

Invite All Housewives to 'School for War-Time Living' Set for January 27

Village Variety

By CONSTANCE LEWIS

Have you ever seen a human dynamo in action? If not, you ought to see Mrs. Douglas E. Rheinhardt working. To a downright lazy person, anyone who gets pleasure out of painting houses, and planting gardens and plastering walls, is a source of extreme amazement and wonder. For one, whose brow-perspiring feats go no further than raking the leaves, once every fall.

Mrs. Rheinhardt is a young, dark woman with the kind of gay, throaty laugh that most writers would describe as infectious—which it is. She has the rare gift of getting fun out of everything—even her children of whom there are two, Mary Barr and Dolores.

Boast Old House

Last February the Rheinhardts bought an old house at 509 Stanley avenue that would have taxed the imagination of Italy. The house was a nightmare of hideous wallpaper, the old-fashioned ideas of plumbing, archways, odd little rooms and sagging porches. The backyard was a maze of two-foot weeds and overgrown grass.

The undaunted Rheinhardt didn't even have the decency to take a breath. First, the atrocious hideous wallpaper came down and a carpenter friend offered to cover the walls with wood strip plaster. Mrs. Rheinhardt was so impatient to see it done that she decided to help him. Putting overalls, she took up her brush—much to the horror of the carpenter who didn't think applying plaster with a brush was exactly the accepted way of doing things—and began slapping the plaster on the ceiling.

Hectic Days

After a few hectic days of ascending and descending the ladder, mixing fresh plaster, and furiously spreading it on before it dried, she told the carpenter, "As soon as I finish these ceilings, I am going to scrub at the top of my voice," which she promptly did on the last stroke of the brush.

Next the walls and woodwork were painted, the kitchen provided with a modern sink and conventional cupboards. Doors and windows were taken down, walls were moved, windows put in, and modern plumbing installed.

Mrs. Rheinhardt, who is no slouch at this dynamo business herself, dug a basement. The house was becoming fairly livable, and they moved in in April.

Spade Own Gardel

At the first stroke of spring, she dashed to the "garden"—such as it was. Unable to get anyone to plow the 40 by 60 plot, Mr. and Mrs. R. took to their spades, which the whole neighborhood (who have deduced untold pleasures



FOOD FOR FLYERS—Gass-skilled natives brought food in homemade baskets to U. S. Flyer camp 17½ miles down to a beach in New Guinea. The plane, valued at \$300,000, was saved through use of a portable runway, in spite of soft sands of the beach.

Women in Service

Elizabeth Brook A WAAC Officer

Elizabeth M. Brook of the WAAC, arrived from Fort Los Moches, Ia., Monday to spend a week's leave with her mother, Mrs. W. C. Spruill, of 404½ S. 1st street. Lt. Brook was commissioned Saturday and is bound to be assigned to her recruiting office. She has been in the WAAC since the first of July and says of Army life, "It's a good hard work, but plenty of fun too."

FOR NURSES

To help meet the current shortage of nurses, Wayne University has devised a plan which calls for four years of the time formerly required to qualify for a diploma in nursing and a bachelor's degree at the same time. The plan is being handled by William W. Whitehouse, of the College of Liberal Arts. Normally, the court required three years for completion.

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Speakers to Cover Four Fields Vital To Conservation

To help housewives meet problems which war has brought about, a School for War-Time Living will be held at the Community House on Wednesday, Jan. 27, to which all women of the community are invited.

Sponsored by the Consumer Interest Committee, a branch of the official Birmingham Defense Council, four fields will be covered by four speakers, considering (1) care and use of household appliances; (2) textiles; (3) nutrition; and (4) buying and preparing food.

Practical Approach

Here are some of the practical problems to be discussed: How to get down on the amount of meat used and still provide an adequate diet; how to buy meats wisely and to prolong the life of your electrical appliances; new materials on the market replacing silk, linen and wool, which are so scarce and suggestions for selecting and sewing them.

Cooperation of the schools is being secured by the Defense Council and these are chairman on behalf of the Parent-Teacher associations: Barbara Mrs. F. W. Newland, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman.

Motor Mechanics

Class started Tuesday night at 7:30 in the Pontiac garage. Anyone who is interested in learning the fundamentals of car motor repair and mechanics may join the second class to be given next week.

Gray Ladies

A Army Ladies class will begin at the Red Cross headquarters at 25½ S. 1st street on Jan. 27 at 7:30. Anyone wishing to join may call Mrs. W. C. Spruill, Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, or Mrs. J. H. Schmitt.

Community House Schedule

Activities scheduled for the Community House today are: British and Red Cross sewing at 10 on the morning; Birmingham Midvale program at 2 o'clock; family dinner at 6 o'clock; and the Rotary Club at 7:30.

Friday starts off with Red Cross sewing at 10, National Honor Society at 11, and a meeting at 4:15. There is nothing scheduled for Saturday morning at 10, but the Rotary Club at 7:30 o'clock, the Methodist Men's Club dinner at 8, and the Scout meeting at 8:30. The First Aid Class is held at 9:30 and 10:30 at Christ Church, Cambridge.

First Aid Class

First Aid class under the instruction of Dr. E. L. Tucker will begin at the Blount School, Monday, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p. m.

The Advanced First Aid Class will be held at the Birmingham Community House under the instruction of Dr. H. H. Ellis every Tuesday night beginning Jan. 20.

Any further information about these classes can be obtained at the Defense Service Center.

Surgical Dressings

Surgical dressings groups are held Mondays and Tuesdays at the Community House and every Tuesday from 9:30 to 10:30 at Christ Church, Cambridge.

Miss McDonald's Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. Ira A. McDonald of 18 Mile road, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Florence, to Roland Mayes, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Mayes of Abing, Mich.

Miss McDonald is a pharmacist, 2nd class and petty officer, U. S. Navy who has been stationed at Sick Bay, Nav. Pier, Chicago, was transferred to Virginia last week.

Both attended Alma College. Miss McDonald is a senior at Alma and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi sorority. She attended Poplarville grade school and Clawson High and has studied music through high school and college, having taken special courses in singing, piano, cello, clarinet and baritone.

Date of the wedding will be made known later.

About 30,000 pounds of metal are being used in a month to build large U. S. transports, ferrying armed forces to the Pacific fronts, from thousands of tons of pineapple, grapefruit, and tomato juice consumed by service men en route.

Social Briefs

DR. and MRS. RICHARD B. CALHOUN (June Hottel) and MR. C. E. BOTSPOD, spent last night at home in B.R. and Mrs. LESLIE B. CALHOUN, of Farmer City, Ill. Dr. Calhoun, who is a lieutenant in the Navy, is home on three weeks leave. They made their home in Madison, Wis.

MRS. C. S. RUST, of Edgewood avenue, attended the South College Alumnae Council in Northampton, Mass., for Charleston, S. C., representing the class of 1932. Lt. Comm. Mildred H. McAfee, USNR, director of the Women's Reserve, gave an address on "The WAVES at Smith" at the opening of the council; and Friday morning, delegates attended the graduation exercises of 640 WAVES.

MR. and MRS. WILLIAM J. LAMBERT, of Buckingham road, left last week for Chicago where they plan to make their home for several months.

MR. and MRS. GUY C. SMITH, of Vaughan road, had at their guest, MRS. VERNON GRIFFITH, of Indianapolis, Mrs. Griffith, and these are chairman on behalf of the Parent-Teacher associations: Barbara Mrs. F. W. Newland, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Schmitt, chairman.

MR. and MRS. R. J. ANDERSON, of Orchard Ridge road, entertained their bridge club Saturday night. Members present were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Shimer, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. G. Copeland.

DR. and MRS. C. F. LAWLER, of Oak street, are the proud grandparents of a baby girl born during the holidays to their son, a daughter-in-law, MR. and MRS. JAMES LAWLER, of Pontiac.

MAJ. L. B. MCCONAGHY was honored at a surprise birthday party given by his wife and 22 officers and wives at the McConghy home on Northlawn avenue Sunday night.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Butterworth of 364 Hanna street, who used to be residents of Avon Lake, Ohio. They moved up here when Mr. Butterworth took a job with Forging and Casting in Detroit. Their son, Charles, is 15 and goes to Barnum School. They are so taken with Birmingham that they have bought a home here and hope to continue living here after the war.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Seghers, of 268 Pilgrim road, who haven't had much time to get acquainted what with trying to get their house settled and rushing off to Chicago for the holidays. They moved here from Rocky River, Ohio, which is a suburb of Cleveland, when Mr. Seghers' territory was changed. Mr. Seghers is a sales engineer for the Henry & Wright Mfg. Co. of Hartford, Conn. They have one daughter, Audrey, who is 10 and attending the Vogue Art School in Chicago.

Dorothy Dalee Joins the WAVES

Dorothy Dalee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Dalee, of Pilgrim road, has joined the WAVES and will leave for training the first of February. She is a graduate of Michigan State College and taught home economics at Utica and is now teaching at Great Rapids. After the close of this semester, Miss Dalee will end her teaching career for the duration.

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