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The Oakland County Democratic Women's Division held its annual meeting and election of officers Wednesday evening, Feb. 6, at the Community House with Mrs. J. Rowland Quinn of Birmingham presiding.

The annual reports of the various chairmen were given, after which the following officers were elected for the next year: Mrs. Harry Aten, Puntaia, president; Mrs. A. D. McWay of Birmingham, Mrs. Jessie Jones of Keego Harbor, Mrs. Frank Lester of Lake Orion, Mrs. Sarah Kendall of Ferndale, and Mrs. Clayton Crisman of Rochester, vice-presidents; Mrs. Everett Garrison of Waterford, secretary; Mrs. Amos Meyer of Ferndale, treasurer; and Mrs. Fred Fye of Berkeley auditor.

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Pictures should be submitted on separate sheets. The name of the paper in which they are to be used, Friday noon is the deadline. Timeliness is important in news priority and a picture is more likely to be used if it is provided at the correct time.

**St. James Men's Club Will Open Series of Meetings on Feb. 25**

The Men's Club of St. James church suspended during the war years, will hold the first of a series of four monthly meetings in the church at 8 o'clock the evening of Monday, Feb. 25.  
All members of the parish and their friends in the Birmingham area have been invited to the opening session by the pastor of the church, the Rev. Harold Towne.  
Many returning servicemen who saw action in all the world theaters of operations during the last four years are expected to attend the initial post-war meeting of the "good fellowship" organization.  
The address of the evening will be made by Lawrence E. Good, director of the Detroit Inter-American Center, an organization striving to promote a better understanding of the Latin-American republics and people. A native Ontonagon, and a graduate of Oberlin College, Mr. Good resided in South America from 1938 through 1944. He spent four and one-half years teaching in Callao, Peru, and La Paz, Bolivia. For two years he was secretary for a large copper corporation in the Andes.  
During vacations he traveled extensively throughout Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Argentina and Uruguay. The subject of his talk will be "The Good Neighbor Policy—or Bad?"  
Other Men's Club sessions this season are scheduled for March, April and May.

**Former Birmingham Girl Tells Of Troth**

Word comes to us from Ortonville, Mich., of the engagement of Catherine Vallau Reeder to Ross Myron Chisnell, son of Mrs. Ross E. Chisnell and the late Mr. Chisnell of Royal Oak.  
The bride-elect's parents are Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Reeder, formerly of Beverly road, Birmingham, and now of Clak-Ro-Ca Farm, Ortonville.  
Ross has recently been released from the Army Air Forces.

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**Community Series Program Features Dramatic Soprano**

The Community Program Series will conclude with a concert on Tuesday evening, Feb. 19, at the Community House, sponsored by the Birmingham Musicales.  
Mrs. Herbert Gardner is acting



Miss June Gardner

as chairman and is in charge of publicity and programs. House and stage arrangements will be taken care of by Mrs. Kenneth Turner, Mrs. William O. Merrill, and Mrs. Joseph de Bruyn. Mrs. Edgar L. Bailey is in charge of hostesses and Mrs. John Abbott, of uhers. Social arrangements are under the direction of Mrs. F. G. Garrison and Mrs. Hugh McLeese. Mrs. Arnold Berndt will assist with tickets at the door.  
The artists will be Miss June Gardner, dramatic soprano, and Stanley Lock, pianist. Mrs. J. A. Bodycombe of Detroit will be Miss Gardner's accompanist.  
June Gardner started her musical career in Detroit at an early age, singing in many school and church activities and radio programs. After high school her studies continued at the Detroit Institute of Musical Art with William Howland and Frederick Protheroe. She was chosen as contralto soloist at the Post Street Presbyterian church in 1942 and the same year joined the Don Large chorus at radio station WJR.  
After winning the addition as outstanding voice in the Detroit Parks and Recreation-Federation of Musicians contest in the summer of 1944, and the Tuesday Musicales award, which gave her two appearances with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Miss Gardner made plans to study in New York. She was accepted as a pupil of Prof. William Herman, who discovered her to be a dramatic soprano. She is now working for an audition at the Metropolitan.

**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. adv. if

**Raietta Clark Wears Blush Satin At Evening Ceremony**

On Saturday evening, Feb. 2, at 7:30 o'clock, Raietta Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Clark, of Berkshre, r o a o, spoke her marriage vows to Foster C. Raymond, grandson of Mrs. Anna Hathaway of Wood street. The ceremony was read by the Rev. Arnold E. Runkel at the Methodist Episcopal church before an altar banked with ferns and white spring flowers. Candelabra on either side lighted the sanctuary.  
The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a blush ivory satin gown, styled with a fitted bodice accenting the full hoop skirt and the ruffled circular train. Ruffles were repeated at the neckline, where Raietta wore a small, gold, diamond-studded cross, a gift of the groom. Long fitted sleeves ended in points over the hands and the fingertip veil of illusion was caught to a cluster of orange blossoms. She carried a



Mrs. Foster C. Raymond

trout-of-honor, Mrs. Thomas Campbell, and the bridesmaids, Mrs. Howard Hatt and Jean McClure, Yellow roses, snapdragons and carnations were used in the matron-of-honor's bouquet and pink carnations and snapdragons were carried by the bridesmaids.  
Leo Jarvis was best man for his brother and the ushers included Howard Hatt and Don McChis. Immediately following the ceremony a reception for 200 guests took place at the American Legion Home in Birmingham. The bride's mother chose a smoke grey gown, black accessories, and a corsage of white carnations for the occasion. Mrs. Hathaway wore a navy blue floor length dress with a corsage of white carnations.  
Leaving the reception, Mrs. Raymond wore a scarlet dress suit under her fur coat, black accessories and a corsage from her bridal bouquet. The couple will leave in a few weeks for a delayed honeymoon to Niagara Falls. At present Mr. and Mrs. Raymond are at home at 316 North Woodward avenue.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Union of the First Baptist Church was held Thursday, Feb. 7, and was an evening affair, with dinner in the O. D. Hillman. Mrs. J. C. Grinnell, Mrs. Virgil L. Lockrow, Mrs. L. J. Bunyan, Mrs. Melvina W. Crump, Mrs. N. H. Mosey, Mrs. Raymond H. Morrow, Mrs. Stella Dean and Mrs. Samuel H. Knopson, from groups.

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**Village Players To Present Three One-Act Playlets**

At a closed performance on Saturday, Feb. 23, the Village Players will present three one-act playlets.  
The first, "Mr. F." by Percival Wilde, will be directed by Clement A. Penrose, assisted by Mrs. Clark Purdee and Mrs. William Lambert. The cast includes Mrs. Robert Wyatt, Marren S. Sumner, G. Thorn-dyke Dwellley, and B. A. Aikens, Jr.  
"You Were Perfectly Fine," by Dorothy Parker, is under the direction of Miss Margaret Telford. Mrs. Rolfe Spinkley is assistant director and Mrs. William L. Martin and George Howard Fox are in the cast.  
Sheldon Noble is the author of the last play, "Please Do Not Disturb." It will be directed by Mrs. Robert Tillston, who will be assisted by Mrs. James E. Bullock and Mrs. Richard Brown. The characters will be portrayed by Mrs. William Kegel, Mrs. Thonaa H. Adams, Mrs. Ralph C. Hoofnagle, Jr., Donald Bay, V. W. Greene, Carl

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