

## Seek Snow Play Equipment For Hospital's Children

Snow play for young patients of the Pontiac State hospital calls for equipment, and the wives of Birmingham Junior Chamber of Commerce have taken up the task of collecting such play equipment. The Jaycee auxiliary decided at last week's meeting to gather ice skates, sleds and toboggans for the youngsters. The women will purchase a toboggan and ask that anyone wishing to donate other items, used but in good condition or new, call Mrs. William Spiegel, 205 Southlawn.

### Have You Met

The new residents at 2100 Derby road? Mr. and Mrs. Martin I. Madvin have two sons, Craig, 6 and Richard, 3. Madvin is a salesman for Fashion Clothes and his hobby is golf. Both he and Mrs. Madvin are native Detroiters.



MRS. THOMPSON DEPEU FREER

## Uncle Presents Bride For Saturday Wedding

Given in marriage by her uncle, Charles C. Beardsley of Dayton, Ohio, Betty Jean Beardsley became the bride of Thompson Depeu Freer at a ceremony Saturday afternoon. The Rev. W. Glen Harris read the 3 o'clock rites in the First Presbyterian church before 175 wedding guests.

The bride was groomed in ivory satin a sheer yolk and pointed medallions of alencon lace. Her full skirt, falling from a fold of satin below the waist, ended in a circular train. A small cup of alencon lace held in place her fingertip veil. She carried a white rose-centered glanella bouquet interlaced with ivy sprays.

Betty Jean is the daughter of Mrs. O. L. Beardsley of Melbourne avenue. Thompson's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cameron Freer of Shaker Heights, Ohio.

COMING from Charlotte, N. C., was Margaret Ann Mitchell to act as honor attendant. Her waltz length, full-skirted princess gown was of mauve taffeta with a matching cap of tulle and velvet.

Wearing gowns identical to the honor attendant's were bridesmaids Patricia Ann Evans of Shaker Heights Heights, Jane Mallory of Birmingham, and Margaret Louise Up, cousin of the bride from Bay Village, Ohio. All carried arrangements of pink rose-centered glanella interlaced with ivy sprays.

Judy Beardsley was her sister's junior bridesmaid in an aqua taffeta gown, a shade lighter than the other attendants. She carried a miniature bouquet like those of the maids.

John Jay Freer of Shaker Heights was his brother's best man. Groomsman were Robert Mason Beardsley, brother of the bride; Gerald Cannon, brother-in-law of the groom of Warrensville, Ohio; Peter Dawson of Cleveland, William Goodwin of Wexona, Ohio;

## DOWN TO EARTH

# Expert Advice on African Violets

By ALICE WESSELS BURLINGAME  
Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

When the temperature is above freezing and there is a light rain you will find conditions ideal for cutting branches of your favorite early flowering shrubs for forcing.

Most folks have tried forcing shrubs and forsythia but this year extend your experience in forcing plant material. Nanking cherry, purple leaf plum and flowering quince are readily forced.

Many have fruit trees and in about three weeks from the time you begin to force peach, pear, apple, cherry, flowering crab and red bud boughs you can expect exotic flowering material for unusual arrangements with an oriental flavor.

Do not overlook the possibility of using these foliage in a forcing program, red osier dogwood, tamarack, white birch and red barberry.

I always cut Mrs. Burlingame all boughs with than clippers due to the pinching which restricts the amount of water going up the stem by osmosis.

AS TO THE technique you have a choice of two methods. The cuttings may be placed in a deep bucket in a cool spot of the basement. They should be sprayed with water every day to soften the buds.

As the second choice you may wrap the branches in wet burlap and keep them damp until color shows, then remove the burlap.

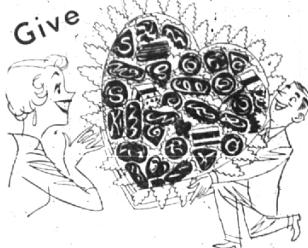
I just visited Mrs. Robert VanderPyl, 584 Lake Park who especially enjoys growing exotics in her home. She specializes in African violets and enjoys growing these choice plants from seed which she has crossed in her collection.

When Mrs. VanderPyl removes a leaf for propagation she places it in a shallow pot of vermiculite in the center of which she has in-

This September the VanderPyls transite. Our hostess said that the finished a new greenhouse, thirty care of the greenhouse takes 15 minutes a day. The greenhouse is filled with colorful foliage and flowering degrees. Benches were made as a plants. Tulips are in bud and flats project by VanderPyl and are of hold rare seeds.

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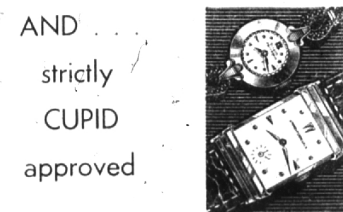
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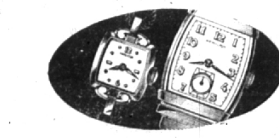
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