

Sometimes I wonder if a considerable number of divorced men and women aren't saddened by separation, realizing that the seeming need for divorce could have been mended, the momentary breach healed. So often, real life reveals, the heated tempers that flare into divorce proceedings could have been cooled, affection and respect restored, had more patience been applied.

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## AAUW Plans 32nd Annual Book Sale

The committee for the 1959 book sale sponsored by the Birmingham branch of the American Association of University Women held its first meeting at the Community House March 10.

Mrs. Lloyd R. Sturgeon of 17310 Locherbie Lane, newly-appointed chairman for this year's sale, stressed the fact that the sale has grown to such proportions that it now means year-round activity for the committee.

Community cooperation and aid from local businesses have been prime factors in the continued success of the sale. 1958 sale proceeds of more than \$3,800 were used for AAUW-sponsored scholarships for women.

OVER 50 OAKLAND county schools were invited to last year's sale, selecting some 4,000 books for their libraries. Because of the school's interest and need, stronger effort will be made to collect books which will be of special value to their libraries. Bicycles, reference texts, good juvenile literature, globes and maps are needed.

The 32nd annual sale will be held again this year in the Birmingham offices of the Detroit Edison company. Dates have been tentatively set for the third week in October.

WOMEN WHO will head the sale committees include Mrs. Hoffman Stone and Mrs. Arthur C. Burleigh, Jr., co-chairmen; Mrs. Nicholas Kenjosi and Mrs. Peter Burns, sales; Mrs. H. K. Berg and Mrs. Thomas A. Griffith, school equipment; Mrs. David Turner and Mrs. Dorman B. Dickerson, Jr., handling and salvage; Mrs. Floyd G. Abbott, publicity; and Mrs. William M. Barr and Mrs. George F. Miles, marking.

Business of the sale will be directed by Mrs. Earl Catron and Mrs. Kenneth Kesler. Mrs. Carl J. Theobald will handle solicitations. Mrs. Alfred Amorosi, Mrs. Donald Postma and Mrs. Edwin J. Haven are in charge of transportation.

Mrs. Warner Stowell, chairman of last year's sale, will act as special consultant to this year's committee.

Christ Child Group Sets Installation Of New Officers

Annual meeting and installation of officers of the Christ Child Society will be held at the County club of Detroit. It will be a luncheon occasion beginning at noon, Mrs. J. T. McCarthy, Jr., president of the society, will conduct the installation ceremonies.

New officers for both the Detroit chapter and Birmingham unit, who will serve the forthcoming two-year term, are now being selected by mail balloting.

Present Birmingham officers are: Mrs. Harold Mountain, Jr., director; Mrs. George McDade, assistant director; Mrs. George Shanahan, treasurer; Mrs. John Walsh, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Lloyd Diehl, Jr., recording secretary.

Oakland Branch

"International Relations" was the theme at the meeting of the Oakland branch of the WNFGA at the home of the hostess, Mrs. Gordon Randall, 4218 Seminole, Royal Oak. Former exchange student to Spain, Susan Merrifield, took part in the program. The corner of Holland, France and Spain.

FINE ARTS department is meeting on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Arthur C. Prime, 1133 Westchick. Mrs. Hans O. Schjolin will be chairman of the day and will present the speaker, Mrs. Joseph Dodge, who will give a book review.

Literature department will hold its Tuesday meeting at the home of Mrs. James Green, 1331 Cedar drive, with Mrs. Emerson Brown, Mrs. Charles Lau and Mrs. W. E. Stoffgen assisting. Mrs. Clarence Blennen will give a book review. Chairman of the day is Mrs. E. J. Kemp.

Modern Living department will meet today at the home of Mrs. Robert Apple, Cambridge road, James Hill, and Mrs. E. J. Kemp. The committee will report on the curriculum in the Birmingham school district. Hostesses will be Mrs. L. E. Ferchland, and Mrs. H. H. Ferchland.

## Suburban Scene

By  
ELEANORE VINALL  
Women's Editor

Recent piece by Russell Lymes—guiding editorial light of Harper's magazine—held our attention. Try it on your teenagers or across the bridge table—and brace yourself for reactions.

"Manners are the conventions of behavior which make it possible for people to get along with each other with the least friction and the greatest mutual respect. They are patterns of conduct, but they are also ways of thinking about oneself and about other people. They are a bridge to understanding, for they establish communication between people, but they can also be a protection to one's privacy, because they provide acceptable rules for formal as well as informal relationships.

"It should also be said of manners that they are lagards. They change slowly, and they can, and not infrequently do, stand in the way of progress and make social customs change more slowly than social facts.

"In many respects we are trying to live in a highly industrialized society with a set of conventions that seems admirably suited to the conduct of family affairs when ours was a nation of farms.

"There is a simple but immutable law that governs manners: expediency is the mother of convention."

How succinct can a woman be? Young mother of five—in a state of post-lucking-in collapse: "Life is so daily!"

Nothing dull about St. Dunstan's Guild, with members firmly believing in a proper balance of work and play. Between-productions parties are terrific—set and dressed with dramatic ingenuity.

The Guild's March 14 "Derby Night" gala will transform the Pavilion at Lone Pine road into a race track setting which—even without a pari-mutual machine—will be a sure fire bet to pay off in entertainment.

Arrangements and decorations are being handled by Mrs. David Raymond and Mrs. Frank Macartney.

Queried about the "bouffant" look and style trends for spring, our favorite hairdresser remarked that, "Heads are smaller this spring." She assured us that it had nothing to do with the increasing trend toward psychoanalysis!

We agree with the Voice of America's Willis Conover that jazz is what you go to listen to when you want to hear some jazz. Period. And we admit that the only thing we're "way out" of is sleep and time! But, for all our squareness, we're of the opinion that the Ahmad Jamal trio is the "most." A spot check of local record sales shows a confirmation trend. Jamal's appeal and impact lie in a serious approach—the power of his economy—understated subtleties—and dynamics which are the essence of his style.

Podiatrist whom we know is the least happy fella. Predicts dire results, a few years hence, for teens now wearing shoes with pointed toes. Says that, south of our ultra-conservative suburb, even the boys are fast becoming devotees of the style. If the fashion pattern follows local history, our lads will accept the fad along about 1961. The most we can hope for at that time is a dirth of such stock in Birmingham shops!

With "official" spring just nine days hence, there's a noticeable surge of activity about town—all sorts and conditions of awakening interest in plans and projects. Activity of the soul, Aristotle believed, is ultimate happiness. Need, believed, is the unexamined life, the life of those who know nothing of themselves or their real needs and desires, is not worthy to be lived.

Lent provides a reasonable time for the stinging of our souls into activity and the testing of our lives—a process best undertaken with the confidence that, should we find our lives unsatisfying, we will be driven to what will satisfy.

## Birmingham Woman's Club Group Meetings

The American Home department of the Birmingham Woman's club will meet at the Community House Tuesday at 11 a.m. with Mrs. Thomas Hurns as hostess. The group will tour the Enrico Fermi Plant at Monroe, Mich.

hostessing a benefit bridge at her home on 1728 Hamilton drive, Pontiac. Mrs. Lester Holt will assist with the arrangements.

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## Village Woman's Club Speaker Honored

Following his talk before the Village Woman's club last week, Dan Tyler Moore, Jr., and his wife (at left) were guests of honor at a party given by the Henry C. Johnsons at their Quorton road home in Bloomfield Hills. Moore talked on "Spy Warfare Today" at the club's first evening lecture event, held in connection with a dinner

at Oakland Hills country club. Village Woman's club members, their husbands and guests filled the country club's dining room. Cleveland Moore, a writer and former chief of counter-intelligence in the Middle East, told his audience that spy warfare has never been so important in our history as it is today.



Mrs. Robert W. Chambers (left), Mrs. Ben D. Miles, note needs of boys at John L. Barrett, Mrs. Norris A. Host and Camp Oakland.

## 'Inasmuch as Ye Have Done it Unto the Least—'

By ELEANORE VINALL  
Women's Editor

The tremendous power for good of a few women who care enough to band their talents, their interest and their effort is always a source of wonder and awe.

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Three years ago, and quite by chance these women began to meet one another, long after the war years and after they had made their homes in this community. At first there were two—then four—and the group grew.

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## Baldwin Family Hobby Night Set

"Hobbies" will be the feature attraction when the Baldwin PTA meets on Monday at 8 p.m. Over 30 booths will be set up to accommodate a wonderful variety of displays and demonstrations by the students.

Among the many interesting hobbies on exhibition will be Indian Crafts, historical souvenirs, paintings, model trains, picture slides, necks, shells and many more. This is a family night program and all parents, as well as students, are invited to attend.

## Duo-Pianists Featured At Musicales Program

Duo-pianists, Dorothy Kemp Roosevelt and Eugenia Huntton, are being presented as part of today's program of the Birmingham Musicales at 1 p.m. at the Birmingham Community House. Birmingham Musicales Choral under the direction of William Redick will also be presented on the program.

Immediately after the program, the club will hold their annual business meeting and election of officers.

DOROTHY K. ROOSEVELT studied with private teachers in

Detroit, New York and France. She has performed at the White House and also appeared with the National Symphony under Hans Kunder and with the Michigan Symphony under Valter Pood. Eugenia Huntton had early piano study in New York City where she was born and later graduated from Cornell University. She is now studying with Mrs. Roosevelt.

Mrs. Redick for many years has been one of New York City's most versatile and successful musicians. He is well known as a choral and symphony conductor, composer, pianist, organist and vocal coach. At present he maintains a studio in Detroit and is also associated with Marygrove college and the Birmingham Conservatory as a vocal coach.

MRS. MINORU YAMASAKI is chairman of the day. Members pouring will be Mrs. J. A. Krone, Mrs. John R. Herzberg, Mrs. Walter F. Ruffer and Mrs. Edgar Patrick.

Chairman for the tea is Mrs. Arnold Berends. Her committee consists of Mrs. Robert Kutscher, Mrs. Harold Jones, Mrs. Burton Brown, Mrs. Maurice D. Patton, Mrs. D. L. Tate and Mrs. B. McMechon.

WNFGA Meeting

North Woods branch of the WNFGA will meet tomorrow at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Donald J. Wallace of Fairfax road, Birmingham. The speaker will be Ray Henstock of the Detroit Garden Center. Subject will be Perennials, Biennials and Annuals. Mrs. F. J. Swindell is chairman.

KAY PERRING

## Kay Perring Receives U of M Science Honor

Word comes from Ann Arbor that Kay Perring, daughter of the Raymond T. Perrings of Yarboro road, Bloomfield Hills, is one of twelve junior class science majors chosen for study at the school of physical therapy, University of Michigan.

Despite the tremendous shortage of physical therapists in rehabilitation centers throughout the United States and abroad, facilities at the University hospital are so limited that only 12 juniors can be chosen each year for this special training. Students selected for the course must have successfully completed the pre-medical course and meet specific scholastic and personality requirements.

KAY IS A graduate of Kingswood school, Cranbrook. While in high school she worked as a counselor during summer holidays at "Camp House on the Hill," Brighton, Michigan and at Dr. George Rosper's City and Country Camp, Bloomfield Hills. Since entering the University, Kay has worked as a volunteer in the children's ward at University hospital.

In her freshman year at the University, Kay was elected to Alpha Lambda Delta, national freshman honor society. As a sophomore, she was also elected for honors at the University at the honors convocation.

KAY SPENT summer vacations of both her freshman and sophomore years studying, working and traveling in Europe. At the end of her freshman year, she enrolled at

## Announcement of James-Pierce Marriage Corrected

The March 5 edition of the Birmingham Eccentric erroneously reported announcement of the engagement of Kathryn Elizabeth James to L. Richard E. Pierce.

It should have been reported that Mrs. Norman James of Burnley drive, Birmingham, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Kathryn Elizabeth, to L. Richard E. Pierce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Pierce of Syracuse, N. Y.

The wedding took place on July 14, 1958.

Mrs. Pierce is the daughter of the late Norman M. James, Sr.

The Birmingham Eccentric regrets the error.

## Community Concert Memberships Open

The 15th annual membership campaign of the Community Concerts association of Southern Oakland county will be officially launched at a kick-off dinner to be held Monday evening, March 16, at the First Congregational church, Royal Oak.

Mrs. S. James Duncan of North Woodward avenue, Birmingham, is chairman of the campaign. Mrs. Duncan and Miss Mabel Roth, New York representative of Community Concerts, will address the meeting.

Community Concerts association of Southern Oakland county is one of a thousand such associations, of which there are 30 in Michigan. It is dedicated to the principle of bringing the finest in live music and entertainment through the associated musical arts to Birmingham and nearby communities at a price which all can afford. A low rate for the finest in music is made possible by the association's membership plan.

JUST ONCE A YEAR an association membership campaign is conducted. Memberships sell at the nominal subscription price of \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for students. Such membership entitles the subscriber to attend all concerts presented by the association during the ensuing season.

At the end of the campaign, which closes this year on March 21, no further memberships will be sold. No single admission tickets are available for individual concert. Door tickets are available at the door for any performance.

Every dollar paid into the association is spent on behalf of the themselves. Performers are exclusively utilized for payment of the performing artists and attendant local expenses incident to their presentation.

AT THE END of this year's