

The art of being a "good listener" isn't taught with any emphasis in our educational system; progress in this direction generally is made by self-determination. Certainly one who is a good listener not only is polite to a speaker, but also receives more of what is being said—and thus better able to make a judgment on given subjects under discussion. It's also more relaxing.

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Committee Heads

Members of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association gathered last week at Bloomfield Hills Country Club for their Michigan Division Council meeting. Among the members attending were (from left) Mrs. James Richards of Spotswood Drive,

Mrs. Russell Strickland of Country Club Drive, Mrs. Richard Patterson of Dorchester Street and Mrs. F. Gordon Davis of Buckingham Road, division president. Attending the meeting were 95 branch presidents and their committee chairmen.



Spearheading Contest

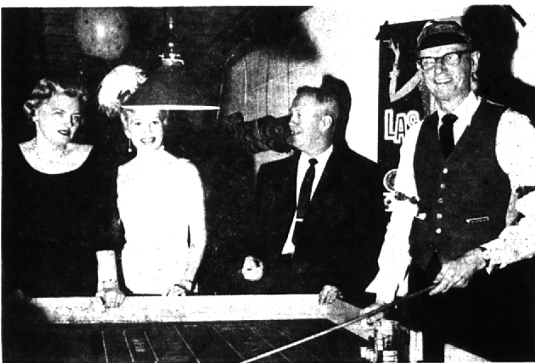
Mrs. Vincent DePetris of Grosse Pointe (left), and Mrs. William H. Burlingame of Birmingham experiment with a flower arrangement in anticipation of the Challenge Class flower arranging competition to be staged Feb. 23 through March 4 at the '62 Builders Home, Furniture and Flower Show in Cobo Hall. Mrs. Burlingame is chairman and Mrs. DePetris, a member of the committee, is in charge of the forthcoming contest.



Opera Fans

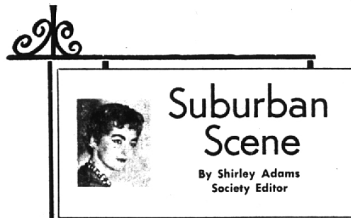
Opera fans gathered at the home of Mrs. John F. Gordon on Rathmor Drive, Bloomfield Hills, in behalf of the Metropolitan Opera Week. Among those attending were (from left) Mrs. George Romney, general chairman of the '62 Metropolitan Opera Association;

Mrs. William Walker Jr., outstate chairman, and Mrs. Henry Whiting Jr., who was hostess for the tea in the absence of her mother, Mrs. J. F. Gordon, who is co-chairman of the Met.



Vegas in Birmingham

For friends who can't quite make it to Las Vegas this winter, the William R. Shaws brought the west to their Marlehead drive home at a Las Vegas party. Joining in "just-for-fun" games are (from left) Mrs. Si James of Arlington Drive, Birmingham; Mrs. Shaw, Mr. James and Mr. Shaw.



Suburban Scene

By Shirley Adams
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Gesundheit Gallery

The sniffing season is upon us. From here on, it's every man for himself . . . on guard against members of the Gesundheit Gallery who will happily share their symptoms with anyone! See how many of these cold characters you recognize. Chances are, this very day, there's one in your car pool, one in your office, one at your club and one (poor fella) at home!

Spraying Sam's a dangerous man . . . but you always hear him coming. He habitually forgets his handkerchief (or he has just given up carrying one) and is sure to snare anyone within sneezing range. His favorite haunts are crowded elevators, movie theaters, rush hour buses and trains. When you see him coming, run, do not walk, to the nearest exit.

SAM'S sister is the always audible Hacking Harriet, and they represent a formidable foe when they travel together. Whereas a few involuntary gasps signal a sneeze from Sam . . . Harriet's liable to reel back and hack away without any warning. Besides elevators, theaters and buses, Harriet can be found (if anyone wants to look for her) in restaurants (the kind that serve waterless sandwiches and weak tea), at crowded parties and ladies' club lunches. She's short, slight and seldom smiling. Stay out of her way, especially if you're the healthy looking type. She can't stand you!

Sam and Harriet are both fair game for Quincy the Quack, who'll prescribe cold cures for anyone who'll listen. Poor old Quincy is sick as a dog, and loves it. Anything you've got, he's got worse . . . and while he boasts he's beyond all medical aid, there's no way to ward off his trying to cure you. His coat pockets, desk drawers, club lockers and attache case are all stocked with remedies.

A walking old wives' tale encyclopedia, Quincy will spout a battery of bromides at every opportunity. Starve a fever . . . feed a cold . . . sweat it out . . . soak your feet . . . take a hot bath . . . cold shower . . . a swig of honey and garlic syrup. You're left wondering what he'll come up with next.

AND THEN we have Muffled Melvin. From the first day of fall until spring flowers flutter, he hibernates . . . inside long woolen underwear, two sweaters, a flannel shirt, ski pants, two more sweaters, ear muffs and the ever-present muffler. Barely visible are his two watery, darting eyes, always on the lookout for other Gesundheitsheers. He's terrified of them. Some people say Melvin has no chin. They've never seen it. Others are nastier. They swear Melvin's so tight, he couldn't give a cold away.

A far cry from Melvin is Wheezing Wally. Wally loves people. Even when he knows he should be home in bed, he's out there socializing. Wally wallows in sympathy . . . punctuates every agonized phrase with a wheeze, sputter, gasp or choke. No point telling him to save his breath . . . the Wheeler is so touched by your concern that he launches into a new mangled monologue.

WALLY'S constant companion is a gal named Tearful Tess. Tess is the saddest of cold carriers. She's warped the woodwork in Gesundheit Gallery with the flood of her tears. Tess won't stay home in bed and treat her cold to a few days of rest. She'd rather turn on the water works in public. Sniffling and teary-eyed, you'll know her by her tear-stained clothes and the large lacy handkerchiefs she clutches daintily in each hand.

There's the whole Gesundheit Gallery on display. Avoid them if you can. Take heed at the first sign of a cold and treat yourself to sensible care . . . or your portrait may land in the Gallery this year!



Plans for the 1962 Torch Drive were discussed by a group of members of the steering committee of the United Foundation Women's Organization at a recent meeting. Seated (from left) are Mrs. Nellie Rickard, Mrs.

William Partell and Mrs. Stanley G. Schultz. Standing are (from left) Mrs. M. M. Burgess of Country Club Drive, Bloomfield Hills; and Mrs. Leonard T. Lewis of Pilgrim Street, Birmingham.

Birmingham Area Women Working on Committee

Mrs. Joseph C. Dodge of 843 Clyde C. Bennett Jr., 124 Westwood, Oakland, County Torch Drive chairman; Mrs. M. M. Burgess, 1155

UFWO for 1962 were outlined by Mrs. Young. One will be a complete reorganization along "county" lines. The other will be a "Living Fair" to be held in the late spring or early summer.

Both Mrs. Dodge and Mrs. Kramer have served as Torch Drive co-chairmen for community campaigns. Mrs. Kramer is also chairman of the UFWO steering committee. They will work hand in hand in a far-flung program for the Torch Drive participation before 1225 Bowers.

UNDER the county setup, chairman in each of the "counties," March, Oakland, Western Wayne, Central Wayne, Eastern Wayne and Central Business, will be responsible for the coordination of UFWO activities within her county. Also, she will serve on a central advisory committee, reporting to the Women's County Activities Chairman, Mrs. Worth Kramer of Bloomfield Hills.

OTHER Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills women named to the steering committee included Mrs.

Plans for the "Living Fair" are as yet tentative. Committee women (See WOMEN, 2-C)

'Roaring Twenties' Replace 'Sensational Sixties'

The "Sensational Sixties" was replaced for the evening as the "Roaring Twenties" came back for a party given by the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital Auxiliary. The party was held at 1380 Greenwood Road Saturday evening.

William Toy, and Mrs. John Ziegler. The clever dance routine was directed by Mrs. John Fetzer, a talented choreographer. Dr. Daniel Sigel and Mrs. Holland Einsen entertained with vocal selections, accompanied by Mrs. Scott Sample at the piano.

attractive centerpiece, consisting of a variety of old time cars. Little banners surrounding the centerpiece had sayings depicting the era they represent. Favors of long jeweled cigarette holders and derby hats were placed for each lady and gentleman to help get in the spirit of the gala evening.

THE PRESIDENT of the ladies, Mrs. Maynard Amelon of Southfield, kicked up her heels in the Charleston chorus line, along with Mrs. Robert Bell, Mrs. William Cooper, Mrs. Gene Fassel, Mrs. Milton Kosley, Mrs. Edward Loniowski, Mrs. Louis J. Manley, Mrs. Alan Morgan, Mrs. Gasper Ruffino, Mrs. Martin Steinberg, Mrs.

CHAIRMAN of the ball, Mrs. Allan Morgan of Southfield was busy organizing the many attractions of the evening. Her gold-gilded bath tub, bubbling with champagne, delighted many party-goers. The decorations committee, headed by Mrs. Rollin Gordon and co-chairman, Mrs. George Renton of Latrup Village, worked on the

THE FOLLOWING girls, headed by Mrs. Milton Kosley, Mrs. Loyal W. Peterson and Mrs. James G. Matthews worked on mobiles, mirrored balls, and balloons which hung from the ceiling. Dr. Joseph Wyatt's of Birmingham Barber Shop Quartet presented an interesting rendition of the (See TWENTIES, 2-C)



Theatre-Goers

Plans for next year's Cinema Guild of Birmingham are well under way. The series of five movies are a daytime feature shown both morning and afternoon. Selecting dates for the new season are (from left) Mrs. John Barnes of Dorchester Road, Mrs. Adam Schulbel of Willowgreen Drive, and Mrs. Donald Hacker of Colony Hill.



Special Treat

Patty Candor (left), 1842 Villa, and Debby Wyatt, 1447 Dorchester, get a sneak preview of "Peter and the Wolf," by

the AAUW Puppeteers, to be presented 3:15 p.m. Saturday at the Birmingham Community House.