



### Chatting With Friends

Sharing a poolside table, as well as a golfing holiday on the Arizona desert at Camelback Inn are the Paul McDonalds (left and right) with their longtime friends, Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Woolgast of Englewood, Colo. The foursome met at the resort near Phoenix to escape late winter storms and relax in the sunshine while they golf on the neighboring fairways of Paradise Valley country club.

## Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills Society Notes

### from Nancy Porter

News for this column may be phoned to Mrs. Porter between 9 and 9:30 P.M. at MI 4-2880

Spring is in the air and although no April showers are in sight, there is no dearth of bridal showers in the area. Sharon O'Gorman's April 23 wedding at Christ Church Cranbrook to David S. Glass is the inspiration for many showers.

Sharon, the daughter of former Birmingham residents Mr. and Mrs. John S. O'Gorman, is a guest at the Wimbledon road home of the Ernest H. H. Grafts, while her parents are staying at Oakland Hills country club.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. Daniel M. Boone, who will be one of Sharon's bridesmaids, gave a miscellaneous shower for her at her Sodon Lake drive home.

Mrs. Graf had a luncheon and linen shower for her yesterday at Oakland Hills country club.

Mrs. Lawrence C. Howe of Lone Pine court and Mrs. Harvey E. Greene of Country club drive will be co-hostesses at a luncheon and

kitchen shower at the Bloomfield Hills Country club on April 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Renfrew of Arden lane have chosen April 16 for a supper and pool shower for Sharon and David.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. McHattie of Lone Pine road will also entertain for the young couple. Mrs. Edward T. Bennett of Bennington drive will give a bathroom shower and luncheon at Orchard Lake Country club on April 19.

David's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn S. Glass of Vaughan road will give the rehearsal dinner, and today Mrs. Glass is giving a tea to honor Sharon and her mother and to introduce them to her immediate neighbors and friends.

Boonie and Nancy Glass will be bridesmaids. Frances Kyes will also be a bridesmaid. Sharon's matron of honor will be her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. Scott O'Gorman, of Arlington, Va. She will give the spinster dinner on April 21 at the Oakland Hills Country club. Mrs. Gordon C. Applquist of Orchard

Lake will entertain for Sharon and her mother at a luncheon.

A reception following the wedding will be given at Oakland Hills Country club.

### Bride-Elect Feted

Another bride-to-be is Nina Gray Slavson, who has chosen June 25 as the date of her marriage to William L. Studebaker of Dearborn. Nina is now on vacation from the University of Michigan staying at the Larches road home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth J. Slavson.

Nina was entertained Tuesday at a luncheon and personal shower by Mrs. Harvey B. Bushnell of Larches road. Yesterday she was honored at an "around-the-clock" shower given for her by Mrs. Biddy Chapin and Mrs. Richard Chapman of Dearborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Jacob also of Larches, will entertain for Nina at a cocktail party tomorrow evening.

Houseguests of the Slavsons last weekend were Mr. Slavson and his wife from East Grand Rapids, the Donald G. Slavsons.

Last week on Wednesday Mrs. Slavson entertained 39 neighbors for a tea in honor of Mrs. Richard McCarthy, a new neighbor on Larches.

### Bride from Sweden

Speaking of weddings, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hadsell Smith of Oak street have a new daughter-in-law, the former Gerdi Elizabeth Kyhlberg, of Stockholm, Sweden, who was married to their son, Kenneth Waldron Smith, at a 2:00 p.m. ceremony last Friday at St. James church. Her parents, Capt. and Mrs. Titus Wikstrom, were unable to come from Stockholm for the wedding. She had just returned the previous Sunday from a two-week vacation in Ber-

lin, look over and helped Gerdi plan for the wedding. The bride and groom, Nancy Layman, of Bloomfield Hills, was Gerdi's only sister. Mr. Kent, who is in his senior year at Michigan State university, was home for spring vacation.

### Home from Boston

Mr. and Mrs. David Walker Lee of Pembroke drive, Bloomfield Hills, returned from their vacation in Massachusetts, where they were joined by their son, David, a student at Brown university. The first of the spring, March 21, also happens to be David's birthday, and this year an especially important birthday celebration while they were in Boston.

Looking forward to a family reunion the week of April 25, Mrs. Lee awaits the arrival of her mother, Mrs. Roy L. Bone, from Topka, Kansas, and two sisters, Mrs. Lawrence Collins of Passaic, Calif., and Mrs. Richard C. Jackson of Rochester, N. Y.

Also recently returned from the East is Mrs. Robert Bates of Faculty Row, Bloomfield Hills. Mrs. Bates visited her family in Springfield, Mass., and then spent a few days in New York City with daughter Linda.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick L. Robinson of Pilgrim road have also recently returned from a stay in New York City. They were overnight houseguests in Rhinebeck, N. Y., of Mr. and Mrs. George W. and Mrs. M. Koach is the former Eleanor Elliot of Birmingham.

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### Neighbors in Tucson

Mr. and Mrs. Vene G. Perry of Fairfax road arrived home last week after a five-week vacation out West. They divided their time between Tucson, Phoenix and Scottsdale, and Santa Fe. While in Tucson they were the guests of their former Fairfax road neighbors, the James Neals, who have built a home there, and the John S. O'Gorman, who are now visiting in Birmingham for their daughter's wedding, as mentioned above. In Phoenix they saw the Wright Younts of Bloomfield Hills, also vacationing there.

### At Winter Home

Mrs. Clifford West of Lone Pine road is spending her vacation in her winter home on Osawabie Island, near Savannah, Ga., with her daughter Jill Shalcross (on vacation from Radcliffe) and her son John (on vacation from Putney school).

### Going to Jamaica

Mr. and Mrs. R. Jamison Williams of Yarmouth road are also taking advantage of their children's spring vacations (Rick, from Princeton and Wendy, from Brookside) to have a family vacation in Jamaica.

### Surprise Party

We all know what a busman's holiday is. Could there be a similar type birthday party? Jervis B. McMechan, well-known in this area for his play, writing and directing, was given a surprise birthday party by his wife last Saturday evening, to which all the guests came in costumes representing plays which Mr. McMechan has worked on.

Among the guests were the McMechans' former neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar H. Adams, in front of whose house other guests parked their automobiles, then proceeded down the street, filing into the back door, thus making the affair a complete surprise.

Other guests were the David Burnett, the Robert Field and the Junior Fred D. Hendricks, the Richard Hintermesters, the Mark F. Jaroszewicz, the Thomas Kings, the Otis Thompsons, and Mrs. Dorothy Wright.

Mrs. Wright came as "Broadway"; Mrs. Field, dressed in a baby dress and bonnet, came as "Born Yesterday"; Mr. Hendrick came in his blue jeans as the stage manager; Mr. and Mrs. Thompson represented "Ricky-Tick," a play which Mr. McMechan wrote for the Junior League Children's theatre. Other plays represented were "Country Girl," "Jacobowski and the Colonel," "Detective Story," and "Witness for the Prosecution."

Mr. McMechan is now working on "Merton of the Movies" to be presented by St. Dunstan's Guild in June at the Greek Theatre. Motion picture sequences filmed by Stephen F. Booth of Lake Park drive, are being written into the play. Assistant director is Mrs. Francis T. M. Lord of Villa road. The leading roles are being taken by Mrs. Jack Klarr of Chesterfield and Roy M. Nelson of Henrietta.

Mr. and Mrs. McMechan will leave April 5 for 10 days in New York. While there they will see some of Mrs. McMechan's friends in Connecticut and visit former Birmingham residents, the Vets and Armstrongs in N. Y. C. This might well become a busman's holiday, too, as they plan to take a several shows!

### Show Opens Friday

To return to more current matters, St. Dunstan's Guild will present "Time of the Cuckoo" tomorrow night, Saturday, April 4 and April 5 and 9, with a special benefit performance for "Big Brothers" scheduled for Thursday, April 7.

The show is open to the public, as always at St. Dunstan's. Also, many members will entertain at parties before the show. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen F. Booth will have a dinner party before the opening night performance.

From Mrs. Winston T. Kellogg of Northlawn road, director of the show, we have garnered some in-

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teresting side-lights. An old tradition, engraved with the name of Thomas A. Edison, complete with horn and rolls of music has been borrowed from Olsson's market. Jonathan Ball has loaned an Italian cherub statue which holds up a bird basin, and which the cast has endearingly named "Metwin".

Walker Solover, (Mr. Stumpf of "The Bloominghams Eccentric" fame) will again have his blond hair sprayed black, as will his son Craig, who also has a part in this play.

Mrs. Kellogg, as successful a dog-breeder as she is a play director, will leave after the April 7th performance for Chicago, for the International Kennel Club show.

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