

League Of St. James Women To Present Entertainment At Annual Bazaar

Oakland Hills Fete Draws Reservations

Numbers of members and their guests will flock to Oakland Hills Country Club Saturday evening for the annual fete party. Dinner will be served preceding the game, amidst the prizes, which will form decorations.

Over 300 reservations have been received, including several from Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills. Among those who will attend, in company with guests, are Mrs. and Mrs. Earl A. Thompson of Dunston road, Mr. and Mrs. Burton M. Phout of Half Moon drive, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Penny and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Dost of Overhill road. Plans have been made by many couples to attend with their children, who will be at home during the Thanksgiving holidays of various preparatory schools and colleges.

Catholic League Plans Musical Tea

The initial plans for a musical tea, to be given by the League of Catholic Women on the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 11, are announced this week. The affair will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. O'Connor on Avon lane, Marcus Kellerman of Detroit, baritone, will offer several selections during the afternoon according to Mrs. Jack Leary, general chairman of the event. Mrs. Leary will announce the names of her assistants in the near future. The League has recently formed a study club, membership in which is open to League members. The group plans to meet on the first Monday of every month, to discuss, round-table fashion, current interests and problems. Mrs. J. R. Quinn will lead the opening discussion, planned for Nov. 28. The subject will be "Education."

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OPENING DAY OF FAIR TO INCLUDE BRIDGE-LUNCHEON

Entertainment which will last two days from ten o'clock in the morning until noon in the evening will be presented by members of the League of St. James Women at their annual bazaar, being held at the church buildings today and tomorrow. A bridge-luncheon is the main feature of today's entertainment and a special children's bazaar will be held on Friday afternoon. Besides the entertainment, there will be numerous booths offering dozens of gifts and tempting wares from baked goods to the table linens.

Afternoon tea will be served from three to five on both days, under the general chairmanship of Mrs. Leonard R. Pennington. Assisting her are Mrs. Donald T. Stanton, Mrs. Arthur Fletcher Plank, Mrs. Bruce B. VanHusen, Mrs. John H. Gordon, Mrs. Spencer C. Stanley, Mrs. Thomas R. Walton and Mrs. Warner L. Forsyth.

Candies to suit all tastes will be prepared from Mrs. Eric E. Hyde's booth. Mrs. Hyde's committee includes the names of Mrs. W. J. Lammie, Mrs. E. J. K. Kates, Mrs. Melvin C. Kates, Mrs. Whitcomb D. Allen, Mrs. Fred S. Cole, Miss Adele Cole and Miss Dorothy Kates.

Members of the school set, most of them the daughters of matrons who are taking an active interest in bazaar plans, are taking over two of the most important attractions at the children's bazaar, planned for Friday. Peggy Hildesley and Alice Lee Heimiller will sell the candy booth.

There will be a fish pond for adventurous little brothers and sisters, under the general chairmanship of Kathryn Brumbaugh. She will be assisted by Mary Jane Tuttle, Ann Halladay, Rachel Kern, Joan Blain and Art Ealinton.

Triangles To Tour Greenfield Village

Key Nester, Betty Dupuis, and Henry Breslin, co-chairmen in charge of arrangements for the Triangle Club announced that any young people who would like to accompany the group on a trip through Greenfield Village, are invited to meet at the Community House at 11:30 Sunday Morning. These are the regular gatherings at the Community House at 8 o'clock in the evening, for games and refreshments.

Last Sunday evening, Carl H. Taylor talked to the club and showed some very interesting motion pictures of a trip through the Scandinavian countries. Members of the Club are planning to attend the "Hail, Thine Party" to be given in the Community House by the Swing Club on the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

'Afterglow' Will Follow Production

An Afterglow, the traditional informal social hour during which members of the Village Players mingle over the coffee cups, will follow the club's November show, scheduled for the evening of Saturday, the 26th. Mrs. D. S. Hasztreiter is chairman of arrangements, assisted by Mrs. J. Z. Lander, Mrs. Frank H. Kemp, Miss Doris Blakelee, Miss Virginia Kleske, and Mrs. Howard Farrell.

Music before and during the performances will add to the entertainment. Mrs. Robert N. Woodruff, chairman of the music committee, is arranging special numbers to be performed by members of The Players. As the main part of the evening's fun, two plays from Noel Coward's "To-night at 8:30" series, "Ways and Means" and "Hands Across the Sea," will be presented. Dr. John B. Haszberger is directing both productions.

GROUP CONVENES AT ALL-DAY SESSION

The regular meeting of the Birmingham Post of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was held at the First Presbyterian Church recently. It was an all-day affair, with luncheon served at noon.

Mrs. Maud Brown presided over the full afternoon program. Mrs. Stuart Allen led the devotionals, which were followed by two songs, sung by the Rev. Francis Willard. Brief talks were delivered by visiting members from Pontiac and New York. The December meeting of the group will be held at the M. E. Church of Birmingham.

Due to numerous requests, The Eccentric is reprinting the editorial by Marjorie Elaine Porter, published in the issue of December 2, 1937. Several thousand copies have been reprinted by The Eccentric to comply with requests from women's organizations wishing to distribute them in their campaign for peace education. Miss Porter, who is managing editor of The Eccentric, has been a member of the editorial staff for seven and one-half years.

Machine Guns for Christmas

By MARJORIE ELAINE PORTER

Once again as the Christmas season approaches, parents are suffering themselves to be dragged by the hand by their wide-eyed sons and daughters eager to show them the wonders displayed in toy shop windows.

Children, who seem to have weights on their heels, when mother is trying to get them from the notion to the drapery department, suddenly come to life like young automatons as they emerge from the elevator into the glory of toyland.

They rush here and there with outbursts of "Look, Mother Look!" when some particularly favored toy is discovered. "Doesn't she look like a machine gun?" she asks. "For there, in miniature is the ghastly drama of war, the drama she recalls with a tug of pain at her heart, and the vain hope that men never again might be called upon to enact.

Tiny soldiers charge with bayonets ready for action. Machine-guns crouch with instruments of death aimed at an enemy across the toy-counter. Dominative trenches are made more real with barbed-wire networks and sandbags. Tiny ambulances await their charges, and lying on stretchers are men, swathed in red-tinted bandages, to add the final touch of realism to the tragic game of war.

To the mother, who looks upon them with cold horror in her heart, they are not playthings! Each lead soldier is the symbol of some woman's son, perhaps her own! With misty eyes, she sees the tiny, leaden life of men, marching away and above the din of the happy children's cries, she seems to hear the roll of drums and the heavy tread of booted feet.

The boy at her side looks on with shining eyes, aroused by an instinct as old as man, excited at the spectacle of warfare spread before him.

"Gee, Mom, isn't it swell! Can you get me some machine-guns like that for Christmas, can you Mother?"

Machine-guns for Christmas! So these are the "toys" we offer our children on the birthday of Him Who came amid carols of "Peace on earth, Good Will Toward Men!" These are the gifts we lay beside those of the Magi—gifts showing how destruction is wrought. Gifts to emphasize the grim truth that the Prince of Peace has an enemy in the god of war! Why glorify the Pacific Mars with toys significant of hatred, on the Day dedicated to Him Who brought man the message of mercy and forgiveness?

There are those who argue that "Small boys do not know the difference." Then why not teach them the "difference" when they are "small"? Education for peace, like all other moral training, should begin at home, and at a very early age. Of course, little boys do not understand the dreadful import of such toys, but the fact that they take obvious enjoyment in their possession is evidence of their instinctive appeal. Why encourage this instinct? Why take boys to church on Christmas Day to blend their young voices in hymns of love and peace, and bring them home to fight imaginary battles around the Christmas tree?

Parents are stupidly missing an opportunity. What day lends itself better to begin this education for peace than Christmas, with its four-severed story of a Man who came to give new meaning to the old law, "Thou Shalt Not Kill?"

Swedish Danseuse To Perform Here

Invitations have been issued by Kingswood School for a recital of dances, to be held at the school auditorium on Sunday evening, Nov. 20, at 7:45.

The recital will be performed by Miss Ronny Johansson, famed Swedish danseuse. Miss Johansson is assisted by her variety of her repertoire as well as for her technical ability, which has won her widespread acclaim in her New York recitals. During her stay in Detroit she is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Saarstrom of the Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Guests at her Bloomfield Hills recital will include the Kingswood faculty and students, faculty members from other parts of the Cranbrook foundation and friends of the Institution.

Church Matrons Plan Fund Benefit

Interest among Bloomfield Hills matrons is centered on the benefit bridge which the social service committee of Christ Church Cranbrook will sponsor on Wednesday, Dec. 7, in the social rooms of the church. Funds from the affair will be devoted to the milk fund, one of the committee's projects. Mrs. Max M. Gilman of Dunston road is acting as general chairman.

Assisting Mrs. Gilman is a committee which includes the names of Mrs. Fred W. Sanders, Mrs. David Walker Lee, Mrs. Ferd M. Brooke, Mrs. Hugh W. H. Heacock, Mrs. C. Theron Vandusen and Mrs. William Lloyd Kemp.

Miss Romaine Thompson will have a dinner of 12 covers for 12c, at her home on Thirteenth Mile road, preceding the November show of St. Dunstan's guild at the Brookside auditorium.

Mrs. Robert F. G. Copeland and her small daughter, Cynthia, of Henley drive, are visiting. Mrs. Copeland's mother in Muncie, Ind., is also visiting. Mrs. Copeland is attending the automobile show in New York. Mr. Copeland will join his family in Muncie and they all will return home together on Sunday.

DIRECTS SALE

Mrs. Spiegel



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Mrs. William S. Spiegel of Chesterfield drive heads the list of matrons working for a bake sale, which the Baldwin High School Parent Teacher Association will sponsor on Tuesday, Nov. 22. Proceeds from the affair will be devoted to the furnishing of the teachers' room at the high school, one of the organization's projects this year.

Pies, cakes, nutbread and a host of other holiday delicacies will be featured at the sale, which will be held at the West Maple avenue Kroger store.

Assisting Mrs. Spiegel will be a committee which includes the names of Mrs. James Taylor, Mrs. D. W. Russell, Mrs. Fred J. Zoch, Mrs. Frank G. Knott, Mrs. Edwin F. Snyder, Mrs. Lett R. Eis, Mrs. Donald G. Eade, Mrs. Walter D. Anderson and Mrs. George T. Jeffers.

Students Active With Sale Plans

With unbounded enthusiasm, members of the newly formed Washington Group at Baldwin High School have already made plans for the first in a series of money-making projects to enable them to make the trip during spring vacation. Under the general chairmanship of Margaret Gardner, the young people will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, Nov. 19. Assisting Miss Gardner will be a committee composed of Lorraine Stanley, Barbara Blakelee, Leah Mohr and Ruth Savage.

Proud Family Combines Talents For Notice Of Baby's 'First Broadcast'

When little Margaret Elizabeth Wood, who is just a week old today, grows up, she will probably have a marvelous sense of humor. The young lady is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Wood of 327 Southfield and from them and from her 12-year-old brother, Stuart, she is bound to inherit a charming wit. The entire family cooperated in making the announcements of Margaret Elizabeth's birth, with unusual results. The cover of the small pink folder bears a colored sketch of a plump infant chortling merrily into a microphone, from "Station W.O.O.D." The legend reads "On the air—for the first time." Stuart, who is a student at Barnum school and very proud of his new sister, did the drawing himself. Within the folder is a gleeful announcement which runs: "After 12 years of silence, Station W.O.O.D. announces the charming voice of the seven-pound, two-ounce 'Bouncing Star of Whoops and Yells,' Margaret Elizabeth, sponsored by Fred and Elsie Wood. First appearance in Detroit, Mich., Nov. 10, 1938, directed by Dr. L. O'Connor, attended by Dr. Milton H. Good. Regularly heard over this station, nightly at 327 Southfield road, Birmingham, Mich."

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Genung of Fairfax road entertained at cocktails Sunday afternoon for friends from Mt. Pleasant, who were spending the week-end in Detroit. Those honored were Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Strange and Mr. and Mrs. William Wilmer.

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