



THE PACKARD PATRICIAN four-door sedan for 1953, above, is in the new line of Packard cars for the luxury car market, is on display in dealer showrooms, including the Birmingham dealership, Sam Reeve's, Inc., 1265 S. Woodward. Two distinct lines of cars have been announced by Packard Motor Car Co.: Packard cars for the top-price field and a line of Packard Clippers at medium prices. There are seven cars in the Packard line, including family sedans and

chauffeur-driven models. Power steering, designed by Packard, is introduced for the first time as optional equipment along with air conditioning. There are power brakes, ultramatic no-shift automatic transmission, and other recent contributions to easier motoring. Packard contour styling is retained with refinements to further accentuate low appearance. Models in the Packard line have a 180 horsepower engine.

## People's Column

The Eccentric welcomes letters for this column. All letters must be signed, but signatures may be confidential, sure, secret. Letters must be limited to 100 words.

To the Editor:

The AAUW Book Sale Board would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the staff of The Birmingham Eccentric for your fine cooperation in helping us bring this project to the attention of the community. We believe that one reason the sale enjoyed some measure of success is due to your pictures and articles.

We have come to regard this as an annual community project; indeed it could not exist without the help like yours, that of the Edition Co., Baldwin public library, many Birmingham merchants and the contributions and support of the public.

Because of this, your readers may be interested in the following report:

GROSS RECEIPTS for the sale of 8941 books, 1331 magazines and miscellaneous articles amounted to nearly \$1465; expenses exceeded \$250. After paying aside \$100 for next year's committee, some \$1380 will be turned over by this board to AAUW for scholarships, study grants and other educational projects.

The anonymous donor, through whose generosity the school and institutional libraries in the area obtained 1787 books, 326 magazines, etc., wrote to the board: "I feel very happy that you have enabled me to participate with you in supplying books to worthwhile institutions in our area."

We are warmed most by the story told by Mrs. Kenneth Gibson, the AAUW member who takes charge of selecting books at the end of the sale to be given to the State Mental Hospital at Pontiac.

THIS YEAR she and her helpers took a load of some 750 books and hundreds of magazines to the hospital. These were in addition to some 350 books and countless magazines picked up earlier in the week by hospital staff members.

As the caravan of cars came to the hospital, one of the dining room shifts of patients was just finishing. A few men, able to do so, were permitted to help the women unload the books. The patient assigned to Mrs. Gibson came shuffling towards her car.

She said his coordination was so poor that he seemed almost to have palsy. His eyes were dull, his expression uninterested.

HE LEANED over a box of books to lift it and suddenly his face lighted up and he exclaimed: "A Roger's Thesaurus! I've been looking for one for over a year!"

She said that without a question of a doubt, he was delighted and excited. He asked if he might keep the book and she assured him that he should, and just tell the librarian.

Attendees at the hospital have told Mrs. Gibson that with more than 3000 patients and practically no money to spare from the budget for reading material, books and magazines that are new to the patients are a godsend.

THE 1952 AAUW BOOK SALE BOARD

## Royal Oak's First Symphony To Open On December 3

The newly organized Royal Oak Symphony Orchestra will present its first concert Wednesday, Dec. 3, in the Royal Oak High school auditorium. This will be the first in a series of three concerts that the orchestra will hold this season.

Conductor of the orchestra is William Boyer, University of Michigan graduate who has been assistant conductor of the Chicago North Side Symphony and conductor of the Broadcasting Orchestra at the National Music Camp.

The orchestra is made up of 55 members, five of whom were formerly associated with the Detroit Symphony and others with like organizations or university symphony orchestras.

The concert will begin at 8:30 p.m.

## Troy Republicans Discussing Spring Election Tonight

Troy township Republican club met Thursday evening, Nov. 13, in Troy high school cafeteria and elected Ralph S. Beale, 2840 Square Lake road, chairman, Dwight LaBarre, 4065 Beach road, vice-chairman; Mrs. Louise Southard, 4500 Adams road, secretary, and Charles A. Temple, 926 W. Waffles road, treasurer.

Stressing the importance of maintaining an active organization, Beale told members, "For the first time in 20 years, this organization has an opportunity to advance beyond a victorious presidential campaign. It now becomes our responsibility to build up our ranks and enthusiasm in order to consolidate our gains."

He also pointed out that the increase in votes in the township was due primarily to new-comers who had registered in the past two years.

HE ASKED all to attend the meeting Thursday evening, Nov. 20, in the high school cafeteria at 8 p.m.

At that time plans for the forthcoming spring election of township officials will be formulated.

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## 'Wedding Bells' Ring Nov. 21-22 In Southfield

Wedding bells will ring in Southfield township this Friday and Saturday, Nov. 21-22, as members of the Southfield Kiwanis club present their "Womanless Wedding."

Starting as the bride will be Frank Gidley, with Lynn Patterson as the groom. Attendees are to be maid of honor, Cecil Brady; best man, Andy Broad; flower girl, Lee Stowell with the bishop played by Wendell (Jack) Lindsay; among boys and girls. It will be Will J. Oliver, the killer, will seat the guests and relatives who will include the bride's parents, Bob Engelsen and R. Warren Reid; the groom's parents, Tom

Meyers and Leiv Larson, John Mitchell, Albert and Lynn Everett, "groom's friends" of the bride will "pour" OTHERS IN THE cast will include Grant Mann, Glenn Schoonhals, Ray Chauvan, George Maier, Stephen Spolar, Richard Klingner, Joseph Yoshanus, Mel Steinbrenner, Jr., Larry Rapp, Harry Humm, John Smith, Harry An-

draws, Ted Swartz, Roy Steele, Paul Bowman, Don Cameron, John Grimes, R. V. Snyder, J. Leo Walton, Wallace Reams, Emil Boudreau, Merle Lamb, Harley Thornton, Urban Hart, Joe Webster, Robert Orr, L. A. Brisebois, J. W. Muir, F. R. Jennings, Glenn W. Levey and Raymond Bascomb. Wedding music will be played by the Southfield high school band. Background music for the ceremony will be played by Mrs. Leone Lindsay. She will also accompany the soloists.

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