

# Choral Ensemble Will Sing Thursday at National Convention in Detroit

## Annual Baldwin High School Band Concert Planned for May 1

The annual concert of the Baldwin band, sponsored by parents of band members, is scheduled for May 1, according to Harold W. Berndt, director. Tickets are now on sale and

may be purchased from any band member. Works by Ronberg, Bennett, Kettelby, Franghler and Christian are among those in preparation for this highlight of the band's activities.

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## VFW Auxiliary Officers to be Installed Monday

The City of Birmingham Ladies' Auxiliary to the VFW Post No. 2645 will hold a joint installation of officers Monday, April 21, at the Community House.

The following clerical officers will be installed by Mrs. Marie Gaillault of Pontiac, past president of Broadhead Auxiliary No. 2269, which also helped to form the local auxiliary in 1935.

Mrs. Stephen Herkimer will be installed as president, with Mrs. John Brown, senior vice-president; Mrs. Clarence Tollman, junior vice-president; Mrs. James Adams, chaplain; Mrs. Charles Adams, treasurer; and Mrs. Roy Lewis, guard.

Mrs. Fred Samuelson will serve as conductress, Mrs. Ann Cooley, three-year trustee; Mrs. Louis Marcotte, musician, and Mrs. S. H. Wilkinson, secretary.

Invitations have been extended to the four auxiliaries in Pontiac and one in Royal Oak. The meeting will be open to the public with refreshments served after the installation of officers.

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## Troth Announced At Family Dinner



Josephine Johnson

At a party in their home last Saturday night, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson C. Johnson of Pleasant Ridge announced the engagement of their daughter, Josephine, to E. Maynard Zimmerman, son of Mrs. T. Ives Zimmerman of Bloomfield Hills and E. Maynard Zimmerman of Dearborn.

Jo was graduated from Michigan State College where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Maynard is now attending Michigan State College where he is a member of Phi Delta Theta. The couple plan an August wedding.

## Club Notes

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The Philomen Club will meet with Mrs. Burt Moore, 327 S. Woodward avenue, Tuesday, April 22, at 1 p. m. For a potluck luncheon followed by a business meeting.

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## Many Musicals Members Serving On Committees

Local musicals and musical organizations all over the country are bustling about this week in preparation for the "biggest and best" convention in the history of the National Federation of Music Clubs.

This biennial convention, the 24th of its kind, and the first in six years, comes to Detroit for the first convention in the history of the National Federation of Music Clubs. The Birmingham Musicals is actively interested in the convention, and its biggest participation will come on Thursday evening when the local club's Christian assembly will take part in the "Opera Day" program.

Flags on Sunday  
Unlike past conventions, the 24th biennial will feature thirteen federation-made stars beginning on Sunday with the 1939 Young Artist voice winner, Martha Lip-ton, as soloist in a sacred program at the Metropolitan Methodist Church.

Preceding this event, Detroit's own Glad Sparto, nationally famous Detroit pianist and performer of Tuesday Musicals, will present a recital following a tea at the Book-Cadillac Hotel.

The past presidents of the Birmingham Musicals will meet for luncheon Tuesday, April 2, at the Woman's City Club in Detroit. A special guest will be Mrs. Frederick, a past president and life member of the Musicals, who is now residing in Dunmore, Pa.

**Will Review New Film**  
Others attending will be Mrs. Norman Lyle, Mrs. Jessie McClinton, Mrs. Lawrence Thomas, Miss Dorothea York, Mrs. Earl Curley, Mrs. D. L. Tate, Mrs. Whiting Raymond, Mrs. William Lloyd Kemp, Mrs. H. H. Gardner and Mrs. M. S. Sappington.  
Delegates and guests will have the opportunity Tuesday of seeing a preview of the new film featuring a parade of America's and the world's most distinguished musical personalities, "Carnegie Hall."  
Tuesday evening is the date of the luncheon in the ballroom of the Book Cadillac, which will feature on the musical program Arthur Whittmore and Jack Lowe, young ex-navy duo-pianists, and Louise Lackland, one of the two contraltos who divided Young Artist vocal honors in Los Angeles in 1941.  
Mrs. Whiting Raymond has charge of the luncheon for this big affair, assisted by Mrs. Walter Stinner.

**Cranbrook Tour Planned**  
Birmingham Musicals delegates to the convention are Mrs. Sappington, president of the local group, Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. McMechan and Mrs. Robert R. Hutchinson.  
Handling all physical arrangements for the convention is committee chairman Mrs. Elmore Wol-

ling, with Mrs. F. H. Mellinger, Mrs. Tate, Mrs. H. G. Wood, Mrs. C. C. Otto and Mrs. H. H. Gardner as the Birmingham members of the committee.  
American Music Day, Wednesday, April 23, will feature Edna Guest as the luncheon speaker, so that delegates and performers all over the country may actually see the people and things that Detroit is most famous for.

Tours of Cranbrook and Greenfield Village are on the Monday schedule for the benefit of the out-of-towners, and Wednesday evening Karl Krueger and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra will present the world premiere of John Powell's Federation-commissioned symphony based on American folk tunes.

**Ensemble to Perform**  
The Choral Ensemble of the Birmingham Musicals, directed by Gertrude Heine Greer and accompanied by Mrs. Robert Magor, will take part in the "Opera Day" program on Thursday evening at the Music Hall.

Harriet Mortimer Toomey will sing "I've Sacrificed for Cavalieria Rusticana" to Tressa Way Merrill, who will take the part of Maria, following the vocal choir of 40 voices will appear on stage in costume, to sing the Queen of the Heavens scene and prayer, from the opera.  
Nan Merriman, winner of the 1943 Young Artist Award, will then sing a group of operatic songs, completing her program, with the Habermas from "Carmen," assisted by the Ensemble.

**Young Local Artist**  
On Friday evening the Orpheus Club of Detroit will take part in the United Nations Day program. Dr. William Lloyd Kemp, director of this organization, will be out of town on the night of this performance, however, and therefore unable to direct.

Birmingham's own Carol Rosenberger will open the Youth Day Program at the Book-Cadillac Saturday. This talented young lady, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Rosenberger, is one of four outstanding young artists appearing before thousands of other children who will attend the Youth Day program.  
Mrs. Myron Snyder and Mrs. Harry Wheaton will go to the con-

vention as representatives of the Junior Clubs.  
In addition to the above-named women, others who will attend the week's events from Birmingham will be Mrs. Webster Scheffle, Mrs. Donald T. Stanton, Mrs. Edgar L. Bailey, Mrs. Joseph deBruyn, Mrs. Fenton Mathews, Mrs. C. W. Moyer, Mrs. Carl Black, Mrs. Edward G. Batty, Mrs. Sereck K. Fox, Mrs. C. H. Maurice, Mrs. Edward R. Chapman, Mrs. Robert L. Williams, Mrs. Robert Gibson, Mrs. Robert D.

Lord and Mrs. Howard D. Ritter. Others are Mrs. Draper Allen, Mrs. I. W. Robertson, Mrs. F. R. Woodruff, Mrs. L. G. Welch, Mrs. David B. Ballentine and Mrs. Raymond Reilly.  
Preceding the national convention by a day is the Michigan Federation of Music Clubs' annual luncheon and all-day meeting, which will be held at the Women's City Club Saturday, April 19.  
Mrs. H. H. Gardner is general chairman of arrangements for this meeting.

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