

## L. C. Allman Presides At Grand Opera Meet

Leslie C. Allman of Cranbrook road presided at the annual meeting of the Detroit Grand Opera Association at the Veterans' Memorial Building on Tuesday, followed by a luncheon.

Invitations from the board were extended to the Women's committee for luncheon to express their appreciation for work performed during past years to the volunteer committee.

Special guest was Thomas Schippers, 25-year-old symphony and opera conductor, Michigan's own young musical genius. Schippers has for several seasons conducted during the opera festival in Detroit and returned to conduct the Detroit Symphony orchestra today.

Other guests were associates of the Detroit Symphony orchestra, including John B. Ford, president, Howard Harrington, manager, Jim Hicks, publicity director, and J. Leslie Berry, president of the Women's association.

Besides Mr. Allman, taking part in the program will be Mrs. Philip C. Baker, chairman of the board, and Mrs. Arthur B. Tilton, chairman of the scholarship committee who will introduce the 1954 Grinnell Scholarship Foundation winner, Robert Ruz, who will present a selection of songs.

Other participants will be Henry E. Wenger, vice chairman of the board, and Reuben Ryding, manager of the Detroit Grand Opera association. Mrs. Samuel J. Lang is chairman of the day, Mrs. Walter A. Williams, chairman of the Women's committee, and Mrs. Gunnar Kalstrom is co-ordinator.

Attending from the area will be Mrs. Leslie C. Allman, Mrs. Roy E. Hawkins, Mrs. Frederick L. Black, Mrs. Matthew Cammerer, Mrs. Albert Bryner, Mrs. R. G. Harris, Mrs. R. G. Lyons and Mrs. Ralph Norvell.



LESLIE C. ALLMAN

## Parents Announce Daughter's Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. George Edward Baldwin of "Twin Elms" in Orchard Lake announce the marriage of their daughter, Heidi Frances Flannery, to Ledyard Mitchell, Jr., on Dec. 26.

Heidi is a member of Sigma Gamma Association and the Junior League of Detroit.

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## Pythian Sisters Change Officers

These two officers have changed posts because of the hospitalization of Mrs. Gowan's daughter. Mrs. Gowan stepped down because she didn't feel that she would have sufficient time to devote to present.

Next regular meeting of the

## Enjoy Dining and Dancing at Club

Seven brokers from this area attended the Goodbody Investment company's holiday party at the Detroit Boat club recently. Enjoying dinner from oysters Roosevelt to liquors, with dancing to the music of Eddie Shick's orchestra, were the Ray Laudes, Miller Way; the John Johnstons, Cranbrook road, and the Richard Pattersons, Dorchester road.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Roemer, Northlawn, were also there, as were the Walter Jacksons, Madison; as well as Howard Hinds and John Dinan, both of Bloomfield Hills.

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Pythian Sisters No. 94 will be Jan. 17 at the Birmingham Community house at 8 p.m.

At their meeting Tuesday night, the Pythian Sisters Birmingham Group No. 94 had a changeover of officers. Mrs. Forest Meyer, Smith avenue, Birmingham, will become most excellent chief, while Mrs. Colin Gowan, Davis street, Birmingham, will be manager.

## Installation Of Officers

Metropolitan Club Spirit 9 and the ladies' auxiliary held their joint annual installation of officers last Saturday at the Pythian hall, Pontiac.

Officers installed for Spirit 9 for the coming year were: Vernon Keener, president; Robert Ives, vice president; Chris Bailey, recording secretary; Howard Foote,

financial secretary; DeLyle Service, treasurer; Sam Snell, sergeant-at-arms; Alva Richardson, Charles

Fredericks and Robert Schaul, trustees.

New officers for 1956 for the Auxiliary are: Mrs. Merlin Holmquist, president; Mrs. Robert Ives, vice president; Mrs. Rietta Raymond, recording secretary; Mrs. C.

G. Nunnally, financial secretary; Mrs. Robert G. Randall, treasurer; Mrs. Donald Richardson, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Ralph Bell, chaplain; Mrs. Jennie Carroll, Mrs. Willie Mae Dunn and Mrs. Homer Murphy, auditors.

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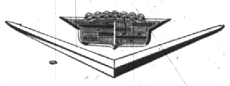
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However, we have devised a way to circumvent this horrendous situation by instituting an educational program on "why you shouldn't wait!"

For instance, you all know "Pippa Passes". She did and she left some beautiful pips for immediate planting. With little knowledge and practically no care these lily-of-the-valley pips can fill several rooms (if you plant several pots) with exquisite blooms and exotic fragrance. We would suggest—if it were not so trite—that a potfull of pips would make a peachy present for a paternal parent—or a bridge prize.

Now that the days are growing longer (not the work day or the mean solar day but the light day) it would seem to us that you might be interested in the "last word" in SNOW PUSHERS. We have been advised that a blizzard is coming!

And at the same time we wish to mention our new SNOW FENCE. If it can't keep the snow off your driveway it can at least be used for surrounding a compost pile this (next) Spring. And, believe us, you can't surround hardly anything these days—even a hot dog—for 35 cents a foot. And THREE and ONE-HALF FEET HIGH mind you!

Herb was in the other day (the H is silent) and left a little reminder that excitement can be had in the simplest ways. He left us (for you) some imported ITALIAN HERB POTS. The paintings on the pots must be Italian Herbs because they don't look much like anything that grows from a Ferry-Morse herb seed. However, they make peachy presents for pattern—us—well, see the end of the paragraph starting "For instance—"

Am. and Nar. also dropped in a while ago—a long while ago—and a few of their offspring are seeking berths in Birmingham. Great day in the morning! The Ams (Amarillys) and the Nars (Paperwhite Narcissi) are only 85c each and \$1.85 per doz. respectively and would make peachy—uh—well, see "for instance" again.

Phew! What a way to make a living. It takes one martini per paragraph . . . and you have to finish QUICK or you'll never finish. Oh, yes! How to SPEND YOUR MONEY INTELLIGENTLY. We have instituted a series of modest NATIONAL DAYS . . . each one being from 4 to 6 weeks long. The first one is:—

NATIONAL EXCESS DOG CHRISTMAS STOCKING DAY.

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