

# Club Notes and Personal News Items

## 3 CLUB DIVISIONS TO GIVE PROGRAMS

American Home, Art and Literary Departments Will Meet On Tuesday

The American home, art and literary departments of the Women's Literary Club will hold departmental meetings at the homes of members Tuesday. The world's work department has postponed its meeting until Feb. 27, when it will meet at the home of Mrs. Victor L. Peck of Bates street for luncheon at 1 P. M.

## Plans Are Made Known For Orchard Lake Dance

One of the interesting affairs in prospect is the midwinter formal to be given by members of the Orchard Lake Country Club at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club Saturday, Feb. 24. Among the patrons for the event will be Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. C. Theron Van Dusen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Whiting, Mr. and Mrs. Lee E. Joslyn, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Cudlip. Under the chairmanship of James H. Mock of Piggrim road, plans are going forward for an affair somewhat more elaborate than have been the dances of recent years. The blending of blue and silver is the color scheme chosen by the decorating committee, headed by Robert F. Grindley. For the occasion, the ceiling of the ball room will be given an azure hue representing the sky. In the center will be placed a large silver star which, with the borrowed radiance of flood lights in the corners of the room focused upon it, will shed its soft light upon the dancers.

## DANCE BENEFITS Local Couple United In Ceremony At Pontiac

The marriage of Miss Velma French of Chalmers street, Edgar French of Chalmers street, Verne Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ward of Emmons street, has been announced by the bride's parents. The marriage took place on the evening of Feb. 7, 1934, at the Pontiac Methodist Church of Pontiac, officiating. Attendants were Miss Zeida Morse and Elmer Kay Clark of Birmingham. Mr. French is well known here by the assistant manager of the Birmingham Theater. Mrs. Ward is employed by the S. S. Kresge Company.

## CHRIST CHURCH GRANTHURON

Sunday, February 18  
William Hall Miner, Organist and Bellmanger  
Organ Recital During Vespers, 7:30 P. M.  
Final from Suite in B Flat  
An Original Sketch With a Chinese Garden - Stoughton  
Carillon Recital, 5 P. M.  
Chorale, Gottes Sohn  
Kymmen  
Memories - Van Alstyne  
The Happy Farmer - Schuman  
Crown Him with Many - Evey  
Just as I Am - Bradbury  
Lull, Dismas Us with Thy Blessing  
Festival March - Hill  
Granthuron - School Hyman

## Two Presidents Pour At Tea After Meeting

Mrs. Warren Pease, Jr., of Buckhannon road, entertained 16 young friends of her daughter, Miss Betty Ames, at a Valentine's dinner party Wednesday evening.  
Mrs. Charles H. Welch, Jr., president, and Mrs. Theodora W. Meyer, past president of the Birmingham Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association, performed the honors at the tea table at a social hour which followed the meeting of the branch at the Community House Monday afternoon.  
The program preceding the tea was devoted to a discussion of civic planting under the CWA, by Edward H. Laird, landscape architect.  
Mrs. F. H. McKinney was in charge of the tea and Mrs. C. O. Harburt acted as chairman of hostesses. Assisting Mrs. Harburt were Mrs. R. H. Daisley, Mrs. Clyde A. Hasfer, Mrs. Harvey E. Whalen, Mrs. L. M. Wagoner, and Mrs. D. G. Ciemmer.  
Guests of honor at the meeting and test included 11 members of the recently organized branch in Port Huron, headed by its president, Mrs. David McMoran.

## NEWS OF THE CLUBS

Birmingham Girl Reserves and their mothers will host at a St. Valentine's tea to be held at the Community House, Friday at 4 o'clock in honor of Miss Florence Anderson, general secretary of the Detroit Y. W. C. A., who will speak informally. Delegates to the recent Girl Reserve Conference held in Jackson will also give brief talks.  
Members of the Michigan League will meet next Wednesday for desert luncheon at 1:30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Robert F. Watt of Hanna street.  
The Men's Club of the Redeemer Lutheran Club held its regular meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Otto Breithend of Bloomfield city.  
The Women's Society of the Methodist Church will sponsor a concert to be given by the Ypsilanti State Normal College Symphony on the evening of March 9 at the church.  
The regular meeting of the Rebekahs will be held at the Pylthian Hall today.  
The Past Noble Grand Club will meet Tuesday for a pot-luck luncheon at the home of Mrs. D. B. Wilkinson on May street.  
The Maple Bridge Club will meet Saturday for luncheon at the home of Mrs. T. B. Smith of Kenesaw drive.  
The Order of the Eastern Star will give an "Old-Time" dancing party at the Masonic Temple, Wednesday, Feb. 28, under the chairmanship of Leon B. Miller. This will be the first of a series of informal get-together parties for members and their friends.  
The second play-off of the tournament in duplicate contract bridge for the benefit of the Community House will be held at the House Friday evening.  
Mrs. Dolly Willis will be the honor guest at a tea to be given at the American Legion Auxiliary Friday evening at the home of Mrs. G. B. Bailey on Third avenue. The regular business meeting of the Auxiliary will be held at the Legion Home Tuesday at 7 o'clock.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Manley of Greenwood avenue entertained guests at dinner and bridge Wednesday evening.

## Social Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. Orville H. Foster, Jr., of Beverly Hills were hosts to guests at an informal supper party Sunday evening, including Dr. and Mrs. Frank Wieser, Mr. and Mrs. Howard S. Donald, S. Bell, and Bennett Brown.  
Arthur J. Brandt of Kenosaw drive and his son, Arthur, left Wednesday for a two-day stay at the latter who will spend several months in a fortnight, Mrs. Brandt accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. A. Martin, and aunt, Mrs. George E. Monroe of Kalamazoo. Mrs. Brandt will make a short visit with her sister, Mrs. Sheridan, who is in the Flint League on Wednesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gann of Waddington road had as their guests at an informal supper Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Jickling, and their guest, Mrs. George E. Monroe of Kalamazoo. Mrs. Monroe, with her son, Stephen, returned Wednesday after spending a month with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jickling.  
Mrs. W. H. Hanaway of Muirland road, Detroit, was hostess at a benefit bridge tea Tuesday, given by the women golfers of the Birmingham Golf Club.  
Mrs. Don M. Hawley of Oakland avenue, with her children, Patricia and Dominic, will leave today for Babolus, Pa. Mrs. Hawley will be the guest of the winter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess C. Hawley, who reside there.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clark Bennett of Assonet will have as their guests this week-end, Mr. and Mrs. John Hibbard and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bennett, all of Grand Rapids. Mrs. Bennett will be hostess at a dinner for 10 of her friends whose husbands plan to attend the performance of the Detroit Players Saturday evening.  
Mrs. H. B. Hatch of Westwood drive had as her guests at lunch-on and bridge Tuesday, Mrs. S. A. Stolberg, Mrs. Joseph L. Hackley, Mrs. William E. Fisher, Mrs. R. K. White, Mrs. Raymond R. White, Mrs. Euclid T. Smith, and Mrs. J. D. Duke.  
Mrs. E. F. Chritton of Glenary road has returned home after undergoing an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Chritton and son, Ernest, Jr., have returned from Chicago where they spent several days.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Prothero of Hanna street had as their guests at a buffet supper following the oratorio, Tuesday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Cameron McLean, Mr. and Mrs. William Caleb Evans, Miss Adelaide Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lloyd and Charles Lloyd, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. William Lloyd Kemp, Dr. J. B. Hassberger, Mrs. Elizabeth Hasbarger, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Buffington, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gardner, Mrs. V. I. Hoyle, Mrs. Amy Carlisle Hoyle, Vernon Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Crandell, Miss Elizabeth Henry James, Mrs. Mabelle Howe Mable, Miss Marion Gardner, Miss Renah Green, Miss Elizabeth Heck, Mrs. Elizabeth Prothero and A. Stanley Benson.



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## CONTRACT BRIDGE

Written For Central Press and The Birmingham Eccentric  
By E. V. SHEPARD  
FAMOUS BRIDGE TEACHER  
IT REQUIRED CAREFUL PLAY

THE GAME'S greatest thrill is experienced when a player discloses his strength in hearts, particularly when he has a high honor. The opening lead was the 6 of spades. West saw that his only chance for game appeared to be in a hope of securing discards up-honor in his partner's club suit. Dummy's Ace of spades was the first trick. The K of clubs led. As South did not cover with the Ace West discarded a spade. North won with the Ace.

It was rubber game. Bidding then went: West, 1-Heart; East, 2-Clubs; West, 2-Diamonds; East, 2-Hearts; West, 4-Hearts. Had North held his partner's trumps he would have doubled. As it was

Myers Deplores Emphasis On Speed In Teaching Child

By GARRY C. MYERS, Ph. D.  
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FOR A NUMBER of years I have been condemning the hurry atmosphere and practice of stop-watch teaching which is so common in our schools. The idea of speed in teaching has been generally exposed to, particularly since the World War.

Seldom do I conduct an open forum with parents when this subject does not arise, and many letters come to me about it. Two large cities where I recently conducted parent-child institutes, concern about this matter seemed unusually strong.

Always I say to parents, "Don't speed the teacher. She is only doing what she has been told and taught by outstanding experts. Teachers in our schools of education, and most teachers in training, are saturated with the doctrine of speed." Let me quote from two widely-used textbooks on "Teaching the Common Branches," by the celebrated W. W. Charters of Ohio State University. Recommending mental arithmetic of five minutes daily, he says (page 20): "This should be conducted slowly enough at first so that at least three-fourths of the pupils can give the correct answers. The speed should then be increased as the class improves. An emphasis on speed in the pupils interested in drill is to give tests for speed, such as the 'Charlie's tests,' or others made up by teachers. . . . But through it all drill must be made snappy and quick."

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