

A true pessimist is one who believes that the evil and negative situations that confront him in life far exceed the good situations. He sees the dark side of the coin, dwelling on the fact that at the beginning of a long day of light, in this attitude he outlives the fact of blessing.

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SECTION TWO

'My Fair Lady' Fashions Reveal Elegance



COMPARING a 52-year-old chapeau with a "1956 model" are (from left) Mrs. Raymond E. Cahill, Mrs. Lowell N. Mays and Mrs. Robert H. Close. Mrs. Cahill is wearing the one which was fashionable over half a century ago.

Forest Lakers Invite Guests for Luncheon

By FRAN MAIER
Society Editor

It's a "My Fair Lady" Season, it's a "My Fair Lady" look—and, in all fairness, credit for its creation must be given to the re-awakened interest in wearing hats and to Cecil Beaton, the distinguished costume designer of "My Fair Lady."

In their passionate return to millinery, the ladies became delighting to look their lovely, feminine fully aware of the fact that something had been missing in their lives, a desire to dress up, a long scene, revealing the elegance,



the opulence of clothes created—the ladies looked beautiful, the effect was exciting, the yearning for elegance had received its fullest expression!

FASHIONS for "My Fair Lady" will be seen by club members and their guests following a luncheon at 1 p.m., Sept. 26, at Forest Lake Country club.

Mary Heligan will show a selection of daytime dresses in the smart new wools and some formal late day dresses in sparkling new flatterings. A lot of blacks, which is always a favorite, will be augmented by some of the newest colors—monochrome blue and red carpet—a vibrant color.

There will be a choice of lovely soft dressmaker suits, high fashion coats and several versions of Mary Heligan's exclusive custom matched skirts and sweater tops... the more dressy type.

Accenting these smart styles will be furs by Dittich and hats by Jean Morton.

MRS. RAYMOND E. Cahill and Mrs. Eino Nurme, both of Bloomfield township, are co-chairmen of the event.

Laurena Pringle will do the commenting and a background of music will be furnished by Bob Durant.

Birmingham models will be Mrs. John F. Horn and Mrs. Stuart W. Nunley.

MRS. ROBERT H. Close and Mrs. Robert J. Walls, who have charge of the decorations, plan to center the 30 tables with "My Fair Lady" ceramic vases holding pink and white carnations.

Other committee chairmen are Mrs. Robert H. Close and Mrs. Harry S. Siegel, prizes, and Mrs. Lowell N. Mays, invitations.

Former women employees of the traffic division of Michigan Bell Telephone in Birmingham (when they had one here) will have their annual reunion October 3.

The dinner get-together is planned for 7 p.m. at Devon Gables. Reservations may be made by mail with Mrs. William McGraw, 866 Emmens, or Mrs. Harold Reilly, 3796 Prairie, Berkeley, by phone with Mrs. Edie Byrne of 1921 Webster and Mrs. Doris Johnson of Ferndale.

Meet for Picnic
Spotlighters of Holy Name parish will meet in St. Anne's hall at 8 p.m. Saturday for a picnic to be held at the Pontiac state lake park.

ONE OF BEN ZUCKERMAN'S imported tweeds with a black satin collar and flared skirt... one of the newest to beautify "My Fair Lady" will be modeled by Mrs. Eino H. Nurme of Carey lane, Bloomfield township. Her hat is one of Hattie Carnegie's black beavers.

the wedding party, entertained 46 guests at another shower, the following night, honoring the bride-to-be.

Friday evening, Mrs. Carroll Cates, Mrs. Joseph Rizolo and Mrs. Hugh Christie feted Dolores at Mrs. Cates' home in Royal Oak. A pink and white color scheme was followed with the gifts and a bride doll arranged under an umbrella.

Frank's parents will host a dinner for the bridal party Sept. 28, to be followed by the wedding rehearsal, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Feltz have invited the same group to a party that night at their home on Graefield road.

Conversational French classes for children, grades two through five, and their mothers, will get under way Oct. 10 at 4 p.m. in the Community House. Sponsored by the AAUW, the informal instruction will, for the first time, be open to the community. A member of the Kingswood faculty, Catharine Myers, is to be the teacher. More information is available from Mrs. Jack Berno of Jackson Park, Bloomfield township.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Return Home
The "incomparable" Hildegarde and Nat "King" Cole were among headlines seen by Mr. and Mrs. Dale DeWitt Douglass of Bloomfield Hills during their stay in California.

Mrs. Douglass visited about two months at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, the James Kaufmans of Walnut Creek, Calif., arriving July 9, the day her granddaughter, Karen Dawn, was born. Also a member of the Kaufman household is 18-month-old Kevin Douglass.

Two weeks before her return trip, she flew to Los Angeles to meet Mr. Douglass, and after a weekend there, he returned with her to Walnut Creek for a week.

It was a busy schedule, with the Kaufmans' fourth wedding anniversary celebrated at a dinner party in San Francisco and visits with many old friends from their former home town at Piedmont, Calif.

While shopping in L.A., Mrs. Douglass relates she had a fine time chatting with Mrs. George "Gracie Allen" Burns in one of the stores.

Ferrees' Holiday Comes to Close
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ferree of Villa road are again settled at home after vacationing in Portland, Ore., Seattle, Wash., Vancouver, B.C., and Vancouver Island. The missus spent a good share of the summer with her parents, the J. L. Davidsons, at their cottage near Hope, B. C., and her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Palmer of



SPEAKING OF BULBS—Mrs. Frank D. Webb (left) was when she joined Mrs. F. Gordon Davis and Mrs. Seth B. Slawson for coffee at the home of the publicity chairman, Mrs. George S. Dixon, 1910 Glenhurst.

Garden Clubbers to Hear About 'Roses' and 'Bulbs for Beauty'

By FRAN MAIER

"It is wonderful having a September meeting so there is time to be inspired to plant a beautiful spring garden," remarked Mrs. F. Gordon Davis, new president of the Birmingham branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden association, who has announced her first meeting date, Sept. 25.

A luncheon at 12:30 p.m. at Oakland Hills Country club will be followed by the program featuring two members of the club—Mrs. J. C. Roberts who will give garden tips on "Roses" and Mrs. Frank D. Webb will talk on "Bulbs for Beauty."

Mrs. Webb has a delightful and stimulating way of presenting pointers on the selection and care of choice bulbs. She is a real "dirt gardener" and is most generous in sharing findings from her studies and experiments. Mrs. Webb is also an accredited flower show judge.

Program chairman for the day will be Mrs. Seth B. Slawson and Mrs. George W. Chesley, exhibits chairman, will make flower arrangements for the speakers table.

CHAIRMAN of the civic improvement, Mrs. William Burlingame, assisted by Mrs. Frank Kurtz, has announced that the first step of her committee is the planting around the Community House. It is sponsored by the Birmingham branch and financed by the board of the Community House.

There are many classes planned for flower lovers and one of the first—elementary steps of flower arrangements—will be at the home of Mrs. George W. Chesley, chairman, 575 Gilbert Lake road, Monday, Oct. 1, from 1 to 3 p.m. Participants are to bring vases, flowers and greens, and should register with Mrs. C. Walter Frederick at the Sept. 25th meeting.

Advance flower arrangement class is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon, Oct. 2, at the home of Mrs. Paul J. McConkie, chairman, 2425 West Lincoln. Interested persons should register the day of the luncheon with Mrs. B. R. Macdonald.

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Suburban Scene

by BARBARA GANSCHOW

80 Guests "Vote for Happiness..."

Guests at a cocktail party Friday at Bloomfield Open Hunt club, honoring Molly Lou McGraw and Robert D. MacGregor, were greeted with a "Vote for Happiness for Molly and Bob" poster featuring an almost life-size enlargement of a picture of the couple snapped at their engagement party last month.

Hosts to the 80 well wishers were the bride-elect's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Williams of Burning Bush, Bloomfield Village. Blue and white were the predominant colors in the floral decorations and table appointments.

Traveling from Bucyrus, Ohio, for the event were Molly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arno William McGraw, and her brother and his wife, the junior A. W. McGraws. Also from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Bowl of Toronto.

Molly and Bob are planning a Dec. 8 wedding in Bucyrus. The groom-to-be is the son of Mr. Harold D. MacGregor of Foxcroft and the late Dr. MacGregor.

On Mount Holyoke Faculty

Among the 38 new appointees to the faculty of Mount Holyoke college, South Hadfield, Mass., is Sandra A. Marciewicz of Dunblaine street in Beverly Hills. She has a degree from Siena Heights college at Adrian and last year studied chromatography at the Institutum Divi Thomae.

Bloomfield Hills WNFGA Plans Fair

The grounds around Mrs. William Kahn's home on West 14 Mile road in Franklin will be gay with booths Oct. 1 when the Bloomfield Hills branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden association presents its fair. Jams and jellies, art objects, farm produce, cook books and flower bulbs are among the things to be offered. There'll also be baked goods, plants, a white elephant table and a luncheon booth.

The event is planned for 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mrs. Herman D. Scarney is general chairman with Mrs. E. E. Hammonds and Mrs. Lester Colman as co-chairmen.

Bustily engaged with their committees are Mrs. Horace Shaw, Mrs. Dean Drager, Mrs. Donald O'Toole, Mrs. William G. Ferguson, Mrs. John B. Hammond, Mrs. Frederick Weed, Mrs. George Goodwin and Mrs. Howard Flint. Also chairwoman committees are Mrs. John Tebbin, Mrs. Herbert Mason, Mrs. Robert Taylor, Mrs. Fred Matthei, Mrs. J. Hawley Otis and Mrs. Henry Johnson... See photo, page 6.

Mill's Travel 12,000 Miles

Some 12,000 miles were covered by Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Mills of Beverly avenue, Southfield township, on their recent trip through the western states. Included in their motor jaunt were visits with relatives in California and Arizona and Mr. Mills reports it was 110 degrees in the shade in Idaho, Calif.

Dolly Susan Starts Party Whirl

Dolores Susan's fellow employees at the Pan American office in Detroit showered her with gifts last week at the first of several pre-nuptial parties planned for the bride-elect.

Dolly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Susan of Orchard Ridge road, Bloomfield Hills, is planning a Sept. 29 marriage, at Shrine of the Little Flower, to Frank H. Hekker, Jr., of Rutherford, N.J.

Umbrella-favors and blue and white garden flowers decorated the Beverly Hills home of Mary Lou Gade when,

Mrs. Nance Will Open House For Opera Committee's Tea

Women's Committee for the Detroit Grand Opera association received news from New York City Center that its director of drama, Miss Jean Dalrymple, will come for the tea Tuesday, Sept. 25. With her will be Miss Marquita Moll who will be "Venus" in the opera, "Orpheus in the Underworld" and Hiram Sherman will play "Jupiter."

Mr. Sherman is connected with the American Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford, Conn., and after 20 years of wide experience as a Shakespearean player and musical comedy star, he takes the role of the cigar smoking Jupiter in the Orpheus opera.

Chairman of the Women's committee, Mrs. Walker A. Williams, of Glenary road, with one of the vice chairmen, Mrs. Karl O. VanLeuven, Jr., are in New York today to see the fascinating new opera, which will open the New York City Center season.

The tea will be at the home of Mrs. James J. Nance on Lone Pine road at 2 p.m.

Cranbrook Music Guild Ready for Fifth Season

Last week at a meeting of the trustees of the Cranbrook Music Guild, President LeRoy W. Dahlberg announced committee chairmen.

Mrs. Benjamin J. Brewster will head the special gifts committee; Carl C. Barton, future planning committee; Mrs. Lewis B. Sappington, hospitality; James Schaeffer, house; Charles Klingensmith, tickets; William L. Graham, Cranbrook; Max Fruehauf, finance; and Mrs. Gunnar Karlstrom, publicity.

MEMBERSHIP chairman, Mrs. Mrs. Benjamin J. Brewster.

Alpha Xi Deltas Have Dinner Meet
Forty members and guests of Birmingham alumnae chapter of Alpha Xi Delta heard William Slomson speak on "Commercial Art and Advertising" when they met Monday evening to open activities for the season.

The dinner meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Thomas Jensen on Beechwood road, Southfield.

MRS. WALKER A. Williams, chairman of the advisory committee and her workers have prepared the program for the coming year—the first featuring the Juillard String Quartet, at 8:30 p.m., Oct. 31, at Cranbrook House.

Nov. 27 is the date set for the return engagement of the talented young artist, David Cerone, violinist, and Grinnell operatic scholarship winner. Now 15 years old, he is concert master of Cass Techni-

Panhellenic Tea Scheduled Today

Campus rushing at colleges and universities will be dispersed at tea at 1:30 today by the Birmingham Panhellenic council and sorority presidents.

Hostess for the event is Mrs. James J. Reilly of Linden road. She will be assisted by Mrs. Philip H. Pratt of Williamson road and Mrs. E. McLaughlin of Huntington Woods.

Presiding at the tea table will be Mrs. John N. Canavan of Southfield representative, Delta Delta Delta representative, and president of the Birmingham Panhellenic council, and Mrs. Louis Marick of Grosse Pointe, president of the Detroit alumnae association of Alpha Delta Pi.

Closing Luncheon For Lady Golfers
Closing luncheon for Orchard Lake women golfers will be held today, at which time prizes for the winners of the season will be held.

Mrs. A. S. McCall has charge of the lunch and Mrs. Vernon B. Myers is current chairman.

State of nominees to be voted on the same day consists of Mrs.

Mary Fraser Weds Vernon C. Bryant

Vernon Carlton Bryant, Jr., son of the senior Vernon Bryants of 884 Harmon, Birmingham, claimed Mary Jeanne Fraser as his bride, Sept. 8, in an evening ceremony at the Congregational church, Sacramento, Calif.

Following the rites, the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Maxwell Fraser, entertained at a reception at their home in Sacramento.

Mrs. Sam McConnell of Berkeley, Calif., was her sister's matron of honor and James Tomblinson of Flint served as best man.

After a wedding trip to Yosemite National park, the newlyweds will make their home in San Mateo, Calif., where the groom is an architect.

The bridegroom's mother and his sister, Mrs. Harold J. Lepard, Jr., of Ann Arbor, traveled to California to be present for the wedding.

Reid Alexander, chairman; Mrs. Fred D. Adams, vice chairman; Mrs. Robert S. Glover, Jr., secretary; and Mrs. Patrick Reilly Bird, treasurer.



MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN, Mrs. John W. Sanders (left) and a member of her committee, Mrs. Marshall Fredericks, readying the mailing list for the guild's first program, Oct. 31, at Cranbrook