

Dream

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at the Birmingham Community House. At that meeting, Mrs. James J. Nance was elected first president. Monthly luncheon meetings have been held over the years at various Birmingham country clubs featuring such noted speakers as Mrs. Aline Saarinen, art critic; Dr. Marion Mills Freminger, Norman Nadel, drama editor of the "Columbus Citizen"; Dr. Careleton Smith, head of the National Arts Foundation; John Mason Brown, Edward Weeks, editor of the Atlantic Monthly; and Karl Haas. Occasionally, the members have taken over with such memorable results as Mrs. Nance's two musical skits and Mrs. F. G. Garrison's impromptu hat commentaries.

The Junior Auxiliary was organized in December of 1956 with Mrs. Walter Teninga as its first president. While working in support of all club programs and participating in classes, the Junior Auxiliary has planned many special fund raising projects. In the educational field, The Village Woman's Club has provided for its members and the community such stimulating courses as Dr. Thelma James' "Bible Survey and World Thought"; Creative Writing, Armchair Travelers, a Decorative Arts Course, "History in the Making" with MSUO professors, and courses in French, Spanish, Italian and bridge.

Bus trips to old Detroit landmarks, to Stratford for the Shakespearean festival and to the opera have been made available. Annually, a New York theater tour has been taken, and in March of 1961 a European trip for members and husbands proved to be an outstanding success.

IN ACCORDANCE with the purpose of The Village Woman's Club: "To operate exclusively for charitable, literary, or educational purposes," the club has supported many philanthropic organizations not only with contributions but with the volunteer work of its members. Members have served actively the League of the Handicapped, the Child Guidance Center, United Fund, Family Service and the American Red Cross. Contributions have been made to many organizations including the Birmingham Community House, Baldwin Public Library, Camp Oakland, Foundation for Emotionally Disturbed Children at Pontiac State Hospital, MSUO and the Birmingham YMCA.

Under the club's three presidents Mrs. Nance, Mrs. Brooks Marshall, and Mrs. Haver Kresge Jr., the difficult task of finding a suitable clubhouse has been a challenge. As a temporary measure, in 1960, the building at 484 W. Maple in Birmingham was leased and made suitable for committee meetings, group meetings and clerical work. The search for a permanent home continued, and the untiring work of the Board of Directors and committee members was finally rewarded. On January 24, 1961, a general membership meeting of The Village Woman's Club approved the proposal to purchase the Winnings-



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Once a year (for Florence Schoolfield Young's pupils, anyway) comes a pause in the week's occupation when young men of the area give thought to sartorial splendor—in this preparation for Miss Young's annual May Party. This year the gala event will take

place Friday night at Plum Hollow Country Club. Checking out jackets at Princeton Prep, with salesman Jim Bragaw at the helm, are (from left) Doug Booth, Bob Mills and John Tomlinson.

ham property on East Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

This property was originally purchased in 1919 by Charles Birmingham from John Vhay. At that time there was on the site a barn and connected to it a schoolhouse, which Mr. Vhay had moved from nearby Woodward Ave. The lovely old beams from the barn were used in the present structure and may be seen in the new club lounge. In 1922, the west wing of the house was added and, in 1925, the east wing, completing the renovation of one of the most charming and picturesque estates in the Hills.

THE MONUMENTAL task of remodeling has been under the leadership of Mrs. Theodore F. Meyer. A new dining room, with a contemporary motif has

been ably designed for the lower level of the house by Hugh Keyes, architect. It has complete kitchen facilities for serving luncheons and dinners. Glass walls provide a lovely scenic view while dining. This room will seat one hundred sixty-five for meals, and double that for large meetings. The west wing houses the office and Board Room. The east wing features the cocktail lounge and classroom. The upstairs lounge has been remodeled in a traditional manner. The clubhouse will be open all year.

Dedication festivities begin at 10 a.m., with coffee served after the ceremony until noon. From noon until 4 p.m., tea will be served followed by a cocktail buffet at 6 p.m. The chairman for the day is Mrs. Jackson P. Cummings.

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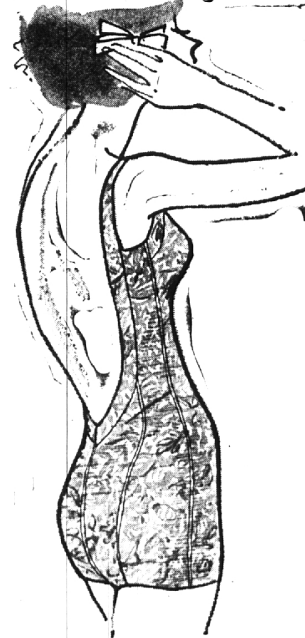
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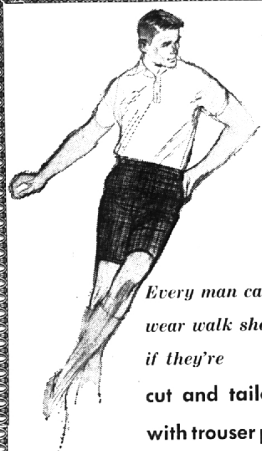


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