

Marionette Group Hears James Tait on Puppet History

The newly organized Marionette Theatre group of the AAUW met Monday evening Nov. 15 to hear professional puppeteer James Tait speak. The gathering was held at the home of Mrs. Calvin Dennison, leader of the group.

Tait presented a brief history of puppets whose origins go back to ancient Java, Japan, Egypt, India and Persia. He spoke of the famous Burattini of Italy, of the marionettes of France and Ger-

many and of England's Punch and Judy. He told how, in the new world four centuries ago, Cortes' invading forces took with them a puppeteer; and of how the American Indians have for hundreds of years used stringed figures in their ceremonies.

He followed down the revival of puppet interest in this country beginning about 1916, when such men as Tony Sarg popularized this form of drama.

Increasing Interest
Today there is an ever increasing interest in puppetry which is used not only to present children's entertainment, but is being utilized in advertising, movie and television shows.

The group then had opportunity to question Tait on the technicalities of puppet making, manipulation of the figures, choice of plays, staging, scenery, lighting and other problems.
Date of the next meeting, which will be held a week after Thanksgiving, is to be announced later. Anyone interested in the group is asked to contact Mrs. Dennison.

Plan Hayride

Members of the Mariners Club, a group of young married couples, of the Towns Community Church are planning a hayride on Friday, Nov. 19 at the Magnolia Riding club at 8 Mile road at 8:30 p.m. Anyone interested in joining the group and in going on the hayride may make reservations by noon on Friday with Mrs. LeRoy Bartholomew.

In AAUW Children's Theatre Play



Rafe Haywood, played by Mrs. William Milligan, drives Jack (Mrs. Henderson Barr) and his mother who is being portrayed by Mrs. Hans Schjolin, from their home in the play "Jack and the Beanstalk." "Jack" is to be presented by the Children's Theatre players of the AAUW in the Birmingham Theatre at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Nov. 23.

Approximately 2500 children from Birmingham and many surrounding areas will see Jack climb the beanstalk Tuesday, Nov. 23, at the Birmingham Theatre when the Children's Theatre group of the Birmingham AAUW presents the play, "Jack in the Beanstalk." This is the first in a series of four plays to be presented throughout 1948-49. There will be two performances, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
The adult public is invited to attend the dress rehearsal of the play at 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, in the Birmingham Theatre.
Tickets were made available to 25 schools. Parents and schools have distributed the season tickets which admit a child to all four plays. Few single admissions were printed this year because by cutting distribution and costs, it is possible to provide many more free tickets for children who otherwise would be unable to attend. Single admission and season tickets may still be obtained at Grinnell's. The afternoon performances have been sold out.

The leader of the Children's Theatre Group for the 1948-49 season is Mrs. Gilbert Gow. The first play "Jack and the Beanstalk" is being directed by Mrs. Anthony Daley, assisted by Mrs. Winston Kellner. Other members working behind stage include: Production manager, Mrs. Joseph Williams; Make-up, Mrs. William Breech; Costume committee, Mrs. George Green; Mrs. Joseph Williams; Scenery committee, Mrs. Fred Wagner; Mrs. Matthew Whiteley; Mrs. Edwin Dear, Jr.; Holden; Properties, Mrs. M. M. Fenner; Mrs. N. M. James, Jr.; School Contact Manager, Mrs. Lawton Tabor; Publicity, Mrs. Jack D. Fuller and Mrs. Donald Howard.

Members of the cast are Mrs. Wm. N. Barr, Mrs. W. G. Patton, Mrs. Hans Schjolin, Mrs. George Die, Mrs. William Gilliam, Jr., Miss Louise Hersey, Mrs. John L. Stewart, Mrs. Edwin Dear, Mrs. Hollister Mahley, Mrs. Matthew Whittlesey, Mrs. A. D. Farnie, Mrs. Lawton Tabor, Mrs. R. T. Hatch, Shirley Hersey and Mrs. Richard W. Brown.



By Jean Gibbs
Our Open House Tuesday night Nov. 16 was another huge success. We were happy to see so many new faces. For those of you who don't know what our club is all about here are a few highlights.
We are a group of young adults between the ages of 19 and 30 who meet down in the Ranch Room of the Community House every Tuesday and Thursday nights from 8:00 to 11:00, to meet and talk with old friends and meet new ones, play cards, ping pong, and pool or dance to the music of the juke box. There is planned entertainment every Tuesday night. So why not come down and see us? We have a lot of fun.
Wednesday night seen rolling around the floor on roller skates at the Clawson Rink were to mention a few, Bob Erwin, Bill Morrison, Chuck Van Fleterson, Dennis Huffman, Mary Alice Oakley and Florence Dugger. A fine time was had by all. We'll have to do this again soon.
Tonight there will be another important short business meeting, so be there if you wish to voice your opinions on the pending matters.
Next Tuesday night, Nov. 23, grab your partners and be off to the Ranch Room for the Square Dance at 8:00. Invitations have been extended to "The House in the Woods" from Lathrop, and "The 21-35 Club" from Royal Oak. Mr. Davies will do the calling. Don't forget our dances "The Crystal Ball" Dec. 18.

Photographers Busy at Adams Open House

Approximately 450 parents attended the open house at Adams school last Thursday evening.

James E. Welsky, program chairman, presented "candid milk" recordings along with photographic slides of the children's actual classroom work and activities.

Paul Carter, school principal, gave a short talk stressing the fact that parents are always welcome and should feel free to visit their child's classroom during the school session.
Each parent spent a half hour in class to see the work being accomplished. Photographers were busy during the period and pictures were taken of all adults.

Mrs. James E. Duncan, assisted by Mrs. L. M. Oakley, Mrs. D. H. Hamner and Mrs. J. S. Wheeler, served refreshments.

Mrs. Haven's third grade had the largest percentage of parents present and Mrs. Whitman's first grade was second in attendance. Each of these home rooms was presented with a cash prize to be awarded in whatever manner the children decided.

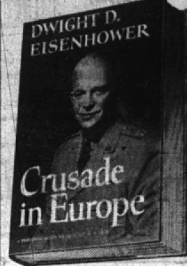
To Marry



Geraldine Woolley
Mr. and Mrs. Al Woolley of Floyd street announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Geraldine

to Thomas Earle Brohm. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Brohm of Franklin Village.
Miss Woolley was graduated from Baldwin high school and attended Illinois Normal State Teachers College. Her fiancé, upon his graduation from Baldwin high school, attended Highland Park Junior College.
The ceremony will be performed on Dec. 30 at 8 o'clock in the First Methodist Church.

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Following a wedding trip in the south, the couple will live at 688 Southfield road, Birmingham.

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