

Club Notes and Social Events

NEW RIDING GROUP FORMED IN HILLS

Cranbrook Students and Faculty Will Ride Together Each Week

Early spring days will find a group of Cranbrook students and faculty riding, not to the woods, but for the pleasure of the hour. Beginning next Wednesday afternoon and on subsequent Wednesdays and Sundays, the group will ride from both the Bloomfield Open Hunt and Devonshire Downs Stables.

Those in the group riding their own mounts will include John Pottinger and Lewis Hunt of Pottinger and William Martin. Other student riders will be Charles Gilbert, Jr., Robert Chandler, Russell Huff, Edward Roe, Robert Barris, Frank Haynes, Louis Sutherland, John Ormond, and David Proctor.

Members of the faculty and staff riding also will be Edmond Snyder, Forest Fowler, Howard Wert, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davis, and Carl G. Wonnberger.

Mrs. Frederick A. Protheroe of Hanna street was hostess at a handkerchief shower and tea for a farewell party for Mrs. Karel M. Kiekens last Thursday. The guests included Mrs. C. W. E. Hoffer, Mrs. W. F. Campbell, Mrs. W. E. Hoffer, Mrs. Peter K. Boyne, Mrs. L. H. Thomas, Mrs. H. H. Gardner, Mrs. F. C. Doane and Mrs. C. E. Botsford.

Wild Flowers Theme Of Talk On Gardens

Miss Sarah Hendrie made spring a reality in the changing weather vane in her address "Wild Flowers In The Garden" before members of the Birmingham Branch of the Women's Garden Association at the Community House Monday afternoon.

At the tea which followed the program, Mrs. Clarence Vliet and Mrs. Frank Lawrence presided at the tea table. Mrs. Lawrence Kaupf of Detroit was in charge of the informal social hour, assisted by Mrs. E. D. Holley, Mrs. R. A. Lockwood, Mrs. Robert Baker, Mrs. Craig H. Richey, Mrs. J. A. Neal, Mrs. E. F. Painter, Mrs. T. A. Willis, Filer and Mrs. Perry A. Vaughan.

Mrs. William A. Bles of East Hickory Grove road, is spending a week at the home of Mrs. Donald of Lake Park road, near Birmingham from Tryon, N. C., where they were the guests of two of Mrs. McDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. McDonald.

H. S. Davis of Non-York City is the guest of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walker of Pine road.

WEDDING SERVICE IS READ IN IOWA

Allen C. Staley, Jr., and Jeanne E. Ward were married at Clinton.

Of interest to Birmingham friends is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Jeanne Elliott Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Justin Ward of Clinton, Ia., and Allen Conkling Staley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conkling Staley of Amberly road, which took place in Clinton Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Staley, sister of Mr. Staley, was the bride's only attendant. William K. Staley assisted his brother as best man, and William Bogon, also of Birmingham, served as one of the six ushers in the wedding party.

Following the wedding journey, Mr. and Mrs. Staley will reside in Evanston, Ill.

Attending the wedding from Birmingham were Mr. and Mrs. Staley, parents of the bridegroom, who assisted mother and Mr. Bogon, the bride is a graduate of Hanna Hill in Wellesley, Mass., and also attended Southwestern University, attended Purdue University and is a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity.

A. A. W. Sponsors Educational Exhibit

Mrs. Nancy E. Thomas, librarian at the Children's Public Library, will be in charge of an educational exhibit, which will be on display at the library from April 11 to 21, under the auspices of the education committee of the American Association of University Women.

The exhibit will contain a collection of magazines and catalogs from various colleges and universities. The object of the exhibit is to aid girls planning to continue their education at a high school by supplying information regarding a number of schools.

During the week the exhibit will be the disposal of readers in the library, but after April 21 it will be loaned to interested individuals.

MILK FUND AID BY BENEFIT BRIDGE

Service League Plans Future Week-End Party of Welfare Program

Members of the Birmingham Service League and their friends gathered at the Community House Monday evening at a bridge sponsored by the League as one of a series of social events for the benefit of its milk fund.

The fund is one to which the League contributes to aid a group of undernourished children in Birmingham.

Another benefit in prospect is the dance to be given by the League at the Community House on May 4. Miss Jean Daniels is general chairman, Miss Katharine Hill is in charge of the tickets committee, and the Misses Barbara McCutcheon and Betty Lou Brown are in charge of the publicity.

New officers of the League are Miss Barbara McCutcheon, president; Miss Katherine Mann, vice-president; Miss Eleanor Henschel, secretary, and Miss Bunny Evans, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Baylis of Frank street entertained at two tables of bridge Saturday evening. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hower.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan V. Voder, with their children, Marie and Carlos, and Clark McClees of Cass City, Mo., were guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Conley of Stanley street.

Mrs. Margaret Crawford and her daughter, Betsy, of the Manor apartments spent last week-end in Grafton, Ontario.

Dr. Benning Speaker At P. T. A. Meeting

Dr. C. H. Benning of Royal Oak, district health officer, will be the speaker at a Fathers' Night program to be given by the P. T. A. School Parent-Teacher Association at the school at 8 o'clock this evening.

Dr. Benning will discuss health aids for the prevention of contagious diseases. The program is in charge of the men of the organization.

New officers to be presented at this meeting are Mrs. Harvey Musselman, president; Joseph F. McGee, secretary; Mrs. Frank Macassey, vice-president; and Mrs. F. G. Samuelson, treasurer. They will take office in September.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cramer of Smith street were hosts on Saturday evening at a birthday bridge party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Akred of Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar M. Brede of Fairfax road were hosts on Saturday evening at a buffet supper in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Frazier, who are in charge of the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Morrison of Ferndale.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Courtney, Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Uhlmann and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Schen.

The Kappa Alpha Kappa Club held its annual dinner last Thursday evening at the home of Major Harry Allen of West Maple avenue. The mayor of the city, who is the club, and father of the hostess, James Allen. The other members attending were Francis Allen, Holden Drury, Lloyd Puffer, John Hulbert, James Martindale, Robert Peckles, Larry Thomas, Robert Watt and Robert Young.

A. L. Hocking of Portland, Ore., was the weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Hotelling of Merrill street, Mr. and Mrs. Hotelling spent last Thursday in Lansing.

Mrs. E. A. O'Brien of New Brunswick, N. J., is the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. O'Brien of York-shire road.

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News of the Clubs

A group of 10 Birmingham Girl Scouts will qualify in community service as a point toward becoming class leaders as a result of work done at Baldwin Public Library during the spring vacation last week. The 10 girls are members of Troop 6, of which Mrs. Thomas E. Navin is leader. For two hours each day the girls offered their assistance in sorting cards, arranging volumes in order on the shelves, and other minor tasks given them by Mrs. Nancy B. Thomas, librarian.

The girls were Shirley Smith, Don Franklin, Barbara and Jane Fitch, Haver, June Osborne, Ruth Hoover, Jeanne Starnes, Thompson, and Betty Stevenson.

Collective Bargaining Will Be Subject For Discussion

The subject for discussion at the Birmingham League of Women Meeting Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. G. Roosevelt, chairman of the committee on living costs, and Mrs. Nancy B. Thomas, librarian, will be in charge of the program.

The Bloomfield Hills Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association will meet at the Guild Hall, Church of Cranbrook, Wednesday, April 25, at 2:30 P. M. Mrs. Noyes F. Avery of Grand Rapids will speak on "Picture Composition in the Rock Garden." Her talk will be illustrated with autochrome slides showing the flowers in their natural colors.

More Than 100 Members and Guests of the Charles Edwards Post of the American Legion

held Friday evening at the Legion hall in observance of "Army Day." Following dinner, Commander Gordon L. Bailey introduced several speakers who gave addresses on the subject of "Army Day." Col. M. D. Miis, president of the Reserve Officers Association of Oakland County, spoke on the purpose of "Army Day." The Rev. Fr. Paul Heenan, of St. Andrew's Church, presided at the dinner.

Contributions to the work as a Legionnaire done by the late Major Patrick Dunningan of Flint, Grand dresses were given also by District Committeeman Harold Watt, American chairman of the Auxiliary, spoke on "Americanism and the Future." Means to "Us" Dancing followed the program.

St. Margaret's Guild of St. James' Episcopal Church will meet for luncheon Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Thomas K. Walton

of Riverdale road. The committee in charge of arrangements includes Mrs. L. H. Hays, Mrs. Edward U. Tins, and Mrs. E. F. Raus.

The Rotary Association will hold a bridge luncheon Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles J. O'Connor of Avon lane. The committee in charge of the luncheon arrangements includes Mrs. H. B. Gardner, Mrs. T. W. Wiedenman and A. Manley who will be in charge of the bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Brumbaugh of Aspen road will move Friday to their new residence

at Ridgecliff avenue and Adams road.

Mrs. Gordon Chamberlin and her small son, Gordon, of Pontiac, were the guests Sunday of Mrs. Chamberlin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lundy of Ferndale avenue.

Mrs. W. H. Gilmore of Meadowbrookway will entertain the "Cherry Blossom Club" at luncheon at her home today.

Mrs. George D. Miller of Fairfax road and Mrs. William Paig-forn of Royal Oak were joint hostesses at a bridge for four tables Friday for members of the Royal Oak and Birmingham groups of the Pan Hellenic Society.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis O'Connor of the Winston drive will be the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Jules Clippert of Grosse Ile at dinner Saturday evening prior to the performance to be given by the Grosse Ile Players

Joseph O'Connor and James Palms of Bloomfield Hills returned last Thursday after a sojourn of three weeks at Lake Worth, Fla.

A group from Beverly Hills who attended a dance at the Northwood Auditorium Wednesday evening included Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Blashill, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Adelman, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Yandden, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lenard Lub, and Dr. and Mrs. John L. Landberg.

C. D. Matthews of Brown street left last Thursday on a brief visit in Buffalo, N. Y.

After spending 10 days during the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Brennan, of songmaster drive, Miss Maxine Brennan lefts Sunday to resume her studies at the Paton School for Girls at Romeo, Mich.

Mrs. George E. Hale of Dewey road entertained her friends on last Thursday evening, including Miss Irene Cook, Miss Genevieve Hill, Mrs. Frank H. Elmer, Vernon Griffith, Mrs. A. M. Morelock, Mrs. Henry Gebhart and Mrs. Harry L. Brod of Pontiac.

Mrs. Harlow Gotcher of Royal Oak, Mrs. Harriet Kittle, Mrs. Helen Dedow and her children, Helen and Warren, of Detroit, and Mrs. Frank Bennett, of Twelve Mile road were the guests Tuesday of Mrs. Leon B. Miller of Hanna street.

Contract Bridge

Written For Central Press and The Birmingham Eccentric

By E. V. SHEPARD
FAMOUS BRIDGE TEACHER

TAKING AN EARLY FINESSE
THE BEST TIME to take a finesse is early in the hand, before you have lost guards to all four suits. It is probable that South would have been defeated had he not been smart enough to take a losing finesse before he lost his Ace of hearts.

while the declarer discarded his two losing spades. West held his hearts and the K of spades, letting go his two useless diamonds. The declarer had lost only one heart trick, one diamond trick and one club trick. He had won one spade trick, two heart tricks and four club tricks. He was certain if his contract, even before he saw West let go two diamonds. These diamonds assured him of four-diamond and he ran them off as soon as dummy's clubs were gone. Losing two tricks out of diamonds, before South lost his Ace of hearts, did the trick.

There were two ways by which the contract might have been defeated. The first way was in case East had won the first trick in clubs, and established his partner's suit for him by leading hearts, before West lost his K of diamonds. The second way was for West to have allowed South to hold the first lead of diamonds, as if East held the K. Either of those stratagems cannot beat double-dummy play by South, but would have played as if he saw the cards?

Bidding went: South, 1-Diamond; West, 1-Heart; North, 2-Club; South, 3-No Trumps, which ended the auction.

Of course West led his fourth best heart. The rule-of-11 showed that East held two cards higher than the 6, so dummy played low. East put up the 8, forcing the J. The declarer led his 9 of clubs, overtook with dummy's 10, the when East held of playing the Ace, hoping that South held only one more club. Dummy led the 7 of diamonds. East put up his 9, the J covered, and West was in with his 10.

West led the 2 of hearts. Dummy covered with the 9. East played the 10. West led the 10 of hearts. The trick. He led back his last heart. South's Ace won, and he led his second club. West led the Ace. He led the 10 of spades. South's Ace won the trick.

South led his last club, dummy won and ran off two club tricks.

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A 4 9
A 4 5
K 4 8
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An illustrated lecture on the subject "To Drink or Not to Drink" will be given by the Rev. W. Clarence Wright of the First Presbyterian Church at the Community House Tuesday at 8 P. M.

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