

# Annual Bridge and Tea to Benefit St. Joseph's Free Clinic Set for Feb. 10

## Mrs. Donald Bell Named Chairman For Birmingham

The date for one of the biggest parties of the year, the annual benefit bridge and tea for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital's free clinic, was revealed this week. The party, which promises to have some unusual attractions this year, will take place on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 10, at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club.

Mrs. Donald S. Bell has been named general chairman of the event for Birmingham, and heading the Pontiac portion of the party is Mrs. Walter S. Gregory, assisted by Mrs. Arthur V. Hendren. This party is, of course, being given under the auspices of the Auxiliary of St. Joseph Hospital.

Assisting Mrs. Bell on arrangements are Mrs. Walter Scott Saunders, Mrs. Frank J. McGinnis, and Mrs. Milton F. Fecky. More committees and further plans will be announced at an early date.

## Rites Unite Carol Dwellley, James Hodges, In Knoxville

Katherine Carol Dwellley and James Shields Hodges, Jr., repeated their nuptial vows last Saturday evening in a ceremony performed by the Rev. Eugene Hopfer, at the St. James Episcopal Church in Knoxville, Tenn.

Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Merriam Dwellley, of Southfield road, and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Ruth Hodges, of Knoxville, and James S. Hodges, of Philadelphia.

The bride was given in marriage by her father before an altar banked with Easter lilies and ferns. The white theme was carried out in the gowns of the wedding party.

The bridal gown was of white faille, fashioned with a fitted bodice, full skirt, round neck line and long tight sleeves. A coronet of seed pearls was used to hold her long tulle veil in place. Carol also wore a seed pearl brooch which belonged to her maternal great-grandmother, and carried a bouquet of valley lilies and gardenias.

Louisville, Hamilton Forman, Jr., of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Carl K. Kupfer, of Knoxville, were best man and ring bearer, respectively. Mrs. Dwellley chose a gown of peacock blue and silver lame and wore orchids on her shoulder. Mrs. Hodges was dressed in green lame and had a cascade of green orchids.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwellley entertained 400 guests at a wedding reception, immediately after the ceremony at Hotel Farragut in Knoxville. Following the reception, the bridal couple left for a short trip to New Orleans, La. When leaving Mrs. Hodges was wearing a suit of golden brown velvet with a matching hat and bow accessories. The young couple are at home at 1825 West Clinch street, Knoxville, Tenn.

## Plans Completed By Martha Sutton; Wedding Jan. 31

A much-feted bride-elect these days is Martha Sutton who is to marry Bill Merrill a week from Saturday night at the St. Joseph Episcopal Church in Detroit. Last evening Martha was honored at a linen shower by co-workers from her office in Detroit.

On Saturday Mrs. Arthur Sutton is giving a luncheon and personal shower for Martha at 1815 W. Grand street. Then next Wednesday evening the Merrill and Suttons are having a family and neighborhood party at 1815 W. Grand street. The following morning, Mrs. John D. Hagey is feigning the brains-elect at a breakfast in her home on East Lincoln avenue, Birmingham.

On Saturday, Mrs. Dr. and Mrs. William O. Merrill are to be hosts on Friday evening, Jan. 30, at the rehearsal dinner at the Hotel West Long Lake road. Included among the guests will be the bride and groom, Mrs. Merrill, her maid of honor, and the bridesmaids, Mrs. Laurence Phillips, of Frankfort, Ky., Mrs. Mabel Mahabady and Margorie Good, both of Detroit. Dr. Merrill is to be best man for his son, and usher are to be Ralph Ballantine, Bill's college roommate, of Farmington, Wis., and Bill's two brother-in-laws, Edward Sikorski and Dr. Carl H. Rice, and Arthur W. Sutton, Martha's brother.

Three other important members of the bridal party are Teresa Shorn, of Arlington, Ariz., Rice, niece of the bridegroom, and following the wedding ceremony which Dr. William K. Hagey will officiate, Mr. and Mrs. Sutton are holding a reception in their home on Longwood avenue in Detroit.

## Theatre Indispensable to Morale In Wartime, Says Miss Hormel

That the theatre is even more indispensable to the morale of freedom in wartime than in time of peace has been proved by the persistent survival in England. Olive Deane Hormel brought out Monday afternoon in her lecture on "The Holiday Theatre," fourth in the University of Michigan extension series on "The New Books and Plays." The course is sponsored here by St. Catherine's Guild.

The reason for this survival is brought out by Maxwell Anderson, she continued, in a notable preface to his recently published play, "Candle in the Wind," presented currently on Broadway. "Good theatre," Miss Hormel quoted him as saying, "is always basically an attempt to prove that man has a dignity and destiny, and that his life is worth living, that his life is not purely animal and without purpose." He goes on to show most convincingly how this is the theme not only of successful drama but also of truly successful productions of purely playful intent.

"Though there are many plays reflecting the seriousness of the times, there is also lots of fun in the theatre this season, particularly fun focused on family foibles," Miss Hormel continued. "In this category fall Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit," a merry comedy of marital ghosts, starring Peggy Wood and Clifton Webb, and "Spring Again," a charming play in which Grace George and C. Aubrey Smith are starred."

There is also the very popular "Junior Miss," a rollicking comedy about two men flapper who would make family life over to fit the movies. Somewhat more serious and a bit melodramatic, but still absorbing entertainment, is "The Land Is Bright," the Ferber and Kaufman saga of a fabulous American family, and "Sophie Tracadwell's" "Hope for a Harlequin." The "shudder" play is in notable evidence also, the lecturer went on, with everything from ghosts to gangsters, and a classic climax in "Macbeth," directed by Margaret Webster and starring

## Paris after Nazi occupation, in an endeavor to win her lover's release from a concentration camp. The action portrays vividly the nature of Nazi machinations and the helplessness of even neutrals in their clutches.

Maurice Evans and Judith Anderson in a superb production, "Brooklyn, U. S. A.," is a grimly authentic and terrible drama of Brooklyn gangsterism, while in "Clash by Night," Clifford Odets offers, real horror, mixed with unemployment, frustration, and fidelity, with a dash of not too feeble hope and courage. This stars Tallulah Bankhead, Joseph Schildkraut, Katherine Locke, and Lee Cobb.

The theatrical version of the war, Miss Hormel said, runs the gamut from the comic cavorting of Helen Hayes in "Candle in the Wind." This play is in a similar vein to "Watch on the Rhine," which won the drama critics' award last season as the best play by an American writer, and which continues to bring its poignant message to crowded houses.

The new Anderson play has been given a beautiful and inspiring production by the Playwrights Company and the Theatre Guild, with Helen Hayes in the role of an American actress who stays on in

## Open House Planned To Fete Norman Lyle

Honoring their son, NORMAN LYLE, MR. AND MRS. NORMAN LYLE are holding open-house on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 25, in their home on Yorkshire drive. The event is to give Norman's friends a chance to drop in and say "hello" and "goodbye" before he leaves, the following Tuesday, Jan. 27, for Montgomery where he is to enter training for the United States Army Air Corps.

MRS. JAMES A. GRIER is having a luncheon for twelve guests on Friday afternoon in her home on Fairway road.

## GIRL SCOUTS

Attention, Girl Scouts!

Miss Florence Otto, of Chicago, Ill., member of the Girl Scout National training staff, is in Birmingham today to work with the Council in the morning and after a joint workers luncheon, to give help and training to the leaders in the afternoon.

Miss Otto, who is a field adviser on the Great Lakes regional staff with the adult members of the Girl Scout Councils in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin. A graduate of the Milwaukee-Dowder College, Milwaukee, Wis., Miss Otto is a member of the Wisconsin State Teachers Assn. and the National Education Assn.

She has taken courses in several Girl Scout national training centers, and has held various positions in Girl Scout Camps in Illinois and Wisconsin. She is local director of Girl Scouting in Madison, Wis., for two years before she became a member of the national staff late in 1939.

The Girl Scout Leaders at their meeting on Tuesday evening listened with interest to Miss Alice Goodenough speak. The theme of the whole meeting was "Girl Scouting in National Defense."

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Troop 10 has two new girls. They are Natlie Knight and Shirley Scott. At the last meeting an interesting letter was read from two girls in Norway.

## Signa Beta Pledges Six New Members

Mrs. Milton L. Thomson, president of Psi Chapter of Signa Beta Sorority recently pledged six new members to the organization at services which were held following an informal dinner.

Louise Halcomb of Bloomfield Court and Dorene Topping of Elm Street were sponsored by Mrs. E. E. Anderson of Birmingham, and Mary Lou Brewer, Betty Cole, Maxine Jacobson, and Beatrice Goldman were introduced by Pontiac members of the group.

Formal initiation will be held this latter part of February.

Next regular meeting of Psi Chapter will be on January 28th, and the February social gathering will be on the 11th in the Ruth Shain room at the Community House.

## The Donald Emersons Home from Trip To the West Coast

Mr. and Mrs. Donald G. Emerson and their daughter, Judith, of Lincoln, avenue, have returned home after a month's vacation through the South and West, where they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Buckenbrough, of San Diego, Calif. They also visited Mr. Emerson's brother, Charles, and family, of Los Angeles.

Bob Buckenbrough, their son, who is staff-sergeant in the Army, accompanied them to California, and spent Christmas in San Diego, but had to return to camp before the New Year, as his leave had been limited to thirteen days since the declaration of war.

On their way home, the Emersons went by Camp Livingston, La., and had another visit with Jack. There were soldiers, guns, and tanks stationed at every important base and at either end of all large bridges all through the South and West. There were barricaded all along the airplane plants, and plenty of soldiers standing guard; also many bombers and pursuit planes flying low over Point Loma and North Island for protection, close to the Buckenbrough home in Point Loma Heights.

Bob Buckenbrough, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Buckenbrough, of North Adams road, is connected with the Ryan airplane plant in San Diego.

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