

How comparatively few of us really "manage" our work time. Since time is off our hands to live in, why shouldn't we learn, early in life, how best to budget it? It is not this as necessary to success but happiness in learning to read and write? Indeed, wise control of one's time is most important.

Suburban Scene

by BARBARA GANSCHOW

Bert Uebeles Home for Holidays

PF and Mrs. Bert Uebele III, home visiting their parents for the holidays, have an exciting venture ahead of them. As the result of winning an Army talent scout contest, Bert, and his wife, who assists in his magic act, will appear in the near future on an NBC television program. The Uebeles... she's the former Suzanne Quinn... were married in June and are making their home at Monterey, Calif., where Bert is head of special services, the entertainment branch at Fort Ord. Aside from his magic act which has brought him considerable acclaim, the versatile young man also plays trumpet and drums in an Army trio.

"Games and Gossip," a western magazine which uses stories on interesting people, recently featured this young couple on its pages, including several pictures, one of which shows Bert at the piano with Suzanne vocalizing. When Suzanne attended Birmingham high school, she was part of a vocal group called "The Four Jills". Celebrating Suzanne's birthday Friday, her parents, the Herbert J. Quinns of Burning Bush road, will entertain at a family dinner party.

Skidmore Alums Plan Coffee

Ten-thirty o'clock on the morning of Dec. 27 will find Skidmore college coeds who are home for the holidays, their parents, prospective students and alums gathering at Bloomfield Open Hunt club for a coffee planned by Skidmore college club of greater Detroit.

Tylers Visiting from Rhode Island

Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Tyler of East Greenwich, R. I., arrived in Birmingham Wednesday for a 10-day visit with her parents, the Latta Porters of Chestnut street, Saturday. Ed's sister, Helen, will come in from Milwaukee, Wis., to be here over Christmas. The Porters have invited friends of their guests to join them for tea Saturday. Christmas day, the Porters' son, with his wife, Nancy, will host a family dinner at their home on Hazelwood avenue.

McLeeses Back in Town for Wedding

The H. D. McLeeses of Scarsdale, N. Y., and the T. W. Eustis of Birmingham, Mich., are trading houses for a few days this week and next. The convenient arrangement came about when Janet McLeese, who had lived in Birmingham with her parents until they moved to Scarsdale, in January, planned to be married Dec. 22 in First Presbyterian church here, and Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Eustis of 371 Linden decided to spend some time during the Christmas season, with their three sons who live in the East. Richard Eustis and his wife and William Eustis live in New York City and Mr. and Mrs. John Eustis, in Delaware.

UNTIL YESTERDAY, Mrs. McLeese was the house guest of the George B. Finches of Latham road, then moved over to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eustis on Linden road, to await arrival of her husband, who gets in today. Daughter Lois, who is in graduate school at Ohio State university, arrived in town Monday and another daughter, Carolyn, a student at Bowling Green State university, is scheduled to get in just in time for rehearsal Friday. They'll be bridesmaids for their sister's marriage Saturday to John R. Laddlaw, a senior student at Albion college. Also joining the family Friday will be the McLeeses' son and daughter-in-law, the Donald McLeeses of Glen Ellyn, Ill.

(See SUBURBAN SCENE, Page 3, Sec. 2)

Symonses Mark 67th Wedding Anniversary

By FRAN MAIER

"We were childhood sweethearts, grew up and went to school together, but I 'fussed' with her for four years before she said yes," remarked D. W. Symons, who celebrated his 67th wedding anniversary with his wife Tuesday.



ABOVE: The Symonses are proud of their first television set, a combined 67th wedding anniversary and Christmas gift from their children and grandchildren.

AT RIGHT: At the age of 88, Mr. Symons has a good start at carving the body of a violin... can't let his 93-year-old brother get ahead of him.

Discusses Plans For Building New Convent

Don E. Ahrens of Haverhill road, Bloomfield Hills entered at a luncheon at the Detroit Athletic Club Monday, at which ways and means were discussed for building the proposed new Sacred Heart Convent of Bloomfield Hills. The proposed convent is to be the new home of the present Sacred Heart Convent, Lawrence avenue.

Some 60 men and women of Detroit, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Grosse Pointe accepted the luncheon invitation of Mr. Ahrens, who is campaign chairman of the project. Peter J. Monaghan, of Bloomfield Hills is co-chairman. THE PLANNING luncheon has as its purpose the organization of a committee, the consideration of plans for the physical structure (the plans have been obtained), and general talk about ways and means to provide this new convent facility.

One of the speakers was Mother Wansboro who talked from the Lawrence Avenue Convent via a special telephone set-up, with loud speaker in the D.A.C.'s Georgian room. The luncheon, local to the assemblage could all hear. The arrangement was made due to the fact that the Sacred Heart order of nuns is semi-cloistered and Rev. Mother Wansboro, a gifted speaker, could not be there in person. MRS. AHRENS was there to act as hostess for her chairman husband. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Monaghan, Mr. and Mrs. Norman J. Fredericks, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Fisher, Mrs. Everell E. Fisher, Mrs. Judge W. Beardens, Mrs. Leon Briggs, Mrs. James K. Campbell, Mrs. Clyde P. Crane, Jr., Mrs. John H. Tindal, Mrs. William Gerald R. Slattery, Mrs. William R. Yaw, Mrs. Philip Monaghan, John S. Russ, Frederick Colombo, Morgan B. Lawton, John H. Dumb, Richard Krafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kroha, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Martin, Mrs. James W. Lyons, Miss Mildred Feely, Mrs. William D. Hinsberg, Miss Gertrude Healy, Mrs. Frank Perron, Mrs. William C. Roney, Jr., Mrs. John H. Tindal, Mrs. William J. Wink Jr., Mrs. Clements Hellebush, Mrs. Frank J. Weston.

Elected to Posts At Florida School

Two Birmingham high school graduates have been elected to posts on the University of Miami campus at Coral Gables, Fla., where they are students. Sally Elizabeth Kelly, daughter of the Winton J. Kellys of Westwood drive, Bloomfield Village, is social chairman of her sorority, Delta Gamma. Social chairman of Sigma Chi fraternity is John Conroy, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Leo Conroy of Bonnie Bear.



TYPICAL OF THE CHILDREN'S PARTIES in the Country clubs, Santa distributed stockings filled with goodies at Forest Lake Country club Sunday. Three-year-old Mary Ellen Cooney, daughter of the John F. Cooney's of Hupp Cross, gets close look at Santa while two other girls, Sheree Yost and Dick Hutchins, hunt for a treat in Santa's bag. Sheree is the granddaughter of Mrs. Albert Yost of Parkstone lane and Dick's parents are the William Hutchinses of Berwin.

Baldwin PTA Formally Opens Resource Center

With the cutting of a giant Christmas gift ribbon, Baldwin school's new resource center was formally presented to the children of the school Monday night by the school PTA, which planned the design of the room and raised \$2250 for its beautification. The resource center, with a stage, UHF television set, pile carpeting, new library facilities and couches and stools for browsing pupils, drew admiration from parents and pupils alike. It was open for inspection following the regular PTA meeting Monday.

The fourth, fifth and sixth grades presented a Christmas program for the meeting. The school orchestra played, each grade sang a Christmas carol, and the Christmas story from the Bible was narrated by Tam Lyndall and Randy Harbor. Tuesday afternoon, the Christmas story was presented again by the first three grades, with tableaux representing the different scenes and each class singing a carol. The programs were under the direction of Miss Anne Steinbauer, Baldwin music teacher, with Miss Margery Campion assisting with the upper grades and Mrs. Nancy Simanek with the lower.

With the couple's best friends as witnesses, Ida Shockney and Johnny Summers. Quaker meeting at the church fell on the evening of the wedding and the newlyweds attended with his parents. From there they went to the home of Mr. Symons' parents where they stayed for three weeks... just until they could move into their farm home.

MR. SYMONS was born Aug. 6, 1871, in Tipton county, Ind., and his husband was born June 16, 1868, in Henry county, Ind.

They were farmers until they came to Birmingham in 1919. From that time until his retirement in 1940, he was a caretaker for Roseland Park and White Chapel cemeteries and also worked for the city street department.

WHEN ASKED about their hobbies, Mr. Symons had a lot to tell.



THE CELEBRANTS have spent the past eight winters in Bradenton, Fla., and are members of the tourist club, which furnishes its own entertainment.

League for the Handicapped Is Haven for Late Shoppers

Last minute shoppers will find a haven this year at the League for the Handicapped, 332 Hamilton, across the street from the City's new Ferndale Parking lot. "It's a good place to knock off a large slice of the shopping list with delightful gifts from the youngest to the oldest," remarks Mrs. Edward Rothman, 508 Linden. Very special people always top the Christmas gift list and decisions are made weeks or months in advance. But there are usually a dozen or so on the list that constitute a real shopping problem. For teenagers there's a crinolin case... every young girl needs two or three of these to cover her crinolin petticoats hanging in her closet. For the lady who wears glasses, there's brightly colored cases designed to hold two pairs. Grandmothers of often bedridden relatives create a problem in gift giving. The league for the Handicapped shop has just the ideal gift... a feminine seesawer nightie patterned after hospital gowns with back openings in pinks, blues and yellows.

FOR THE lady who wears glasses, there's brightly colored cases designed to hold two pairs. Grandmothers of often bedridden relatives create a problem in gift giving. The league for the Handicapped shop has just the ideal gift... a feminine seesawer nightie patterned after hospital gowns with back openings in pinks, blues and yellows. Little girls adore smocks or aprons for the young artists, with slots for crayons and a matching stuffed animal. For teenagers there's a crinolin case... every young girl needs two or three of these to cover her crinolin petticoats hanging in her closet.

Now he is in the process of carving out the body of a violin. "Can't let my brother get ahead of me... he's 93 and still makes violins," stated Mr. Symons. He also has many other tools for whiling away the hours in his little basement workshop. Mrs. Symons crochets and memorizes poems... has a collection of them... and gives readings. Right now she has a lame arm and concentrates mostly on the poems. "Papa is chief cook and bottle washer but I do the houseing," she related.

THE SYMONS are members of the First Presbyterian Church, Knights of Pythias, Pythian Sisters and the Grand Temple of the State of Michigan.

Unusual Things About Christmas Custom of Giving

People all over the world celebrate Christmas each year. They decorate Christmas trees, exchange gifts, but more important, they realize they are celebrating Christ's birthday. There are, however, factors concerned with Christmas that are unknown by many. Did you know the custom of giving Christmas gifts did not originate with the coming of the Magi when they brought gifts to the Child Jesus? Actually, this custom of gift giving began in the time of the Romans when the Emperor Caligula passed a law demanding that his subjects give him gifts. The Roman citizens gave gifts to their friends, also. At first, these were mainly fruits; later, "honeyed" gifts, which they thought made life sweeter, or lamps to assure light and a bright future, or gold to assure them their wants for the coming year.

DO YOU KNOW the reason why Mass is said at midnight on Christmas? Although there is no historical fact to determine the truth of the statement, it is generally believed Christ was born at midnight. Most people in medieval England opposed the use of ivy as a Christmas decoration. One reason for their opposition was that they associated ivy with death, because the ivy generally grew in cemeteries.

Many years ago, the Druids in Britain believed the mistletoe to possess miraculous qualities such as healing diseases, protecting people from witchcraft, bringing good luck, rendering poisons harmless. A kiss under the mistletoe meant a pledge of love, a promise of marriage. Also, it was an omen of happiness, fertility, good fortune and a long life to those who revealed their engagement by the kiss beneath this plant. Today, people do not attribute such powers to the mistletoe, although some customs have come down to us: the kiss being the most popular.

Ashleys Host Holiday Party

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ashley of inson, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hart, 1932 Pilgrim have invited over 50 friends to an evening party and buffet tomorrow. Joining them for the festive event will be Mr. Ashley's sisters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dewey and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Zimmerman, and the Thomas Restricks, the William Rices, the Richard Tuckers, the Arthur Wisleys, Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Chapin, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Oatman, the Paul McKennys, the John Roehms, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Erb and the William Brinks. Also invited are Mr. and Mrs. Scoot Lewellyn, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Gaus, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ox, the Rex Brophys, the Robert Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobo, the William Restricks, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Roberts, the Carl Clendenen, the Robert Nelsons, the Matiland Combs, the George Souters, Mrs. Jean Compton and Harry Mack.

League for the Handicapped Is Haven for Late Shoppers

By FRAN MAIER There are also linens, blankets and summer bedspreads, in continental or king size. Available are also those insensate "stocking" gifts appreciated by grandmothers, aunts, nieces or friends. ALL of the items found in the shop are made by the handicapped, many of whom are homebound. They do not have that homemade look; they have a professional look of perfection. Every individual who turns to the Detroit League for the Handicapped for help, first discusses his problem with one of the League's professional caseworkers. It is the caseworkers job to understand just what each individual is seeking and to determine the individual's ability to invest himself, his time, his interest and perhaps money in minimizing his handicap. (See LEAGUE, Page 2, Sec. 2)



IN THE CHILDREN'S corner at the League for the Handicapped shop, Mrs. Henry Forster, Jr., 881 Bloomcrest, Bloomfield township, holds a stuffed animal matching the young artist's apron being admired by Mrs. Edward Rothman, 508 Linden.