

Record Crowd Expected at The Village Players' "Skylark" this Weekend

Betsy Smith, John K. Bagby Exchange Nuptial Vows

In a ceremony performed in the First Church of Lincoln, Mass., John Cramer Bagby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis C. Bagby, of Dorchester, Mass., and Betsy Smith were united in marriage last Saturday evening. Betsy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Smith, of Lincoln, Mass. The Rev. Dana M. Greeley officiated, and a reception followed at the home of the bride's parents.

Betsy chose a wedding gown of marquisette over faille, fashioned with a panel and inserts of lace. Her veil and Juliet cap were of tulle, the latter being trimmed with staphenotis. The bridal bouquet was made of staphenotis centered by orchids. Alice Smith was maid of honor for her sister, with whom she made her debut in the 1940-41 season. She wore a gown of yellow faille, made with a panel of shirred faille. Her spring flower bouquet matched her flower girl's headpiece.

For her son's wedding, Mrs. Bagby chose an ensemble of cocoa brown and wore an orchid corsage. Mrs. Smith was gown in pale blue crepe and wore an orchid corsage.

Herbert F. Royal, of Birmingham, was best man for John, Sumner Smith, Jr., was head usher and was assisted by Charles W. Smith, Walter Goodale, of Weston, Mass., Frederick B. Gole, of Newton, Mass.

Philomena Club
The Philomena Club will meet Tuesday April 28, at the home of Mrs. Bert Moore, 327 South Woodward avenue, for a one o'clock potluck luncheon and election of officers.

St. Agnes Group Plans Bridge Tea

The St. Agnes group of the St. James Episcopal Church will hold its annual spring bridge-tee, at 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, May 5, in the Sunday School House. Mrs. W. L. Bones is general chairman of the affair. Presiding at the tea table will be Mrs. Howard Cousins, Mrs. Orren L. Anderson, and Mrs. Warner L. Forsyth.

Many Parties Are Planned Around All Three Shows

Set in a background well known to Birmingham folk—that of the advertising business—the comedy "Skylark" is expected to attract one of the biggest crowds yet to the Village Playhouse. "Skylark" is being put on by the Village Players as their annual public performance, this evening, and Friday and Saturday nights.

Essentially light comedy, the play consists of one amusing incident after another brought on by the mixing of business and pleasure. The first act opens on a party being given by Tony and Lydia Kenyon (Warren Pease and Helen Eden) to celebrate their wedding anniversary and to entertain a prospective client. As the scene progresses Tony offers their cook to his client's wife, Myrtle Valentine (Florine Grier), at which Lydia becomes angry and runs off with Myrtle's admirer Bill Blake (E. A. Schirmer).

The second act serves to tangle up the situation a little further, while the third is an untangling process. Title of play is taken from a speech made by Blake when he is telling Tony how to hold his wife: "Spit in your boss's eye, take your woman by the hand, climb to the top of a hill. Look us over, noon. She's a woman, she's life itself—she makes the grass grow, see? I've got hold of her hand and I'm not letting go. . . . She's a skylark. . . ."

Other members of the cast include George Gorell by George Clark, Theodore by E. Price Kimbrough, Jr., Ned Franklin by Jim Bullock, Charlotte Franklin by Ruth Hart, maid by Janet Stanley, and Harley Valentine by Donald S. Bell.

As always there are many parties planned for both before and after all three of the performances. Thursday evening the John F. Hortons are entertaining the Charles F. Dyes, the Frank Mullins, the Marvin Kirns, Dr. and Mrs. John H. Gordon, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Gordon, of Detroit. The Donald S. Bells are also entertaining at dinner on Thursday night, and following on Friday night, the Mrs. Richard Wenzel are having 14 in for a potluck supper before the play, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Pease, Jr., are entertaining at dinner that evening too.

Frills and Fripperies Out



To save materials, War Production Czar Donald M. Nelson has ruled out fancy frills in military fashions. Before the restriction order, models at left wore a dress with 91-inch sleeves, 42-inch length, wooden lined pockets and 3-inch hem, in addition to the double fabric cut and 3 1/2-inch belt. The same dress, re-designed, right, is slightly shorter, has a sweep of 20 inches less, pockets are lined with rayon and the hem is 2 inches. Sleeves have no cuffs and belt is half the width. Almost two yards of material were saved.

SOCIAL NEWS IN BRIEF

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE H. WHITLEY are being honored at a dinner party this Saturday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Latham and Mr. and Mrs. Carlenton Higbie at the latter's home. The Whitleys will be moving to Chicago soon. Mr. Whitley is already working there, commuting weekends, and Mrs. Whitley plans to join him as soon as they find a house.

THE LEROY G. VANDEVEER, of Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Goble, of Detroit and formerly of Birmingham, were guests of Professor and Mrs. Frederick Starnes at a faculty dance in Ann Arbor on Tuesday evening.

MRS. LEROY G. VANDEVEER, of Sussex, Md., entertained Mrs. Louis Thomas, Mrs. Hal Houghton, and Mrs. Leonard Vollbracht, at luncheon yesterday before they left for the Alpha Omicron Pi benefit luncheon at the home of Mrs. Hollister Mabley.

THE REV. AND MRS. THODORE W. GUGAZER have returned from a two-weeks' trip through the Smoky Mountain area. Word comes from Stephens College, Missouri, that Mrs. GUGAZER is having a wonderful time. Last weekend she was a guest at a Missouri University dance, and this weekend she will attend the Stephens Junior Prom.

ROBERT ALLEN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen, Townsend street, will leave Saturday for Santa Anna, Calif., where he will begin his primary training as a flying cadet in the United States Army.

MRS. CLYDE L. HAGERMAN, of Long Lake road, entertained members of her Red Cross knitting group in her home on Wednesday afternoon.

MR. AND MRS. WALTER F. SKINNER are having a cocktail party at their home on Glenary circle next Sunday afternoon in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Carlberg, of Wing Lake. The Carlbergs are planning to move to New York City within the next few weeks.

MRS. JOHN J. MAY, of Fernside avenue, entertained members of her sewing club at luncheon in her home on Monday afternoon.

MRS. LOUIS S. MORSE, JR., and her two children, RICHARD and SUZANNE, of Lone Pine road, returned on Monday from Miami Beach, Fla., where they had been since early in January.

ELEANOR PATON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Paton, of Drury lane, is giving a bridge-luncheon for 12 of her classmates from Kingswood School on Saturday afternoon at the Grosse Pointe Golf Club.

MR. AND MRS. FREDERICK G. WESTCOTT, of Oakland avenue, left early Tuesday morning for Louisville, Ky., to visit their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Anderson, and their brand new grandson, Frederick Westcott Anderson.

Mary Lib Mayfield, Miss Keene, of Birmingham, Miss Benson, of

Phyllis Babcock To Wed on May 9 At Portland, Ore.

Word comes to Birmingham this week from Portland, Ore., of the approaching marriage of Phyllis Babcock, daughter of Mrs. Helen Babcock, of Portland, and David C. Babcock of Birmingham. Phyllis lived most of her life here and attended Baldwin High School until two years ago when she went West and was graduated from Portland schools.

Phyllis is to marry Lieut. Steven George Lakatos, of the army air corps, stationed at Portland. The wedding will take place on Saturday, May 9, at 8:30 o'clock in the evening, at the Air Base Chapel. A reception to be given by the bride-elect's parents, will follow at the officers club.

Mrs. JOHN J. MORSE, Jr., of Grosse Pointe is entertaining at a military farce bridge-luncheon in her home tomorrow afternoon. Many of the guests will be from Birmingham. Among those who will attend are Mrs. Arthur G. Rippey, Jr., Mrs. Ralph L. Rickabaugh, Mrs. Fritz K. Klemm, Mrs. Richard K. Seales, Mrs. H. W. Shepherd, Mrs. J. S. O'Gorman, Jr., Mrs. Harvey B. Greene, Mrs. J. Thomas Smith, Mrs. Robert Greene, Mrs. Robert Maxon, Mrs. Genaro A. Flores, Mrs. Ned Graham, Mrs. Elbridge Nowell, Mrs. Elliott Davies, Mrs. George Davies, Mrs. Catherine Patterson, and Mrs. Bruce Kipke.

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FAVORITE RECIPES

Fill Cookie Jar Or Send Treats To Boys in Camp

BY WINIFRED CLARK
PANTRY-RAIDING boys and girls and treat-hungry lads in camp will welcome these cookies. Here's a recipe for raisin cookies that will make them ask for more:

For about four dozen medium-size raisin pack-away cookies, you need these ingredients: 1 1/2 cups seedless raisins, 1 cup butter, 1 cup granulated sugar, 1/2 cup light molasses, 2 eggs, 1/4 cup milk, 3 cups bran flakes, 2 1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 cup cut candied cherries, 3/4 cup cut citron, 1/2 cup coarsely chopped walnut meat, 2 teaspoons vanilla extract, 3 cups corn flakes.

Rinse and drain the raisins. Cream butter, add sugar and cream thoroughly. Add molasses, and beaten eggs and beat. Add milk and bran flakes and mix. Add flour sifted with salt and baking powder and beat. Add raisins, cherries, citron, nuts, flavoring and corn flakes, and stir to blend. Drop by small spoonfuls onto ungreased cookie sheet and flatten slightly. Bake in a moderately hot oven (400° F.) about 15 minutes. For a glazed top, brush with honey before baking.

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Miss Lois R. Mills Weds Royal Oak Man

Mrs. Frank L. Mills of Ann street, announces the marriage of her daughter, Lois Rebecca Mills, to Edward Brooks Coney, of Royal United States armed forces.

Oak, on Saturday evening April 4 at 8:30. The services were read at the home of the bride-elect. Guests at the wedding ceremony, which was followed by a reception, included only members of the families and a few close friends. Shortly after his marriage, Mr. Coney left for service with the United States armed forces.

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