# Famous Rufus Rose Marionettes Will Give Two Performances Wednesday

## Name Ushers for Night Program at Community House

Sixty wooden actors, and their masters, Rufus and Margo Rose, will enact the classics, "Rip Van Winkle" and "Snow White," as well as a "Modern Revue" next Wednesday, Oct. 29, under the auspices of the Birmingham Branch of the American Association of University Women. There are to be two programs, one in the afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Bloomfield Theatre. The second performance, more for adults, is to be at the Community House, Wednesday evening, at 8:00 p. m.

The Roses are well known throughout the country for their work with mariopettes, having played in more than 1000 cities and to more than a million people. They have recently completed a marionette movie and were the principal organizers of the national society of "The Puppeteers of America." Fifteen years ago Rufus and Margo Rose were the principal operators of the famous Tony Sarg marionettes.

Tickets for both shows have been going fast, according to Mrs. J. G. Kehoe, general chairman of the benefit. Many youngsters are having supper parties for their friends following the afternoon performance, while as many adults are planning to get together for the evening show.

The following girls have been asked to act as ushers at the evening performance of the puppet show: Martha Gruber, Sybil Finch, Pat Daniels, Sister Daeschner, Dottie Davis, Nancy Merriam, Alwynette Morton, Barbara Jeffries, Peggy Kohr, Virginia Bostwick, Martha Bostwick, Dottie Lou Stickrod, Barbara Underwood, Charlotte Smith and Martha Jane Smith.

## Miss Theodora Firth Engaged to Marry Edward O. Penny, Jr.

Announcement is made this week by Mr. and Mrs. Dean S. Firth, of Franklin, of the engagement of their daughter, Theodora, to Edward O. Penny, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward O. Penny, of Stevens avenue, Highland Park. Theodora was graduated from Baldwin High School and attended Highland Park Junior College. Mr. Penny was graduated from the Highland Park schools.

## *World Known Puppeteers*

## *Birmingham Citizens List Important School Problems*

"What do you consider to be one of the most important problems facing schools today?" This was the question put to local citizens this week by Mr. Lee A. White. Minute interviews are being conducted each week by members of the Community Council on topics which are to be discussed at the Council Institute in November.

**J. B. Howarth:** "It seems to me that one of the greatest problems of the present day, some time ago was shouldered by the parents. Children do not seem to receive proper discipline in the homes to prepare them to adjust to living with others, and the matter of discipline is now passed on to the churches and schools to solve."

**Mrs. Harry N. Gruber:** "I understand that the annual meetings of the school district were poorly attended by 300 to 500 people. I would be interested in knowing why attendance has shrunken so badly, and what could be done to stimulate greater interest in school affairs. Parents are usually quick enough to bring to us some immediate problem of their own child, but they fail to inform themselves about major school issues. The solution of which would improve the educational system to which their child is entrusted."

**George R. Averill:** "It seems to me that it is important for the public in general, to obtain a better understanding of our educational system, and to back up the schools in what they are trying to do to further our democratic way of life by spreading information as a basis for clear thinking. Their right to teach the truth is one of our strongest bulwarks of freedom. I also think that education is a foundation stone in our American concept of liberty, should receive a larger part of the national income."

**Mrs. Theodore Kharsburg:** "One great need in modern schooling is more of such guidance as Mr. Chapman is giving in the Birmingham schools. Young people waste so much time and energy floundering around trying to find what they want to do and what they are fitted for. Increased provision for vocational guidance would prevent much of this wastage; our young people would be better prepared for adult life if their own special skills were discovered and developed early in their school experience; and the leaders of each generation would be stronger through knowing their special talents and cultivating them."

**Mrs. Eric Hyde:** "At this time, when a new Superintendent is being chosen, would like a good opportunity to change from the dual control system now in operation in Birmingham's schools, and to place all responsibility of school management in the hands of the superintendent where it belongs."

**Charles S. Kinnison:** "The greatest need in our school system, as I see it, is to develop in the students the will to work. This, of course, is the need of most of us. Mediocrity is too readily accepted. . . . The social urge in Birmingham is to be very active, on the part of adults, that social prestige (whatever that is) naturally looms large and important in the eyes of youth. To be popular becomes their No. 1 goal. Now, all do this perfectly understandable, but it certainly should not dominate the life of a student. It does, it's unfair to blame it on the kids. . . . So, as I see it, our own No. 1 job is to teach our youngsters to WORK. This is by no means the job of the schools alone.

The school contributes only to the general pattern of the child, and hopes its contribution is good. But if we parents are keen content for our children just to get by, and "pass" from grade to grade, it's pretty hard for the Public Schools to arouse in them the pride of accomplishment. . . . Hitler says that democracies have grown soft and flabby. That makes us mad, but it may be true. Maybe we suffer from too much refinement. Hence it is, that I continually preach to youth that oaks trees don't grow in greenhouses."

### PARLIAMENTARY LAW

Mrs. James Cobb, of 163 Oakland, is again holding classes in parliamentary usage starting Nov. 4. Further information can be secured from Mrs. Cobb, phone 72.


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## Miss Louise Cobb Wed at Informal Home Ceremony

Louise W. Cobb and Wallace R. Ivers exchanged marriage vows Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock before an improvised altar of palms and fall flowers at the home of the bride's parents. By light of candles in candelabra on either side of the altar, the Rev. Warner L. Forsyth read the service. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner M. Cobb, of Suffield avenue, and Mr. Ivers is the son of Mrs. Wallace J. Ivers, of Pleasant Ridge, and the late Mr. Ivers.

Louise chose a wool costume suit in the new hickory color, trimmed with tiger gold wool cloth for her wedding. Her accessories were brown and she wore a white orchid on her shoulder. The lace handkerchief which she carried was the one her mother had carried at her wedding.

A corsage suit of gold and green wool with brown accessories was worn by the matron of honor, Mrs. Blaine B. Eynon. Her flowers were brown orchids. Mrs. Cobb chose an afternoon frock of moonlight blue crepe, set off by sapphire stone trim, for her daughter's wedding. Her flowers were purple orchids and Mrs. Ivers had a corsage of green orchids. The latters gown was of gold.

Jeanie, with which she wore black accessories.

Dr. Robert Plumb, of Pleasant Ridge, acted as best man. Mr. Cobb gave his daughter away in marriage.

Following the ceremony an informal reception-supper was served at the Cobb home, the table being laid with an antique lace mask cloth and candelabra forming the centerpiece. Mr. and Mrs. Ivers left for a short motor trip, after which they are to live in Detroit on West Chicago boulevard.

## Miss Hormel Tells Of New Pamphlets

Under the sponsorship of St. Catherine's Guild, the first lecture in the University of Michigan extension series on "The New Books and Plays" was given Monday afternoon at the Baldwin Public Library by Olive Deane Hormel, director of the Extension Service of the University.

"Pros and Cons with the Pamphleteers" was the subject of the lecture, with Miss Hormel discussed the numerous important compact little books that have been published within recent months pleading one side or another for the great issue before the American public today. More than a million such books have been purchased by readers in the United States within the past two years.

In the nineteenth century, the term "pamphleteer" came to be used contemptuously, somewhat as we use "propagandist" today, the lecturer said. But recent publications in the pamphlet group deserve thoughtful consideration, she continued, particularly, "The American Century" by Henry R. Luce, which first appeared as an editorial in "Life." It is now presented in book form, together with comment by important writers and commentators. Thus in one little book, the lecturer pointed out, there is a thought provoking cross-section of American opinion, with which citizens should be familiar.

Miss Hormel reminded her audience that John Milton was the greatest of all pamphleteers, and his AREOPAGITICA was the pamphlet which won freedom of the press in England, 1643. . . .

The lecturer said that "We Or They," a little book by Hamilton Fish Armstrong, published in 1937, initiated the present popularity of pamphleteering, being the first book to give within small compass a clear cut differentiation between the philosophies of democracy and totalitarianism. This was followed with a chorus of pros and cons telling what we should do about it. Stuart Chase piled the plea for self-sufficiency of the United States in "The New Western Front." Lewis Mumford countered with his challenging "Men Must Act." But Anne Lindbergh's "The Wave of the Future" was the first to win popular response in best-selling proportions, with about 70,000 copies sold to date.

Most successful of the many replies to Mrs. Lindbergh's book was "The Wave of the Past" by R. H. Markham, which has sold more than 115,000 copies. . . .

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## *"Boogie Woogie Ball" Name of Next Dance At Community House*

"Boogie Woogie Ball" is the title given to the dance at the Community House this Saturday evening, Oct. 25. Mrs. A. W. Golling is taking over Mrs. L. E. Colgrove's work for the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ehlenfeldt are to be general chairmen of the dance and will be assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Ewen, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Golling, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Waterbury, and A. W. Golling.

Some of the dates in advance are Nancy Palee and Jac McCormick, Janet Dodge and Frank Watts, Ann Ehlreath and Wallace Roy, Kitty Keller and Bud James, Maud Kelley and Dick Keys, Carolyn Watkins and Walter Bagby, Nancy Kern and Bill Spiegel and Joyce Watkins and Steve Giffels.

Mrs. William Spiegel is again assisting Mrs. Colgrove in preparing chaperons.

## School Fair Called 'Huge Success'

The annual Barnum School Fair, held last Wednesday afternoon and evening at the school, under the auspices of the Barnum Parent-Teacher Association, was a huge success in every way, according to the general chairman, Mrs. A. W. Brandt. Proceeds will be used for the Barnum School Milk Fund and also for needed equipment on and around the schoolhouse.

One of the biggest moments of the evening was the giving away of the 17 door prizes.

They were won by Joyce Stoffregen, Myra Bailey, Ann Routledge, Gerry Hughes, Don Clark, Joyce Stoffregen, Mrs. W. W. Davies, Bill Larsen, Thomas Groves, Buffy, Gertrude Herricks, Raymond Hindlyside, Patty Hall, Richard Hall, Frank Weaver, Jack Hoyt, Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Bezanon. The following companies contributed the prizes: Torrence Oil Company, Parks Coal Company, Wilson and Covington Virginia Market, Red Indian Oil Company, Ridley Cleaners, General Auto Services, Mouthrop, McKees' Flytown Station, The New Friendly Service Station, Vogue Cleaners, Sanders Cleaners, two by the Oak Cleaners and two by Varsor-Gainer-Ale.

## *Evelyn Quihot Wed To John E. Watters*

The marriage ceremony uniting Evelyn Quihot, daughter of George W. Quihot, of Birmingham, and Joseph Emery Watters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Watters, of Highland Park, was performed by Rev. J. B. Taylor in Napoleon, Ohio, Saturday Oct. 11.

The bride was dressed in a chatasophesine blue three-piece wool suit and had with an eggshell blouse and gut-brown accessories. She wore purple orchids. Her bridesmaid was Vera Jane Minds of Rosedale Park. John Richards of Huntington Woods, attended as best man. Others attending the wedding were Mrs. John Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McKeen, of Huntington Woods; Elmer Chadlock of Royal Oak; and Marian Buten and Dr. Richard Cale, well of Highland Park.

A dinner party at Hotel Willard in Toledo followed the ceremony after which Mr. and Mrs. Watters continued their motor trip east, where Mr. Watters is employed.

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## Miss Jane Reitter Inspiration for Round of Parties

Jane Reitter, one of Birmingham's popular brides-elects, who is to wed William Tyler Cushing, Jr., on Nov. 1, is being feted constantly these last two weeks. On Monday evening Mary Jane Mc-Curry gave one of her well known dinners and surprise showers for Jane at her home on Puritan avenue.

Guests at Mary Jane's dinner included Mrs. J. Reed Alexander, Mrs. Robert J. Vinton, Mrs. John McAlpine, Mrs. Henry Houston, Mrs. Robert Aldrich, Margaret Scriven, Mrs. W. T. Cushing, and the bride-elect and her mother. Masks were provided for guests and the decorating theme was carried out in keeping with Hallowe'en.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. J. Reed Alexander and Mrs. Robert J. Vinton entertained at tea and a kitchen shower in Jane's honor at Mrs. Alexander's home on Fairlawn avenue. Today Mrs. Vinton planned a luncheon and personal shower for tomorrow noon at her home on Westwood drive.

Saturday afternoon Jane will be given a tea at the Robert Chissus home on Cedar drive. Mrs. John Parker, of Milwaukee, Wis., her mother, Mrs. Chissus, and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Wm. S. Parker are to be co-hostesses. Guests for the evening will be members of Jane's bridal party and their mothers. Wind up of all the festivities will come Friday evening with the rehearsal dinner, given by the bridegroom-elect, Tyler Cushing, and his parents at their home on Manor road.

## Pierce School Plans Big Fair

The annual Pierce School Fair, sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association of that school, is slated for Friday, Nov. 7. Proceeds will go toward the school's milk fund. Among the highlights of the fair will be a planned program and numerous door prizes.

Women working hard to make the fair a success are Mrs. Thomas Snider, in charge of the fish pond; Mrs. Walter Tate, pantry shelf; Mrs. Charles Harris, white elephant sale; Mrs. Ray West, pet animals; Mrs. William McPhail, novelties; Mrs. Jay Green, in charge of the kitchen; Mrs. R. Braidwood, hot dogs; Mrs. D. Robbins, soft drinks; Mrs. Ora Clark, frostbites; Mrs. John Knott, homemade candy; Mrs. D. Benjamin, coffee; Mrs. Charles Lau, hamburgers; Mrs. R. Stoll, apples and doughnuts; Mrs. Wm. Dan Sugden, aprons; Mrs. Stanley Ross, pillow cases and towels; Mrs. Robert Peck, toys and balloons.

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## *Jeanne MacDonald Chooses Wedding Gown of Cameo Pink*

Christ Church Cranbrook, St. Dunstan's Chapel, was the scene of a charming marriage ceremony Saturday afternoon when Jeanne Macdonald, daughter of Mrs. Harry C. Macdonald and the late Mr. Macdonald, became the bride of Anthony Otto Endres, IV, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony O. Endres, of Johannesburg, South Africa.

The Rev. Charles H. Cadigan read the services at 3 o'clock before an altar adorned with white mums and lilies. The bridal gown was of a delicate cameo pink satin. The fitted bodice was trimmed with wide bands of duchesse lace at the shoulders and at the neckline. The same lace was scattered around the bottom of her dress and long train. She wore a halo of lace which held her fingertip tulle and lace veil in place. The bridal bouquet was of ivory roses.

Mrs. Harry C. Macdonald, Jr., matron of honor, wore a dress of nile green faille made with a shirred bodice, bracelet-length sleeves, and a heart shaped neckline. Her headdress was a small hat of the same velvet hat of the same color as her dress, and she carried a bouquet of yellow roses. Bridesmaids Helen Smith, of Birmingham, and Josephine Smith, of South Bend, were dressed like the maid of honor, but carried bouquets of pink roses.

Roger Bailey, of Ann Arbor, was the best man, and John Thornhill, Jr., and Bruce Macdonald were ushers. Harry C. Macdonald, Jr., gave his sister away in marriage.

Mrs. Macdonald chose beige crepe for her daughter's wedding and wore a brown velvet hat, having a crown of velvet flowers in fall shades. She wore green orchids on shoulder.

Following the wedding reception at the Detroit Athletic Club, the young people left for a trip to Washington, D.C., and Miami Beach. On their return they will live in Detroit.

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