

The Birmingham Eccentric

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SECTION B

Man's Twentieth Century achievements in the conquest of time and space have, by their very methods, increased the degree of impatience in many people. This haste, this loss of the most valuable attributes of patience, has left harmful marks in human relations. You cannot compress a minute's owned sixty seconds.



In Lathrup Players' Production

Members of the cast of "The Case of the Weird Sisters," presented by the Lathrup Players at the March 3 meeting of the Lathrup Woman's club included: standing, left to right, Mrs. George Rostow and Mrs. Richard Corger as Bessie and Mattie Pidgeon;

seated, Mrs. Elmer Craig as Marion Curtis, a lady detective, and Mrs. Jack Gould as Enid, who was scheduled for murder. Standing in Mrs. Vincent Zattel, who portrayed Charlotte.

'Weird Sisters' Production at Lathrup Mixes Madness With Mexican Setting

LATHRUP—In a living room with a slightly Mexican flavor—all the furniture was Mexican leather—it was available and it was light weight—the Weird Sisters frolicked for the Lathrup Woman's club Monday. The Lathrup Players presented "The Case of the Weird Sisters."

The play, set in 1911, centers around the three Pidgeon sisters, all slightly "ticked." There was a grave lady detective, something very new in the early part of the century, and a beautiful lady in distress.

COSTUMES for the play were worked out by the actors themselves. Mrs. George Rostow, who played Bessie Pidgeon, wore a gay rose-sprigged skirt. Her high-neck blouse was whipped up out of an old dotted swiss curtain.

Mrs. Richard Corger as Mattie Pidgeon wore a long, full skirted summer dress with puff sleeves and flounces that she found in an old trunk that belonged to her mother.

MRS. VINCENT Zattel who played Charlotte, the villainous older sister designed and made her dress of brown cotton trimmed with white ruffles. At a loss for a pattern, she slashed and patched dozens of old dress patterns until there evolved a shirred blouse with leg-mouth sleeves and a long straight skirt that flared below the knees.

Mrs. Elmer Craig, as the lady detective, led a rather St. Patrick's Day air with her long sleeve white blouse, trim green bow tie, and bright green skirt.



Fashion Show Committee

Comprising the committee for "Suddenly It's Spring" is (from left) Mrs. Ronald Bever, chairman, Mrs. William Brewer and Mrs. James Chenet. The March 12th ladies card luncheon and fashion show will be presented by Alvin of Pontiac at Birmingham Country club. Club member models include Mrs. J. B. Wilson, Mrs. J. Duncan, Mrs. S. Sabourin, Mrs. A. Joes and Mrs. M. Devine.

Suburban Scene

by Fran Maier
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New Home—Swiss Modern

The George W. Romneys of Lone Pine court have a new home under construction on East Valley road . . . that off Rathmoor, near the Country club. It will probably be a couple of months before they move to their modified Swiss modern, with Swiss balcony and all the accents.

Their daughter, Lynn, who was married in December left San Francisco last week, flying to Honolulu to join her husband Lt. (jg) Loren Keenan. She expects to remain there for three or four weeks until the Lieutenant moves on to Japan. Then Lynn will fly home to visit her parents . . . probably get here in time for the big move.

Which Country Next?

Children's eyes are opened to education nowadays with lasting impressions . . . by sharing and participating in the learning.

The sixth graders at Walnut Lake school are studying various countries of the world and each child is to pick a country and describe or illustrate it with products, costumes or whatever means he chooses.

One young chap chose Spain and his novel way of explaining what they were noted for . . . he brought out a huge thermos bottle and pulled out the cork and said, "Spain is noted for its cork." And, they are also noted for (puts hand in pocket and pulls out a bunch of artificial grapes) grapes. These, he explained, came from his mother's Halloween costume.

Friday was to have been Becky Wild's day for China. For a little prelude of Friday's attractions, her parents, the Robert G. Wilds of Bloomfield Glens, took the whole sixth grade and teacher Foust to Carrie Lee's for supper Thursday night.

I understand it was quite a struggle but all the children ate supper with chopsticks, which became souvenirs for them to take home.

According to the sixth graders at Walnut Lake, Geography is becoming a big hit.

Home From CBS, TV in New York

Their youngest daughter, Barbara Joan Clark, arrived at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harold E. Clark, Saturday from New York City where she is connected with CBS Television.

Barbara was graduated from Miss Neuman's school in Detroit, Stephens college in Columbia, Mo., then to Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh for her BFA degree in dramatics and English, going on to New York where she has been for the past 18 months.

Two new nieces greeted her Sunday . . . Colleen Nelson, nine-month-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Pearce of Royal Oak (sister Peggy) and Laurie Ann Bolton, three-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Bolton of Oak Park (sister Joyce). Both babies were christened at St. James Episcopal church by the Rev. Kenneth Gass.

Barbara's parents moved to "Thornwood" on Big Beaver road 18 months ago from Huntington Woods.

Gone, But Not Forgotten

When Mrs. Herbert Metcalf and Mrs. Kenneth Reichle, co-chairmen of the 1958 J.R. Goodwill Antiques Show to be held next October gave a luncheon this week to discuss plans for that event, they were amazed to find themselves still working on the 1957 Show of last October.

A customer, who had spied a certain lamp at the last show, called to say that she had saved enough money now to buy the lamp and asked for the address of the dealer who displayed it. The past files revealed the dealer's identity, and the sale was credited to the 1957 show which although "gone", is not forgotten.



Harlequin Club's New Board Assumes Office

The Harlequin Dance club's new board of directors took office at the first party of the season, held last Saturday night at Glen Oaks Country club.

New officers include: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hengelmann, president; Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Green, vice president; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bojig, secretary; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Patton, treasurer; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Duffy, members; Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Thomas, social; J. H. Olson, nominating; and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Fleischmann, publicity.

Two Pledged At Denison 'U'

Two young ladies from this area were among those initiated into chapters of eight national sororities recently at Denison University of Granville, O.

They were Molly Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Martin, 783 Puritan, Birmingham, a Kappa Alpha Theta; and Patricia Bugas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Bugas, Bloomfield Hills, Kappa Kappa Gamma. Both are first year students.

Mrs. Fisk Takes New Position in Florida

Mrs. Marion L. Fisk, 370 Townsend, Birmingham, is leaving her position as assistant director and supervisor of case work in the social service department of Pontiac State hospital to assume new duties as assistant consultant of the Bureau of Mental Health for the state of Florida.

She will be located in Jacksonville, Fla., and will assume her new duties in April. She is a member of the Altrusa club of greater Birmingham.

ADPI Pledge

Mary Fellows, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fellows of Franklin, was recently pledged to Alpha Delta Pi sorority at Michigan State university. She is a freshman.

Vacationing in Jamaica

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bangs of Henrietta, Birmingham, are vacationing this month in Jamaica, where they are staying at the Royal Caribbean hotel and Sea club in Montego Bay. The hotel opened for its first winter season in January. Bangs is general manager of Bloomfield Hills Country club.

Birmingham Woman's Clubs Compete in Sewing Contests

Junior and senior branches of Birmingham Women's Clubs are participating in a sewing contest on a national level, presented through the American Federation of Women's clubs.

Sponsored by Vogue, the costumes will point out what a typical club woman would choose.

After local judging, ensembles will be judged on a state level at the convention in Lansing and at the general federation meeting in June. There will be prizes on the local, state and national levels, with the grand prize being a trip to the federation convention.

Among senior members submitting their sewing will be Mrs. William Scherer, 1235 Chesterfield. Her's is a navy blue tailored dress with matching hat. The only accent on the dress are small tabs at the neckline and hiplines.

Mrs. Hane Schjolin, Stony Brook, Bloomfield township, has a green forstmann wool crepe with a roll collar extending to the waistline with which she wears a brown leather belt and ornate jewelry.

The senior group plans to entertain the presidents of all the county clubs April 1 at Baldwin library for a dessert lunch. At that time the judging will be done on the local level.

Luncheon Set By MSU Group

The Women's Auxiliary of the Michigan State University club of Oakland county will present its annual bridge luncheon and fashion show at Devon Gables on March 20, starting at 12:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will be added to the scholarship fund which annually sends a boy and girl from the county to Michigan State.

Birmingham residents who will attend as models are Mrs. Donald Hibbert, 1704 Witherbee; Mrs. Harold Vogler, 1842 Shipman; Mrs. Genevieve Gault, 688 Briarwood; Mrs. James Garrity, 17925 Kinross; Mrs. Garvin Meadowcroft, 1011 Forest; Mrs. Richard Kwikic, 1241 Lakeside; Mrs. Christian Bukema, 441 North Glenhurst; Mrs. John Taylor, 2351 Yorkshire; Mrs. William Page, 2448 Manchester; Mrs. Dean Eby, 49331 Southgate; and Mrs. Thomas Munson, 12153 Coral Gables, Lathrup.

Dr. Mercker Speaks For Piety Hill DAR

Dr. Harvey M. Merker, director of Scientific Relations of Parke-Davis & Company, will be the guest speaker, Tuesday, March 11th at 1:30, for the monthly meeting of Piety Hill Chapter DAR.

Mrs. Leslie C. Lempe of 1445 Kirkway, Bloomfield Hills, will be the hostess, and tea will be served by Mrs. Fred Harley, Mrs. Reed Dewey, Mrs. Glenn H. Coley, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Kramer, Mrs. Charles H. Baker, Jr., Mrs. Roger Kyes, and Mrs. Royal E. Paultette.

Students Take Part In Rally Day Show

Participating in the Rally Day show, which was part of the traditional Smith college celebration of George Washington's birthday were Barbara Aikens and Deborah Moore.

Barbara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berton A. Aikens, 6375 Wing Lane, Deborah is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Moore, Jr., of Lahser road.

MOMS of America Set Two Meetings

Unit No. 3 of the MOMS of America will hold its regular meeting March 10 at the home of Mrs. Samuel Duncan, 615 N. Woodward, starting at 12:30 p.m. Color movies will be shown by Elmira Mackay.

On Friday, March 14, the unit will hold a membership party at the home of Mrs. H. M. Kordensbrock, 6614 Oakhill, in honor of new members.

Mrs. Beyster Will Model New Bonnets

Mrs. William Beyster, 2259 Avon Lane, Birmingham, has been selected as one of the models for a showing of spring bonnets styled by Mrs. Lamar Creeger, Grosse Pointe hat stylist, at a benefit party sponsored by the Alpha Sigma Phi Mothers club.

The party will be held at the studio of Eva Briggs at 249 West 10 Mile road.

Two on Honor Roll

Placing on the Honor Roll at Mount Union College for the first semester of 1957-58 from Birmingham are Mrs. E. M. Kordensbrock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stinson of 2375 Detroit at the home of Mrs. H. M. Kordensbrock, 6614 Oakhill, in honor of new members.



Entered in Sewing Contest

Inspecting one of the dresses submitted by the Birmingham Women's club for the federation contest are Mrs. Ralph Main, left, and Mrs. Hans Schjolin. "Allegro," Mrs. Schjolin's French pouffe takes it all in stride. The costume was submitted by Mrs. William Scherer.

Kings Will Host Garden Club Today Altrusa Club To Hear Safety Talk

The Franklin Garden Club will hold its next meeting on March 6 at the home of the Winam Kings on Bingham Lane. The program will consist of membership participation regarding cultural practices and advantages of favorite plants, or proposed planting plans for the coming season.

A special animated film "Your Safety First," will highlight a discussion of traffic safety by Dr. Robert C. Lusk, director of education services for the Automobile Manufacturers association at the March 10 meeting of the Altrusa club of Greater Birmingham. Dr. Lusk will discuss details of the auto industry's role in promoting safety and highlights of vehicle development. Members will participate in the discussion.



In 'The Box of Smiles'

Portraying the roles of King Hugo and Queen Ingrid in the Junior League's fantasy is Mrs. Franklin Butler and Mrs. Wendell Clough. Along with Mrs. Garvin Bawdin, Jr., Mrs. Everett E. Fisher, Mrs. Francis T. Loud, Mrs. Nelson E. Nowland and Mrs. Robert W. Scripps, they make up the cast for "The Box of Smiles." Troupings began last week and will continue through March. Another public performance is scheduled for March 8 at Cranbrook Institute of Science Auditorium at 10 and 11:15 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.