

Suburban Scene Artists Here From New York Opera Company

by BARBARA GANSCHOW

Barbara Bigge is Robert Q's Date

Being bussed on the cheek by television and radio star Robert Q. Lewis while posing for photographers was only one of the many exciting events surrounding Barbara Bigge's selection as queen in a campus-wide contest sponsored by Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity at Indiana university, Bloomington, Ind.

The lucky coed is a senior majoring in speech and theater at the school and was entered in the contest by her sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta. She is the daughter of the Donald M. Bigges of Stratford lane, Bloomfield Hills.

The queen competition was conducted to choose a "date" for Lewis while he was in town to emcee a show in connection with Bloomington's "Meet Our Town" jubilee.

Student talent was to be headlined on his radio show, emanating from the campus that evening, so after they were guests of the fraternity for dinner, Barbara assisted Robert Q. in getting the program together. She also was introduced as his "date" and engaged in a bit of repartee with him on the coast to coast broadcast.

Football Party at Birmingham CC

Dinner from 7-10 p.m. and dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. are scheduled at Birmingham country club Saturday night. The evening is billed as a U of MS-UC "Football Party".

Friends Congratulate Larry Quinn

Getting a degree from Detroit college of law and passing the state bar examinations this summer were not the only rewards for Lawrence Quinn after three years of night school study. Sunday evening, honoring Larry for achieving his life-long ambition to become a lawyer, 42 friends gathered at the Oakland avenue home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Fred Meyer. Co-hosts for the celebration were the Robert G. Silbars.

Larry apparently has entertained this idea of being a lawyer for many years, and put in a year of study toward this ambition immediately after graduation from the University of Michigan, 20 years ago. Then, some 17 years later, he decided to finish it up the hard way, via the night school route. So it's no wonder his friends chose to give him a congratulatory party.

His wife, Betty, was by his side as he arrived at the Meyers' home. The Quinns, with their children, Binker, 17, Betty, 13, and Kathy, 10, make their home on Buckingham road.

"Happy Birthday"

It was a "happy birthday" for Mrs. Fred E. Bigelow Thursday evening when her husband entertained 10 guests at a dinner party in her home at the Detroit Athletic club. Present for the occasion were the Bigelows' house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Bennett, who had arrived from Philadelphia the preceding day, to spend a long weekend.

Teen-Age Models

Birmingham high school boasts two representatives in J. L. Hudson's Teen Panel, the Fashionettes. Modeling teen-age outfits for all occasions, from playing tennis to serving tea, are Judy A. Heilmann and Judy Winchel. Julie, a junior, is the daughter of the Thomas A. Hearns of East Lincoln avenue, and sophomore Judy's parents are the L. A. Winchells of Bloomington drive, Franklin.

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Eta Iota, Beta Sigma's Charter Chapter

By FRAN MAIER

Beta Sigma Phi, an international organization which was created for young women in search of cultural and social activity, has organized its first chapter in Birmingham.

President of the new chapter, Mrs. Robert J. Olds, Beechwood, Beverly Hills, opened her home for a tea Sunday afternoon at which the group received the gavel from Mrs. J. Wesley Olds, president of Eta Lambda, the guest chapter.

Other officers are Mrs. Lee Griffith, first vice president; Mrs. Jack Madden, second vice president; Mrs. James Balmer, extension officer; Mrs. Ted Sura, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert Gasvoda, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Donald Johnson, treasurer; and Mrs. Stuart M. Hansen, press chairman.

BETA SIGMA gives its members an intimate touch with many lives and many minds, a precious guard against narrowness of vision; an enriching, intensifying, inspirational experience in the appreciation and enjoyment of the beautiful.

Members are admitted into Beta Sigma Phi by invitation and initiation by official ritual.

Eta Iota was organized by an international representative from Kansas City, Mo., Marie Page. The City Council of Detroit, where there are 30 chapters, felt the need for organization in the suburban area, since Royal Oak has the only area chapter, and invited international to do the honors. A guest at Sunday's tea was Mrs. Shirley Temple, president of the Detroit City Council of Beta Sigma Phi.

MRS. FRED FORD, 1540 Fairway, Birmingham, honorary international member, is social sponsor for the new chapter.

Pledge for the charter chapter will take the Ritual of Jewels degree Nov. 25, at which time they will become official members of Beta Sigma Phi.

They are Mrs. James Balmer of Cossack, Mrs. Frank Barnes of Brookhaven, Mrs. Robert Carley of Beechwood, Mrs. Stanley Crego of Witherbee road, Mrs. Robert Gasvoda of Dunblaine, Mrs. Hugh Galtrey of Witherbee and Mrs.



ENLIGHTENING BITS of opera conversation are exchanged by (from left) Mrs. Walker A. Williams, chairman of the Women's committee, and Mrs. John A. Henry, director of the New York City Drama department, and Mrs. Henry C. Johnson.

Birmingham League of Women Voters Schedules Unit and General Meetings

When the Birmingham League of Women Voters gets together this month, the questions on their minds will relate to the percentage of the city budget allocated to the Baldwin Public Library, recreation facilities available in Birmingham and how the school tax is computed and spent. During the past summer, three subcommittees of the League's present "Know Your Town" study have been working in the areas of Education, Recreation and Library under the general chairmanship of Mrs. Jack Gieck.

The League's first unit meetings of the fall will be held the week of Oct. 8, and will present information about the Birmingham School District, including its administration, its schools and school children, and school financing.

Committee presenting this material has been chaired by Mrs. Caroline Palmer and its members are Mrs. Blair Swartz, Mrs. William Decker, Mrs. W. L. Mullen, Mrs. Peter Loomis, all of Birmingham; Mrs. Paul K. Phillips of Franklin; and Mrs. Milton Lichter of Birmingham.

UNIT I of the League will meet Monday, Oct. 8, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Edward McGee, 291 South Glenway. On Tuesday, Unit II will meet in the afternoon from 1 to 3 at the home of Mrs. Max Miller, 7410 Franklin road; while that evening Unit III

will meet with Mrs. Brady Brenton, 4089 Walnut Hill from 8 to 10. Mrs. Eugene Louie of 1543 Dorchester will be hostess to Unit IV on Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 and that evening, Unit V will meet from 8 to 10 at the home of Mrs. George Talburt, 612 Brookside. Unit VI will meet Thursday from 8 to 10 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Eliot Reynolds, 407 Greenwood.

AT THE general membership meeting at the Community House on Oct. 15 at 1 p.m., the administrative committee will meet.

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DONALD GROTHE

Theatre Director To Address AAUW

Leonard Leone, director of the Wayne State University Theatre, will address the Birmingham branch of the AAUW Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 12:45 p.m. at the Community House. A top director in University theatre and an authority on the contemporary theatre, Mr. Leone will discuss "Trends in the American Theatre."

A graduate of Wayne University, Leonard Leone did graduate work in Florence, Italy and at the University of California at Los Angeles. He is responsible for the restoration of the Bonstelle Playhouse, in Detroit which is the present home of the Wayne Theatre and of the introduction of the circular theatre to Detroit.

A luncheon will precede his talk.

Mothers Enjoy Tea

To inform the children's mothers about the nursery school's program, and to give the mothers an opportunity to get acquainted, a tea was held last week at First Presbyterian church.

Mothers of the 75 children enrolled in the morning nursery school attended the afternoon event. They were greeted by Miss Fern Hotton, nursery school director, along with Mrs. L. H. Thomas, Mrs. Howard Coe and Mrs. Thomas M. Skitch, members of the staff.

Though the non-denominational nursery school is open to all, it is sponsored by the church's board of Christian education.

Will Explain Scholarship Qualifying Test

The new Scholarship Qualifying Test will be explained to the parents of Birmingham high school seniors by Donald Grothe, school counselor, at a special PTA meeting Tuesday, Oct. 9.

The program will begin at 8 p.m. in the high school Little Theatre. Mrs. Emory DeNador, of Yarmouth Road, is PTA program chairman and is cooperating with Principal Ross Wagner and the faculty to present a meeting of special importance to the seniors' parents.

The Scholarship Qualifying Test will be offered to high school students for the first time this fall on October 24 at Birmingham high school. It will be the only test used as a basis for scholarship by many of the better known schools including the University of Michigan, and will be given only once this year.

At the October night meeting for the seniors' parents, the faculty will also discuss college counseling and the process of college applications, military training information, and the preparation and approach to business and industry.

The information will be very helpful for all parents, and their sons and daughters need to make many important decisions this senior year, states Herbert Hunter, PTA president.

Mrs. Nance, Tea Hostess For Women's Association

By FRAN MAIER

Artists from the New York City Opera Company gave a most delightful program for committee members of the Women's Association for the Detroit Grand Opera association last week. Members and guests gathered in the spacious Lone Pine road home of Mrs. J. J. Nance for the tea and



HE WILL TAKE PART in "Orpheus in the Underworld" . . . Hiram Sherman of New York City, with Mrs. J. J. Nance (right) and Mrs. Roger M. Kyes.

I.M. Booth Married in Oklahoma

Lt. I. McAllister Booth, son of the Charles V. Booths of Fairfax avenue, claimed Frances M. Henry as his bride Sept. 22 in the Episcopal church, Altus, Okla.

Following the wedding rites, the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Henry, entertained at a reception at their home. Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Booth, Jr., of Grosse Pointe attended the couple. The bridegroom's parents also traveled to Altus for the wedding.

Frances graduated from Briarcliff junior college in New York and Mac entered service last year after graduation from Cornell university.

The newweds will make their home in Oklahoma while Mac is stationed at Altus Air Force base.

Barbara Gail Smith's Bridal Gown Complemented by Heirloom Lace Cap

Barbara Gail Smith, daughter of the Harsen Smiths of Algonac, and David Perry Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Perry Williams of Strawberry Hill, Bloomfield Hills, exchanged wedding vows Saturday morning before Rev. James J. O'Mara.

Following the rites in St. Catherine's church, Algonac, the 230 guests were greeted at a reception in St. Clair Inn.

THE BRIDE was gown in a white peau de soie long sleeved caftan featuring allover allover lace at the portrait neckline. Scattered over the voluminous skirt, which terminated in a cathedral train, were tiny paillettes of the same lace, re-embroidered with sequins and pearls.

Her silk illusion veiling cascaded from a tiny Juliet cap of rose pointe lace, a family heirloom. Complementing her ensemble was a bouquet of gardenias, stephanotis and ivy.

Blue summer satin was fashioned into ballroom length gown for the bride's attendants. Accenting the bodices were bands of faille in a deeper blue shade and panels of the same material were inserted in the skirts.

THEY WORE tiny crowns of velvet leaves with streamers and carried floral arrangements of blue and white.

Maria Saunders of Detroit was her cousin's maid of honor. Bride-maiden were Frances Kingwood, classmates of the bride, Judge Nelson of Grosse Pointe, Lynda Gentile of Grosse Pointe and Jean Morley of Detroit.

Harriet Plannery came from Toledo, Ohio, to be flower girl for her uncle's wedding. She carried sweetheart roses and wore crown of blue velvet leaves to match her organly frock.

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informal program discussion. From New York came Mrs. Jean Dalrymple, director of the New York City Drama department, Miss Sylvia Stahlman, Miss Mariquita Moll and Hiram Sherman, who all take part in the opera "Orpheus in the Underworld" to be presented at the Masonic auditorium Tuesday, Nov. 13.

Mrs. Walker A. Williams, chairman of the Women's committee, gave a resume of the opera to be presented and Mrs. Philip C. Baker, chairman of the board, and Mrs. Gunnar Karlstrom, coordinator, participated in the program.

MRS. NANCE was assisted by Mrs. Theodore O. Yelmen, Mrs. Roger M. Kyes, Mrs. Ralph L. Polk, Jr., Mrs. George Coleman Booth, Mrs. Henry C. Johnson and Mrs. Edward E. Rothman. Assisting at the tea table were Mrs. Leslie C. Allman, Mrs. Philip C. Baker, Mrs. Matthew Cammerari, Mrs. Herbert H. Gardner, Mrs. Lester A. Coleman and Mrs. Ralph L. Polk.

Among others attending were Mrs. William H. Beatty, Mrs. William H. McGahey, Mrs. David Walker Lee, Mrs. Victor Brink, Mrs. Roy E. Hawkinson, Mrs. Robert Barri, Miss Bertha Siefert, Mrs. John W. Shenfield, Mrs. John S. French and Mrs. Robert Ryding.

Alpha Omegas To Observe Founders Day

Founders Day will be observed by Alpha Omega Alpha alumnae chapter of Alpha Chi Omega next Tuesday, Oct. 9, at a dinner at Devoon Gables tea room at 8:30 p.m.

The program will be directed by Dr. Winthrop M. Phelps, medical director. It describes the complete program of the 24-hour care, treatment, and training required to achieve the rehabilitation of the cerebral palsied child.

Mrs. J. Howard Stoops, Dearborn, district alumnae chairman, will be a guest at the dinner. Chairman of arrangements will be Mrs. Robert Cook, assisted by Mrs. Garry Glomstead, and Mrs. Kenneth Price in charge of decorations.

Plans for the November pot-luck luncheon and affiliation service for new members will be announced at the dinner.

Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Curry, Jr., 330 Broadway boulevard, Bloomfield Hills, announce the June 9th marriage of their daughter, Linda Carolyn, to Anthony Joy Cousins.

He is the grandson of the Emerson Woods of Plymouth. Linda and Anthony are making their home in Plymouth.



MRS. DAVID PERRY WILLIAMS