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"TIME PIECE" IS FEATURED

Naomi Jacob's Latest Novel Heads List Of Books At Library

"Time Piece," Naomi Jacob's best novel to date, is the most important new book at the Baldwin Library this week, on a lengthy list. Four semi-text books published by English houses, a much-heralded new book of etiquette and a murder mystery novel complete the list.

Naomi Jacob's best work is heretofore have been those in which she follows the fortunes of a Jewish family in one generation or carried, saga fashion, through a lengthier period. Her Jewish theme is not entirely deserted in "Time Piece" which, by the way, is published by MacMillan, but it is only one strand in a closely woven pattern of English north-country life. And her knowledge of Yorkshire is so intimate that she must satisfy even the most jealously captious critic.

Claudia Marsden, the important figure in this new novel, is not merely a genuine dalewoman. She is Yorkshire itself, in its most common-sensical, its broadest and its most audacious vein. The most memorable character Miss Jacobs has yet created, Claudia's vividness, her reversion when under emotional strain to Yorkshire vernacular, her gusts of anger, her implacability, the open-mindedness that keeps her abreast of her age—are all invaluable aids in the building up of a powerful personality; but it is her inescapable tragic love affair that renders her so unique. Another novel, it presents her with a terrible tragedy, she deals with it without drama. This book will be widely read.

Frederick A. Stokes Co. has published "The New Etiquette," by Margery Wilson. The author of any book on etiquette which is more than a straightforward collection of rules lays himself open; and this book, written by the head of a successful mail-order charm school, is no exception. Throughout its 39 chapters, which cover everything from how to open a door to how to behave at a fox hunt, and from jewelry for gentlemen to the procedure for members of the caboodle for members of the board; she calls on her readers to "help yourself to all that is good and beautiful in life, not forgetting in the process the sacred duty of service to others." Not content with all this, she adds little bits of unusual history to her explanations.

"The Pattern," written by Mignon Eberhart and published by Doubleday Doran is a combination of pathos, romance and grisly murder. The scene is laid at a fashionable lake resort, and starts off by the discovery of the body of "the other woman" by the one who should have gotten the man in the first place. From then on it is a fast moving tale written in Miss Eberhart's best style. "English Dress," by Dion Clayton Calhoun—published by Chapman and Hall—is a guide for those who care to follow out the line of the changes in fashion during the reign of Queen Victoria through those of King Edward and King George. It is a text book in that it conveys some idea of the choppings and changes that occur in the nearly empty head of the weathercock of fashion. It might almost be called a book of Etiquette. The best idea of the whimsical albeit accurate contents of the book can be gained by this excerpt from the author. "The why, when and wherefore of fashion is an almost insoluble problem; it just is. Drastic, merciless, we are the slaves of the vogue of the hour. There are things we do not

do. We do not ever wear a tall coat, straw hat and brown boots. And Echo answers, "Why?" Read this little book and you will find out the why's. You will like the charming pastel and line illustrations, as well.

NRS PLACES OVER 12,000 PAST MONTH

Over 96 Per Cent Of State Jobs With Private Industry

Employment in Michigan kept up a fast pace during June, it was revealed today when Major Howard Starret, State Reemployment Director, reported 12,253 persons had received jobs through the National Reemployment Service in the last month.

More than 96 per cent of the jobs, or 11,775, were with private industry and private contractors, he said.

Seven districts throughout Michigan showed increases over May. These were Bay City, including Clara, West Branch, Gaylord, Alpena, and Big Rapids, with 337; Flint; Grand Rapids, including Holland, 951; Lansing, including Owosso, 443; Marquette, including Sault Ste. Marie, Hancock, Ironwood, Iron Mountain, Iron River, Menominee, Escanaba, Manistiquette, Sault Ste. Marie, and Saginaw; 1556; Muskegon, including Manistee, Cadillac, Traverse City, and Petoskey, 774; and Pontiac, including Ferndale, 535.

Totals for other districts were: Battle Creek, 662; Detroit, 3205; Jackson, 685; Kalamazoo, 942; Port Huron, 392; and Saginaw, 492.

Those getting jobs last month included 9,261 men and 2,992 women, Major Starret said.

The NRS is a division of the U. S. Employment Service operated under the U. S. Department of Labor. There is no charge for the service.

Pontiac Motor Co. Adds 3 Buildings

Addition of nearly 60,000 square feet of floor space to the huge Pontiac Motor plant, in preparation for greater volume in the near future, is announced by H. J. Klingler, general manager.

The new separate building, another new foundation addition to be used mainly for core storage, and the third a separate plant administration building which will also house executive dining and conference rooms.

All three new developments are necessitated by crowding due to the record high year the company is experiencing and are being made in anticipation of continuing growth in the future, Mr. Klingler explained.

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DISPLAY RARE SNUFF BOXES

Exhibit 18th and Early 19th Century Collection At Library

Among the most rare and treasured collector's items today are the snuff boxes of yesteryear. And the Baldwin Public Library's museum case is featuring an exhibit of thirty-one 18th and early 19th century snuff boxes, loaned through the courtesy of the John P. Schuch collection, in Saginaw. Corset magazine, in a recent article, says: "The oldest known snuff box dates from 1655, but the habit of carrying one before 1642, a fact which is deduced from a papal bull forbidding the use of snuff in churches by the index, under pain of excommunication. Napoleon, a mighty snuff taker, consumed more than seven pounds of it a month, was more worried over the loss of a prized snuff box than that of a battle."

The display now at the library features boxes of assorted nations and times. The French ones show perhaps the greatest versatility. There is a tiny wooden one, on which is painted a pastoral scene, and other wooden ones inlaid with gold or silver. Two large, round flat boxes look like family property. One of silver and one of ivory, a fierce-looking gentleman with a typically French beard, and on the other is a baron, placed lady who might well have been his wife or daughter.

The English boxes are varied also, in both size and workmanship. Of the two smallest, one is the wood, with a hunting scene painted on the lid, and the other is delicately chased silver. There is one black wooden box, inlaid with mosaic mother-of-pearl, which was once used by Edwin Vartey, famous of the English stage; it was given by him to Wm. F. Owen, who in turn presented it to the celebrated dramatic critic, W. Winter. When added to the collection it contained several huge stage jewels, which are also on display. It is interesting to note that the actors of that day used snuff as the ones on today's stage do cigarettes to occupy themselves during breaks in the drama. A well worn container whose copper sheen is most sadly tarnished was once the property of John Gilbert, of Gilbert and Sullivan fame, who was playing in "The Rivals," one of his earliest successes.

There are tortoise shell and horn snuff boxes, whose only decoration is a high polish, to show up the grain and markings of the wood. Some of them have filigree inlays of precious metals; others boast contrasting insets of a different material or mosaic of wood or mother o' pearl. One box has a portrait painted on its lid of Pope XIII.

Humble snuff takers contented themselves with plain boxes made of wood, silver, brass or metal, or

horn. Sometimes the boxes were crudely painted, or engraved with a simple design. And one of the most fascinating ones in the display is perfectly plain. It is tarnished and battered out of shape, pointing to a long and active life. The letters A. H. have been rapidly scratched once on the middle of the lid, and in a corner they have been started and not completed. It opens a fascinating field of conjecture to wonder why they never were finished, and what sort of person had done it in the first place.

OLD TIMERS PLAY PONTIAC JULY 16

Former Tiger Stars, 60-Year Old Hurler To Carry On Diamond

The Detroit Old Tigers, a traveling baseball club whose line-up is dotted with former major leaguers, has been secured to make an appearance at the State Hospital Picnic, Pontiac, on Friday, July 16. The Old Timers will play an All-Star Club that will be chosen from the local Class A Recreation Baseball League by team managers and league officials.

Four former Detroit Tigers are included in the Old Tiger's roster. They are: Bobby Veach and Bob Fothergill, outfielders, and Marry Cavanaugh and Frankie Fuller, infielders.

Other well known baseball veterans and the clubs with which they played who will appear are: George Leupp, Washington; Nig Clark, St. Louis Browns, and Art Heinholz, Cleveland. 60 year old pitcher, veteran who ranks among the "miracle men" of sports who hurt part of the game for the Old Timers.

Other well known Detroit baseball figures with the team are Bert Fankratz, Ivan Phippen, Johnny Maulilo, Walter Heddin, Harold Johnson, Tony Dugray and Pete Headley.

FALLS IN WELL

Butler Springs, Ala.—Losing his balance while attempting to move a tub of water, Billy McLean, 12, fell into a 90-foot well. The tub fell with him, overturned and landed bottom side up, providing a buoy for the boy. His mother rescued him by lowering a bucket and drawing him to safety.

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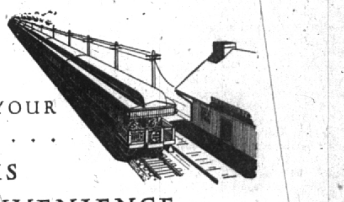
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