

# CLUB AND PERSONAL NOTES

### Rotary Anns To Hear Talk On Silver Monday

Mrs. Warren F. Gibson of Beverly Hills will be hostess to the Rotary Anns on Monday, instead of Mrs. H. H. Gardner of Aspen road as previously announced. Following luncheon, Vance Farr

of Detroit will speak on "Silver Heirlooms of Tomorrow." Mr. Farr's address will be illustrated by an educational motion picture showing the mining, refining and manufacture of silver.

Assisting the hostess will be Mrs. Harry Bissett, Mrs. John Maynard and Mrs. Charles O'Connor.

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### Carolers Sing For Pleasure As Club That Has No Dues

A club without officers or dues? Can such an organization survive? It does, and is a small but thriving group, say the Carolers, a club of a dozen young business women whose avocation is singing.

Each Friday evening they meet informally in the home of a member to enjoy a brief musical program, sung as the group gathers around the piano, or is seated about a table similar to the manner of the English Singers, who recently appeared in Birmingham. With this difference, however, that the Carolers do not sing "a capella."

In this group are the Misses Ella and Edna Connelly, Miss Irene Hanley, accompanist; Miss Helen McElroy, Miss Thelma Whiting, Miss Edna Platte, Miss Lorne Groves, Mrs. Ruth Collins, Mrs. Mary Collins, Mrs. Vera Schultz and Mrs. Gladys Heinze.

No Officers There is no president, no musical director, no treasurer. Music is purchased by the group and the expense is divided among the members. The object of the club is to study the better type of modern music, and to sing for the pleasure of musical expression.

The history of the club dates back to two years ago when plans for a chorus of 35 or 40 voices were outlined with a somewhat ambitious program, including public appearances.

At that time Mrs. Louise M. Welch offered to direct the chorus and to prepare it for recitals. This was done to encourage the organization.

Due to the amount of practice required for public appearances, many were unable to attend as often as necessary. This made concert work impossible, as without sufficient numbers nothing of a public nature could be attempted.

Change Policy Undaunted by this fact, a group wished to continue and decided to do so with a change in policy. They gave up the idea of public appearances, and decided to make the club devoted to the study of the best in modern music.

Such it is today. At each meeting, the group sings until voices grow a little weary. Then refreshments are served and the remainder of the evening is devoted to visiting.

Only work for the Carolers is the matter of requesting a member to sing a certain selection before the meeting opens. Sometimes the program is varied by piano solos, as when the Christ-

Mrs. Rockwood N. Bullard of Manor road, returned Friday from Cleveland after a visit of several days.

Mrs. E. S. Jackson of Glenhurst drive was hostess at an informal bridge luncheon at her home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Murray of Pilgrim road left Monday to meet their daughter, Miss Frances, in Jackson, later taking her with them to Chicago to attend the motor show.

Mrs. Bruce Millar and Mrs. Herbert A. Fisher of Franklin Village left Friday for New York City to be gone several days.

### Royal Oak Musicians Will Give Concert In Local Church

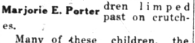
The Mendelssohn Male Chorus of Royal Oak will give a musical program at the Presbyterian Church Sunday as part of the evening service. The chorus, which has been organized for several years, includes 25 voices.

The program will be varied and will consist of both solo and choral numbers. W. Clarence Wright, pastor, will preach a brief sermon.

## From A WOMAN'S ANGLE

By MARJORIE BLAIN PORTER

Judge Frank M. Padden of Chicago believes in making punishment a thing of lasting impression. He conceived the idea recently of punishing a violator of traffic regulations by causing them to be taken to a school for crippled children.



Marjorie E. Porter

Many of these children, the men were informed, were crippled as victims of careless drivers. Later the prisoners were returned to court for sentencing.

"Perhaps this will bring home to these men the seriousness of their offenses in endangering the lives of other children," Judge Padden said in explanation.

Of the six men in the group, five were charged with reckless driving, and the sixth was alleged to have been the intoxicated companion of one of the drivers.

Has Judge Padden found a probable solution to the problem of reforming the reckless driver? If a man could not be reached through such an appeal, there is little hope for curing him.

Of all the unnecessary evils in this social scheme of ours, the violator of the laws governing the safety of our streets, and protecting the lives of our children, seems the least justifiable.

To rid society of this pest, both the police and the schools do their part in attempting to educate children in the matter of taking precautions and watching traffic signals.

All this the reckless driver knows. He's aware of traffic regulations, and of the police who enforce them. He knows the penalty.

But more than this, he knows his duty as a citizen in protecting the children of the community who are the victims of his carelessness.

through rigid observance of traffic rules. All this he knows, and yet—according to the annual report of the Birmingham police department as published in The Eccentric recently, 2,282 persons were arrested for traffic violations in the village in the past year.

This means there were just 2,255 too many. Of these, 63 were charged with reckless driving, 883 were arrested for speeding, 98 for violating traffic signals. Think of it, 883 speeders!

And it's so unnecessary! There is nothing to justify reckless driving, speeding, or the ignoring of signals designed to insure further safety to pedestrians, many of whom are children.

What is the answer? Perhaps Judge Padden's plan would drive home the lesson. Sometimes it requires the force of a shock from realisation, to make punishment effective.

## Social Briefs

Mrs. Warren R. Gilman of Worcester, Mass., who has been the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Penfield of Greenwood avenue, returned to her home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Baker of Waddington road and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bay of Lakeview drive left Tuesday for Chicago to attend the motor show, returning later in the week.

Mrs. Sam Garber of Bloomfield Village, who has been spending the past fortnight in New York City, returned the first of the week.

Mrs. Orville H. Foster, Jr., of Arlington drive entertained in honor of her husband at a stag dinner Saturday evening. The guests included Judge Robert M. Tom, Howard C. Caldwell, James Atkinson, Ivan E. Kerr, Guy W. Judson and Frank H. Voss.

Mrs. Thomas A. Neal of Oakland avenue left Friday morning for Laporte, Ind., returning early in the week accompanied by her father, Frederick Hauscher, who will be her guest for some time.

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