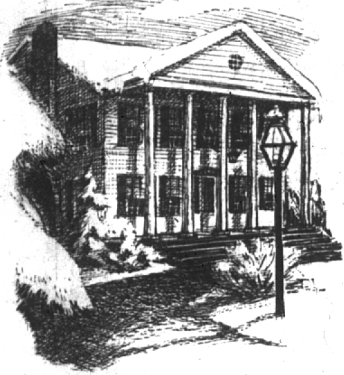


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## Pythian Sisters Announce Results Of Dec. Elections

The Pythian Sisters of Liberty Temple No. 44, Clawson, have announced the results of the elections held at a recent meeting.

Mrs. Jack Koshadurian will hold the office of Past Chief. Mrs. Joseph Ostermeyer will be Most Excellent Chief for the new year. Mrs. William Demick is to be the Excellent Senior, with Mrs. Fred Reed, Jr., as Excellent Junior.

THE MANAGER'S duties will be performed by Shirley Ostermeyer, with Mrs. Anna Keem traveling over the secretary's post. Financial matters will be handled by Mrs. C. S. Myren, newly elected treasurer.

Mrs. L. D. Porter will be installed in the protector's post. This year's guard will be Mrs. Harry Collier. Mrs. Wilfred Mastis is to be the pianist for the new term.

The installing officer will be Mrs. J. W. Curry. Mrs. Clyde Harper is to be the new degree captain. Performing the duties of press correspondent will be Mrs. Karl Kocher.

Grand representative will be Mrs. J. W. Curry, with Mrs. Milton Porteous as alternate. Shirley Ostermeyer will be district representative, with Virginia Weaver as alternate.

Mrs. Frank DeMara has been elected as a three-year trustee.

THE SISTERS will hold their annual family Christmas party at the Firemen's Hall, Clawson, Thursday evening, December 20. Mrs. Milton Porteous is to be general chairman of the event.

She will be assisted by Mrs. Joseph Ostermeyer, Mrs. William Demick, Mrs. Wilfred Mastis and Mrs. Alfred Schalin.

Among their Christmas projects, the Sisters donated six air-foam rubber cushions to Percy Jones hospital.

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THE AAUW PUPPETEERS have been rehearsing strenuously for the past few weeks, preparing the "Beebebrain Goes West" show for its holiday travels to crippled children in the area. Introducing Beebebrain to Santa Claus are, left to right, Mrs. Donald Howarth, Mrs. Robert von Maur, Mrs. Charles Bigelow, and Mrs. James T. Slayden.

## B'ham Girl Scouts to Join Southern Oakland Council

The Birmingham Girl Scout Council has voted to become a member of the Southern Oakland Area Council. The proposal was made by Mrs. James F. Abbott, president at the annual Christmas Tea and Council Meeting, held on December 14, at the Community House.

For a number of years, the Birmingham Girl Scout Council has considered the advisability of joining with the Southern Oakland Area Council. The National Or-

ganization recently decided that all Girl Scout lone troops and small councils must be organized under larger area councils by 1950.

They recognize that, if they are to best serve all girls who wish to become Girl Scouts, every bit of territory within the United States must be under the jurisdiction of a Girl Scout council, large enough to offer their membership the best possible services as standard training, program and camping opportunities.

These councils should be able to maintain an office; employ the needed staff members to help the volunteers; effect cooperative relationships with parents, public and community groups, and eventually to extend an opportunity for membership to every girl of scout age within their jurisdiction.

WHEN THIS IDEA was presented, several years ago, the Birmingham Girl Scout board voted against it. At that time, our community was much smaller, and there was a very fine group of volunteers who were doing an excellent job of interpreting scouting. The board, therefore, did not feel that the need of professional help was great enough to offset the seeming disadvantages of belonging to a larger organization. Since then, Birmingham has grown by leaps and bounds, and this growth has manifested itself in the scout organization as well as in the schools, churches and other such groups. The volunteer help it still unsurpassed, but the burden on them has become very heavy.

The training program has become a very exhausting job for the local trainers, and there is no longer the offer of good camping opportunities to all girls who wish it. The office staff has found its job a very time-consuming one. These are but a few of the difficulties that faced the present Birmingham Girl Scout Council.

THE BOARD, after much thought and consideration, felt that Birmingham would benefit by joining the Southern Oakland Area Council this time, becoming one of the districts under their jurisdiction. Among the advantages would be the benefit of professional help immediately, with the promise that, as soon as possible, there would be a professional assigned to our district.

While training of new leaders would still be done in Birmingham, we would be able to draw on their volunteer trainers as well as our own.

Although we would still be able to do some mimeographing in the Girl Scout office in the Baldwin Library, a good portion of the detailed clerical work would be done in the Royal Oak office, thus relieving the pressure on the volunteer workers.

The camping program would be greatly enriched, as Southern Oakland has, besides Camp Nardin, their established camp, three well established Day Camps, each so situated to benefit the greatest number of girls in a specific area.

FOR THESE reasons, and others as well, the board voted unanimously to recommend to the council that Birmingham join the Southern Oakland Area Council. With its approval by the council at the December 14 meeting, the board now feels that Girl Scouting in Birmingham will be given all the assistance necessary to maintain a healthy and growing organization.

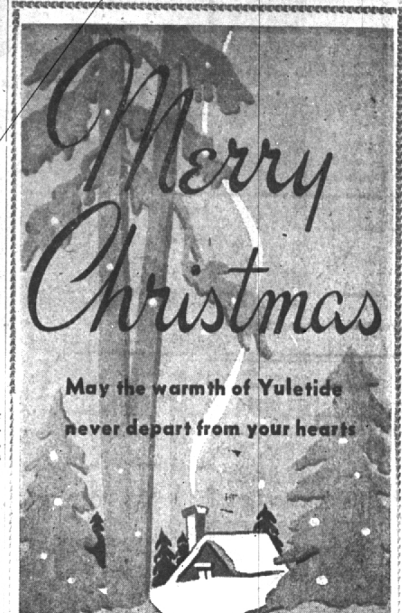
**Students Give Recital**  
Piano students of Mrs. Dorothy K. Roosevelt will give a recital at her studio at 292 Greenwood on Saturday afternoon, December 22. About thirty students will participate.

## Have You Met . . .

The new residents of 1470 Washington Boulevard? They are Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius R. Carrigan, and their six month-old son, Mark Landy. The Carrigans moved from Grand Rapids on

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