The Village Players' Show, 'Skylark' Set for Friday and Saturday May 15, 16

Record Crowd Is Expected for Both Evenings

"Skylark," the long awaited public show being produced this year by members of the Village Players, is to take place this week-end, Friday and Saturday evenings, May 15 and 16, at the Village Playhouse. Postponed during the latter part of April because of illness of the leading lady, the production has been polished up nicely by an extra month's practice, and promises to draw a record crowd.

Set in a familiar background to Birmingham, that of the advertising business, "Skylark" is essentially light comedy, consisting of one amusing incident after the other. George M. Dwelley is director of the play, assisted by Mrs. Donald S. Bell. Mrs. C. E. Eden is playing the feminine lead as Lydia Kenyon, opposite Warren Pease, Jr., as Tony Kenyon.

Other members of the cast include Stanley Saunders as George Gorell; E. Price Kimbrough, Jr., as Theodore; Jim Bullock as Ned Franklin; Mrs. Linton Hart as Charlotte Franklin; Janet Stanley as the maid; Donald S. Bell as Harley Valentine; Mrs. James Grier as Myrtle Valentine; and E. A. Schinner as Bill Blake.

Mrs. George H. Fox is in charge of the tickets and assisting her are Mrs. Richard W. Wenzell, Mrs. Clark Paddee, Mrs. William L. Martin, Mrs. Ward C. Bollinger, Mrs. Alan W. Hoden, Mrs. Howard B. Greene, Ruth Porritt, Harriet Stauffer, and Joyce Stewart. Tickets are also on sale at Wilson's, Shanks' and the Wabeek Drug stores.

Members Give Parties

Some of the parties scheduled for the show this weekend include one to be given Friday evening, before the play, by Mr. and Mrs. Clifford B. Gould of Buckingham drive. The Donald S. Bells are also having guests that evening, and Millie Flannigan is entertaining a group of soldiers from Selfridge Field and Birmingham girls at her home in Beverly Hills following the show.

For Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Aldrich will entertain Mr. and Mrs. R. J. McMullen and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ivers for dinner before the play. The W. Scott Saunders, of Cranbrook road, are having a group of their friends in for cocktails before the play and a buffet supper afterwards. Their guests will include the Goodlow Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rowland, and Mr. and Mrs. Isaac J. Ingrid, of Pontiac. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley R. Saunders, of Birmingham, and Stuart Fox, of New York City, Mrs. Fox is Mrs. Saunders' cousin, and is director of the play "Claudia" appearing at the Cass in Detroit.

Plan Annual Meeting

The Village Players will hold their annual meeting next Friday evening, May 22, at the Playhouse. Election of officers will be held, and while ballots are being counted, George Brosch will present a series of amusing and enlightening slide films from his own collection.

RICHARD KINNEE, of Washington, D. C., flew to Birmingham Sunday to visit his mother, MRS. M. M. KINNEE, of Barbour Terrace. Mr. Kinnee returned to Washington Tuesday evening.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Luginbill, of 1631 Taunton road, announce the birth of a baby daughter, Susan Lynn, on Tuesday, April 28, at the Ford Hospital in Detroit. Mrs. Luginbill is the former Virginia Grant of Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce McKenzie, of Royal Oak, announce the birth of a son, Robert Bruce, Jr., born Saturday, May 9, at Grace Hospital in Detroit. Mrs. McKenzie is the former Hortense McGavran of Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Coombs, of 3301 Philadelphia, Detroit, announce the birth of a daughter, Carol Jane, on Saturday, May 9, at Harper Hospital. Mrs. Coombs is the former Barbara Kusterer of Grand Rapids.

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Tracy-Cheek Vows Repeated on April 25

Mr. and Mrs. J. Leslie Tracy, of Merrill street, wish to announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, to Walter Harding Cheek, on Saturday, April 25. Walter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Cheek, of Big Beaver Road, Birmingham, formerly of Commerce, Ga. The young couple are making their home at 23394 Carlyle avenue, Ferndale.

Mrs. Uebele Fetes P.-T. A. Board

Mrs. Bert E. Uebele, Jr., entertained old and new members of the executive board of the Quarton Lake Parent-Teacher Association at breakfast on Monday in her home on Yarmouth road. An attractive arrangement of lilacs and lilies of the valley were used as a center piece for the breakfast buffet breakfast table.

Maurice Fouracre, new principal of the school discussed the problems met in the past year, and plans for the next year. Mrs. Uebele is the newly elected president of the group.

Members of the new board present included Mrs. Cassius L. Miller, vice president, Mrs. Milton F. Mallender, recording secretary, Mrs. Ralph Scheel, treasurer, Mrs. Russell Barton, corresponding secretary, Homer Dedo, father vice president, Mrs. J. W. Bowen, historian, Miss Lucile Larson, teacher vice-president.

New committee chairman for the ensuing year will be: Mrs. Cassius L. Miller, program; Mrs. J. H. Devin, recreation; Mrs. Bronson Beadle, ways and means; Mrs. Max Tunnicliffe, publicity; Mrs. Robert Shaw, membership; and Mrs. Edward McCombie, hospitality. Two new standing committees have been set up and their chairmen are Mrs. John G. Wood, room mother committee, and Mrs. Ralph L. Rickenbaugh, war work committee.

Parties Honor Barbara Backus

St. James Church has been chosen by Barbara Jane Backus for the scene of her wedding to Guy Harvey Pitts on Saturday evening at 8:30 o'clock, June 20. Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh D. Backus, of Vaughan road, and Guy is the son of Mrs. G. H. Pitts, of Painted Post, N. Y.

Several parties have already been given in honor of the bride-elect including a kitchen shower by Mrs. Elroy Hart at her home in Royal Oak and a linen shower and luncheon, which took place last Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Sam Dean in Detroit. The latter was given by Mrs. Dean and her daughter, Mrs. John Swisher, of Ann Arbor.

This Saturday afternoon Margaret Ann Ayers is complimenting Barbara at a crystal shower and dessert bridge for 20 guests at her home in Ashbury Park, Detroit.

Clawson Club Has Final Meeting

One of the most interesting programs of the season, marked the Clawson Women's Club's last meeting of the year on May 7. The program was in charge of the garden committee, Mrs. Edna A. Patten, chairman.

Attractive posters carried out the garden slogans—"Down the Garden Path to Victory" "Keep 'Em Growing," etc. It was explained how to feed a family of five on a small garden by replanting, refeeding, and good care. Folders from the defense garden council were given to each member.

A lovely home-size American flag, and house plants on display, formed a fitting background for the meeting. The plant exchange was enjoyed by everyone. Prizes, with compliments of local business men, were given for the most beautiful, healthiest, and most unusual plant.

Social Briefs

MRS. GEORGE WHITTLESEY, who is moving a week from tomorrow, May 22, to Riverside, near Chicago, will be honored at a luncheon given for her next Tuesday afternoon by Mrs. Thomas Sedwick at her home in Detroit on Seminole drive.

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MRS. BYRON RENFREW, of Cave City, Ky., is here for a two month's stay with her son and daughter-in-law, MR. AND MRS. CHARLES RENFREW, of Henley drive.

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Members of the BRIDGE-LESS club will meet at the home of MRS. DEAN COFFIN, of Gordon court, next Friday afternoon for luncheon. Originally the club met only to play bridge, but now that the United States is in war, they've decided on more serious pursuits. As long as there was Red Cross knitting to be done, they helped out there, and now they are looking around for another project. Members include Mrs. Coffin, Mrs. Clarence Vliet, Mrs. Newman T. Halvors, Mrs. Thomas I. Watson, Mrs. E. H. Strunk, Mrs. Joseph Wagner, Mrs. Fraser Pomeroy, Mrs. Fred M. Dorris, Mrs. Fred Whittlesey, Mrs. Edmith, Jr., of Pleasant Ridge.

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MR. AND MRS. JAMES W. BAMPTON, of Wimbleton drive, are spending two weeks' vacation in Akron, Ohio.

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MRS. FRED M. DORRIS with her three daughters, Mary Louise, Anne, and Elizabeth, of Harrow road, returned last week from a visit with Mrs. Dorris' parents at Raleigh, N. C.

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MRS. JOHN W. SHENEFIELD entertained St. Elizabeth's Guild, of the St. James Episcopal Church, in her home on Tuesday afternoon.

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MRS. PAUL B. HOFFMAN returned on Saturday, from Indianapolis, Ind., where she has been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Cameron Moore.

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The pet parade, which Birmingham's younger set has been enjoying for the past 25 years or so, will begin promptly at 1 o'clock at the Hill School. Any child can enter any kind of a pet—alive or stuffed. What is more, each child receives a prize just for entering. In addition three other prizes will be given. Then at 3 o'clock, when the parade excitement is subsiding, a magic show will begin. Special outside talent is being brought to Birmingham for this, as well as moving pictures. The magic show is under the direction of Mrs. Paul Romoser.

Attractions have also been planned for adults, although it is a well known fact that adults enjoy the parade as much as the children, and these include a snack bar, baked goods sale and the like. The plant sale is being held in advance this year. According to Mrs. John Hammond, chairman of the plant sale, plants are being sold only on order. The perennials will be available on Friday, May 15, and the annuals and flats on Thursday, May 21.

ETHYL STICKNEY, of Henrietta street, will leave Saturday evening for San Diego, Calif., to visit Bob Ives, of Birmingham, who recently joined the Marines and is now stationed at the Marine base there.

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Recital to Feature American Music

A program made up completely of music by American Composers will be given next Tuesday evening, May 19, at the Community House, by pupils of Mrs. Alma Balmat Grimes, of Detroit, and members of the Dirk Woodwind Quintet.

Mrs. Grimes' Birmingham pupils who will appear on the program include Richard and Clarke Rogers, Richard Shave, Linda Miller, Joanne Sproule, Anne Mock, Clarissa Adams, Larry Miller, Ann Groves, Joyce Stoffregen, Tim Adams, Margaret Manning, Jeannot Barnes, Nancy Dalton, Jane Wilcox, Carsey Dalton, Patricia Mullin, Mack Booth, Constance Worthen and Jeanne Stoffregen.

The last number of the program will be "The Department Store Suite," written by Mrs. Grimes herself, and played by the Dirk Woodwind Quintet, which is made up of members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

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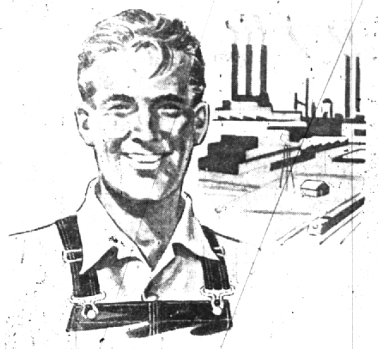

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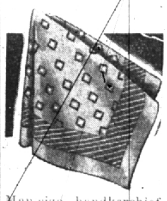

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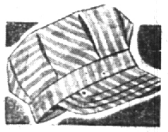

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