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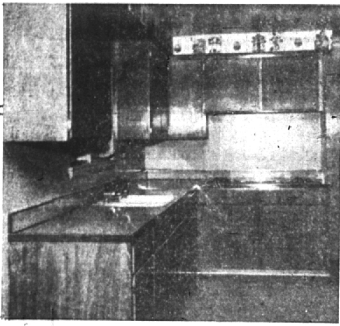
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Lecture Feb. 12th  
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"OPEN DISCUSSION OF INVESTMENT PROBLEMS"



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## Distaff Side Is Feted by DAC Beavers

Many Birminghamites gathered at the Detroit Athletic Club Saturday evening for the DAC Beavers' party with which the swimming group annually fetes the distaff side.

The formal party had a cocktail-dinner-dancing format, with cocktails served at the sides of the swimming pool. Here chairs and tables were arranged in lounge fashion. A special aquatic exhibition was a highlight.

Two orchestras alternated with music in the nearby gymnasium when the party moved over to that area for dinner and dancing.

On the party committee were Fletcher E. Parks of Puritan road and Granville A. Morse of West Maple road.

IN A GROUP with Mr. and Mrs. Parks were Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Bevis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Faye Ayers and the Mel Haughs, and with Mr. and Mrs. Morse were the Hanley Dawsons, Jr., and the Frederic Colombos.

Present with the George H. Webbs were the Robert E. Pifes, the David C. Clarks, the John P. Emmetts, the Charles C. Dwyers and Maj. and Mrs. Nicholas L. Shields of Bloomfield Hills, the Clarence E. Pinkstons of Harper Woods and the Charles A. Brethens, Jr., of Wyandotte.

In another party were the William E. Slaughters, Jr., the J. D. Richardsons, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William H. Breech, the Roy Fruhaufs, the Robert C. Fishers and the Edgar B. Flints.

THE DAC's current dinner-party show week also is drawing many from Birmingham and Bloomfield to dine, dance and see the show presenting Will Jordan, impressionist, harmonica virtuoso, and Dorothy Jarman, danc-humorist.

At the Monday opening were the L. dePont Yagers and their guests, the William Coopers, the John C. Hampsons entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Reas of Detroit, and the William S. Spingels were hosts to the Stanley Spingels of Birmingham, the Elmer Fields, Dr. Lawrence Reynolds and John Howell, of Detroit.

Other Birmingham members of the DAC with reservations for one of the last three evenings of the show week ending Saturday, Feb. 13, are the J. R. Mosbys, the R. W. Wolfes, the Daniel H. Neweyes, the Walter F. Kuckelmans, the William J. Griffins, the John C. Kinsies, the Bernard F. Zinns and the Karl Flinners.

### Have You Met . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Curtis and daughter, Mary Anne, who moved to 1931 Villa road from Snyder, N. Y. He is a manufacturer's agent for various floor covering companies. Curtis is a Mason and a member of the Consistory and enjoys fishing as a hobby.



VEILED BEAUTIES LEAVE DESERT SANDS TO DANCE TO PIERCE

Don Gould Bob Kelly Arv Mason Charles Follis

(Eccentric Staff Photo)

## Pierce PTA Men Plan Variety Show

Mysterious maidens from far away desert countries will dance at Pierce school at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 18, when the Parent Teachers association stages "Toast of the Town".

Laughing eyes will twinkle above tantalizing veils as the harem beauties shift and sway in dances centuries old.

With PTA members Bob McKenzie as announcer and John Nelli, master of ceremonies, the production has been directed by Mrs. Theo Willis with Mrs. Charles Follis as dance instructor.

A spokesman for the group said the program would consist of "nine acts including some excellent talent, a lot of corn and a liberal sprinkling of 'ham'."

THE ALL-MALE cast will include a "beautiful soprano soloist", as well as the dainty dancers.

Bob Kutscher has been musical director of the production, and announces soloists will be Herb Hengst and

Eric Jacobson.

The chorus line will include Charles Follis, Bob Kelly, Charles Mason, Don Fleischmann, Art Blakeslee, Don Gould, Ted Willis and Arvid Masson.

Others taking part in "Toast of the Town" will be Robert Walker, Stanley Kelly, Al Joldersma, Frederick Adams, Ed Sewell, Walter Wakeman, Richard Bailey, Hugh Collier, Joseph Hengelmann.

Ted Appel, George Bowden, Frank Houser, Russ Morley, Harold Jones, Fred Gibson, Bruce Smith, William Ladd, Jack Stiff, Hugh Bailey and Chris Sloman.

THE SERVICES of one other woman, Mrs. John Case, hospitality chairman, has been solicited for the evening. She will assist a committee of Pierce PTA fathers in the preparation of refreshments for the social hour.

Swinging back to the men, Malcolm Ferguson, Pierce principal, and Daniel Nesbitt who will assume that office next year, will preside at the tea table.

## Terra Cotta Group Exhibiting Pieces At Artist Market

Several members of the Birmingham Terra Cotta Sculptors have Thetas figures by Mrs. John Bartholomew and a sleeping dog done selected for display in the Detroit Artists' Market, Jos Madison at the local items.

Miss Siva Kline, head of the group, is exhibiting her figure of a wild bear. A woman's head, sculptured by Mrs. John Winttingham; Leo the Lion and a porker bear,

done by Mrs. Robert Brown; two

sculptures, is a former assistant to John Mills at Cranbrook.

The current display is included with the exhibition of the Roger Crispolis abstract paintings. All will remain on display through Monday, Feb. 15.

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

## AAUW Plans Valentine Dinner Dance Saturday

Junior group of the Birmingham AAUW is planning a Valentine dinner dance for its members, Saturday, Feb. 13. The entertainment is planned for 7:30 p.m. at Rotunda Inn.

Co-chairmen of the event will be Mrs. A. J. Simmons and Mrs. K. W. Hutchinson. Mrs. Richard Roder is chairman of the finance committee and Mrs. J. P. Baldwin, Jr., decorations.

## Franklin Players Name Anita Hard

Anita Hard has been named president of the newly organized Franklin Village Players. Other officers were Harry Rattiers, vice president; Ray Adams, treasurer, and Mona Hill, secretary. The group organized with 33 members and membership is still open.

The first production will be "You Can't Take it With You" with Anita Hard as director. The play is a money raising project for the Franklin Men's Association and is scheduled for the first weekend in April.

## OES Plan Initiation

Birmingham chapter 220, OES, will have their initiation at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, in the Masonic Temple. Mrs. Melvin Upplinger will be chairman of the refreshments to be served in the lower room following the initiation.

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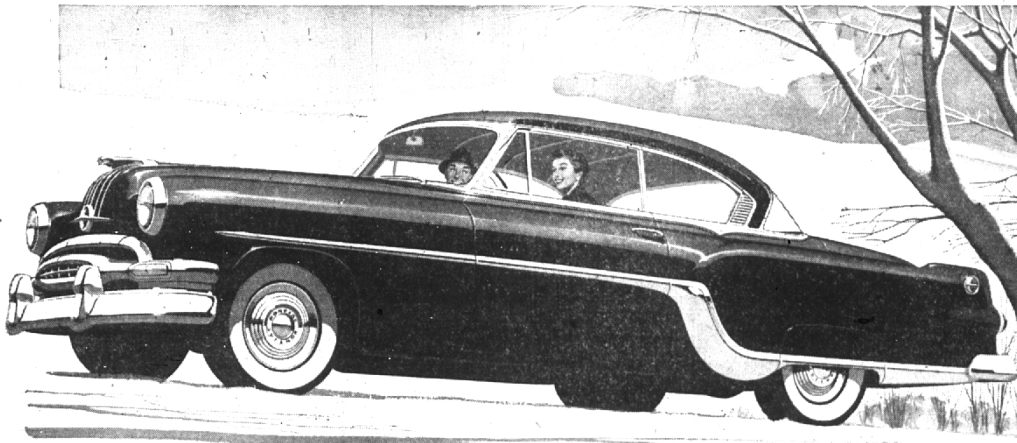
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A higher dividend scale which for the fifth consecutive year will again reduce the cost of life insurance for the holders of two million Sun Life of Canada policies, is announced by Frederick H. Bourke, President, in his Annual Report of the Company's business for 1953. Dividends to policyholders during 1954 will amount to \$24 1/2 million, 17 1/2 percent more than in 1953 and an increase of more than 50% over the last five years. More policyholders carrying participating plans with the Company will benefit by this increase, with the largest payments being distributed in respect of policies longest in force.

In his survey of the figures for the year, Mr. Bourke comments on the manner in which life insurance costs the responsibilities of 1954. The Sun Life of Canada, he said, has paid \$2,729,000,000 in benefits since the first policy was issued in 1851 and during 1953 no less than half a million dollars was paid out by the Company each working day. Total amount paid during the twelve-month period was \$125,067,000. New life insurance issued during the year amounted to \$276,930,000 an increase of \$31 million over 1952. This rising volume of business was spread over wide territory in the nearly 30 countries covered by Sun Life service. New Group Insurance included in the above figure amounts to \$70 million, an increase of more than \$6 million over the previous year's contracts during the year. Included in this figure are annuities and group pension plans guaranteeing payments of more than \$4 million per annum. Total annuity payments to be made by the Company either immediately or in the future, through group pension plans and individual contracts, increased to \$126 million per annum. Total Sun Life insurance in force at the end of 1953 amounted to \$5,678,000,000 (which 72% is in the United States and Canada. Group insurance included in this figure is \$1,951,000,000 an increase of 17 1/2%. Total assets of the Company, carefully invested and well diversified, are made up of: Bonds—Government, State and Municipal 26.7%; Bank and Public Utility 17.1%; Industrial, etc. 41.6%; Preferred and Common Stocks 6.0%; Mortgages 14.4%; Cash and Miscellaneous, 2.3%. The Sun Life has 46% of its assets invested in the United States.

A copy of Sun Life's complete 1953 Annual Report, including the President's review of the year, is being sent to all policyholders. All inquiries regarding the life insurance services of the Sun Life of Canada in this district should be addressed to: