

Youth Orchestra Completes Season

An augmented orchestra, with an outstanding violinist, Louise Behrend, of Washington, D. C., completed the week's concert of the Will-O-Way Youth Orchestra. This last program contained two concertos, the Mozart in A major and the Tartini in D minor. This diminutive young violinist has studied diligently to play as she does, and her work shows the thought in mind as she expressed it. "To be first a musician and next a violinist."

Two Shostakovich Preludes, moderate, were also used. The Masses Merrill and Behrend worked two 3's, a m. Saturday arranged the orchestra for the concert of two odd numbers, which shows the caliber of this group.

The Haydn "Paradise" Symphony with the Adagio from the last movement concluded this violinist program and I brought tears to the eyes of many to see the players leave the stage by two and wuff a candle as they left and the directors and after her candle, was extinguished, she departed and closed the doors on the music and an interesting season that has given pleasure to many.

The commentator was Joseph Victor Landerer, the star of "The Ninth Minute." His musical voice will be chosen words added to the charm of these programs.

F. R. M.

There is no class of men so difficult to be managed in a home as those whose intentions are honest but whose consciences are weakened.—Napoleon.

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Note: Wed. Matinees Discontinued Until Further Announcement.

"Tea for Two"

By KATHRYN UMPHREY

It is a high time, we feel, that the people of Birmingham know something about the person, who took a leading part in securing 1,000 odd crabapple trees that were planted in this city last spring. After all, the planting of 1,000 trees is quite a feat!

Although most every man, woman and child in Birmingham knows most all there is to know about Mahala Rickenbaugh, but particular brand of flowering crab tree, they know little of Mrs. Rickenbaugh, who is chairman of the roadside and improvement committee for the Garden Club.

One of the first questions wanted to ask Mrs. Rickenbaugh was whether or not she had ever had any business experience, for anyone who had watched her campaign progress would have sworn her to be an executive. But when I asked she had just met her young son, Kent, aged 3, in bed for his afternoon nap, and was ready to go to bed. I then asked her if she had any business experience, she said she had a little white with a little silver mixed in here and there, making a very attractive color.

Enthusiasm fairly jumped from Mrs. Rickenbaugh's bright blue eyes when she started looking over her house, which she and Mr. Rickenbaugh had planned every inch of it with an eye to fun and convenience. Particularly attractive was the furniture around the model house, building houses around the furniture. Particularly attractive was the rather long living room which had a white padded fire place at one end, and a balanced effect the other end of the room was padded in exactly the same manner. However, the paneling there is really a pair of folding doors which lead into the dining room. Another room which we both agreed was interesting is the children's bathroom, where black walls danced all over the white wall, above the white tile.

When she came to the kitchen, Mrs. Rickenbaugh was boundless, for it was really perfect—everything arranged in the most convenient manner possible. Here it came out that at one time Mrs. Rickenbaugh had been not only a home economist, but also had done interior decorating professionally. It seems that she was graduated in home economics from Connecticut College for Women—after which she taught home economics in a junior high school for a while. The home-making course gave her a background for the

dietetic work she did later and also for her job as an interior decorator in Cleveland.

"Do you think then, that home economics is essential in the schools?"

School Training Needed "Well, yes," Mrs. Rickenbaugh's reply. "Of course, both boys and girls should know about home-making in their own homes—but so few do! Besides, in these times of tight money, the scientific viewpoint of homekeeping, I think it is training every child to be thrifty, for there are very few girls who don't have a very home, or at least manage a home, when they grow up."

From there, for some reason or other, we got on to budgeting and planning. She believes that everything of this nature should be organized ahead of time. The Rickenbaughs are trying to bring up their children, Kent and Ann, who is 9, to be independent and figure things out for themselves. As for a strict budgeting of money, she doesn't think that is necessary. A system of sensible spending versus just a few things of this nature, noting that it comes from borrowing from one fund to pay up another.

When I asked Mrs. Rickenbaugh about my thinking that she must have been an executive by something like that, she just laughed. "I guess I'm just naturally systematic," she said. "I have a bit of organization one can cut her work no matter what it is, in my mind. My father, Dr. Frank R. Van Horn, who for years was professor of geology at Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland. Professors are supposed to be absent-minded and impractical, but my father was an exception to this rule to the extent that for 30 years he was director of the athletic association at Case."

Of course, it wasn't long before she was talking over the main part of her house, which she had furnished in a m. p. n. last spring. When the program in Birmingham was just about completed, Good Housekeeping magazine sent its Club Service editor, Mrs. Mary Wells, up from New York for an interview with Mrs. Rickenbaugh. Since it was too late to use a timely story she decided to incorporate it into a booklet and make it available to clubs, through the Good Housekeeping magazine service, which supplies information, 22,000 women and their like, to 12,000 women and their like, throughout the United States. The booklet is to be sent out in September.

1,000 Booklets Ordered "I agreed to the plan," Mrs. Rickenbaugh told me, "on the condition that no names be mentioned and my initials not be used for any civic beautification project. I read proof on the booklet just last week and she had also had three certainly is thrilling. They already have 1,000 orders for it—just think of the advertising that means for Birmingham!"

As this campaign of the garden club has really gained such a momentum, it behooves the Eccentric to review it for our readers. The program really had three objectives: City, school, and private property. Each of the three divisions was given a time limit, thus avoiding confusion of the public, keeping the campaign from dragging.

For instance, the drive for flowering crab trees on city property. Hotels Cannot Be Compared! If you have a crowded party guests are welcome to. YORBA LINDA This gorgeous retreat has sleeping quarters for 200 people. RATES from \$2.00 for two persons. Only five minutes drive from Birmingham to this beautiful retreat. DIRECTIONS: on the South of Birmingham on Woodward Ave., near 13 1/2 Mile to the Club. "YORBA LINDA TOURIST ROOMS"

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Visits With Birmingham and Bloomsfield Hills Women

From the many people who visited Birmingham and Bloomsfield Hills, we checked the whole catalog and in particular this part of the program—the wrap-up of the program—went down during the week.

As for all of this, the paper he had to be contacted and Mrs. Rickenbaugh, who was in charge of the work, was in Birmingham. The 27th street at the time of the program was arranged for last year Mrs. Garrison Thurston, who was in charge of the roadside improvement committee for the garden club, and it was under her direction that the roadside improvement was a satisfactory one for Birmingham. This year Mrs. Rickenbaugh is the assistant.

Whole-Town Co-operation Since the many people who visited Birmingham and Bloomsfield Hills, we checked the whole catalog and in particular this part of the program—the wrap-up of the program—went down during the week.

Complete School Program The first two or three weeks in March were devoted to school. Each child who could was asked to bring a penny to help purchase trees. Programs concerning males, floribunda and Arbor Day in general were carried on within the schools at the same time under the club's education committee with the aid of the public of what was going on. This drive lasted only during the month of February.

Lathrup Townsite News

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Wyllie, of San Diego drive, gave a garden tour Saturday in honor of Mr. Wyllie's sister, Mrs. Donald Ross, of Tulsa, Okla., who is visiting them. A bridge luncheon was given for her on Thursday. The guests were residents of Lathrup Townsite.

Fatty, daughter of the Richard W. J. Reilly, Jr., chairman of the Friendly Cam, Pine Lake, Mich., on Friday.

Mrs. L. H. France and son Tommy, returned Friday from a trip north to visit friends.

Mrs. A. J. Martin, of Lathrup boulevard, gave a bridge luncheon for Lathrup neighbors, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mason, of Saratoga boulevard, were hosts for the Lathrup Townsite and Mrs. R. A. Schaefer and children, of Richmond, Ind.

Mrs. William Orth and son, Bill, gave two garden parties last week Saturday in honor of Mrs. Hazel Combs, of Detroit.

130 M. Renew's 130 Scholarships

One hundred and thirty University of Michigan students from 80 Michigan cities have been awarded scholarships by the Michigan Alumni Undergraduate Scholarship Fund for the 1941-42 school year, according to Dean Clarence S. Joakim, vice-president in charge of educational investigations.

Selections for the original awards were made on the basis of scholarship, character and financial need from nominations submitted by University of Michigan clubs, alumnae groups and alumni throughout the state. Renewals were awarded students maintaining a satisfactory record for seniors, 41 for juniors, and 82 for sophomores.

Richard A. Harvey, 831 E. Main road. Eleanor C. Kelly, 707 Ann Street. Robert H. Porter, 251 Baldwin Avenue.

Bits of Birmingham

But one driver was given a ticket here for failure to have full license drive visiting car. He was Joe C. Parky, 1276 Smith Street. It cost him \$2.

Miss Mary Palmer, daughter of Ray A. Palmer, is now teaching in Grose Pointe, having resigned from her post in Pontiac.

Charles Wilson, son of Mrs. Lorraine Wilson, 255 Hermitage, leaves Friday morning for New York to attend the Christian and Missionary Alliance Bible College where he will study for six months, graduating next June.

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Gardeners' Corner

Two of the best loved and most popular of all garden plants are the lilacs. They are easy to grow and are planted in the fall. The color varies from white to deep purple and most are available in single or double forms.

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