

Few idealists ever reach the heights to which their vision is directed. Yet every step toward that goal is a step that reveals new and more lovely views, enriching the life of him who takes the steps. One may desire to go around the world, yet go only part way—but that part still brings pleasure, an enlarged outlook.

# The Birmingham Eccentric

SECTION B

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## Suburban Scene

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### Sewing Not Necessary—Donations Are

Did you know that you don't have to know one end of a needle from the other in order to be a member of the Needlework Guild? This worthy organization had its beginnings in America way back in 1885, before the advent of mass production and rapid locomotion.

Times have changed, but people have not. Many of us no longer get together in groups to sew, but we still receive the basic pleasure from giving to make others happy.

The Needlework Guild is unique in giving only new items of clothing or household linens. Why only new items? Picture your own son—his pride and yours—as he sets off for school in a brand new Ivy League jacket, or your daughter making large twirls to show off her new full skirt.

IMAGINE how much more this would mean to a troubled boy, trying to find his way back to society, or to a little girl who had never had a brand new skirt to twirl!

Think how nice it would feel to sleep between new sheets if you had never had them before. We all know of the therapy of a new hat for a woman. What if that woman had, for years, been spending what little money she had supporting her sick husband, keeping her children clothed for school, but never having enough left for herself?

WOULDN'T you like to feel the personal joy of giving which the Needlework Guild offers? To become a member, you need only to contribute two new articles of clothing or household linens.

Mrs. Wright Tisdale, 1377 Lyonhurst, president of the Birmingham-Bloomfield branch, has announced Oct. 16 as the date of the gathering at 9:30 a.m. at the Community House.

### Celebrates Birthday in Florida

Mrs. J. Howard Reed of Fox Chase road, Birmingham, is in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., as the house guest of her recently wed son and daughter-in-law, the Robert F. Thorntons.

Friends of the couple gave a party Saturday evening at the resort's fashionable Charcoal Pit dinner club to celebrate Mrs. Reed's birthday.

The Thorntons were married in Winnetka, Ill., where Mrs. Reed resided before moving to Birmingham. Mrs. Thornton is the former Janet Driscoll.

Mrs. Reed will return home this weekend from her visit with the newlyweds.

### Champagne Fashion Tea

Junior Women's association for the Detroit Symphony orchestra staged another of those exclusive fashion teas and champagne parties Thursday in the English manor-house of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood P. Engel on Franklin road, Bloomfield Hills. Emphasis was on fashions for the young marrieds and for the holiday season ahead.

Mrs. Willard W. Wicklund was chairman of the affair which benefits the maintenance fund of the Detroit Symphony. Committee heads assisting were Mrs. Russell I. Roberge, Jr., Mrs. Herbert S. Epstein, Mrs. Robert D. Meek and Mrs. James O. Nordlie.

Others working on the showing entitled "Autumn Modes" were Mrs. Donald H. Ashley, Mrs. Robert Burton, Mrs. Keith T. McKenney, Mrs. William C. Restricker, Jr., Mrs. Edmund C. Risdon and Mrs. George H. Souter.

### Fall Wedding Is Planned

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Mrs. John Kender of Wheeling, Va., announces the engagement of her daughter, Marilyn Edwards, to Robert Bushnell Grindley, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Grindley of Sodon Lake drive and East Thetford, Vermont. The bride-elect lives in Evanston, Ill.

An October 19 wedding is planned. Marilyn graduated from Butler university and was affiliated with Pi Beta Phi sorority. Her fiancé graduated from Cranbrook school and Union college. He was affiliated with Chi Psi fraternity.



### Wears Challis Gown

Arlene Rice of Bloomfield Hills wore a rose-sprigged ball gown as she greeted guests at Sigma Nu Phi's fashion show at the home of the hostess, Mrs. Homer S. Harrison (center) of Bloomfield drive, Lathrup. Madonna Moffat (left) of the John Robert Powers school was narrator.

## Sigma Nu President Welcomes Members In Century Old Gown

President of Sigma Nu at Eastern Michigan, Arlene Rice, garbed in a century old gown, welcomed guests as they arrived for the first fall meeting of Beta chapter of Sigma Nu Phi Tuesday evening. Mrs. Homer S. Harrison of Bloomfield drive, Lathrup, was hostess assisted by Mrs. C. C. Walker, Mrs. Robert A. Bell and Mrs. J. C. Litchy.

Special feature of the evening was a style show, "Fall Fashions and Accessories," narrated by Miss Madonna Moffat of the John Robert Powers school. Mrs. S. E. Cartwright arranged the program.

FOR HER ROLE on the welcoming committee, Arlene Rice of Bloomfield Hills, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Rice, met each member of the sorority as they arrived at the four.

Arlene wore a charming century-old, rose-sprigged challis ball gown with a self-material separate bertha collar covering the saucy off-shoulder neck line which made the dress suitable for street wear. With the dress she wore a tiny material to Lida. A traveler had brought it all the way from New York City by horseback as a special favor to him. Aunt Vesie and an excellent dress seamstress fashioned the dress for Lida with loving care.

The history of the enchanting dress as told by Mrs. Harrison to her guests before the modern style-bound, held her guests spell-bound.

IN 1857 Miss Lida Moore of Detroit was permitted by her very protective parents to travel by train to Atlanta, Ga., to visit a favorite uncle. It was Uncle Clem who presented the soft sheer wool material to Lida. A traveler had brought it all the way from New York City by horseback as a special favor to him. Aunt Vesie and an excellent dress seamstress fashioned the dress for Lida with loving care.

Deliciously happy Lida Moore attended her first ball, and there she captivated a tall and handsome young man. All through the summer the young people cast adoring looks at each other over tea cups and across ballroom floors. In her heart Lida was apprehensive. She knew that her parents would never approve her choice since the young man was a "government man." He was employed by the internal revenue department of the government.

SUMMER came to an end and with it came the day when Lida would return to her family in Detroit. Sadly Lida said her good-bye to the gay city and the friends she had found. She said farewell to the young man and left for the station believing that she would never see him again. Only a few minutes were left before the train departed when Lida's young man and a flustered minister dashed in to the station and the lovers were united. Before the train pulled out



ABOVE: Robert Rounsaville, who will appear in one of Detroit Grand Opera Association's performances, "The Merry Widow," was a guest Wednesday at the Bloomfield Hills home of Mrs. F. C. Reith (left). Mrs. James B. Weber, Jr., (right) Women's committee chairman, opened the program at the annual tea.

AT LEFT: Artists of the New York City Opera company (from left) Jean Dalrymple and Peggy Bonini chat with Mrs. John S. French of Lahser road at the tea, an annual event prior to the opening of the Grand Opera in Detroit.

## Cartoons In AAUW's Collection

"Low on the War," a cartoon commentary of the years 1933-41, by artist and political commentator Low, is one of the interesting books given to the American Association of University Women for their 30th book sale. Oct. 27 thru Nov. 1 in the Detroit Edition building.

The cartoons, arranged in chronological order, tell the factual story of early World War II and has the cumulative intensity of a truly great thriller, with the added knowledge that this actually happened!

"MANY MOONS," a bound volume rich in anecdotes of old northern Michigan and done entirely by the public school students of Petoskey, Mich., is another unusual volume already marked for the sale. This book, authored by the Junior Journalism class but with remarkable professional stature was done to stimulate interest in Michigan history.

The marking and transportation committees, headed by Mrs. Milton J. Taup and Mrs. Kenneth Keeler are busy getting ready for this annual fall event. All proceeds go to scholarships and the hope of bettering last year's \$2,000 is the goal.

MRS. T. A. Griffith and her solicitation committee have located convenient drop-boxes at supermarkets and other Birmingham business places for books, magazines and paper-based volumes. Pick-ups are available through Mrs. Keeler of Suffered road.

Co-chairmen Mrs. Preston Weir and Mrs. Carl Theobald entertained the complete committee at lunch Tuesday at Mrs. Weir's home for the purpose of organization and delegation of the myriad of jobs.

## Hills Men On Committee For DAC Show

Birmingham and Bloomfield members of the Detroit Athletic club have sights set on the club's annual dinner and dance for the fall season the week of Oct. 14-19.

The six-evening gala is to be a dinner-dance-dinner-dance-dinner-dance. The show at 9:30, and dancing before and after the performance. As in past seasons, there'll be several such floor show weeks through the coming months.

Singing for the party-goers of Oct. 14-19 will be Connie Towers, blonde, beautiful headliner, her program to include popular selections and gay opera numbers. Robert Maxwell, harpist and showman who enchanted DAC audiences a few seasons back, will be there in a return engagement. Playing for dancing will be Seymour Hoffman and the Twichell orchestra.

THE ENTERTAINMENT committee, with the nith degree of glamour in mind, is suggesting black tie for the six nights beginning Monday, the 14th. Hal G. Trump and Harry J. Klingler, of Bloomfield Hills, are on the committee which Martin C. Callahan chairs.

Among those going in to town for the first night are the Raymond P. Foley, the Carroll E. Carys, Mrs. John G. Wood, the John Gramhams, the Frederick Dardens—they'll all be guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. King Harness whose party group will number 27.

The setting for this year's party is the setting for the year's party. On the reservation lists for Mrs. Dunlop's talk will be on "Flower Arrangements." Pouring will be Mrs. Edward E. Hopper, Jr., and Mrs. J. G. Schmidt.



## IFYE Students on Panel

"Ambassadors in Blue Jeans," a program presented in panel fashion by International Farm Youth Exchange students, keynoted the international cooperation program sponsored Tuesday by the Birmingham Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. IFYE delegates on the panel with Mrs. F. G. Garrison, who acted as moderator, are (from left) Lydia D. Ababao

from the Philippines, Ed Tobias of Hastings, who recently returned from a year abroad, and Thane Swar Sharma of Nepal. All of the delegates are 4H members and along with Ben Westrate, executive director of the Michigan 4H Foundation, told something of the foundation to start off the panel at Bloomfield Hills Country club.

## Mrs. Burlingame Bloomfield Hills WNFGA Speaker

Bloomfield Hills branch of Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will present its traditional fall fair for its members at the regular October meeting on Monday, the 7th at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Stuart Cogswell on Birchway drive, Orchard lake.

Mrs. Charles Chubbuck and her committee will serve a buffet lunch to the members.

Following the fair the speaker will be Mrs. Alice Wessels Burlingame, noted local expert in garden design and horticultural therapy, whose regular "Down to Earth" column appears in The Birmingham Eccentric.

Her theory is that the design of a garden can have great influence on one's emotional life. Mrs. Burlingame will be introduced by Mrs. J. Edwin Watson, horticultural therapy chairman for the branch.

## Two Homes Open For Osgae Meeting

Mrs. Hazel Dunlop will be the Oct. 7th speaker for the Osgae branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Members will gather at 12:45 p.m. at the Orchard Hill home of Mrs. L. J. Keeler for the meeting and afterwards go to Mrs. Lawrence A. Price's Orchard Hill home for tea.

## Virginia Ann Beresford Engaged to James W. Fox

Mr. and Mrs. James Alfred Beresford of Bloomfield Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia Ann, to James Wilding Fox. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. E. Carleton Fox of Lake Park drive, Birmingham.

Mr. Fox attended Fishburne Military school, Waynesboro, Va., and the University of Michigan, and graduated from Hope college. He is a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

A June wedding is planned.

MISS BERESFORD is a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Gough Booth and Mr. and Mrs. William Edwin Beresford of Bloomfield Hills.

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FRANKLIN AT BRYANT

Elizabeth Ingraham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Franklin Ingraham of 840 Harmon, Birmingham, is a freshman at Bryant college of business administration, Providence, R. I.

## Alumnae of 7 Colleges To Hear Murrow Speak

Birmingham area women, members of the Detroit committee for the Seven Eastern Women's colleges, will hear Edward R. Murrow speak on behalf of their organization Oct. 15 at the Henry and Edsel Ford auditorium.

Mr. Murrow will drop his usual role interviewer and speak on "Reflections on American Foreign Policy."

More than 800 alumnae of Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Mt. Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar and Wellesley within the Detroit area are dusting their college history books in anticipation.

LOCAL officers of the Detroit committee are Mrs. David H. Lynn of Middlebelt road, Barnard; Mrs. W. R. Eyer of Bedford, Radcliffe; Mrs. Steven Bauer of Cranbrook road, Bloomfield Hills, Smith; and Mrs. W. C. Norwell of Lone Pine road, Bloomfield Hills, Vassar. Mrs. George N. Helfinger of Dunbar, public relations chairman; Mrs. W. R. Eyer of Bedford, special events chairman; and Miss Janet Gallaudet of Shadow Lane, Bloomfield Hills, program chairman.

Local club presidents representing the various colleges are Mrs. David H. Lynn of Middlebelt road, Barnard; Mrs. W. R. Eyer of Bedford, Radcliffe; Mrs. Steven Bauer of Cranbrook road, Bloomfield Hills, Smith; and Mrs. W. C. Norwell of Lone Pine road, Bloomfield Hills, Vassar.

AMONG those serving as ticket chairmen are Mrs. Robert W. Chambers of Puritan road, Mrs. George Eoen of Graceland and Mrs. Robert B. Knight of Wing Lake road, Bloomfield township.

Tickets are available at Grinnell Bros.

