapids, where she is the guest of Mrs. L. C. Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton H. Patterson, of the Hills, entertained a group of friends at a dinner Tuesday evening in their home. Among the guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Harrt L. Wallace, Dr. and Mrs. William O. Stevens, and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Strong, Jr.

Mrs. Francis C. Bagby, of Dorchester road, and her sons, John and Walker, left Tuesday for St. Louis Mo., where they will be the guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kramer. Mr. Bagby will join them there for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. C. K. Bartow, of Buckingham road entertained at a dinner for 12 Sunday night.

Mrs. Edward S. Harrigan will entertain her bridge club next Tuesday at her home on Harmon avenue.

Mrs. Eric Kurth, of Greenwood avenue, is giving a bridge tonight at the Bloomfield Township park clubhouse for the benefit of the Pedeemer Lutheran Church. Twenty tables will be at play. The affair is open to the public, those in charge announce.

Mrs. Beatrice McDonald, of Big Beaver road, was among the guests at the Christmas party and meeting of the Detroit Women Writers club Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Ira McDonald had as their week end guest Miss Rose May, of Detroit.

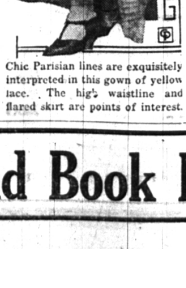
Mr. and Mrs. Leonard W. Brace, formerly of Southfield and now of Grand Blanc, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Blumberg, of Pierce street, recently.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. C. C. Gilbert, of Detroit, for a dinner dance Dec. 20 at the Bloomfield Open Hunt club. Places will be marked for 20 guests.

Miss Marion Thompson, of North Attleboro, Mass., the house guest of Mrs. Harold J. Lawver, of Puritan road, was entertained at a buffet supper by Mrs. James R. Mock, of Puritan road, last Friday.

Mrs. Martha Glavis of Newcastle, Eng., who always concealed her age, directed that it should not be inscribed on her tombstone.

Lace Creation



Chic Parisian lines are exquisitely interpreted in this gown of yellow lace. The high waistline and flared skirt are points of interest.

VILLAGE DEMOLAY GROUP ATTENDS DETROIT MEET

Birmingham DeMolay will be among the 600 members who are expected to attend the second annual DeMolay conclave of the Metropolitan district to be held Saturday at the Masonic Temple, Detroit.

The conclave opens with registration at noon followed by the opening session at 2 p. m. The afternoon is given over to group sessions and general reports with the election of district officers scheduled for 5 p. m.

James Spence, of Birmingham, and program chairman for the conclave is toastmaster for the banquet which will be held at 6 p. m. Harry Golder, of Detroit, will act as chairman for the evening.

Elgin Mifflin, of Lansing, Michigan deputy for grand council DeMolay, and Frank P. Wilcox, Detroit district deputy, will be the principal speakers.

At 7:30 p. m. the initiatory degree will be put on by the district degree team. This will be followed by the work of the Birmingham team who will put on the DeMolay degree.

A criticism of the degree work and the installation of officers will close the session. B. J. Meirose, advisor to the district officers and president of the district advisors association, will act as critic. He is also advisor of the Birmingham chapter.

MASQUE BALL GIVEN AT FRANKLIN VILLAGE

A masque ball was given at the Town Hall in Franklin Saturday night by Mr. and Mrs. George Wellington Smith and Miss Mary Adelle Shaw. Old time dances featured the program. The picturesque costumes of the guests were well set off by the old hall, decorated in red and green with hemlock and oak boughs.

The guest list included: Miss Mary Morley, Miss Romayne Thompson, Miss Serena Ailes, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Paige, Miss Marjorie Parsons, Miss Mary Elizabeth Grose, Miss Anita Pierce, Miss Alice Hirschman, Miss Hannah Huyette, Miss Betty Stark, Miss Mary Isabel Davis, Miss Betty Blanchard, Miss Francis Hamilton and Miss Elizabeth Harriman, Mortimer Neff, Wallace Orr, Walter Bromley, John Morley, Thomas Tolles Jack Failing, Kenneth Bingham, Joseph Parsons, Jack Saunders, Charles Dodenhoff, Laurie Howe, Jack Blanchard, Joseph Drake, Bedford Hamilton and Clifford Shores.

COUNTY WOMEN WILL MEET NEXT JAN. 21

Members of the Oakland County Council of Women will hold their next meeting Jan. 21 at the Community House, the regular December meeting being postponed, according to announcement made today.

Mrs. Edward Webb, of Pleasant Ridge, was named corresponding secretary of the group at an executive meeting held recently at the home of Mrs. A. P. Peppers, of Pleasant Ridge.

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BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Monger, of 223 East Frank Street, announce the birth of a son, James Elliott, December 8.

LITERARY CLUB HEARS PIANIST

Miss Ola Dafoe Eustice, of Detroit, concert pianist, was the guest artist at the meeting Tuesday of the Woman's Literary club at the Baldwin Public library. Miss Eustice played some of the works of Liszt, Scriabine and Arensky.

A paper on Russia was read by Mrs. Paul Penfield. The program for the day was arranged by Mrs. Clarence Gail.

Following the meeting tea was served with Mrs. Rachel Bunyan acting as hostess. Mrs. Charles J. Shain and Mrs. Gail presided at the tea table.

HOLD BAZAAR SALE

A sale of hand made articles remaining from the St. James Bazaar which was held Saturday at the Fox and Hounds Inn will be conducted all day Wednesday at the rectory of the St. James Church. The League of St. James Women is in charge of the sale with Mrs. Francis C. Bagby again acting as chairman.

CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK
Bloomfield Hills
Festival of Gifts Service
Sunday Afternoon at Four-thirty o'Clock, December 15th
The order of the Festival of Gifts Service will be: Organ Recital at four-thirty p. m., Carols by the boys of the Cranbrook School at four forty-five p. m., and the Service Proper at five o'clock. The Service will include a procession of Shepherds, Kings, the Church Choir and all the members of the Congregation following the Cross-Bearer to the Manger where gifts will be given to the Christ Child. These gifts will afterwards be distributed to those proven in dire need.

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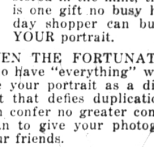

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