

### Sheldon Noble's Play Well Received By Village Players

A new comedy, "No Vacancies," written and directed by Sheldon Noble, with Betty Hart as co-director, was presented by the Village Players last Friday and Saturday nights. The show certainly didn't lack for complications which kept the audiences in an uproar of merriment throughout the three acts.

The action takes place in the studio living room of Harry Williams' (Berry Ketchum) penthouse. Harry and a group of his gay friends (Theron Peabody (George Fox), Roberta Peabody (Norrie Scott), and Marian Montgomery (Helen Eden), are surprised by an unexpected visit of the Harrys' straight-laced aunt, Bertha Harrison (Helen de Bruyn). As Aunt Bertha is Harry's sole support, he doesn't want her to know that he is divorced, so Marian poses as his wife, Jane Williams (Margaret Tollzien). Harry's ex-wife shows up and the gathering is thrown into more confusion. The whole group is quarantined by Dr. Augustus Tweedley (Ned Shattuck) due to illness of Harry's Jap servant. Shortly before the doctor arrives, Parthenia (Mabel Markley), the laundress, quits because of the Jap, Walter Beaslet (Chuck Burgess), a sailor of Marian's whom she has not seen for several months, is quarantined with the group. As if all of this would not be confusing in itself, an escaped German prisoner, Herman (Dick de Beaubien), who has been hiding in the living room from the beginning of the first act, is discovered and turned over to the policeman (George Wilkens). In view of all the occurrences, Harry is evicted from his penthouse, with the statement, "there are no other vacancies."

The play was well received by members of the Village Players and their invited guests.

### McKees Celebrate 30th Anniversary

Celebrating their thirtieth wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. John McKee entertained at a family dinner at Devon Gables Sunday. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKee, Mr. and Mrs. John McKee, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Beers; and their daughter, Jane McKee, who came home from Alton College for the occasion. The McKees also held open house for about thirty relatives from 4 to 6 Sunday afternoon.

### Club Notes

The executive board of the Women's society of Christian Service of the Methodist church will meet in the church house Wednesday April 1 at one o'clock. The study book will be interviewed between 3 and 3:30. All members are urged to attend.

The order of the Eastern Star will hold its regular monthly meeting April 1 at one o'clock at the Masonic Temple at 8 o'clock.

There will be a regular meeting of the De Molay Tuesday, April 1.

The Past Chiefs Club of the Pythian Sisters will hold their regular monthly meeting Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. George Jones, 588 Purdy.

The Bloomfield Alumnae of Pi Beta Phi met Tuesday afternoon for luncheon at the home of Mrs. Francis S. Hauger, of Randall court. They worked on cancer pads for the Women's Field Army.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Metropolitan Club Spirit No. 9 will meet at the home of Mrs. Hilda Springstead, 1402 Cedar drive, Wednesday, April 5, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Edna Bell and Mrs. Isabel Capling will assist Mrs. Springstead with the entertainment and refreshments.

### Mrs. Beals Displays Paintings Locally

As electrical supplies are not as easily secured in these war times the Hawthorne Electric Company took on a new line of merchandise.



Mrs. Dorothy Beals

disc late last fall, when they began selling art work. Beginning last Thursday they added a new group of pictures, original oils done by Dorothy Beals.

Mrs. Beals, a long time resident of Birmingham, has had her art work before the public eye for several years. She has illustrated a number of children's books and has written and illustrated others. Her oil paintings, some of which are displayed in Hawthorne's window this week, will be handled by that company from now on.

### BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Forest E. Mover, 1368 Smith, announce the birth of a son, Charles Leon, March 17.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hart, 684 East Maple, announce the birth of a son, John Robert, March 13.

### SOCIAL NEWS IN BRIEF

MR. GEORGE G. WOOD, of Appleton, Wis., and Mrs. Wood, arrived Monday to be the guest of her sister, Miss Adeline Cooke, of Vile road, for two or three weeks.

PATRICIA HYLAND, of 30420 Telegraph road, is home for her Easter vacation period from Michigan State College.

MR. and MRS. ROBERT SQUIRES and their children, Patricia Nancy and Bobby, formerly of Detroit and Birmingham, are now residing in Franklin Village.

WILLIAM F. HART, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hart, of East Long Lake road, is home for his spring vacation from Morgan Park Military Academy.

MR. and MRS. E. W. UPLHAM, of Weston drive, have returned from a vacation spent at Delray Beach, Fla.

MRS. FRITZ HYDE, JR., of East Long Lake road, will leave the first of the week for New York on a plane to meet her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew R. Cornell, of Watertown, N. Y.

DR. and MRS. JOHN GORDON, of Baldwin street, entertained at a party for the "Players" show Saturday night. Among those who entertained after the show were Robert N. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. John P. St. Clair and the Bert Ballards.

MRS. E. J. ANDERSON and Mrs. E. A. Schirmer will honor Mrs. Schirmer's niece, Anne Cullett, of Indianapolis at a luncheon at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club, on the eighth of April.

MAJOR and MRS. THEODORE ETTOR, and their small daughter, Sharon, are visiting Major Ettore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Eter, of West Bloomfield Township.

MRS. E. W. WEINHOLD, of Lincoln, Neb., arrived today to spend several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Wehmer, of Kenosha road.

MR. and MRS. CARL HASSE, of Devonshire road, entertained at a dinner Friday for Henry Croeluis, of Oyster Bay, Long Island, N. Y.

ROSEMARY DE BEAUBIEN has returned to Michigan State college to complete her freshman year, after spending a brief vacation with her mother, Mrs. W. de Beaubien, of Adams road.

PVT. NICK MARTIN who has been home on furlough from the Santa Maria Air Base, Calif., spent the week in Chambersburg, Pa., where he visited Irene Donnelly, who attends Penn Hall there.

MR. and MRS. ALFRED L. Belle returned to Birmingham this week after a month's buying trip in the New York, New York and Philadelphia were among the eastern cities in which they visited.

MRS. GREGORY FREDERICK, Mrs. C. E. Obermyer, and Mrs. Henry Fox, represented the Holy Name Parish at a meeting of 950 women of the National Council of Catholic Women in the Statler Hotel last Thursday. Mrs. Foley was a registrant.

MRS. ROBERT F. WATT, JR., left Monday night for Texas where he will visit his husband, Capt. W. Watt, who is at the Brooke General hospital, Lucille Wayman accompanied Mrs. Watt, who will remain until after Easter.

MR. and MRS. RUDOLPH SHULTZ and family visited in Jackson over the week end. They went to see two of Mrs. Shultz's brothers, one who is home on leave and one who is leaving for the Army. Mrs. Shultz has five brothers in the service.

LT. and MRS. A. J. BRANDT, JR., arrived in El Paso, Tex. Tuesday, where Lt. Brandt will be stationed at Ft. Bliss. They have been visiting the Service Branches here. Mrs. Brandt and son, Jim, of Kenosaw road, are leaving this week end for California.

LT. (J. G.) AND MRS. JOHN QUIRK, of Long Beach, Calif., have been spending a few days with Mrs. Quirk's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Goodwin, of Chelsea Place. They will leave for Dallas, Tex., tomorrow, where Lt. Quirk will transfer to the Navy Air Corps. He has just recently returned from 18 months duty in the Pacific.

LT. and MRS. CLAYTON E. BRELSFORD will arrive home Sunday from New London, Conn., where Lt. Brelsford has completed his training for submarine service. He will spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Brelsford, of Pilgrim road, and in Ansonia with Mrs. Brelsford's mother, Mrs. Charles Brooks, before reporting for sea duty.

MR. and MRS. STEELE R. SELLERS, of Arlington drive, are leaving their aunt, Mrs. George M. Cowan, of Westfield, N. Y.

MARY BRINGHURST, of Linden road, is home for her Easter vacation from Lake Erie College, this Friday afternoon.

THE RALPH CORVELLS left today for Iowa City, Iowa, to visit their daughter and son-in-law, Pfc. and Mrs. T. Larson. Mr. Corvell will return the first of the week. Mrs. Corvell will remain for a few days and then visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bethel, formerly of Birmingham, in St. Louis, Mo., before her return.

### Former Resident To Address The Woman's Club Here

In the Baldwin library Tuesday, April 4, at 7 p. m., the Birmingham Women's Club will have the last of a series of meetings dealing with the various countries where U. S. Forces are stationed. The subjects that have been discussed are: "Sicily in the Lanelish," "Australia, My Homeland," "Housekeeping in Persia," "Childhood Days in India," and "China As I Know It."

The Rev. Robert D. Richards, who was the lastest school at the Methodist church in Birmingham ten years ago, now a Methodist minister in East Detroit, will be the speaker at Tuesday's meeting. Richards will speak on the subject, "America, My Home." He will sing as well as speak, accompanied by Mrs. Arthur Peck. Mr. Richards, who was born in Wales, coming to America as a small boy, will be introduced by an old friend, Robert Lynd, Mrs. D.L. Tate is chairman of the day.

### Mrs. Reilly Entertains At Bridge Luncheon

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. James J. Reilly, Jr., entertained at a bridge luncheon in her home on Linden road. Among those attending was Mrs. J. Price Hill, of Hollywood, Fla., who is the Reillys' house guest.

Others were: Mrs. Edward W. Wehm, Mrs. John G. Wood, Mrs. Frederick Darden, Mrs. Charles O'Connor, Mrs. Frank J. McGinnis, Mrs. Thomas M. Cummings, Mrs. Joseph F. Flaherty, Mrs. A. J. Seriven, Mrs. Frank Ortman, Mrs. John P. Wood, and Mrs. Oscar Stauder.

### Joyce Webster Tells Engagement At Tavern Party

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron H. Webster, of Fairfax road, announced the engagement of their daughter, Joyce, to Officer Candidate Carl E. Rhodes, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rhodes, of San Francisco, Calif. Friday evening, March 24.



Joyce Webster

Dinner was served to a group of Joyce's friends in the Websters' recreation room. Small tables complete with red and white checked cloths and bottles holding candles bore little menus, which upon being opened revealed pictures of the engaged couple with the caption "Management under New Partnership." The menu was cleverly written with such items as "cupid bow strings and hot stuff," which turned out to be spaghetti with spicy Italian sauce.

Among the invited were Mrs. William Conway, Mrs. Thomas Richley, Jayne and Mary Bronson, Marion Gilbreath, Sue Averill, Barbara Houghton, Barbara Sauer, Marge Walton, Sally Gensing, Nancy Kim, Ann Savage, Jane Hansen, Nancy Juhl, Candy Austerlitz and Maggie Jewell.

Joyce was graduated from Baldwin high school and attended Stephens College. Candidate Rhodes attended the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri and is now stationed at Fort Sill, Okla. There are no immediate plans for the wedding.

### Nurses Institute To Be Held Here April 3

All nurses in Oakland county are urged to attend the Institute for Nurses to be held at the Birmingham Community House on Monday, April 3, at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the Michigan League for Planned Parenthood.

Miss Katharine LeVan of the staff of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America will talk on complete maternity care and the role of the public health nurse in family planning. Miss LeVan is a registered nurse and holds a B. S. degree in public health nursing. Her experience in the field has been broad and she is an excellent speaker.

All nurses who are interested are cordially invited to attend. This meeting is not for the lay public.

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