

## Guests to Attend Piety Hill DAR 14th Anniversary

Piety Hill Chapter, DAR, will celebrate its 14th birthday anniversary on Tuesday, Feb. 9 with a luncheon and meeting in the Community House.

Helping to honor the occasion will be guests from neighboring D.A.R. chapters including Mrs. John L. Curry from the Col. Joshua Howard chapter; Miss Elise A. Phinney from the Elizabeth Cass chapter; Mrs. Roy Z. Harris, Esq. of Parker chapter; Mrs. Paul J. Meiser, Fort Pontchartrain; Mrs. Robert D. McMahon of the General Joseph Harmer chapter; Mrs. Harold H. Wilson from General Richardson chapter; Mrs. Edith Oggood, John Crawford chapter; Mrs. Walter H. Nacker, John Sackett chapter; Mrs. William F. Street, Louise St. Clair chapter; Mrs. M. J. Moon from Sarah Ann Cochran chapter and Mrs. Richard M. Larges of the Three Flags chapter.

Following lunch, a short business meeting will be presided over by the regent, Mrs. Thomas

R. Navin. Mrs. Navin will introduce the guest speaker, Thelma G. James, assistant professor of Education at Wayne University. Her topic is to be "Folklore in Michigan."

Mrs. Robtess P. Cole, Mrs. Henry A. Manley, Mrs. Lewis C. Dunn and Mrs. Walter G. Stecker are the hostesses for the affair.

## Adams School Will Have Special Room for Creative Work

In the near future, children of Adams school are to have the use of a special room for creative art work. Plans are being made to equip a school room with paints, easels, wood working tools and other art supplies.

The importance of creative art to relieve tension in children has prompted the P.T.A. to provide this equipment a spokesman for the organization said.

Profits from the P.T.A. sponsored miniature show presented last November have gone towards the purchase of new playground equipment. A merry-go-round and additional swings have been ordered and are to be installed in the spring.

## Mrs. Lewis C. Dibble Makes Double Hobby of Gardening

By Doris E. Kus

Birmingham is an unusually garden-minded town as is illustrated by the actively constructive branch of the Women's National Park and Garden Association and the Garden Week here. One of the local women who combines her hobby of gardening with writing magazine articles on the subject is Mrs. Lewis C. Dibble of Lincoln avenue, past president of the Park and Garden Association for two and a half years, and at present a member of the organization's state executive board.

Mrs. Dibble started writing down her ideas because she wanted to share her enjoyment with other enthusiasts and for the simple pleasure of exchanging her own gardening theories. She has been active in the promotion of the hobby here; and in her own yard, has tried and tested many methods and plants.

Since spring isn't too far off, we'd like to pass along a few of Mrs. Dibble's ideas to those who are already poring over seed and shrub catalogs at home.

Mrs. Dibble has won two magazine "first" awards this past year. One for her article on the "Beauty Bush Used as a Hedge Plant" which appeared in the January issue of Home Gardens. In this article Mrs. Dibble says "Although the Beauty bush is a large shrub, it is so forgiving, small-leaved and graceful that it is suitable in scale for the small garden at home."

**Something Different**  
It is something out of the ordinary, different than the more common and always popular spiraea, vanhouttei and forsythia. It's a spray of yellow-tinted small-leaved and graceful that it is suitable in scale for the small garden at home.

In her article entitled "Garden Wonderland" which appeared in Parent magazine, Mrs. Dibble has hit upon an idea for keeping the young fry busy and out of mischief. She suggests, as well as to give them something tangible to share with their parents, to plant a garden. The idea of stimulating children's interest in gardening through attractively and appealingly named plants.

"Children will be more interested in gardening and have much

more fun if you include some plants with intriguing, wondrous names." She actively constructive Conferees, appeals to us adults, too. There are flowers named Cockscomb's Tail, Garden Catchfly, Canary-Bird Flower, Fogwallow, Johnny Jump-Up, Bishop's Cap, and the Garden of the Pulpit, Balloon Vine and Wake Robin. It would only be natural for the Park and Garden Association to have a young youngster to be caught up in fancy into a hobby and form of organization that both educates and stimulating when tempted with such fairytale names.

But what is really her unique idea is told in her lead article in the December issue of the American Home Magazine. Entitled "One World in the Garden", Mrs. Dibble transposes the idea of universality into the garden and feels that there is no better place in which one can realize or see the working out of one world than in a garden as every flower bed has many a country represented in it.

**One World**  
The shrubs, plants and bulbs are easy to find in the nurseries and as Mrs. Dibble says, "I see more than beauty in my garden, I see a world." Her first World Assembly the accomplishments, hopes, dreams of people and all beliefs. I see creation, not destruction, and hope for the future of One World at once.

Following up her thought, Mrs. Dibble illustrates with the fact that the true daisy, a cheerful and colorful annual for edges and borders comes to us from England; the nasturtium which, she says, like a sunny location and will tolerate poorer soils than most plants and whose pungent green seeds make spicy pickles, is a South American born plant.

One of our daisies were developed in France and Spanish bulbous iris comes, of course, from the Turkish Empire. The Red Emperor, large flowered, Fosdenia comes planting from Turkey and the true iris from Japan. Germany is the native habitat of the cornflower but the bachelor button; the yacynth is an adopted citizen of Holland, having its origin in Asia Minor, and the silvery leaves of that olive tree are Russian.

## Concert Soloist

Virginia MacWatters

Virginia MacWatters, coloratura soprano, will be presented in the third concert of the Southern Oakland County Community Concert series on Feb. 11 at 8:15 p. m. in the Royal Oak senior high school auditorium. Admission is by membership card only.

Miss MacWatters began her musical career in her home city of Philadelphia. After singing the leading role in a school opera, she won a scholarship to the Curtis Institute of Music. Her first important role was with the San Francisco Opera Company and annually she sings with the New York City Opera. Miss MacWatters made her debut in London's Covent Garden in the title role of "Manon" and has been a frequent soloist with Eugene O'Neary and the Philadelphia Orchestra, at the Hollywood Bowl and with the orchestras at the New Orleans "Pop" concerts and at Ann Arbor, Grant Park and Worcester.

## Miss Betty Traxler to Be Summer Bride

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Traxler of South Woodward avenue have announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty to Pfc. Edward W. McCabe USMC. He is the son of Mrs. Mary McCabe of Berkeley.

The couple is planning a summer wedding.

## Musical Slates Local Artists For Program

The regular monthly meeting of the Birmingham Musicales will be held in the Community House on Thursday, Feb. 10 at 8 o'clock. The program will be presented by well-known Birmingham artists and features Jean Elder Hohmeyer, violinist, and her mother, Mrs. Robert D. Elder, accompanist, as well as Maud Skinner and Jeanne Loofbourrow, duo-pianists.

Mrs. Hohmeyer's selections include "The Adagio from Max Bruch's 'Concerto in G Minor,'" and "Guitarra," by Moszkowski. Mrs. Skinner and Mrs. Loofbourrow will present two piano pieces, as well as selected "Les Larmes," by Rachmaninoff; "Presto Agitato," by Mendelssohn, and a summary of what the U.N. can do about the situation. There

**Plan Benefit Concert**  
Mrs. Robert F. Watt heads the tea committee and is assisted by Mrs. Lawrence Hyland, Mrs. Charles Hummel, Mrs. Lett E. Eis, Mrs. Peter K. Boyne, Mrs. Arthur Wragby and Mrs. Seth Slawson.

Hostesses are Mrs. Carl Moyer and Mrs. A. E. Ebersole. Mrs. James S. Moon is chairman of the day. The Birmingham Musicales will again sponsor a benefit concert to be held Monday, Feb. 14 at 8:15 p. m. Two artists, both from the school of music at the University of Michigan, will be heard. Miss Helen Titus, assistant professor piano, and professor Gilbert Ross, head of the department of stringed instruments, will give violin-piano and vocal recitals. Further announcements will be made later.

## Parthenood Tea

Mrs. James Hubbard will open her Lone Pine court house for a meeting and tea of the Parthenood League this afternoon. The group will discuss plans for the coming campaign. Mrs. Edward Rothman and Mrs. Harrison will be among those attending.

## Indonesia Is Topic Of Ruth Shain Class At Feb. 8 Meeting

On Feb. 8, the Ruth Shain International Affairs Class will hear a report on Indonesia by Mrs. Stanley Spiegel.

The first part of the report will be on Indonesian geography, life and products and the second part will be on the political status of the country with special emphasis on recent developments and a summary of what the U.N. can do about the situation. There

will be two members of the class especially assigned to ask questions.

On Feb. 15, the class will continue its discussion on the progress of socialism in western Europe. All meetings are open to the public.

## Plan Benefit Tea

Mrs. Jones B. Shannon and Mrs. Kenneth McGregor are co-chairmen of the benefit tea which will be held on Feb. 9 in the McGregor Wing Lake home for the rehabilitation of the "Birds Nest" at Holiday House on Pine Lake.

## VALENTINE'S DAY

It's nearly here again. Since the third century the sentiments of those true heart-beats of love and affection have risen on this day. And for years now they have been marked by the sending of Valentines. 'Tis a beautiful custom indeed; particularly when, in the pace of this rushing world, we sometimes need reminding to send assurance of love, and friendship!

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## CLUB 1930

The doors swing in—the doors swing out. On Tuesday evening the 25th, the doors practically fell off of their hinges. If you ever want to make believe you're in Grand Central Station, just go down to the 19-30 Club some night when they are planning something. Dorris Huffman was really busy getting things shipshape for our "Night Club Night" which was held last Thursday the 27th. Somewhere along the line they did take time out for some movie shorts. With the same assistance of L. L. Sutton, Jeanne Gibbs, Elsie Fernie, and Shelly Ingels the doors ceased to swing for awhile.

Candlelight and soft music was the theme for last Thursday evening. The dinner was wonderful, and the floor show terrific. Bob Erwin and Chuck VanPeters were really shining as Andy Brown and King Fish Stevens. Betty Mann was really stealing the show as the girl who couldn't say No? Alpha oe, to Johnny Day our grass skirt cutie from Hawaii. A big thanks to Bill Mutch our master of ceremonies. You were all really wonderful, in short, terrific.

Seen among our Night Club crowd, oh yes, Mary Alice Oakley, Bill Morrison, Nell Wakefield, Jane Lochhart, Joyce Stotfregent, Marge Bow, Gene Hadjisky, Kent Shaver, Marion Johnson, Pat and Jim Boucher, Nan Nelson, Del Fons, Chuck Kleinsmith, Barb Kennedy, and Marg and Bob Howard.

Last but by no means least, on behalf of the 19-30 Club, thanks a million to Marg Howard for playing the piano for us, and to Barbara Garside for her wonderful songs.

## Radio Commentator Guest Speaker at AAUW Meet Feb. 9

There will be a luncheon meeting of the Birmingham branch of the AAUW in the Community House on Feb. 9 at 1:00. Myrtle Labbitt radio commentator, will discuss "The Little People of Europe."

Arrangements are to be handled by Mrs. John G. Mulock and Mrs. F. L. Robinson. Hostesses for the occasion are Mrs. E. M. Mulock and Mrs. B. Marr.

## BRBS

Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Erickson, 418 Riverdale, announce the birth of a daughter, Greta Lee on Jan. 17 at St. Joseph Hospital. Christened is the former Yvonne Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hill Herbst of Berkeley announce the birth of a son, James Hill, Jr., on Jan. 16 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Mrs. Herbst is the former Rachel Kirm.

## Former Resident Engaged to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. E. Clark Creager of Gala Cynwyd, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jane Stickney Creager to Robert Parker Tyson of Ardmore, Pa., formerly of Birmingham. He is the son of Mr. Frank Howell Tyson and the late Mrs. Tyson.

Miss Creager attended Hood College and is now a student at the University of Pennsylvania. She is a provision member of the Junior League of Philadelphia. Her fiancé is a graduate of Washington and Lee University and served as a lieutenant, jr. in the Coast Guard during the war.

## CLUB NOTES

**AAUW**  
Myrtle Labbitt, radio commentator, will address a luncheon meeting of the Birmingham branch of the AAUW in the Community House on Feb. 9 at 1:00 p. m.

**Kappa Alpha Theta**  
Alumnae of Kappa Alpha Theta will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert F. G. Conneland, 516 Hupp Cross road at 1:00 o'clock on Feb. 4.

**Pi Beta Phi**  
Mrs. John Klueberg will open her home on West Linn Avenue for a 1 o'clock meeting of Pi Beta Phi alumnae on Tuesday, Feb. 4. Guestesses will be Mrs. John Holden, Mrs. E. L. Vincent and Mrs. Bigger's Walker.

## Arithmetic Subject of Pierce School Panel Discussion

Pierce school PTA will meet on Thursday, Feb. 10 at 8:00 p. m. in the school auditorium. Teachers representing each grade in Pierce will participate in a panel discussion on arithmetic.

The aim of this meeting is to give parents an idea of how arithmetic is taught from a child's earliest conception of numbers on up to his understanding of complicated problems. A movie entitled "What is Four" will also be shown and will demonstrate a way of teaching the meaning of numbers. An open question period will follow.

## Discus Plans to Select Girl for Scholarship Grant

Kingswood school alumnae scholarship committee held its meeting at the home of Mrs. James Bragaw on Friday afternoon. Plans were discussed for selecting an additional girl to receive a grant from the Ellen Wallace Memorial Scholarship Fund for next year.

Among those present were Mrs. Edward Leichen, Mrs. Jules Debusch, Miss Nancy Fitzgerald, Mrs. Charles Sestok, Mrs. Gordon Craig and Mrs. Morgan Douglas, Jr.

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