

The Birmingham Eccentric

To endeavor to attain a life of happiness to the instinctive yearning of nearly all people. The question remains: should the goal be material or mental and spiritual? Believing the latter says brings its efficacy of material good.

Musical Contest, Project Under Way

Two important winter projects of the Birmingham Musicals will be in full swing this month—a contest for an official club emblem and an ingathering of phonograph records for Veterans' and Children's hospitals.

Members are requested to bring the records to the February 8 meeting. A depot for record donations will be set up in the Community House for this purpose. Arrangements for pick-up can be made by calling Mrs. Robert R. Hutchison, philanthropic chairman, at Midwest 4-0274.

Madrigals, Instrumental Ensemble To Highlight B'ham Musical Program

The Birmingham Musicals will present the Madrigal Singers and the Cranbrook Instrumental Ensemble in a program of music on Thursday, February 8, 7 p.m. at the Community House.

The Madrigal Singers, a newly formed group under the direction of Mary Jane Walker, will do two groups of vocal compositions by 16th and 17th century composers.

The Birmingham Musicals are active members of the Birmingham Musicals. They gave several performances in colorful costumes during the holiday season for the Royal Oak Musicals, the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church Cranbrook and the Birmingham Musicals. They will appear in traditional costumes in the Elizabethan period, Madrigal style.

Each member will be wearing a costume she has made. The group is composed of Junia Bartholomew, Wesa Dale Gararant, Ruth Killeen, Molly Kline, Elsie Moon, Betty Neesley, Nioma Sherman, Ruth Swartz, Marion Williams and Mary Jane Walker.

News About GIRL SCOUTS

TROOP 26 of the Girl Scouts at Pierce school is making and tying four quilts for the Junior Needlework Guild. The girls started sewing at their Wednesday meeting last week. The quilts will be displayed at the Girl Scout Fair, reports scribe Susan Brundage.

The Brownies of Troops 218 and 219 were presented with their pins at an Investiture tea at the Poppleton school on Tuesday, January 23. Penny Rice welcomed the mothers. The color guard composed of Karen King, Marilee Walton, Irene Osborn and Linda Tunstall, presented the colors.

Students Engaged

MISS HOFFMAN

A June wedding is being planned by Miss Carol Ann Hoffman and James Jay Carson. Miss Hoffman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hoffman of Piedmont, Mich. and Mr. and Mrs. James K. Carson of Yorkshire road in Birmingham.

The bride-elect is in her junior year at Albion college, where she is affiliated with Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and he will graduate from Albion in June. He is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

MARCH FIRST is the deadline for contestants to submit their designs for the Musicals' Emblem

Photos must be submitted by noon each Friday to insure publication the following Thursday.

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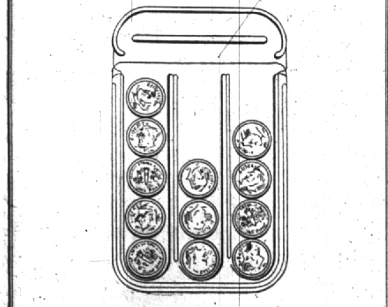
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JUDGES WILL BE Mrs. Joseph de Bruyn, Mrs. D. L. Tate and Mrs. Claude Walker. A prize of 10 dollars will be given the winner.

Harvard university. He was director of music in Bronxville, New York schools and the Avon school in Connecticut before coming to Cranbrook. He has made several Town Hall appearances as accompanist as well as in California and Michigan. He is associated conductor and accompanist for the Orpheus Club.

William Casey is director of music at Brookside school, Cranbrook. He holds a master of music degree from Ohio State university and has taken further graduate work in composition at the university of Michigan.

RUTH KILLEEN

MRS. ROBERT KILLEEN holds a master of music degree from Kansas university. She studied with Alice Moncreiff and spent two-and-a-half years in New York City where she became a member of the famous Robert Shaw Chorus. She held scholarships at Berkshire Music Festival in 1946 and taught at Michigan State college a year.

The Cranbrook Instrumental Ensemble will play "Trio Sonata in A Minor" by Telemann and "Trio in A Minor" by Brahms.

Club Carries On Planting Program

The Birmingham Branch of the National Farm and Garden Association has been busy during the winter months with a planting program at the Birmingham Community House.

Yews and Junipers have been planted along with several groups of Eucalyptus, which will provide a vertical line along the building's foundation, near the exits. As the committee wanted to be assured of the success of its investment, they were generous with fertilizer and peat moss.

MRS. FRANK WEBB, who is chairman of the Home Garden and Community Planting committee, is responsible for the inauguration of this project.

A few community friends have contributed funds for this purpose, in memory of their loved ones. Among these interested people is Mrs. James Dant. Mr. James Dant died five years ago, having been a resident of this area for many years and being well known in the lumber industry. He always enjoyed following the activities of the younger members of his family. Many of these interests and projects centered around the Community House.

MRS. WEBB STATES, "Many of us have become conscious of the possibilities of adding beauty to our civic buildings. The opportunity for a living memorial appeals to many people. There are still some fine plans unfulfilled for the Community House and Baldwin Public library."

"The committee would like each location supplemented with many Redbud and Flowering Florida Dogwood trees. Fine Spring Flowering bulbs as well as Florida roses, which would bloom up to the late of the killing frost, would be welcome additions for each location."

Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all new—all the society editor about them.

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Altar Society Will Meet February Fifth

The monthly meeting of Holy Name Altar Society will be held next Monday, February 5, at 1:30 p.m. in the Community House.

Mrs. Harry J. Wichman and Mrs. Edward Harrison, assisted by other members of St. Cecilia guild will be hostesses for the afternoon.

Each guild is asked to send a representative to this meeting at which several very important business matters will be discussed.

Alta Society Will Meet February Fifth

At their annual meeting on January 24, members of the Holiday House Committee of Girl's Bend Society re-elected Mrs. William E. Rice of Birmingham as chairman for the ensuing year.

The meeting took place at the Women's City Club in Detroit and was presided by a surprise luncheon party to honor Miss Frances W. Sibley, of Grosse Pointe, on her eighty-fourth birthday anniversary. Miss Sibley is honorary chairman of the committee.

Holiday House Group Elects Officers, Honors Miss Sibley

OTHER OFFICERS CHOSEN were Mrs. Rogers I. Marquis, Mrs. Frederick Wood and Mrs. George Rogers Clark, first, second and third vice-chairman respectively; Miss Mabel Errington, treasurer; Mrs. William L. Graham, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Fred I. Kennedy, recording secretary.

At the business session, plans were made for re-decorating and repairing the Holiday House vacation camp at Pine Lake before its opening in June.

GRAND TRUNK ANNOUNCES—NOW—2 LATE EVENING TRAINS

Leave	Daily except Saturday	Daily
Leave Detroit	10:45 P.M.	11:30 P.M. (February 10, 13, 16, 19)
Leave Milwaukee, Wis.	10:34 P.M.	11:40 P.M.
Arrive Royal Oak	11:10 P.M.	11:55 P.M.
Arrive Birmingham	11:25 P.M.	12:05 A.M.
Arrive Pontiac	11:27 P.M.	12:17 A.M.
Arrive Holly	12:24 A.M.	12:49 A.M.
Arrive Pontiac	12:30 A.M.	12:55 A.M.
Arrive Grand Haven	12:50 A.M.	1:15 A.M.

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