

Cinderella Ball, Symphony Add Glitter To Season

Suburban Scene

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Double Feature

Birmingham had two choices over the week end when it came to sampling glamor.

There was the quiet elegance of the town car brigade as it rolled up to Ford Auditorium for the opening of the Detroit Symphony Thursday, followed Saturday by the breathtaking splendor of the Cinderella Ball.

Both events were subscribed to by dozens of localities—not strange, what with Birmingham women at the helm of each.

Mrs. Cecil Akroyd and Mrs. George McClellan combined their special talents in planning a preconcert dinner at the DAC which was sheer delight, while Mrs. John D. Richardson, Jr., was responsible for one of the most brilliant Cinderella Balls on record.

Music played a prime role at both events, but we'll have to confess our preference for Mr. Ehrling over Mr. Duchin. "Pe-tah", although completely charming, does not follow the pattern of his late father by a note—this a disappointment to us doddering oldsters who used to swoon over such classics as "Stormy Weather."

Accent on Fashion

Ball gowns, the like of which have not been seen in many-a-moon, added their lustrous beauty to an evening that sparkled all the way—no less fabulous, actually, than the courtier confections shown by Saks Fifth during the fashion show. Cinderella Cynthia Roby's prince, B'ham's own David Demarest, apparently set the pace for esquire by wearing tails—there was a preponderance of 'em!

Among those waiting through an all-pink evening—even Cinderella's pumpkin dominating one end of the ball room was of this candy stick color—were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Risdon, the John Demmans, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Demarest, the David Wirths, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dore, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Meldman, the Maurice Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fruehauf, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Estes, the Frank Wintons, Mrs. M. M. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Judd.

Party Dividend

Nicest surprise of all was to have the Sam Kellers arrive from their home in Key Biscayne for the party. Dynamic Della was instigator of the first Cinderella Ball 13 years ago—is now honorary president of the Women's Committee for the TB and Health Society which sponsors the affair. She and Mr. K. came back to their former home town (are staying at the Whittier) to await completion of repairs on their Florida home—caught in Cleo's path.

From Japan With Love

It's hard to believe that an engagement announced in Japan last spring would have a local touch, but such is the course of true love, that the young people involved spoke their marriage vows here Oct. 1 in Bloomfield's Kirk-in-the-Hills.

The bride is Yoko Nakamura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shinjiro Nakamura of Tokyo, and her husband is Taro Suzzuki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kanemitsu Suzzuki, also of Tokyo. Yoko is a graduate of Tokyo Junior College, her father one of Japan's most distinguished artists. Taro is a graduate of Keio University and is currently a student at GM Tech Center. His father is managing director of General Motors Corp. for the Far East.

Local tie-in was brought into focus last week following a conversation with Mrs. Edward S. Wellock of Bloomfield Hills who sent, on request, the following note:

A Family Affair

"The groom's parents are very old friends of ours and the Eugene Ketterings of Kettering, O. The three families have visited together in Tokyo, Ohio and Michigan over a period of many years. A year ago the Sudsukis were guests of the Ketterings in Ohio and of ours, here in Bloomfield Hills, after stopping over with us in our house in Honolulu on the way over.

"This engagement was announced in Tokyo last April just before Taro came over here to take student training at the Tech Center, and plans, then, were for the wedding to take place with great fanfare in Tokyo next summer, when Taro would be home on vacation.

"Once separated, however, the young people became so desolate that they both began working on their parents until they finally gave in and sent the bride-to-be over here asking us to 'stand in as parents' for the wedding."

"This, of course, we were delighted to do. The Ketterings were determined to have a part in it, so gave the reception at Bloomfield Hills CC, and Tutti and Bob (Mr. and Mrs. Robert) VanderKloot came to the rescue by giving the rehearsal dinner in their home.

"As I told you over the telephone, I'm breathing a little easier since the wedding veil arrived this morning. Yoko, in her understandable confusion, left it at the customs desk in Honolulu!"

Globe Trotters

Immediately following last week's wedding, the Ketterings left for the Paris Automobile Show, inviting the Wellocks to accompany them—but their cruise to the South Pacific, ending up in Honolulu for the winter, comes too soon, so they had to forego it.

In the meantime, the newlyweds are on a short wedding trip—will make their home in Birmingham for the duration of their stay in this country.



HONORARY PRESIDENT OF TB AND HEALTH SOCIETY, MRS. SAM KELLER WITH MR. KELLER



CINDERELLA CYNTHIA ROBY WITH PRINCE DAVID DEMAREST



BALL CHAIRMAN MRS. JOHN D. RICHARDSON, JR., AND MR. RICHARDSON



PIANIST PETER DUCHIN WITH YOUNG LOCALITIES WILLIAM MUIR (FROM LEFT), DENISE CHAMBERS AND MR. AND MRS. TODD HINES



... AND THE PAGES ALL CAME FROM B'HAM
ROYCE FRUEHAUF (FROM LEFT), MRS. JOHN DENMAN, RANDY FRUEHAUF, JEFF WIRTH, MRS. LEONARD MELDMAN AND SON LOUIS

Among Familiar Faces At Opening Concert



HENRY BOOTH, MRS. DAVID BOOTH (LEFT) AND MRS. RONALD BALLANTYNE



MRS. LEROY DAHLBERG (FROM LEFT) MRS. SIGGAN SJUNNESON AND MR. DAHLBERG



CHANCELLOR AND MRS. DURWOOD VARNER

Neighborhood Notes From Peggy by Mrs. John F. Hamilton

To celebrate daughter Suzanne's sixteenth birthday, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Murray entertained 40 of their friends at a party in their home, 1599 Bowers, Sept. 26. Pete Mahoney of Tecumseh, Ont., was a week-end guest of the Murrays recently. Traveling in his 18-foot runabout, Pete came from the Windsor Yacht Club, down the steamer channel to Gull

Island, then to the North Star Sail Club where he docked near the Murray sail boat. The Murray family and Pete, a University of Detroit student, became friends when they met while vacationing in Canada last summer. Mrs. Carl Hermanson of Eleva, Wis. left Saturday for home. She has been visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wil-

liam Kelley, Jr., for two weeks. A son, Charles Eihan, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald C. Brooks (Jeri Gorthy of Dearborn) of 1528 Bowers, Sept. 23. He weighed six pounds 14 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. William F. Gost, Manhasset, L. I., are visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Gost, 1414 Hazel. They will be here for 10 days.

The Herbert Gosts spent a week end in Waukegan, Ill., recently, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Laurent. MRS. JOHN B. TABB is a bookworm, but she has discovered that even an inveterate reader can reach the saturation point if confined at home with books and newspapers long enough. In des-

paration to turned to needlepoint, only to face a new crisis—two inches to go to finish a cover for a foot stool and she ran out of yarn. Husband, John, searched the city in vain for yarn to match. Mrs. Tabb recently had an operation on her foot that requires a six weeks' period of convalescence. Carl Evangelista of 1506 York-

shire, a student at Seabolt, is back in Beaumont Hospital for more repair work on his leg injured in a car accident Aug. 15, 1963. Mrs. L. N. Geiger, Washington Court House, O., has been in Birmingham for the past three weeks visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. Lynne Geiger, 1748 Bowers.