

Birmingham, Bloomfield Branch of Needlework Guild to Hold Luncheon

Quarton P.T. A. Plans For Dinner To Be Held Oct. 2

The ticket committee for the Quarton School P.T.A. annual dinner to be held Monday evening, at 6:30 at the Community House is functioning this week and advance sales indicate a large crowd will attend this affair.

Mrs. Charles C. Hood and Mrs. T. W. Eustis are co-chairmen of the ticket committee. They are being assisted by Mrs. Hugh Mack, Mrs. Wallace Dodds, Mrs. Roy C. Hansen, Mrs. George Wilcox, Mrs. Claude W. Behn, Mrs. Paul E. Garick, Mrs. James H. Hill, Mrs. Ellice Spruill, Mrs. William P. Winslow, Mrs. A. L. Moses, Mrs. Richard L. Campbell, Mrs. Carl L. Bradt, Mrs. B. C. Stetson, Mrs. Myron F. Whitney, Mrs. David Green, Mrs. Fred Malender and Mrs. Bradley A. Walker.

Rudolph D. Lindquist, headmaster of Cranbrook School and speaker of the evening, has chosen as his subject, "Boys At School."

Pontiac Woman Will Be Speaker At Annual Event

Needles are beginning to fly these days and before very long someone will be benefiting by the garments which members of the Needlework Guild are busy making these days.

To start the activities of the fall season for the Birmingham and Bloomfield branch of the guild a luncheon will be held at the Community House on Tuesday at which time Mrs. Harry Y. Fitzgerald of Pontiac, State chairman of the organization, will speak to members of the local club.

The Needlework Guild is the largest volunteer charitable organization in the world and last year collected and distributed more than two million garments. Every one is welcome to membership but the youth groups are particularly invited for the Needlework Guild luncheon in America.

'Regionalism and American Dream' Discussed By Miss Hormel in Lecture

It is an encouraging and reassuring circumstance that so much is being written about the American ideal and the American scene, Miss Olive Hormel stated in her lecture "Regionalism and the American Dream," Tuesday afternoon, the first in the course in Community Literature and Drama offered by the University of Michigan Extension Service at Guild Hall, Christ Church, Cranbrook. It indicates, she feels, that we are taking stock of ourselves, we delineate that which the American dream embraces, and shows where we are succeeding and where we are failing.

In this time of world stress, it is only natural that we should be interested in the American scene and its background, she said. Miss Hormel quoted Bernard Russell's "Power," published last spring, that "The United States will be the only victor in the next war, whether she is a combatant. Other writers were quoted to the effect that America is the last haven of the artist—elsewhere all is tension. Valentine Williams says in his "World of Action" Miss Hormel pointed out that democracy is slowly but surely solving the problems of civilization; that other systems of government are claiming to but are not.

An antidote to any such complacency is the first book that Miss Hormel discussed, Anibal Mac-Letich's "The Land of the Free." With the short cut to truth that poets are apt to take, Mac-Letich says, in essence, "We told ourselves we were free, now we don't know—we're wondering."

"American Sage" Among the best of the books giving a historical background of the American scene, Miss Hormel places "American Sage" by Marjorie Barstow Greenbie, a book that gives a unique insight into the development of the country, tracing the particular origin and contribution of each state in turn to the sum of America's idealism. It is human and readable, Miss Hormel noted, and debitafully presented all its old letters, old diaries and other intimate documents of the time, as well as the most recent basic material and enjoyed in the time she wrote about, all of which gives a flavor of the period and a contemporary sense that is unusual.

"In The Tree of Liberty," Miss Hormel said, is a book which is a riot of colonial development up to the Revolutionary War is stirring and delightful. presented and that there is no finer historical novel. It is accurate history, carefully illustrated, and refreshingly presented. In it we may live over the problems democracy has solved the past and thus gain reassuring perspective on our own state.

"America in Midpassage" by Charles and Mary Beard is a thoughtful, vivid account of the last ten years, beginning with "The Great Glow," the era just preceding 1929, and the disillusionment that followed. It is reassuring, Miss Hormel felt, that it gives a pattern in the present chaos. Never before has there been such a need to understand what we are going through; this book answers the need adequately.

"Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck, Miss Hormel describes as the most gripping of the regional novels, and is important even though it may be painful reading for many people. Along with it, she recommends "Factories in the Field" by Carey McWilliams, but calls factual treatment of the same subject and similar scenes, which Steinbeck puts in a dynamic volume, said to be the most dangerous of propaganda. "Factories in the Field," she deals with the plight of the migratory worker as does the novel, shows how the problem is being met by the establishment of permanent migratory camps, which give these people a home and a bit of land to use as a base from which they can go out to work as the various crops are ready to harvest.

Together, the dominant note in Miss Hormel's discussion is one of optimism and encouragement. These many books on the American ideal, she apparently feels, are constructive and stimulating and must be of great help to us in our application of thinking power to human problems.

Helen Strand Tells Troth At Luncheon

They figures of a man and a girl with button faces, the man dressed in top hat, white tie and tails, the figure of the girl gowned in white satin and a veil was the novel manner in which Miss Helen Jean Strand chose to announce her engagement to Ernest G. Kaiser, Jr., of Groesse Pointe. The figures, drawn by Miss Strand, marked the tally cards used at bridge.

Miss Strand, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Strand of Adams road, made the announcement at a bride luncheon at which she entertained Saturday afternoon at the home of her parents.

Guests attending the function were Mrs. Carl Hilty, Miss Ruth and Miss Loretta Forritt, Miss Janet Peabody, Mrs. Forrest Fowler, Miss Nancy Sheppard, Miss Barbara Strand, a cousin of the bride-elect, Mrs. Hugh McKinley, Mrs. James Williams, Mrs. Francis Armstrong, Mrs. John Townsend.

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Miss Johnson Fetes Several Brides-Elect

Miss Mary Quinlan Johnson entertained at dinner and bridge Thursday evening for a group of brides-elect. Honor guests were Miss Miriam Matice of Groesse Pointe, Miss Jean Disette of Detroit, Miss Marian Fowler of Rochester and Miss Janet Peabody of Birmingham.

Calendar OF COMING EVENTS

Tonight Y. M. C. A. camping meeting at the Community House at 6:30.

Friday, Sept. 29 Dude Rascals meet at Barnum School beginning at 8 o'clock.

Saturday, Sept. 30 Fall Castle Camp, Community House beginning at 9 o'clock.

Monday, Oct. 2 Rotary club meeting at noon at the Community House.

Quarton P.T. A. dinner at 6:30 at the Community House.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary meeting to be held at the Community House at 8 o'clock.

Girl Scout meeting at Community House at 7:30.

Tuesday, Oct. 3 Exchange club meeting at noon at the Community House.

Needlework Guild luncheon at Community House at 1 p. m.

Thrift Shop of the Community House will be open from 1 to 4 p. m.

Wider Woodward celebration dinner at the Community House at 6:30.

Camera club to meet at Community House at 8 o'clock.

English Folk Dancing society will meet at the Community House at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday, Oct. 4 Division meetings of the First Presbyterian Church to be held at various homes of members. One o'clock luncheons will be served.

Lions club meeting at the Community House at noon.

Alair society to meet at Community House at 2 o'clock.

Girl Scout meeting at 4 o'clock at the Community House.

DeMolay Educational Day meeting at 8 o'clock at the Community House.

Thursday, Oct. 5 Thrift shop open from 1 to 4 o'clock at the Community House.

Thursday evening dinner at the Community House from 6 to 7:30.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Tewilliger of 680 Wallace street announce the birth of a daughter, Alies Ann, born Wednesday, Sept. 20, at their home.

Mrs. A. J. Auchterlonie entertained a group of fellow artists at luncheon Wednesday, her home on Berwyn road.

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