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Women's Political Responsibility Discussed by Anne Garrison for LWV

"Women must develop a sense of personal responsibility toward their political obligations," declared Anne Garrison in a talk to the League of Women Voters on December 11 at the Community House.

Mrs. Garrison, Democratic candidate for the Michigan State Legislature in the recent November election, stated that in her opinion, women neglected their duties as citizens by not actively participating in politics.

SHE BELIEVES that it is not enough for women to become politically educated but that they need to take a more definite hand in the actual practice of politics.

According to Mrs. Garrison, women control 75 percent of the corporate wealth of the country, comprise one-third of the labor force, open 85 percent of the family budget and are 52 percent of the electorate but still are a minority group in the representation of their government since they hold less than one percent of the appointive and elective offices in the country.

SHE POINTED OUT that the practice of politics is related to every function of a woman's day by day life and that it is each woman's duty as a citizen, not only to vote intelligently but to actively engage in the political field.

She asserted that the first step for a woman to take in order to be a real influence in government should be at home, in her own block and precinct.

"Start as a precinct chairman," she advised, "Good government comes from the grass roots. Decide what you want, then get out and work for it."

CLUB NOTES

Embury WSCS
 The WSCS of Embury Methodist church will hold its Christmas party next Thursday evening, December 21 at 8 p.m. in the parsonage. The Rev. and Mrs. Becker will be hosts for the party at 1276 Bird street.

Present Day Club
 The Present Day club will meet at the home of Mrs. J. J. Blaisus, 1287 Davis street, on Tuesday evening, December 19, at 8 p.m. The Christmas program will be in charge of Mrs. Roy Smith and Mrs. Alfred Koser. Christmas gifts will be exchanged at this meeting.

Oakland Hills Country Club
 This Sunday afternoon, December 17, the annual children's Christmas party will be held at Oakland Hills Country club. Entertainment will begin at 2 p.m. and Santa Claus will distribute gifts during the afternoon. Dinner will be served from 3 until 8:30 p.m.

The ladies' holiday luncheon will be held at the club on Wednesday, December 27, with punch bowl festivities starting at noon and luncheon will be served at 1 p.m. Music will be provided by Jack Rosevear. The committee in charge of this affair includes Mrs. Richard O. Mead, Mrs. H. A. Snure and Mrs. Damon S. Gall.

Newcomers Club
 The Newcomers club will not meet this month due to the Christmas holidays, but regular meetings will resume in January.

Past Matrons Club
 The Past Matrons club of the Birmingham chapter O.E.S. 220, will have a Christmas party and regular meeting at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, at the home of Mrs. James Gordon, 1308 Davis street.

MOMS Club
 The Birmingham MOMS are meeting at 8 p.m. this evening, December 14, at the home of Mrs. M. A. Fouce on Mohagan drive. Mrs. E. S. Snyder and Mrs. Ralf Crookston will purchase toys for the servicemen's families and each member is asked to bring a complete wrapping for one gift.

Mrs. E. S. Snyder will take her Christmas baskets to the hospital on Tuesday, December 19. Anyone interested in making cookies for these baskets, is asked to contact her.

WORKING WITHIN THEIR OWN political parties is extremely important for both men and women, she said, and it is the obligation of every individual to recognize his party responsibility.

As candidate for the State Legislature, she said she found she learned a great deal about politics and government, she had not been able even to glimpse as a private citizen.

"You would think that people would want to meet their candidates for public office and hear them express their views," said Mrs. Garrison. "Apparently, this is not so. Candidates must plead for a chance to speak before many organizations and then must promise not to give a political talk."

"EVEN THOUGH the candidate speaks only on the issues of the campaign, how can he possibly be completely non-partisan since he is running for office in one or the other party? Candidates are often hamstrung in their campaigns by people afraid to hear the opinion of their own personal opinions."

After the meeting tea was served by Mrs. Wilber Johnston, social chairman of LWV. She was assisted by Mrs. Clinton R. Tolley, Mrs. E. W. Gaffill and Mrs. Charles Guilford. Mrs. Charles Blunt introduced the speaker.

THIS WAS THE final meeting of 1950 for the League of Women Voters. In January, the group will study children's services.

Mask and Wiggers Have Full Schedule For Detroit Show

Detroit and local debutantes and post-debs will act as hostesses to the 70-member cast of "Count Me In" to be presented by the University of Pennsylvania's Mask and Wig club, at the Music Hall on December 29.

Hostesses will meet the cast at a reception from 5 until 5 o'clock at the Detroit Athletic club during the afternoon of the twenty-ninth.

AT FIVE O'CLOCK, the boys will board a bus for the Country Club, where they will be special guests at Miss Elaine Zimmermann's debut tea dance.

They will return to their special train in the Michigan Central yards by seven o'clock for dinner before dashing to the Music Hall where they will open the show at 8:30 p.m.

BOXES FOR THE SHOW are reserved for the hostesses, who will be guests of the Pennsylvania alumni of the Detroit area. After the performance, the group will then go to a cabaret party at the Hotel Statler where the boys will present some of the highlights of their show.

The Misses Ann Stringer and Roberts Mackey are joint chairmen of the hostess committee.

Holiday Bride-Elect Is Guest of Honor For Social Affairs

Miss Jeanne B. Kiefer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Kiefer of North Woodward avenue is now in the midst of a round of pre-nuptial affairs.

Next Thursday, December 21, she will become the bride of Roland G. Olin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil G. Olin of Southfield road.

At eight o'clock this evening, December 14, Miss Kiefer will be honored at a kitchen shower and party given by Miss Shirley Mainland in her Glenhurst road home.

NEXT TUESDAY, December 19, Mrs. Franklin G. Laucomer and her daughter Joanne, will be co-hostesses for a spinster dinner honoring the bride-elect at Fox and Hounth.

The guest list for this affair includes Mrs. Denny Converse, Miss Shirley Mainland, Miss Nancy Keyes, Miss Alice Grant-Watters, Mrs. John V. Rogers, Mrs. George Pope, Miss Ruth Adams and Miss Sis Thurston.

The couple, with their bridal party and families will be fettered at a rehearsal dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Emil G. Olin next Wednesday evening, December 20 at Carrie Lee's.

Local Girl Named To College Who's Who

Miss Joan Daneke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Daneke of Mohagan drive, was one of the eight students who were nominated to the national honor society, "Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities."

From a class of 74 at Mercy college in Detroit, eight were given this distinction by a faculty honors committee who rated the students on scholarship, leadership and service.

Mrs. R. J. Green Honored at Shower

Mrs. Robert J. Green of North Woodward avenue was the guest of honor at a stork shower and party given last Wednesday evening by Mrs. Donald Sherwood of Pontiac and Miss Dorothy Baskin of Birmingham.

The guest list, made up of a group of former school friends, included Mrs. John Larson, Mrs. Allen Bassett, Mrs. Warren Smith, Mrs. Jack Sights and Miss Alice Grant-Watters.

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