There is provided for each of us every day the opportunity to do or speak good at least to one other person. Most of us fail to do this because we do not plan for it . . . indeed, we pay less attention to it than we do to making a small purchase.

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PTA Fairs May Worry Chairmen Seeking Funds

By DOROTHY JEAN ZACK

Parent-Teacher association money-raising can be fun or can be a real worry, according to officers of such associations in Birmingham.

With budgets running from a few hundred up to $1500, chairmen of fairs or card parties may sometimes feel like they're working under an ax.

"BUDGET SNOWBALL," one officer who'd rather not be quoted said, "What they earned and spent last year must this year be topped if the association officers are going to be proud of their job."

Some, like Pierce Parent-Teacher association's officers, face an event that worries them. With budget set at $1500, each school room must have a money-making booth during their Oct. 21 fair.

AT ADAMS, the PTA seeks to earn about $1900 at their frolic towards their new budget of $2,500.00. Set for Feb. 17, the event is already being planned by Mrs. J. T. Bernard's committee and will feature Milky the Clown. Last year's Adams frolic earned $1120.11, according to their March newsletter.

"As I understand it, other schools make more," Mrs. Bernard said. "And another thing that we expect to help us this year is having both seventh and eighth graders. We had seventh last year, and just up through sixth grades the year before."

FOR BEVERLY PTA, with a budget of $892, half as big as Pierce's the board at a meeting last week looked over money-making possibilities. Tops on the list is a card party, repeating last year's event that was "easier and more fun" for all concerned, than a fair. An international exhibit by all schoolrooms or a puppet show are other considerations, with nothing set definitely.

"It's asking a lot of the few people who do the organizing," said one mother who had worked on other school's fairs before going to Beverly.

"We talked of it last year, but hated to have a fair in the brand new building and get it dirty," she said. "A fair does get to be pretty tremendous."

QUARTON school's fair committee looks at fairs from the children's point of view.

Said Mrs. John Adamson, who is co-chairmaning the Oct. 28 event for Quarton with Mrs. John Fauver, "We both are strictly against having the fair become too commercial. We are cutting as many prices as we can this year. We may not make as much money but the children will be getting more for their money."

With last year's fair netting about $1900, she indicated that Quarton's fairs never fail to make money, and this year will probably equal last year's figure.

AT HOLY NAME, the PTA has only a $225 budget, but, in the parochial school, takes on less purchases than in public schools. Only fund raising event is its "theatre party" at Will-O-Way, for which tickets are now on sale.

Any surplus funds — for the event may net from $300 to $400 dollars—go into such purchases as flags for all school rooms, like was done last year.

Boards decide what funds are spent for, with such items as the new TV set at Adams, stage drapes, and equipment for teacher's rooms, being on budget lists.

Pierce funds this year will go towards a refrigerator for the teachers' lounge room, and in other years have secured recording machines, drapes, and books for the library.

AT BARNUM school, a fair is not considered, but magazine sales occasionally boost funds. A collection at one event a year pays for all expenses.

Holy Name's members, while having a low budget, do have committees handling funds for the bus transportation, for which families are charged $125 for two children, and work with the set-up for the cafeteria.

Suburban Scene

'Before the Dial' Girls Reminisce At Dinner Party

By FRAN MAIER

Recalling the day in July, 1950, when Birmingham switched from manual to dial operation telephones, some 100 former telephone operators will be gathering tonight for dinner and much reminiscing at Rotunda Inn on Pine Lake.

Attendance of the reunion, mainly from the 200 who were at work at switchboards at time of the switch-over, has risen from 40 two years ago, to 60 last year, and now to 103.

Arrangements for the event have been in hands of Mrs. Ernest Toman, of Berkley, Mrs. Frank Hilton, of Shipman, Birmingham, and Edie White, of Royal Oak, with Mrs. George Forester sending out cards to all known addresses of former operators.

At Convo in Richmond

Gertrude Hindelang of Birmingham will be a panel member for the American Society of Women Accountants convention at Richmond, Va. She is among 15 Detroit area accountants attending the three-day convo at Hotel John Marshall.

Panel topic is "New Trend in Accounting Techniques." Miss Hindelang is past president of the Detroit chapter of the society and is currently serving as National award chairman for the American Women's Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Stringed Players

Three Birmingham residents are members of a new string orchestra, the only orchestra of its kind in the State of Michigan. Mrs. William Hohmeyer of Hillcrest and Dory and Oliver Rodgers of Wimbleton are playing violin and viola in the orchestra. The conductor is Emil Raab, Assistant Professor of Violin and Chamber Music at University of Michigan, who also directs the civic orchestra of Jackson. The orchestra is sponsored by the Henry Ford Community college Adult Education program and rehearses each Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Edison Junior high school in Dearborn.

This orchestra provides the only opportunity in the state for stringed instruments players to hear and to play the wealth of stringed instrument musical literature.

Appear in Cathedral

Rehearsals for a forthcoming appearance at the National Cathedral in Washington, D. C., are occupying the spare moments of two Birmingham girls at Mary Baldwin college, Staunton, Va. They are Marnie Graf, daughter of Ernest H. Graf of Wimbleton drive and Sue Paterson, daughter of Hamilton H. Paterson of Westwood drive.

Freshman Marnie and Sophomore Sue will sing first soprano in the glee club. Both girls were graduated from Kingswood school.

Choir director Gordon C. Page is preparing the program which the 85-voice Glee club will present to Washington audiences during their annual appearance at the cathedral.

Birthday Fete

An 88-year-old mother, Mrs. Florence Rhodes, celebrated her birthday with her daughter, Mrs. Nettie Kiehler, who returned Saturday to her home in Phoenix, Ariz., after a

visit here. She was given a birthday cake Friday when the Senior Activities group, sponsored by the Community house, met there for work on cancer pads and their customary luncheon.

Helps with Party

Mrs. James F. Sheeran, of the Talents Unlimited shop, is among chairmen for the Detroit Federation of Women's card party and fashion show tomorrow at Federal auditorium in Detroit. She is special activities chairman.

Eastern Stars Take Mrs. York As New Matron

The 58th installation of officers of Birmingham Chapter No. 220, O. E. S. took place in an impressive ceremony last night at the Masonic Temple, Birmingham.

Installing officers led by Mrs. Selma Brown, past grand matron, were: mistress of ceremonies, Elma Kidd, past matron; installing marshal, Ann Main, past matron; installing chaplain, Elsie Baynes, past matron; installing grand organist, Marion Doench, and installing grand soloist, Rose Marie Toormina.

Pages were Ruth Hopkins and Amy Hopkins.

OFFICERS FOR the year are: Mrs. Bessie York, worthy matron; James Roark, worthy patron; Elsie Eckersen, associate matron; Harold Latham, associate patron; Viola Minks secretary; Blanche Brooks, treasurer; Mildred Matthews conductress; Ann Foreman asst. conductress; Margaret Busby, chaplain; Maude Masterson, marshal; Bessie Ferguson, Organist; Marjorie Sura, Adah; Ruth Reader, Ruth; Pyrle Bowden, Esther; Lillian Green, Martha; Donna Davies, Electa; Gladys McVean, warder; Leon Miller, sentinel, and Phyllis Martz, assisting marshal.

FLAGBEARERS ARE: Harold Latham, American; Phyllis Martz, Christian; and Dorcas Little, Eastern Star.

Dorcas Little is the candle of love and her degree includes: Adah, Violet Breedlove; Ruth Bessie Rose; Esther, Mabel Mennhinnick; Martha, Evelyn Green; and Electa, Evelyn Latham.

Woman's Club Has Two at Convention

Mrs. L. S. Heintz and Mrs. Warren Pratt attended the 57th annual convention of the Southeastern District of Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs at the Hotel Hayes at Jackson, Michigan on October 18 and 19. Mrs. Heintz is president and Mrs. Pratt a member of the Birmingham Woman's club.

Mrs. R.L.C. Prout, a Muskegon woman who is president-elect to the General Federation of Women's Clubs was banquet speaker.

Other outstanding speakers were Mrs. C. E. Walker, President of the State Federation and Miss Helen Harris, the First Vice President.

Both Mrs. Prout and Mrs. Walker attended the conference in Geneva, Switzerland, this summer.

Visiting Here

Settled in a new home is Mrs. McKnight Parker, formerly of 259 West Brown, Birmingham. It's at 2822 Dorchester.

Moves from Brown

Walter R. Brown, St. Paul, Minn., spent last week here visiting Mrs. James J. Berkley, 1527 S. Eton, seeing Birmingham o?r the first time.

Deller's Trio Brings Ancient Music Here

"Intrinsically musical" critics have called the counter-tenor voice of Alfred Deller, whose voice and his trio's lute, viola, and harpsichord music will be heard by Cranbrook Music Guild on opening night.

"The counter-tenor voice is a male alto voice of what would be regarded now as exceptional range and facility . . . for which Bach wrote alto solos in his cantatas and Purcell . . . some of his best airs," says Machael Tippett, noted British composer.

The guild's musical program will feature Deller's singing in an unusual concert for members at Cranbrook house next Wednesday evening. With the famous English vocalist will be Desmond Dupre, London player of both lute and viola da gamba, who turned from cello because the two instruments lend themselves better to early music.

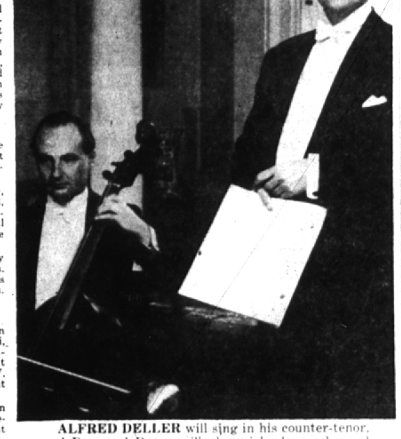
ALSO WITH THEM will be harpsichordist Robert Conant whose technique has pleased audiences in America and Europe.

Such programs of ancient music, featuring works by Bach, Handel, Purcell and Dowland, are considered welcome variety from usual programs in music circles, the Cranbrook committee says.

The concert will be followed by an "Afterglow," planned by Mrs. Whiting Raymond, with her aids being Mrs. R. S. Bevans and Mrs. W. Ogden Vogt.

PRESIDING at the coffee urn will be Mrs. Martin Archangeli, Mrs. Robert P. Nevin, Mrs. Benjamin Brewster, former president of the guild, and Mrs. LeRoy W. Dahlberg, wife of the present president.

Deller's musical career began as lay clerk at Canterbury cathedral; and after eight years, went in similar post to St. Paul's Cathedral in 1947. His first recordings were in 1949 and his trio formed in 1950 for BBC.



ALFRED DELLER will sing in his counter-tenor, and Desmond Dupre will play viola da gamba and lute during program for Cranbrook Music Guild Wednesday.

WNFGA Marks 25th Anniversary

CHAIRMAN of the June 1956 Flower Show for the Birmingham Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, Mrs. Frank D. Webb, receives advance training in flower arrangements from Dr. C. E. Wildon, horticulture professor, at a training course at Michigan State university.

Tea Honors Past Prexies; History of Club Reviewed

Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, Birmingham branch, will open their 25th year with a meeting at the Community house at 1:30 p.m., Oct. 25. Mrs. Raymond Smith will be chairman of the day and has obtained as speaker Mrs. R. G. Schulke of Brecksville, Ohio.

MRS. R. G. SCHULKE

Mrs. Schulke, an experienced teacher, writer and lecturer in flower arrangements, has taught classes at the Cleveland Garden Center for a number of years. She conducted a flower arrangement television program and is an accredited flower show judge and teacher for state flower show school.

Mrs. Smith will give a brief history of the club, honoring the past presidents. The first president was Mrs. John T. Edgerly, who presided over the group that was organized at the home of the late Mrs. W. D. Thompson on September 22, 1930. During its formative years, the Branch received much inspiration from the late Mrs. Henry Ford.

FROM its very beginning the club closely followed a program to carry out the purposes of the National Association which, in addition to horticultural interests, are: To cooperate with federal and state agencies for the improvement of rural conditions; To furnish opportunities for marketing farm and garden products; To cooperate with international groups with similar interests.

The purposes of the association were first carried out through the establishments of Wayside Markets, designed by Mrs. Ford and through the Annual Greens Markets, originated by her in 1929 and still a popular event of the Michigan Division. The second president, Mrs. F. H. McKinney, during the depression years of 1932 and 1933 worked to interest residents in vegetable gardening. Mrs. T. F. W. Meyer served during 1933 and 1934. The first Christmas Show was staged during the presidency of Mrs. Charles H. Welch, Jr., in 1934-35.

DURING Mrs. Samuel Garber's presidency, 1936-38, the first June Flower Show became a reality. The Michigan Horticultural Society presented an Award of Merit to the branch for the excellence of the children's exhibits. Mrs. Aaron H. Webster, president in 1938 to 1940, supervised civic and roadside improvement projects, which included landscaping public buildings and rural schools. During the presidency of Mrs. Lawrence Howe in 1940 by 1942, the local branch started a campaign to make Birmingham the "City of the Flowering Crabapple Tree." Through the cooperation of the State Highway Department, several hundred trees were designated for planting along Hunter boulevard.

THEN came the war years, victory gardens, and Mrs. William Howe in 1942 to 1944 organized a committee to assist with apportioning plots of ground for vegetable gardens. The pride of the club was a Demonstration Victory Garden at the corner of Willets and Bates Street across from the First Baptist Church. In 1944, when Mrs. Ewald Schaffer took over the presidency, there were increased activities of the War Services Committee and the Victory Garden project, including $38,875 worth of bonds which were sold through the organization.

AN OUTSTANDING innovation after Mrs. Lewis C. Dibble became president in 1946, was May Garden Week. Mrs. William McCallum in increased the club interest in scholarship conservation school for teachers and scholarships for rural women to Farm Women's Week at MSU. During the two years Mrs. Brewood Gamble served, the Birmingham branch was hostess to Michigan Division's 25th annual meeting.

THE Horticultural Therapy committee was formed and much of the ground-work for present day activity was laid during Mrs. Frank Webb's terms. The Speakers Bureau was formed and the Junior Gardening committee instructed the local Girl Scouts in nature study, flower arranging, ceramics, gardening, herb culture and cookery.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Robert Watt, the Birmingham branch today is carrying on the activities of the past and standing ready to accept the new challenges of the future.

Mrs. H. G. Wood will decorate the Silver Anniversary Tea Table on Tuesday and head the tea committee, assisting of Mrs. J. C. Adams, Mrs. Robert Chrysler, Mrs. Earl Triplett, Mrs. Waterbury and Mrs. Norman Berry.

Honor Horse At Luncheon At Open Hunt

When a horse gets too old, its time for a party, the ladies of Bloomfield Open Hunt club feel, and enthusiasm for the event next Tuesday has grown so that what might have been a usual Tuesday luncheon crowd of 25 is now over 200.

Plans for the event call for luncheon with funds raised going to buy two more school horses, according to Mrs. Carney D. Matheson and Mrs. J. Philip Moore, co-chairmen of the event.

OLD "CAPPY", 26-year-old horse who has carried many a young Hunt club child on his first horseback ride, is about ready to retire. Cappy and Sunday, a Palomino who's younger than Cappy, are only horses who carry out the exact instructions needed for teaching four and five year olds how to ride. "You certainly can't put those tots on hunters and jumpers," points out Mrs. Moore.

The school horses now total six that carry the children and adult students in their lessons.

THOUGH THERE'LL be no riding for the Tuesday luncheon event, it will start off the regular weekly series of Tuesday noon gatherings, when riding from 11 to 12 precedes the luncheons.

Aiding Mrs. Matheson and Mrs. Moore are Mrs. Irving Duffy, Mrs. E. E. Fisher, Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. H. J. Hawkinson, Mrs. R. F. Lawlor, and Mrs. R. C. McIntire.

Among the 200 reservations are those of Mrs. James Vernor, Mrs. F. M. Hampton, Mrs. C. M. Pierce, Mrs. E. E. Wilson, Mrs. T. E. Wilson, Mrs. J. H. DeVisser, Mrs. H. J. Coffmeier, Mrs. Reed Alexander and Mrs. Gordon Hess.

DECORATIONS are in charge of Mrs. W. A. P. John, being aided by her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. A. Clark and Mrs. Clydel. Hagerman.

Tickets are chairmaned by Mrs. David Gleffe, Mrs. William O. Bridge, and Mrs. John Maddox. Luncheon is in charge of Mrs. Arthur C. Hotzenbaugh.

Altrusans Set Potluck

Altrusa Club of Birmingham will hold a pot luck dinner at the home of Mrs. Muriel Bessie, 1079 Rivenoak, Monday, when project will be the package Christmas gifts for the two-year-old Austrian boy sponsored by the club.

Little Werner Riedl is one of a pair of twins. His father works with the post office and makes about 1000 shillings a month, which is hardly enought to provide a living for a family of 4. Sponsorship of the Austrian child was obtained through the Children Federation, an organization which gives constructive service to children and schools in lesser privileged areas of America and in war depleted countries overseas.

THE CLUB WILL ALSO welcome back Mrs. Raymond Peck, of the Birmingham National Bank, who attended the National Convention of the American Association of Bank Women in Phoenix, Arizona. While there she attended a breakfast given by the Phoenix Altrusa club for all Altrusans attending the convention.

The Grants-in-Aid program of Altrusa International, Inc., a project to develop friendly relations in the Western hemisphere has made an addition to it whereby for an experimental period of one year, women from Asiatic countries will be eligible for grants ranging from $250 to $750 to supplement their studies while in America.

When her studies here are completed, the student must return home where she can apply her newly acquired skills for the benefit of her people and share with them her understanding of North Americans.

As of July 1, 1955 approximately 110 Latin American women have received these grants, with a total of $64,000 given.

Want 200 Donors For Blood Bank Visit on Nov. 2

Birmingham Newcomers are out for blood—in fact they want 200 pints as they prepare for the Nov. 2 visit of the American Red Cross bloodmobile at the Community House, between 2 and 8 p.m.

Mrs. Richard Haviland and Mrs. Harold Bickner, cochairmen, said, "The Bloodmobile will carry two hundred containers here and we want no 'empties' riding back to headquarters."

Since this is their third sponsorship, they know the problems they face and are already in full swing making phone contacts and other appeals for donors.

Using figures to show the need for blood, Mrs. Haviland revealed that last August the Red Cross released 660 pints for Oakland county residents, but received only 343 pints for the bank, meaning the reserve is never very far ahead.

"Our blood bank," she said, "is working on the new 'reciprocity plan', which means that donors here can have their gift credited to a member of the immediate family living in another state, or to oneself if accident or illness should occur while the donor is away from home."

Newcomers will assist the regular blood bank staff and operate a nursery for small children, under the direction of Mrs. Walter Riley. Quarton school Girl Scouts, troop 154, will assist her.

Frenchwoman's Visit Ending

Mrs. Rene Leroquais, Frenchwoman who has spent the past five months with Mrs. Carl Huessner at her Brookside, Birmingham, home, is concluding her visit, but hopes to return on an immigrant visa.

Mrs. Huessner will drive to New York with her Sunday, with stops planned at Akron, O., to see friends, and Redding, Pa., before Mrs. Leroquais sails on the Queen Elizabeth Oct. 26. She will reach her home in France the next week.

THEN MRS. Huessner and her sister-in-law, Mrs. George Huessner, of Marlette, and possibly Mona Lerouax, of Detroit, who will accompany them on the trip east, will continue on up to Connecticut where Mrs. Huessner has two aunts in Waterbury, in center of the flood area.

Back through New York state by Niagara Falls and through Canada complete the agenda.

MRS LEROQUAIS has applied for her immigrant visa, with her enthusiasm for America, and her daughter and her husband have asked for immigrant visas, because of her glowing letters home to France. They would probably come to Detroit or Birmingham when they come, since Mrs. Huessner will sponsor them. Such a visa takes from a year to a year and a half, the ambassador has informed Mrs. Huessner.

Discuss Bake Sale

Birmingham Women's Credit Breakfast club met at the Community House for dinner and a showing of the film "Miracle for Mr. Smith." Plans were also discussed for a bake sale to be held Nov. 12 at Jacobsons.

AURELIA TATAR, Birmingham junior and Nancy Bryar, Grosse Pointe sophomore, Homecoming chairmen for Alpha Gamma Delta, Michigan State University, discuss parade plans with Charles Foster, Taylor Center senior and Lewis E. Kerans, East Lansing sophomore, Homecoming chairmen for Lamda Chi Alpha. Carolyn Greve, Birmingham sophomore, is homecoming chairman for East May Hall.