

The Birmingham Eccentric

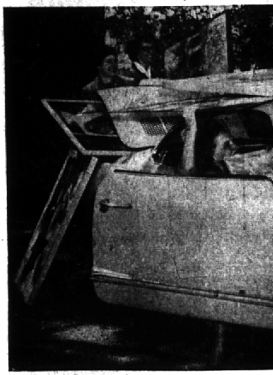
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Most people, when they start out on a long trip, have sought much information about it. They plan the route, what to wear, when to return, how much to spend, etc. This planning, of course, is an orderly procedure to insure maximum pleasure, economy and safety. Yet how few of us actually plan ahead so thoroughly as we continue the journey of our own lives.

Painting's Not Hard—It's The Moving!



Today's trend in small cars is anything but consistent with the trend toward larger canvases for painting. Four members of the Birmingham Society of Women Painters made this discovery as they prepared to transport paintings to the Bloomfield Art Association where they will hang during the Society's 15th annual exhibition opening May 16. In the car, Mrs. William Lyman,

exhibition chairman, clutches a painting in her lap, another on the roof. Clockwise around the car are Mrs. Hubert H. Gardner, Society president, Mrs. Kent McIntyre, exhibition committee member, and Mrs. Robert L. Boder, corresponding secretary. Gallery hours for the exhibition are 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

Suburban Scene

By ELKANORE WINDL Women's Editor

We received word early this week of the May 7 marriage of actress Barbara Whiting and GM director of TV advertising, Gail Smith. Barbara is the daughter of the late Richard A. Whiting, famed Detroit songwriter who produced more than 200 tunes.

The news set us reminiscing . . . You may not have thought about it. Not many of us have without special provocation. Detroit and motors—cars, that is—are synonymous in minds around the world, but Detroit and motors and MUSIC are a combination seldom thought about.

IT'S INTERESTING to know that both motors and music established their frontiers in Detroit at about the same time. One of the first and most outstanding men of music projected into the confused scenario that was Detroit in the early 1900's was Jerome H. Remick.

Had it not been for this man—who never wrote a note of music in his life—many of the songs which now belong to America's vast album of "memory" music might never have been written. In the half-century of its existence, Remick's company has published more than 60 thousand pieces of music.

Jerry Remick had one small but startling idiosyncrasy. He was known, and is still remembered, as "the man in the red car". From his first car to his last, he was true to a one color job. Once he owned a red Packard, body and soul. Or maybe the Packard owned Jerry.

It was a twelve cylinder demon painted a more brilliant red than even the fiery hue reserved by tradition for the several battalion chiefs and commissioners of the fire department. But to get back to J. R., the man of music: One day, shortly after the turn of the century, a young man knocked rather timidly on Remick's door and Jerry made him enter. It was, as it turned out, a fortunate meeting for both. The young man's name was Richard Whiting.

WILL WE EVER forget, "Will We Meet Again", "Sleepy Time Gal", "She's Funny That Way", "Beyond the Blue Horizon", or "Breedin' Along With the Breeze"? One of the best loved of Whiting's hits was played for the first time in its entirety in his studio at the once-famous Detroit landmark, the Dixieland restaurant. A girl named Blossom Seeley sang the lyrics, and the song—"Japanese Sandman".

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Many have rooms with a view—but few can boast a house with a view such as that of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McWilliams contemporary home on Kingswood Court, Franklin. It is one of eight houses to be opened by the owners for Planned Parenthood's May 21 house tour. Mrs. James Carmel

'Planned For Living' Theme of Planned Parenthood Home Tour

Eight beautiful and unusual homes in the Birmingham-Bloomfield-Franklin area have been selected by the Oakland County Chapter for Planned Parenthood's "Planned For Living" house tour Thursday, May 21.

From 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., ticket-holders will view both old and new houses being opened by their owners to benefit the Chapter.

Dr. and Mrs. Howard McNeil will open their home on Hickory Grove avenue, perched on an attractively landscaped hill. The unusual house, in the finest of modern furnishings, is a colorful modern. The interior reflects touches of the work, beautifully crafted paneled walls and built-ins.

The Lone Pine road home of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Nance is white walled and red roofed, a spacious and inviting example of country French styling. Beautifully furnished, the home has a warm wood tone.

Tea will be served from 1:30 a.m. through 2:30 p.m. in the Lone Pine road home, "Glenmore" of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hansen. Luncheon tickets may be purchased with four tickets. Planned Parenthood board members will serve the buffet.

MR. AND MRS. EDGAR EBERSOLE will open their South Adams home in Birmingham. Right in the middle of town one can step back into history more than 100 years. The Ebersoles' specialty is authentic early American primitive.

On Evergreen between 13 and 14 Mile roads is one of the area's oldest homes. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. James Keene, have an outstanding collection of antiques. The "keeping room" features an early American fireplace and hand hewn ceiling beams.

THE FRANKLIN road home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Miller is an unusually spacious and exciting remodeled barn. Its peaked gable windows are fascinating. It is the tall window overlooking the river valley and woods beyond.

A new home in the finished woodwork stage, is that of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McWilliams on Kingswood Court, Franklin. It is an exciting contemporary house of dark brown and white in which beautiful materials have been used to create color and texture.

Chairman for the extensive house tour is Mrs. C. A. Hall. Mrs. Charles Renfrew of Arden Lane is ticket chairman. Hostesses for the luncheon are Mrs. James Renfrew, Mrs. Walter Hickey and Mrs. Harvey Hansen.

Co-chairman of the project is Mrs. Edward S. Wellock of 1331 Kirkway, Bloomfield township.

"To deepen understanding of the SCF program, Mrs. Vanderkloot and Mrs. Wellock will be hostesses at a tea at the Vanderkloot home, 1200 Lone Pine road, tomorrow from 2:30 until 6 p.m. Guests will have the opportunity to discuss the work of the organization with its program director, Glen Leet. They will also view the Federation's new film, "The Children of Now," which reports the program in its entirety.

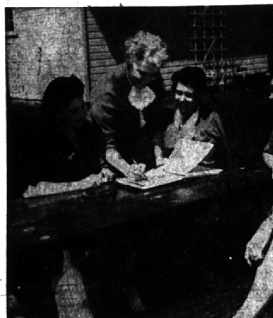
Pouring at the tea will be Mrs. Standish Backus, Mrs. John F. Gordon, Mrs. Henry S. Booth, Mrs. James A. Beresford, Mrs. George T. Trumbull and Mrs. Herman D. Scarney.

Mr. and Mrs. Wellock will honor Mr. Leet at a dinner in their home tomorrow evening.

Jan Freeman, well known pianist, will perform the "Piano Concerto in A Minor, Opus 54" by Schumann.

Mrs. Barbara Backus, Dixie Johnson and Mrs. Margaret Kooker, faculty advisors, supervised the event. Sharon Brodie narrated and she-were Nancy Fortune and Patti Jackson.

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Fred Sanders to Host Bradford Alums at Dinner

Alumnae of Bradford Junior College will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Sanders of Epping Lane, Bloomfield Hills, for cocktails and dinner on Saturday, May 16 to honor Miss Jane Runyon, Bradford Alumnae secretary. Among those attending will be Mrs. Robert Frantz, Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Carleton McLean, 25,500 volunteers hours of work brook, Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Bernhard, Mr. and Mrs. George Jacoby, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Manley, Mrs. and Mrs. Nelson Noland, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Maynard and the Rev. and Mrs. Robert DeWitt.

Junior League Sets Dinner Dance For Sustaining Members

Members of Birmingham-Bloomfield Junior League continue to plan gay interludes in their busy end-of-the-working-year weeks. Planned for Saturday night is a dinner dance for Sustaining members only at the Bloomfield Hills country club. Chairing the event are Mrs. Ernst F. Kern and Mrs. George C. Booth.

Work will be done from Sally McNaughton (Mrs. John R., Jr.) that Leaguers have put in a total of 25,500 volunteer hours of work this past year in 355 different jobs.

On Monday, Mrs. John K. Bagby and Mrs. William B. Bachman, Jr., will head for the League's 37th annual dinner and dance at the Victoria, British Columbia. More than 400 delegates from 192 Leagues will be represented.

Wellesley Club to Meet For Luncheon

The Wellesley College club of Birmingham will meet today at 12:30 p.m. for luncheon at the home of Mrs. Raymond Husband, 530 Overhill drive. Mrs. Charles H. Hildner, Mrs. Robert Knight, Mrs. John Sudyman and Mrs. Garvin Bowen, Jr. will assist.

Following the business meeting and election of officers, Mrs. William Norvell and Mrs. Robert Knight will describe a recent visit to the college and their participation in an alumnae council meeting. Mrs. Knight is chairman of the Birmingham area college development fund. She will report on the Oakland county personal call program.

Poppleton PTA Meeting Today

The Poppleton PTA will have a full agenda for their May meeting today at 8 p.m., in the all-purpose room of the school. Poppleton students will highlight the evening with a sample of some of their activities.

Mrs. Joseph Van Hese, secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Hott, treasurer; Mrs. Frank Leach, historian; Norman Flemington, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Norman Flemington, council delegate.

ADULTS WILL TAKE over with the annual installation of officers. New officers are Mrs. William Artman, president; Mrs. Ronald Roumville, mother vice-president; Harry Winborn, father vice-president; Herbert Palmer, teacher vice-president.

Mrs. Joseph Van Hese, secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Hott, treasurer; Mrs. Frank Leach, historian; Norman Flemington, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Norman Flemington, council delegate.

'What's the Score?'

Cranbrook school student and youthful composer, Joel Cohen, goes over the score of his "Suite for Oboe" with Modesto DeSantis, first oboist of the South Oakland County Symphony. The Symphony is in rehearsal for its May 16 concert to be presented at 8:15 p.m. in the Oak Park high school auditorium. This will be the first local performance of Cohen's composition.

South Oakland Symphony to Perform Student's Work

What do you do about school athletics when you're 15 years old, intrigued by physics, planning a career in mathematics, and have written and published musical compositions which are being sought after and performed by symphony orchestras?

"But like that," says Cranbrook sophomore Joel Cohen, "but there just isn't enough time for everything."

Joel's composition, "Suite for Oboe," will be played by the South Oakland County Symphony, conducted by Henri Nasso, on May 16 at 8:15 p.m. in the Oak Park high school auditorium. Modesto DeSantis, first oboist of the Symphony, will be soloist.

"SUITE" was written by Joel at Interlochen National Music Camp during the summer of 1957, published by the Interlochen Press and first performed at the Camp. Among other compositions of young Cohen's, published and performed, are "Poem for Orchestra," "Born in Washington, D. C. in 1944," "Joel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cohen of Battle Creek. He attended the W. K. Kellogg Junior high school in Battle Creek

Birmingham League of Women Voters to Host State Convention

Birmingham members of the League of Women Voters will be hostesses at the League's state convention May 19 through 21 at the Sheraton-Cadillac hotel, Detroit.

Mrs. Howard Liverance, 416 Hawthorne, is coordinating plans for the convention with the assistance of Mrs. Frederick Robinson, 287 Pilgrim, who serves as co-chairman.

As one of her last official duties as president of the state executive, Mrs. Berrien Ketchum of Suffolk, Birmingham, will preside at the convention. She has held the office for two years. Mrs. James Cameron, also of Birmingham, has served as a state board director for two years. Mrs. John Runsey of Wing Lake road has been chairman of the nominating committee for the state board.

ON TUESDAY evening, May 19, local Leaguers will take over the hotel's Normandie room to host a reception for League groups from 28 Michigan communities. Mrs. Walter Jackson is chairman for reception arrangements.

Mrs. Joseph E. Bird, registration chairman, has the task of signing in 179 official delegates, Leaguers attending as observers. Mrs. James Cameron, also of Birmingham, has served as a state board director for two years. Mrs. John Runsey of Wing Lake road has been chairman of the nominating committee for the state board.

TO DIRECT delegates and welcome visitors, Mrs. Alfred Krueger, chairman of hospitality and ushers, has organized a committee of 16, with Mrs. George Peterson as co-chairman. Working with her will be Mesdames Garvin Bowden, Jr., Floyd Bunt, William Hammond, James A. Lawson, William McNamee, Paul Penfield, R. S. Plestico, Elsie Reynolds, Harold R. Roehm, E. R. Sasser, Roland Sawley, C. J. Shain, F. Chalmers Smith and Thomas Stolberg.

Ye LWV Fod For Thought Show," a convention feature, will sell League publications. In addition to this project, Mrs. Lawrence Nicklin, chairman of the public relations committee, has set up a raffle. Raffle tickets to be entered by all 28 state Leagues.

Birmingham High's Fashion Show-Tea

Seventy-five clothing and tailoring students of the Birmingham high school homemaking department modeled their garments in the annual fashion show last month in the sports theater. Casual wear, school wear, lounge wear were among the variety of stylish and practical articles displayed.

Serving on committees were Carrie Beardsley, chairman, Leola Linder and Karen Rettray, tea chairwoman; Jean Stinson and Barbara Anderson, Nancy Seely, Julie Beecher and Nancy Hosken, invitations; Mary Bird and several others, program.

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