

# Both Big and Little Girls Like A Peek into Carey's Dollshop



CRECHE DOLL was a prizewinner for Mrs. Walter Carey when she attended the recent Doll Club convention in Boston.

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A room to delight girls of all ages, including mothers who haven't outgrown their love of dolls, is the Doll Studio, a project of Mrs. Walter Carey, on Middlebelt road in the Walnut Lake area.

Mrs. Carey, who confesses having been fascinated with dolls as far back as she can remember, formerly had a small shop in Birmingham, before adding this beautiful sunlit room onto the rear of the family home.

TALL WINDOWS, partly screened by thriving greenery from indoor window boxes, flank the modern-style stone fireplace, and the room is lined with cabinets and tables especially designed for the huge doll collection.

A large portion of the 1,000-piece assemblage is housed in niches around the walls, together with unique toys which are period pieces.

Mrs. Carey says that as the oldest of a family of girls she repaired broken dolls constantly until this became her favorite hobby. She started collecting ten years ago, and has been in the repair business the last six years.

A PAST PRESIDENT of the Detroit Doll Collectors' Club, one of the largest units of the United Federation of Doll Clubs, incorporated, she took top honors at the August convention of the national association in Boston with this hand-carved wooden doll, an early creche religious doll dating from the late seventeenth century.

The collection includes dolls from early days through the most clever of modern creations, and French Provincial, German bisque, English, Japanese, Navajo, fortune telling ladies, Holly doll, Alice in Wonderland fantasy figures, and an official replica of Queen Elizabeth at the coronation ceremonies are a small part of the whole.

THE DOLLS are frequently shown at fairs and in classrooms when teachers are having their lessons on foreign lands.

Mrs. Carey is active in the newly organized Birmingham-Bloomfield branch of the Zonta club.

## Banquet Honors Smith Freshmen

A father and daughter banquet at the Groves Pointe Country club honored incoming freshmen to Smith college. Patty Hummel, a sophomore, gave a talk on "Honor System and Student Activities."

Birmingham fathers with their daughters attending were Edward W. McCaul and Margaret of Lone Pine Hill, Bloomfield; George M. Sheriff and Louise of West Lincoln; and Benton A. Aikens and Barbara of Pierce street. Patty Hummel had her father, Charles Hummel of Devon Lane.

## Has House Guest

When Mrs. Ralph L. Polk, Jr., entertains members of Detroit Opera association's Women's committee at home and gardens of Mrs. Polk, Sr., she will have as houseguest Mrs. Sherod B. Scott. Mrs. Scott is moving soon from Bronxville, N. Y., to Groves Pointe.

## Kathryn Kinn Troth Is Told

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kinn of Cataula, Birmingham, announced the engagement of a daughter, Kathryn, to James Richard Buck of Muskegon, at a family dinner last Saturday night.

Buck is son of the Joseph Bucks of Muskegon, and is a graduate of Hilldale college, where he is affiliated with Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

His bride-elect, who has not yet set the wedding date, also attended Hilldale.

## Former 1st Ladies Form Committee

Ladies who have watched their husbands organize events over the years took over for the luncheon event at Oakland Hills country club yesterday afternoon.

Nine women, whose husbands had the club presidency, were committee headed by Mrs. M. M. Burgess.

Annals formed the floral blooms in individual table decorations, giving an air of fall's rich colors. Browns and gold were fall tones used on invitations to the bridge and fashion show.

Rollins provided models, fashions and commentary.

## Has 55 Guests

Bette Dacey hosted 55 guests at her home, 3610 Fairmont, Beverly Hills, Saturday night. Guests were from Beverly, Birmingham and Lake Orion, where Bette and her parents, the Ernest A. Daceys, lived until last year. The outdoor party featured Japanese lanterns as decoration.

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

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## B'ham Newcomers Club Hear Interior Decorator

With miniature "little red schoolhouses" and bright autumn flowers decking the luncheon tables, Birmingham Newcomers club held its first social gathering of the year at the Birmingham Community House. Forty-five of the 170 women present attended as brand new residents of Birmingham, and were welcomed by the club's president, Mrs. Richard Haviland and Mrs. Effie Shaffer, Community House director.

Guest speaker, Bruce Bradshaw of Hudson's, presented a subject of interior decorating—a subject of interest to homemakers, and particularly intriguing to newcomers, many of whom are in the process of redecorating or furnishing their newly-acquired residences in the Birmingham area.

USING a cleverly-placed spotlight to dramatize his color schemes, Bradshaw worked with various fabrics and accessories as he talked, stressing that one should select a "center of interest" to build up a room as the first step in decorating. Then with a "color spring board" to work from, the selection of rug, wall color, drapes and accessories can be made. Bradshaw suggested guarding against using too many colors in a room, demonstrating that a maximum of four compatible colors is most effective. "The secret of attractive decorating," said Mr. Bradshaw, "is to use something light, something dark, and something bright."

MRS. Haviland announced that for the first time since the club was organized in 1947, the Newcomers will hold an informal dance for members and husbands on Friday, Oct. 21, at the Birmingham Country club. Since attendance at this function must be limited, members were urged to buy their tickets early from the dance chairman, Mrs. Paul Lenahan and Mrs. Doris

Had Kogge.

Mrs. Haviland also told the group of two new features of the Newcomers Club, the monthly newsletter named "The Welcome Mat" to be sent to all members prior to the monthly luncheons, and of the new "State Book" for newcomers to sign. The "State Book" has alphabetically arranged pages for each state, and will be in the foyer of the Community House at all future luncheons. The book's sole purpose is another effort of the club to help members get acquainted with one another, and as many Newcomers to Birmingham will attest, it's always heart-warming to meet "someone from home."

A RESUME was given of the Newcomer Club's duties in its annual sponsorship of the Red Cross Blood Bank to be held Nov. 2nd at the Community House.

The hostesses in the foyer of the Community House as they arrived for the luncheon were Mrs. Sletnar Davis, Mrs. Max Mooten, Mrs. Miriam Truax, Mrs. Robert Carpenter, Mrs. Herbert Clarke, Mrs. Paul Mortimer, Mrs. William Wulfram, Mrs. Kenneth Shelly, Mrs. Lawrence Gilley, Mrs. William Estell, Mrs. Charles Howard and Mrs. Conley Parker.

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