

CLUB AND PERSONAL NEWS

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Presbyterians To Hold Conference Here

Of a series of conferences on "Evangelism and Spiritual Life" conducted by the Presbytery of Detroit, one will be held in the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, Tuesday evening.

Dinner at 6:15 P. M. will be followed by group conferences. At the group meeting for men, Dr. M. S. Pearson and Elder William Born of Detroit will be the speakers. N. P. Neff, director of religious education of the Presbyterian Church of Greater Pointe, will confer with the young people.

The Rev. L. A. Bechtel, D. D., of the Calvary Church of Detroit, and Mrs. Nellie Thompson of Detroit Presbyterial will meet with the women's group. The Rev. Roy Ewing Vale, D. D., of the Woodward Avenue Presbyterian Church of Detroit, will speak to the assembled groups at 8 P. M.

The conference will be open to other leaders of Pontiac, Royal Oak, Ferndale, Birmingham, Mt. Clemens and adjacent communities.

L. N. Pyle of Euclid avenue is in town attending the automobile show.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving B. Babcock of Lone Pine road are in New York City to attend the automobile show. Mrs. Babcock motored East with a party of friends.

Mrs. L. N. Pyle of Euclid avenue entertained at dinner and bridge Tuesday evening. Mrs. Eileen Glover, Mrs. George P. Rayhane and Mrs. Ned Shattuck.

Mrs. Albert G. Brooker was the honor guest at a tea of charming appointments at the home of Mrs. Anita Stecker of Euclid road and Mrs. Albert H. Haworth road were joint hostesses Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. Stecker's home.

An informal musical program including a group of songs by Mrs. Lawrence Clark, accompanied by Mrs. Gail Fairchild Bangs, and readings by Mrs. Beeline Hicks of Detroit.

Presiding at the tea tables were Mrs. George Van Buren, Mrs. Ernest Jackson, Mrs. Fred Bellina and Mrs. Charles Cromwell.

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Committee Praised By Welfare Chairman

The ready response and cooperation of the sub-committee of the Birmingham Unemployment Relief Committee, was commended in an address by Mrs. Caroline Uptegraft, chairman of the committee, before members of the Birmingham Women's Club at the luncheon meeting Wednesday.

"The clothing committee is composed of representatives of the total women's organizations and church groups," Mrs. Uptegraft said, "and we have had excellent support from all. Not only have they liberally contributed money and clothing, but they have appointed sewing committees to repair the garments before distribution."

During the month of December, Mrs. Uptegraft told the club, 95 families, including about 400 individuals, were given aid; 800 garments were given out and \$146 in donations received.

The greatest need of the committee at the present time, Mrs. Uptegraft said, is for used overcoats and suits for men, and coats, shoes and dresses for women.

GIRL-SCOUT ACTIVITIES

An incident in the life of George Washington will be dramatized by each troop of Girl Scouts as a feature of the program of the County of Adams held in the City of Birmingham, Tuesday, February 23. Mrs. H. H. Wellman will preside as chairman.

A pot-luck supper will be given by Troop 4 at the Community House this evening. Mrs. James D. B. of Royal Oak will be the honor guest.

Members of Troop 5 witnessed a first aid demonstration at their meeting Monday evening, at the Community House.

Mrs. P. W. Guest of Brookside drive was hostess at a bridge luncheon for three tables at her home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lyle of Yorkshire road will be hosts at an informal buffet supper Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Grant.

Detroit Educator To Address Parents

Miss Marie Rasey, superintendent of the Parental Advisory Department of the Detroit Public Schools, will be the speaker at an evening meeting of the Barnum Parent Teacher Association Thursday 8 P. M. at the Barnum Intermediate School.

Miss Rasey's subject will be "The Business of Growing Up."

Mrs. Thomas Navin is chairman of the committee appointed by the P. T. A. in charge of all Feb. 23rd of milk and crackers to children at the school, beginning last Monday, a morning lunch will be served each day to children at the recess period.

A meeting of the executive board of the P. T. A. will be held this evening at the home of Mrs. Arthur C. Peck, president, of Hanna street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Grant with their children, P. Tietrum and Mary Elizabeth, of Riverchase avenue, will leave for Columbus, Jan. 22, where they will make their future home.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Today: Federation Day of the United Musical at the Community House at 10 A. M. Girl Reserves of the Adams School for class M. at 5:30 P. M. Training class for Girl Scout leaders at the Community House at 7:30 P. M.

Friday, Jan. 15: Dance at Community House to be given by Young People of the Community House.

Saturday, Jan. 16: Young People's House at the Community House.

Tuesday, Jan. 19: Mrs. Welthy Honsinger Fisher to speak at Community House under auspices of local organizations. Meeting of St. Margaret's Guild of St. James Episcopal Church at the home of Mrs. L. N. Pyle for luncheon.

Wednesday, Jan. 20: Pot-luck supper and bridge benefit to be given by Altar Society of the Holy Trinity Church at the school hall in Harmon avenue. Meeting of the Girl Reserves of Baldwin High School at the Community House at 4 P. M. Dance by Friendly Dancing Club at the Community House. Pot-luck luncheon by Rebekahs at the K. of P. Hall at 1 P. M., followed by cards.

Thursday, Jan. 21: Meeting of the Barnum Parent-Teacher Association at the Barnum Intermediate School, 8 P. M.

The Women's Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church will meet Wednesday at the home of Mrs. G. A. Ziegler of Madison avenue at 2 P. M.

The Women's Union of the First Presbyterian Church will meet at the church parlors for its regular monthly meeting Jan. 20 at 2:30 P. M. The hostesses will include Mrs. Harry Allen, Mrs. D. G. G. and Mrs. G. G. of Sabon. Mrs. Charles Kinnison will be in charge of the musical program.

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Rebekahs Install New Officers At Meeting

Officers of the Pride of Oakland Lodge of Rebekahs were installed at a special ceremony held in the Knights of Pythias Hall Thursday evening.

Mrs. Wilma Kelly, district deputy president, was the installing officer, assisted by Mrs. Ida Dawson, deputy marshal.

The officers installed were: noble grand, Mrs. Rose Cuskie; vice-grand, Mrs. Jane Robinson; recording secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Adams; financial secretary, Mrs. Ida Nixon; treasurer, Mrs. Marie Thomas; conductor, Mrs. Emily Gilbert; chaplain, Mrs. Grace Grooms; right supporter of the noble grand, Mrs. Kelly; left supporter of the noble grand, Mrs. Pearl Leach; right supporter of the vice-grand, Mrs. Jessie Craven; inside guard, Mrs. Julia Randall; outside guard, Mrs. Flora Haney, and musician, Mrs. Mae Bailey.

Under auspices of the entertainment committee, a pot-luck luncheon will be held at the K. of P. Hall Wednesday at 1 P. M. The games of "500" and Bug will be played following the luncheon.

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