

News of the North Shore Clubs

Garden Fair to Be Unique Event

Famous Chelsea Show Pattern for Novel Event Kenilworth Garden Club Will Stage

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In response to inquiries as to just what "After Chelsea, London" means in regard to the Garden Fair planned by the Kenilworth Garden club for June 4 and 5, the following information is given.

First of all, many people perhaps do not know Chelsea. It is a most interesting residential suburb of London on the banks of the Thames. From the sixteenth century onward it has been the residence of many eminent persons and to this day it is the home of numerous artists and "plumes itself upon its literary, artistic and somewhat Bohemian atmosphere." Here lived Sir Thomas More; Charles II, and his court; Sir Hans Sloane, whose collections formed the nucleus of the British museum; Thomas Carlyle the sage; Turner, the great landscape painter; Rossetti, and Whistler.

Here in this place of beauty and interest, on the grounds of the Chelsea hospital each year the Royal Horticultural society holds a garden show called the "Chelsea Show."

Last year, America was represented for the first time and received the Gold Medal, the highest award given. The Royal Horticultural society had for the first time invited an American woman to exhibit. She was Mrs. A. Sherman Hoyt, conservation chairman of the California division of the Garden Club of America. In 1926 she had exhibited desert plant life at the International Flower show in New York City with charming results, and again, later, in Boston presented a similar exhibit receiving highest praise. At the Chelsea show she spared neither energy nor money in making her exhibit, "A Desert Garden," showing Death Valley and a grove of redwood forests in California, one of the most pretentious and beautiful exhibits there. It was shown under a special marquee 130x80 feet in size.

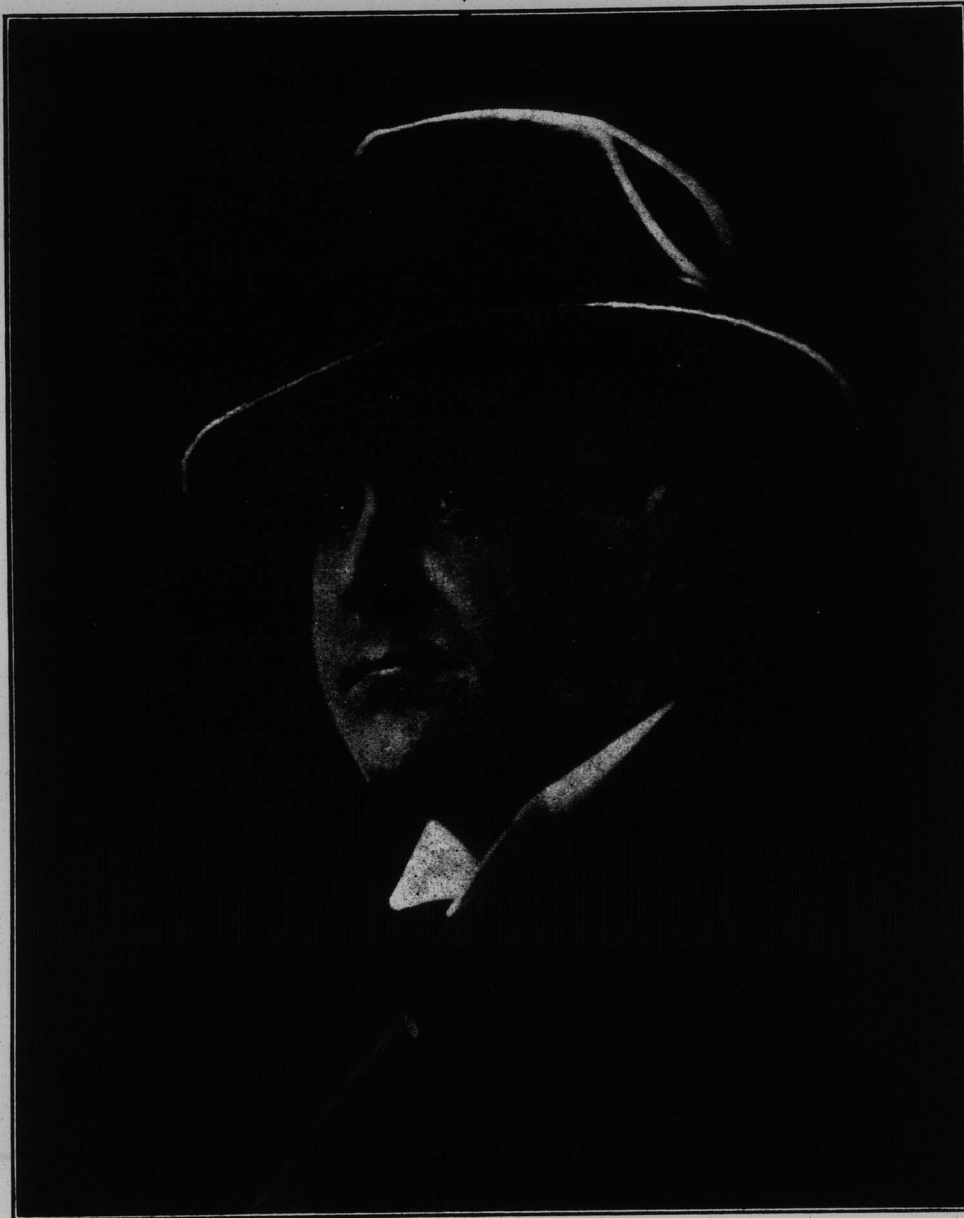
"Country Life" published in London at the time gives a full account of Mrs. Hoyt's work, mentioning that at the close of the show her plants were given to the Royal Botanic gardens at Kew and expressing sincere appreciation for the gift.

This brief account of Mrs. Hoyt's exhibit alone gives a small idea of the extent of the Chelsea show, for in it are rock gardens, formal gardens, old fashioned gardens, walled-in gardens, Japanese gardens, water and woodland gardens, all built out of doors on the grounds themselves. Greenhouse flowers appear in great profusion.

In 1929 the English Speaking union invited as its guests for two weeks, the presidents and an alternate from each garden club affiliated with the Garden Club of America, to come to England and visit the gardens in and about London. It was while visiting Chelsea and viewing the beauties of this fair that the inspiration came to have in Kenilworth, with its English tendencies, a garden fair resembling, in a small way, perhaps, the Chelsea fair. The facilities in Kenilworth are so limited and the space is too small to carry on the idea in a large way but in atmosphere and style it is hoped the

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Noted Tenor on Luncheon Program



A student's life abroad is often a hazardous one, especially if he is short of funds or inclined to stoutness, according to Charles Marshall, dramatic tenor with the Chicago Civic Opera company and noted concert artist, who will be heard in concert at the annual spring luncheon of the Woman's club of Wilmette May 7, at the Lake Shore Athletic club.

With a small amount of capital, Marshall, at the age of 17, went to Italy to study music. Once in Florence he was in financial stress and very hungry. Entering an eating house there, he ordered a bounteous meal. The meal finished, Marshall informed the proprietor that he had no money. While that astonished individual stood gaping at Marshall, the latter made a hasty exit, followed by five waiters whom he soon outdistanced, despite his two hundred thirty pounds of flesh.

Another time when Marshall was taking the part of Faust with a provincial opera company playing "Faust," he crashed through the trap door of Mephisto, much to the delight of his audience, and his own discomfort.

His early days in Europe were filled with many such colorful experiences which Mr. Marshall delights to tell about. He will give his entire concert program at the club.

Club Plans Tour

The fine arts department of the Woman's Catholic club of Wilmette is planning to close its club year with a tour of the Haeger Potteries at Dundee, Ill., on Friday, May 9. Mrs. Arthur Adams, 632 Forest avenue, is in charge of the arrangements. The cars will assemble at her home at 10 o'clock in the morning and drive to Dundee. Luncheon will be served at the Seven Gables Tea room and the tour will take place immediately afterwards. Reservations for luncheon may be made with Mrs. Adams, Wilmette 978.

WOMEN OF ROTARY MEETING

The North Shore group of Women of Rotary will meet Wednesday, May 7, for luncheon at 12:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. R. Uhlemann, 581 Ingleside place, Evanston. The co-hostesses will be Mrs. Charles Schwartz of Winnetka and Mrs. Stanley Knight of Kenilworth.

Club Luncheon to Take Place May 6

Catholic Club to Install New Officers; Ann Larkin, Carlisle Bennett on Program

The Woman's Catholic club of Wilmette is having its annual luncheon at the Vista del Lago club Tuesday, May 6, at 1 o'clock. The occasion will mark the installation of the new officers of the club. An attractive program has been planned with Miss Ann Larkin giving a reading of the play "Berkeley Square" by John L. Balderstone, which, after two years in London, is current in New York. When first produced the play was considered the outstanding artistic success of the year.

Carlisle Bennett of Chicago, who won first prize in the Atwater Kent Radio audition contest this past winter, will give the musicale arranged for Tuesday. He will sing two groups of selections:

Blue Are Her Eyes	I	Winter Watts
Spirit Flower		Campbell-Tipton
Dawn, Awake	II	Braine
A Little Rock		Wells
Today		Huerter

Guests of honor for the day will be the Rev. B. F. Brady and the Rev. J. A. Neumann, Mrs. W. S. Gibson, president of the Tenth district, Illinois Federation of Women's clubs, and Mrs. John Holland, president of Our Lady of Lourdes Woman's club.

The annual May party given for the benefit of the church building fund has been postponed from May 17 to the evening of May 24, and will be held at the Country Club of Evanston. Music will be provided by George Arns' orchestra.

Luncheon Honors New Board of Neighbors

On Tuesday of this week at the home of Mrs. Charles Howard Bent, Melrose avenue, Kenilworth, the outgoing members of the board of the Neighbors gave a luncheon in honor of the newly elected and appointed officers. The entire board was present: Mrs. Vibe Spicer, new president of the club; Mrs. Charles Howard Bent, former president; Mrs. Harry Harrison, first vice-president; Mrs. Helen Hepburn, second vice-president; Mrs. Ben Matthews, new corresponding secretary; Mrs. Louis Jones, recording secretary; Mrs. Leon Ellis, treasurer; and the following heads of departments: Mrs. Dean Vail, Mrs. Charles Dubsky, Mrs. Edwin Bluthardt, Mrs. E. John Hicks, Mrs. Tom Dix, Mrs. Sanford Holden, Mrs. Russell Small, Mrs. Wendell Clark, and Mrs. Walter Launder.

After luncheon the board held the final business meeting of the season.

Is Mothers' Club Speaker

The Young Mothers' club will meet Monday evening, May 5, at the home of Mrs. T. J. Ferrenz, 511 Washington avenue. The assisting hostesses will be Mrs. Lenoir Miller and Mrs. Laurence Bean. Mrs. Herman Fabry of Evanston, herself a mother who has kept up with the modern trend in education, will give a talk on "The Religion of the Little Child." Mrs. Fabry is a graduate of the National College of Education.

Catholic Club Juniors

Hold Annual Election

The Junior members of the Woman's Catholic club of Wilmette held their last meeting of the club year Monday evening at the home of Miss Jane Norman, 618 Greenleaf avenue. The new officers for next year were elected; Miss Marjorie Koenig is again president; Miss Dorothy Pettinger, first vice-president; Miss Kathleen Harvey, second vice-president; Miss Dorothy Marshall, treasurer; Miss Elsie Dodo, secretary. The directors are Miss Jean Miller, Miss Mary Florence Koenig, and Miss Lorraine Moore.

Circle Meets May 6

The Crescent circle of the First Congregational church will hold its monthly meeting May 6, at the home of Mrs. Louis S. Becker, 105 Fifth street.