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SOCIAL NEWS IN BRIEF

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Bromley of North Woodward avenue and their children are back home after a week's vacation in Knoxville, Tenn.

Robert Bliss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bliss, of Orchard Lane, sailed recently aboard the Quirigan, for Christobal, Canal Zone, where he will make connections that will take him to Balboa. Mr. Bliss will work in Balboa as accountant for the United Fruit Company for an indefinite period.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Dixon are returned to their Glenhurst drive home. They were in Cincinnati, Ohio, and then went on to Columbus, Ohio, to visit Mr. Dixon's sister, Mrs. Albert Bixby.

Mrs. Tod Reed, Mrs. Ralph Backus, Mrs. Norville Hubbard, Mrs. Ed Tucker, Mrs. M. Halsted, Mrs. Graham Shinnick, Mrs. Norman James, Mrs. Lane Bishop.

Expected home this Saturday are the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Lawson of Stanley street who have been touring in Virginia and West Virginia. They left last Tuesday.

Miss Edith Williams was home from the University of California last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Williams of Wing Lake. Her fiance, Lieut. Chandler Eastman Swallow, U.S.N., arrived last Thursday to spend the weekend at the Williams home. Friday and Saturday evenings, Mr. and Mrs. Williams entertained at cocktails for the couple.

Graham J. Graham invited Manley Davis, J. Robert F. Swanson, Mortimer Neff, Alvan Macaulay, John H. Fitch and Harry S. Nichols up to the Graham cabin on the Au Sable river for the opening of the trout fishing season this past weekend.

Mrs. Gilbert Gove of West Rooster street will entertain members of the Children's Theatre executive board at a luncheon in the Orchard Lake Country Club tomorrow. Her guests will include Mrs. Stanley Hood, production manager; Mrs. Joseph Williams, show business manager; Mrs. Law-

ton Tabor, schools representative; Mrs. John A. Gilray, Jr., institutional program manager; Mrs. Hans Schjolin, work group manager; Mrs. Calvin Dennison, puppet theatre manager; Mrs. Stanley Saunders, treasurer, and Mrs. Mrs. George Green, secretary.

On May 14 the Bloomfield Hills Country Club will hold an open house for members and will display the new kitchen at this time. Edwin J. Anderson, John R. MacManus, E. A. Schirmer, Philip Hart, Frank McKinis and William Downey, members of the club's entertainment committee will serve a buffet supper.

After spending several weeks in Miami Beach, Fla., Mr. and Mrs. Warren Olson of Madison avenue and their two children, Molly and Tom returned to Birmingham this past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. James Atwell have returned to their Townsend street home after a six-month's vacation at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Planning to leave on a two-week's trip to Spangler, Pa., are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Quinn of Townsend street and their two children, Vinnie and Margie.

Mrs. Charles Champlin of Detroit is planning to entertain at a miscellaneous shower on May 14 for Miss Susie Averill who will be married on June 10 to Donald Babson.

Before the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club dinner dance last Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Rocco DiMaggio entertained group of their friends at cocktails in their East Long Lake road residence.

Former Birmingham residents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton E. Sears are back from Florida and are on their way up to Harrisville, Mich. for the summer.

Village Players Present Saga of the Hubbard Family for Final Show

By Mrs. Hans Schjolin

The Village Players are concluding their 25th season with Lillian Hellman's "Another Part of the Forest", a Broadway success of 1947, which was received by enthusiastic audiences last Friday and Saturday nights.

This inclusive drama of the South depicts the life of the Hubbard family as they were 20 years before we met them in "The Little Foxes". Just as foxy, predatory and shocking, we are shown in the play how they got that way. The saga of an unsavory family, it has as its figurehead, Marcus Hubbard, the best hated man in Rose County, Ala. For his daughter Regina, he has an inordinate affection; he reads Aristotle and enjoys chamber music in rare moments when he is not foreclosing mortgages or badgering and bullying his two sons whom he despises.

For his mentally murky wife Lavinia he feels nothing but ill concealed contempt. He finally meets his match in his crafty son, Ben who, equally unscrupulous as his father, blackmails the old 200,000 out of all his money and property at which time Regina promptly transfers her attentions to the new master of the house, hold.

The excellent cast is headed by W. Carleton Scott who provides a subtle portrait of the mastermind of the family in all his arrogance and cunning. He plays the part quietly and with finesse. The purely predatory Ben is powerfully played by Jervis McMechan; Mrs. George M. Dweilley gives a touching performance as the pathetic wife who goes through life haunted by a sense of guilt and a sincere yearning for explanation.

The willful and headstrong Regina is portrayed by Mrs. Deall Smith and Mrs. Benjamin Brewster is pathetic as the flustered Birdie. Other fine performances include Berrien Ketchum as the frustrated and slow-witted son, Oscar who is instrumental in bringing the town tart (Mrs. Robert Wyatt) into the Hubbard home which event provides a lively interlude; and Richard Remer as the



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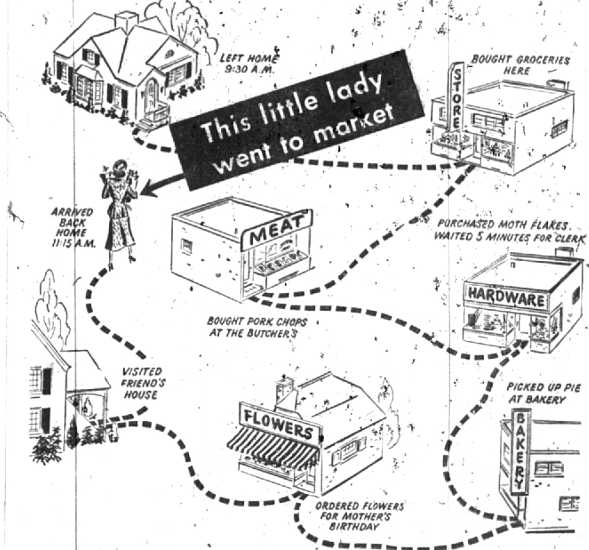


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