

Here Are Books For That Cozy Night At Home

By LINDO MOORE (Baldwin Public Library)

Nothing like these late autumn days when a shivering sun wraps itself in a blanket of gray cloud and a shivering wind hurls handfuls of dead leaves in your face to bring on the frame of mind when "staying home, curled up with a good book" looks very attractive. The list of new books at the library promises well for such a mood.

Blow the Man Down, edited by Eric Devine. As salty a collection of sea yarns as one could wish. Recommended for arm chair travelers unaffected by mountainous seas, howling gales and pitching vessels. Included are both fictional and true adventures.

The Man With the Brass Mustache, by Guy Gilpatrick. Lusty episodes in the life of the famous "Muster Glencannon" dough-ty engineer aboard the famous "S. Incheffle Castle."

Bliss Like the Rose, by Leonora Leffo. A romance laid in colonial America. Love, hardship and high adventure against a background of pioneering, Indian fighting and nature-in-the-raw.

What Do You Want For \$1.98? by Kay Austin. A former professional shopper discloses some of the secret behind the department store window, and delves into the intricacies of modern manufacturer's goods. What how and when to buy most of the commodities of modern life, from silk stockings to laundry soap is told in a light and entertaining style.

Seven Grass Huts, by Cecile Hulse Matuschak. The adventures of an engineer's wife in the wilder parts of the South American hinterland. There is much concerning orchids, exotic fruits, strange native customs and not a little concerning man-eating fish and some of the unpleasant forms of snakes and insect life.

Who's Engineers Do, by W. D. Ringer. Explains with equal clarity and simplicity for the benefit of the layman how great modern bridges are made, and how the Egyptians probably set up Cleopatra's Needle.

Hardly A Man is Now Alive, by Dan Beard. The autobiography of the man who was the father of the Boy Scout movement in America.

Handbook of Designs and Devices, by C. P. Hornung. A collection of more than 1800 designs formed by varying geometric figures. Should prove invaluable to designers, commercial artists, advertisers, teachers.

Pages of Chinese History, by Elizabeth Seeger. A comprehensive history of China from 800 B. C. to the creation of the modern republic. Illustrated with many reproductions from Chinese art.

Drina, England's Queen Victoria, by Marion W. Flexner. The story of Victoria's young girlhood from the time she was an important little girl, given to temper tantrums, to the time when, as crowned queen of England, at eighteen she proposed to the wonderful Albert. A charmingly presented picture, drawn largely from Victoria's own diaries.

Strawstacks, by Dorothy Cameron Disney. A detective story unusual in plot, it is refreshingly free of both the super sleuth or the hard-boiled policeman.

Banquet in Detroit Hotel Celebrates Poetry Week

Annual banquet of the Poetry Society of Michigan was held Tuesday evening at the Detroit Hotel, as part of the activities of the group during Michigan Poetry Week. The banquet was presided over this week.

The reception committee consisted of the officers and executive board as follows: Robert Wood Clark, Clifford Allen, Marjorie Nixon Berry, Jessie Wilmore Martin, E. C. Adams, Carl E. Burkland, Dr. Joseph E. Brewer, Ann Campbell, Harry Brainerd, Elean Schock, John W. School, Emil S. Tolonen, Eva Woodbridge Victor, Alice M. Hanson and Mrs. William Gleason.

Gardeners' Corner

(This column is conducted for *The Eccentric's* readers, by Mrs. E. C. Adams, and is based on *Field Hints, Questions on Gardening matters may be addressed to Mrs. Adams, or to the Editor of the Eccentric, or to the Editor of the Gardeners' Corner directly by mail.*)

Bulbs in Water
The culture of bulbs given last week is one that can be used for hardy bulbs only. Questions have been asked regarding what to do with the more tender bulbs—Paper White and Soleil d'Or narcissus, the Chinese lilies and Roman hyacinth.

Half fill a 3" to 5" bowl with gravel or pebbles. Place the bulbs on the gravel, add more gravel, cover with water, and place in a dark closet. Keep water up level. Also, bulb filler may be used. Water should be changed thoroughly, and out, and fill a bowl with the fiber. Place the bulb in the fiber so that only the tip shows. Place the bowl in a cool dark place, and keep moist. Bring out after six weeks.

Early laid, hyacinth, narcissus, well as the above-mentioned bulbs can be forced in this way. Hyacinths may also be placed in a special hyacinth glass. As usual in the case of the other bulbs, when they are ready, they will be ready to plant in the garden.

Use a soil to which some manure, leaf mold or peat moss has been added. Plant five or six bulbs in a 5" pot. Water when planted and then only a little until a shoot appears. Then water as needed. Grow in a sunny window. Put a stake in the pot and the plant as it grows.

Freesias are gragant and will not try.

Delphiniums
Do not cover your delphiniums with a heavy mulch. Let leaves fall about them as they will and that's that. If you have any young plants, set up a frame of slats over the plants and with a half mesh basket. Burying them under a heavy covering smother the plants and invites insects and grubs.

On Planting Shrubs
Plant shrubs when their leaves have fallen. Prepare thoroughly for the work to be done. They are there to stay and the best time to plant is before the ground is frozen. Prepare a hole that is from two to three feet larger all around than the existing root system of the shrub and work down two feet. Dig out the top soil and place it aside. Dig out the under soil and place it in another pile. Put the top soil mixed with rotted manure and a little peat moss or humus from your compost pile under and about the roots. Fill in with sub soil. Do not let the roots dry out, and do not crowd the roots into the hole. Water thoroughly when hole is half filled and again when all the soil is in place.

Teachers Ready To Give Speeches

In an effort to supply information to the increasingly large number of people interested in the function and purpose of the various phases of elementary and secondary education in Birmingham public schools, the system has announced a list of 28 topics for discussion to be given by individual teachers before any group requesting such a program.

The present topics were chosen from voluntary offers from the faculty, numbering about 100 in the entire system, or subjects which they felt best suited to discuss.

Available are such topics as "The Importance of Pupil Personnel Cumulative Records," "The Function and Importance of Pupil Guidance and Counseling in the Secondary School," "The Importance of a Good Foundation in Primary Reading," "Schools in American and Abroad," "How to Make a 'Dead' Language Live."

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Saturday, November 4 Date of Second Dance

Saturday, Nov. 4 is another big day on the calendar of all the school age crowd for that is the date chosen for the Saturday evening dance, the second in a series which is being presented this fall and winter at the Community House.

Mrs. Arthur L. Gunguis is chairman of the dance and is being assisted by the following young people: Bill Brown, Mary Jane Wiley, Shirley Smith, Mary Ann Neff, Franklin Spohr, Dick Harold, Bob Kendall, Harold Roy, Alan Hopkins, Jean Houff and Shirley Busby.

Mrs. L. E. Colgrove is general chairman of all of the dances and appoints the acting chairmen who will serve as hostess for each individual dance. Proceeds, over and above the expenses, will be used for underprivileged children's milk fund.

Bloomfield Township OK's Zone Ordinance

Fifty-four affirmative votes cast Monday evening at a special election in Bloomfield Township empowered the Township Board to draw up a zoning ordinance for the area west of Woodward avenue.

This ordinance will protect the area as a residential district and will prohibit business places and factories except on specially designated roads.

Twenty-three votes were cast against this ordinance.

Social Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. LaBelle were hosts at a buffet dinner followed by bridge Saturday evening, at their home on Sherringham road. Their guests were Mrs. and Mrs. Kingsley M. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Salsbery, Mr. and Mrs. C. Allen Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boothby, of Clarkson.

The LaBelles will be giving their house guests over the week-end Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corneil of Bay City. They will attend the football game in Ann Arbor Saturday afternoon and that night, they will go to the Orchard Country club for dinner and the theater party.

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The Fifth Annual Banquet and Bourse of the Ferndale Stamp Club will be held at the High School, Ferndale, on the afternoon and evening of Dec. 2. This annual event has become one of the outstanding philatelic meetings of the county and is attended by many collecting enthusiasts from all over the State.

A representative group of stamp dealers is expected and outstanding collections will be on display throughout the afternoon and evening.

Admission is free, although there will be a charge for the banquet.