

Behind the Welcome Mat

by CORINNE ABATT

MY GRANDFATHER had many a story to tell about the old preacher who had a farm near them in Ohio. The preacher often boasted that he could feed his large brood of children on less money than anyone else. Finally, one day some of the neighbors asked him his secret. His answer was direct: "Just find out what they don't like and give 'em lots of it."

THEN THERE was the youngster who came to her mother and said "There is too such a thing as a public, isn't there, Mom?" The mother was puzzled and asked for more explanation. "Well," said the child, "Some of the kids said they were Catholics and they went to Catholic school and they asked what I was and I said I was a public."

COUSIN CURT tells of the way his mother used to propagate roses. Take a healthy branch from a good bush and stick it in a raw potato or apple, put the whole thing in the ground and keep it well watered. My experiment with a rather weak-looking branch didn't work but Cousin Curt has a new rose bush with lots of leaves which he started that way. And that sep-

arates the green thumbs from the brown ones.

SOME OF OUR neighborhood ladies who are experts at keeping husbands happy have a tip for new brides. If dinner isn't ready for even completely thawsed when the man of the house comes home for his evening meal, be sure to have the table set. Then, at least, it looks like things are about to happen. If he is in for a long wait, put a glass of juice or something in his hand and tell him he needs to relax for a little while before he eats.

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with a 15-page index, but this is the crowning point of Kinbote's delusion, and the culmination of the reader's pleasure.

NABOKOV MAKES everything in "Pale Fire" contribute to a picture of Kinbote. A less inventive novelist would have written the story of a mixed-up, deluded man; how he got that way and what happened to him.

Symphony Offers 4 Youth Concerts For Next Season

The Young People's Concert Series program for 1962 was announced this week by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

The series, sponsors of which include the Junior Leagues of Birmingham and Detroit, includes four Saturday programs under Valter Poole's direction in Ford Auditorium at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. The series opens November 17 with "Alice in Orchestralia" by Don Gillis, and an appearance by juggler Bill King.

Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" is December 22, and Captain Kangaroo has "Fun with Music" January 26. Detroit Ballet Theatre, Inc., formerly Severo Ballet, will be featured March 9.

The reader would never wonder what was really going on. Nabokov gives us the book that the deluded man writes. Although the subject matter is delusion, murder and insanity, the general effect is high comedy; a startling delight from the first paragraph to the last entry in the index.

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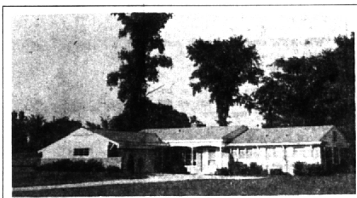
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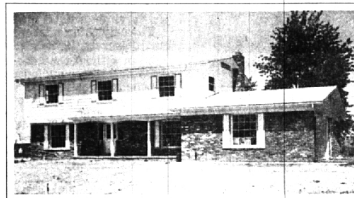
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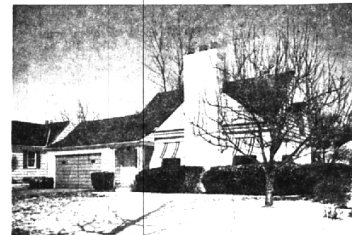
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