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## BRIDGE LUNCHEON IS WELL ATTENDED

Birmingham Matrons Make  
Early Reservations  
For Affair

A bridge luncheon at Pine Lake Country Club is always a drawing card to those who enjoy spending their leisure hours in this pursuit. Wednesday's affair was no exception to the rule of good attendance.

Among those from Birmingham who made early reservations, were Mrs. Paul Neal Averill, Mrs. B. H. Anibal, Mrs. Alan Gray and Mrs. E. G. Wilson. Playing together at one table were Mrs. Elmer G. Fremont, Mrs. H. D. Harris, and Mrs. William McCann. In another group were Mrs. Carl A. Ostling, Mrs. Harry Denyes and Mrs. J. Marchese.

Noted among the dancers on the new open-air dance floor at the club Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie C. Allman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Wise, Mr.

and Mrs. Denyes, Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Brandt, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wilson, and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Whittemore of Cleveland.

Among the school set enjoying the breeze as they danced, were Dorothy Porritt and Earl B. Wilson, Jr., Rita Ewald and Harry Wise, Jr., Harriet Lepera, Harry Denyes, Jr., Marjorie Kidder and Robert Harris.

### Women Attend Bridge

Oakland Hills Country Club was a popular spot Wednesday, when women members gathered for one of the summer bridge luncheons. Among those attending from Birmingham, were Mrs. A. M. Wibel, Mrs. Euclid T. Smith, Mrs. Joseph L. Dostal, Mrs. F. A. Atcheson, Mrs. T. W. Skinner, Mrs. Gould Allen, Mrs. Burton M. Pheasant, Mrs. J. F. Hollister, and Mrs. Joseph A. Sweeney.

Mrs. L. B. Billings of Lakeview drive and Mrs. R. P. Cole of Buckingham road were joint hosts. Tuesday at a bridge luncheon at Orchard Lake Country Club.

## A Garden Pool, Regardless Of Size, Adds Interest And Improves The Surroundings

Even though small, a garden can always accommodate a pool and therein can be found one of the greatest of garden satisfactions.

A pool but three feet in diameter may be so charmingly planted that it becomes the best feature of any garden, large or small. "Somehow there's something about a pool," gardeners say; and they build more and more of them. Aquatic plants differ so from familiar garden material that one is surprised to learn how simple they are to grow. They need no cultivating, weeding is unnecessary, few pests bother them. Together, water garden is so easy that it might almost be termed "lazy man's gardening."

**Types of Pools.**  
In general, pools, either larger or small, divide themselves into two types, formal and informal. Both have their rightful place in the scheme of things and both types are delightfully interesting. Formal pools are usually associated with conventional gardens. Most are rectangular or circular in shape. Their margins are usually of stone, cement or brick.

Informal pools are termed naturalistic, are more nearly true water gardens. In these aquatic "in wilder variety are naturally at home and in many settings they seem particularly to fit. A naturalistic pool may well be a work of art.

This natural effect depends upon how the artificial details of construction and planting are concealed by skillful selection and arrangement of plants. Such a pool has no harsh cement edges in sight. Square corners are so masked with growing things that they lose their angularity and blend into the picture.

The right plant material has a great deal to do with the artistic success of the pool. Overplanting is unwise. Much of the charm of a pool lies in the play of light and shadow upon its water surface. When the pool is in the open lawn one avoids too much tall-growing margin material. Dwarf trailing plants, such as forget-me-not, marsh marigold, gypsophila repens bodgeri, phlox subulata, thymus serpyllium, dianthus in variety and a host of others are ideal. At one or two points, for accent, tall plants are attractive, such as cattail, flowering-rush, water iris or Siberian iris, pecker-rush, taro and umbrella palm.

Regarding water lilies, in most pools entirely too many are planted, with the result that they fill the pool, crowd each other and mar the effect. If the pool is tiny, four feet or less in diameter, a single plant of one of the "pygmy" lilies is enough. These lilies come in white, yellow, red and a rosy-yellow changing to deep red.

Pools five or six feet across will accommodate a single lily of moderate growth, provided excess leaves are gulled out to prevent crowding. Some of the vigorous lilies develop to enormous size. A tropical lily set out in mid-June at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, just a small plant with three six-inch leaves—in six weeks attained a diameter of sixteen feet.

Water lilies as offered by commercial growers are divided into two general groups, hardy and tropical. The tropical varieties are not planted in the outdoor pools till the water is warm in mid-June in the vicinity of Royal Oak, Har-

dy varieties may be wintered in the pool, provided the depth of water prevents the roots from freezing.

**Night-Blooming Lilies.**  
The tropical lilies are further divided into day-blooming and night-blooming types. The latter open in late afternoon, remaining till the middle of the next morning. Both types of tropicals come in a gorgeous array of colors.

Among the novelties introduced this year are the gorgeous Royal Purple and Pink Pearl, and the choice yellow day-blooming tropical St. Louis. Among the best is Blue Beauty, a free and constant bloomer from midsummer till frost. Modern water-lily growers offer a bewildering array of varieties, and the temptation is to plant too many kinds.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Stuart of Santa Fe, N. M., who are occupying the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stuart on Adams road, during the absence of the latter, will be hosts Sunday evening at a buffet supper for 20 guests in honor of their daughter, Margaret Rose.

## Red and White; Just Right



Smart summer dresses feature red and white this year in the manner of the dance frock worn above by youthful actress Betty Grable. Miss Grable's frock is white crepe on which are printed clusters of white daisies set off against red carnations. An interesting note is the red grosgrain bow at the throat, falling in streamers to the hemline. It is held in place by a red belt at the waist which is tied in bows.

## HOW HE BECAME A RADIO STAR

By WALTER O'KEEFE

MY father, Michael O'Keefe, is still remembered in Hartford as a first rate comedian, but that in my family's opinion, was no reason why I should grow up to be one. They had other ideas for me.

When quite young I went to England, after I finished grade school, to attend Wimbledon School under the watchful eye of my uncle who was the chaplain at Hampton Court. When the war began two years later I returned home and Notre Dame University gave me my college education. By living in Knute Rockne's house and acting as switchboard operator for a local newspaper, I was able to earn my way. Besides this, I found time during the day to attend glee club rehearsals and help prepare botanical specimens in the chemistry laboratory where Rockne was the instructor.

The following year was more successful for I was able to earn enough money at the Elks Club to support myself in the college dormitory. In addition I had more time on my hands. I still remember acting in two of the college plays—"The College Hero" and "Pete the Hero" but I doubt if anyone else remembers the part I took in either of these.

When America entered the World War I joined the Marines—our hostilities ended and I was mustered out after getting no farther than Parris Island, South Carolina. Back I went to college.

I did my bit during graduation by delivering the class poem. Then with the sheepskin tucked under my arm, I turned to more serious things and took a job as advertising manager of an Indiana paper.

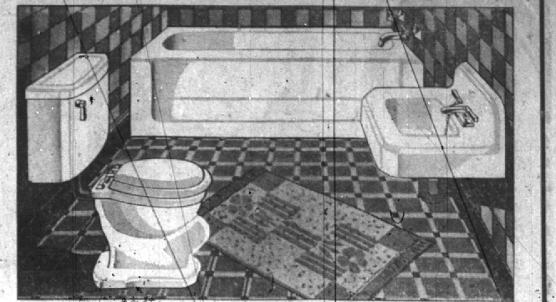
Then Fate designed to hit its smile from me. I was stricken with infantile paralysis and lay flat on my back for several months. Determined that posterity should not forget me I wrote song lyrics before I even completed a musical show.

Walter O'Keefe

which I produced when fully recovered. It closed in one week.

This all happened in New York. Then I sailed my bark on Gotham, wandered south to Florida and did some publicity with Ben Hecht and J. P. McEvoy. Before another moon I was off for Hollywood to write songs for the movies. Manhattan song-booked and I trekked eastward to appear in a show, with Beatrice Lillie and Ernest Truhee. Here it was that I became known as "the Broadway" Hill Billy.

Then came radio in 1932 and I seemed to have travelled from one program to another. This summer I am taking charge of things at "Toots Hall Tonic." With me on N.B.C. while Fred Allen and Portland Hoffa go vacationing.



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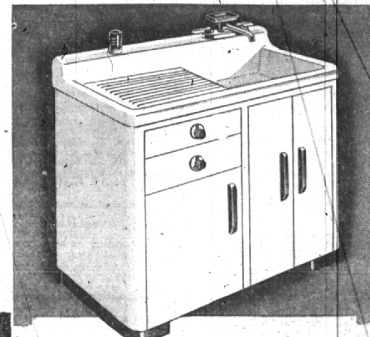
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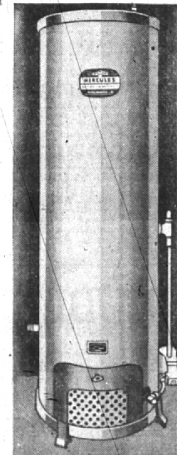
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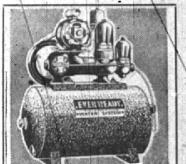
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