

Christmas Flower Show Attracts Hundreds to Community House, Monday

Church Women Will Hear Native of Persia

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Detroit Council of Church Women will be held Dec. 14, 10:30 a. m. to 3 p. m., at Trinity Methodist church, Woodward and Buena Vista, Highland Park. Many Birmingham women plan to attend.

Mrs. Julia Shlemon, a native of Persia, will be the speaker. She will talk on "Ancient Persia and

Modern Iran." Mrs. Shlemon will appear in native costume and will display Iranian art and industry in her collection of hand-wrought brass, silver and gold jewelry.

Another important feature of this day is the annual shower of Christmas gifts for the patients in the tuberculosis hospitals. These gifts are brought in by the church women and presented to Dr. Field, the hospital chaplain, to be distributed by him.

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A quilted robe is simple to make when the fabric comes ready quilted. Girls can get it in lovely pastels and with splashy flowers, as shown here, or any prints. A large pocket makes the robe practical as well as lovely and attractive. You know what to do with the money saved by making your own robe from this pattern, or similar ones which you can find at local stores. Put it into an extra Victory Bond.

U. S. Treasury Department

Stage All Set For Cranbrook's Play Friday and Saturday

It has taken a dozen painters, carpenters and special craftsmen four weeks to create the medieval castle used for the setting of Cranbrook's production of "The Case of the Conical Corpse," due at Cranbrook on the evenings of Dec. 14 and 15. The "corpse" itself is a creation of the combined ingenuity of Louis Spencer, property director, and Jean McGregor of Kingwood. Carl G. Wonnberger is directing the play.

The play itself is a diverting and ingenious story of misplaced bodies, startling hoaxes and odd persons. It involves the plight of a young advertising man (Charles Stuart) who finds himself in the middle of a feud between two politicians (Carlisle Jones and Bert Robb). In his hands is the problem of disposing of a corpse (Michael Mooty and Charles Morton) left on his hands by a thug (Bill Kuni) and his partners (Gilbert Omes and Bob Reisch).

A coroner (Jack Spoehr) eventually clears matters up, but not until there has been a series of wholly unexpected happenings with the corpse being propelled in and out of doors just ahead of the persons bound to discover it. There is also a love triangle involving the young man and a girl (Elsie Newhall) who sways in her affections between him and a woolly-witted gentleman (Bob MacGregor) noted for his completely insane schemes. Thirty-seven persons make up the cast.

In charge of business is Conrad Rehbein of Birmingham and Peter Storck has charge of the set. The complex lighting is under the direction of Charles Chapple.

ALL SOCIETY NEWS must be in The Eccentric office by 5 o'clock each Tuesday afternoon. CLUB NEWS must be in by Monday noon, as usual, if ad, if.

Date Dress Will Help Buy Bonds

Date dress of soft yellow with waist line nipped in. Wool embroidery outlines the slit neckline. Patterns for newest styles available at local stores. Buy Victory Bonds with money saved by sewing.

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Outstanding Entries Noticed In Every Department; Blue Ribbons Go to Many

Enthusiasm ran high at the first post-war Flower Show staged in the Community House Monday afternoon and evening by the members of the Birmingham Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association.

During the tea hour more than three hundred and fifty guests were served in the Ruth Shain room, while numerous guests continued to come and go until the doors were closed at nine o'clock.

The long narrow tea table, arranged by Mrs. W. A. P. John, was classed a work of art, holding in the center a pair of holding wreaths of white pine and green tied with wide green satin ribbons reaching to the ends of the table. White candles in a tall, ornate, candelabrum and within the center of each wreath burned short, sturdy candles in low green glass holders. Pouring at intervals were Mrs. Ewald E. Schaffer, Mrs. Alvin H. Knorr, Mrs. H. Victor Spille, Mrs. Frank D. Webb, Mrs. James J. Ferris and Mrs. Royce L. Beers.

Spirit of Christmas.

To complete the decorations of the Ruth Shain room was an outstanding mantel decoration by Mrs. Charles F. Dye, who used a cluster of lighted Christmas balls above the mantel, with three heavy white candles at either side, based with evergreen arrangements. Mrs. John and Mrs. Dye were both blue ribbon winners.

The solemnity and full meaning of the spirit of Christmas was portrayed in the stage setting, where evergreens were thickly grouped in a semicircular fashion before heavy green draperies. In the center stood a white shrine which held figures in white of the Madonna and the Christ Child—these having been modeled by Mrs. James J. Ferris, the shrine itself being the work of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Ball. Over the footlights holiday greens were arranged and at either side of the stage stood tall evergreen trees. Mrs. F. H. McKinney also assisted with the stage designing and decorating. The display was awarded a blue ribbon by the judges.

Old time hospitality reigned over the Christmas dinner table which stood in the center of the auditorium. Green silky twilled material was used for the cover, with two wide bands of silver, edged with red, drawn across the table near either end. Two silver candelabra held burning white tapers; a huge sheffield silver turkey platter with rounded covers was placed at one end with carving knife and fork in readiness—even "Grandpa's spectacles" were there too and for the "wee one" there was a high chair to which was tied a bright red kangaroo. For this original table arrangement Mrs. C. C. Otto won a blue ribbon.

Wins Five Firsts

Not every person wins five blue ribbons at a single show—but this honor went to Mrs. Lewis Clark Dibble, whose Christmas package display was awarded the highest point in the show—99. Mrs. Dibble had taken a Christmas card and used tiny bits of cedar and evergreens to bring life to the scene, a part of which was a church which she also surrounded with bits of green, using colored and silver beads as lights. Distinctive were both her tables—one, a

snack table, was laid with a gold cloth upon which stood at one corner a white candle some twenty inches high and several inches in diameter. At the base of this was an arrangement of holiday greens and on the opposite corner of the table, surrounded by more greens, she placed a seated angel which was of her own modeling. In the center burned three low wide white candles. The words "Merry Christmas" were formed with the white wax flattened upon the table. Pottery plates in shades of green, yellow, and apricot, green tumblers, and green napkins were in readiness at both sides. Mrs. Dibble's other awards were for an occasional table to suggest the spirit of Christmas in Russia; an evergreen arrangement for an occasional table to suggest an arrangement of growing plants.

A blue ribbon went to Mrs. Frank D. Webb for her unusual door hanging. It was a Christmas bell formed of evergreens with a huge pine cone as a clapper and red ribbon and a cluster of red berries as accent. Also winning blue ribbons for door arrangements were Mrs. Harry Cooley, Mrs. William McCallum, Mrs. F. C. McKinney and Mrs. John Knocch.

Most unusual was the exhibit of growing plants used in various ways as distinctive holiday decorations. A blue ribbon went to Mrs. Hiram Perry Holmes for her entry.

The candle arrangement exhibit was not only beautiful in itself but contributed largely to the lighting effect of the whole show. Mrs. Robert M. Ball was the blue ribbon winner in this class.

Harking back to early Christmases was an alluring exhibit of arrangements in tiny antique containers. Three winning white ribbons in the "not over four inches high containers" went to Mrs. Hugh D. Backus, Mrs. Aaron H. Webster and Mrs. F. H. McKinney. Mrs. Webb was the only blue ribbon winner in the "antique container eight inches or more in height or width" class.

More Top Winners

Other blue ribbon winners were: Evergreen arrangements—Mrs. Harold K. Chapel and Mrs. George D. Miller.

Still life—Mrs. J. Vinton Birch, Mrs. Birch having modeled the figures of the Madonna and Child used in her arrangement.

Occasional tables to suggest the spirit of Christmas in another country—Mrs. James J. Ferris and Mrs. Aaron H. Webster.

Christmas packages—Mrs. F. H. McKinney, Mrs. Harold K. Chapel, Mrs. L. F. Lawler and Mrs. Hugh D. Backus.

Complimentary blue ribbons to Mrs. Besse Korby and Mrs. H. D. Baker.

Mrs. Hugh D. Backus was the general chairman of the show and Mrs. Aaron H. Webster was co-chairman.

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