



News of the North Shore Clubs



Music Plays Part in Club Pageant

Helen Bartush Venables, Gifted Artist, in Program for Woman's Club Birthday

Mrs. Robert Venables, known professionally as Helen Bartush, of concert, opera, and radio experience, is a mezzo contralto whose singing will be a high point in "Flashbacks," the thirtieth century pageant written by Mrs. James A. Burrill for the forty-fifth anniversary of the Woman's club of Wilmette on Wednesday, November 4. Music will have its part in the entire production.

The artist's singing of "Salutation of the Dawn," with words from the Sankrit and music by Frederick Stevenson, will be a part of an impressive tableau.

Helen Bartush, who home is in Golf and whose husband is a nephew of Monroe R. Venables of Wilmette, is a young musician for whom a fine future has been predicted by Chicago critics. As winner of the contest conducted by the Society of American Musicians, she sang in concert at Kimball hall. As a winner in the amateur contest sponsored by the National Broadcasting company she was engaged for the 1935-36 season of the Chicago City Opera company. Her voice is said to be inspiring. The late Edward Moore declared her voice to be "of a quality out of the ordinary in sheer beauty"; Glen Dillard Gunn has said "Her voice is smooth, suave, pleasantly sonorous, unforced, and generally a model of all those virtues which the studio prescribes. The presentation of the vocal line remains a thing of perfect beauty." She sang one of the more important roles in the Civic Opera premiere of "Gale," with John Charles Thomas in the lead, and has had minor roles in other operas. She has given other concert and club programs, highly praised in each.

Mrs. Frank Guthridge of Wilmette is another musician participating in "Flashbacks," accompanying Helen Bartush, singing one solo herself, "Love's Old Sweet Song," and playing the accompaniments for the entire pageant.

A large number of the club members are taking part in "Flashbacks," in which the club is viewed from a perspective of a thousand years from now. An amusing scene is the flashback to the board meeting of 1936, in which the cast is the present board.

One of the most delightful episodes in the pageant is one in which an early meeting of the club is shown. This is not the first meeting of the club first requested by Ino the scholar, before the retrospectroscope, but a meeting in the year 1894, when the millenium seemed a little closer than it had in 1891—horseless carriages had appeared, it looked as if women might one day get the vote and a child labor law had raised the age of children in work to fourteen years and an eight hour day was discussed. In this scene Mrs. Frank L. Joy reads the minutes of the "last meet-

To Address Juniors



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Miss Mercedes Hurst, a young woman identified with advertising in Chicago, comes to the Junior auxiliary of the Woman's Club of Wilmette for a talk on advertising Thursday evening, November 5, at the clubhouse.

Advertising Is Subject of Talk for Club Juniors

Following dinner at 6:45 o'clock Thursday evening, November 4, members of the Junior auxiliary of the Woman's Club of Wilmette will hear a talk at 8 by Miss Mercedes Hurst, a young woman active in advertising groups in Chicago.

Last year Miss Hurst was president of the Woman's Advertising Club of Chicago and vice-president of the Chicago Federated Advertising club, a club made up of both men and women in this field. Her business affiliation is with the Commonwealth Edison company, in the advertising department.

The speaker's talk, "What Is This Thing Advertising," which she gives for the juniors, is believed to be of particular interest to the layman because she will tell of the background of the many advertisements seen and read every day. The influence of these advertisements on the trend of living will be another feature of her talk.

Those who have heard Miss Hurst speak say that her talk is very enlightening and of interest to everyone.

Baptist Church Links Will Meet This Friday

The regular Link meetings of the Women's society of the Baptist church, postponed last week on account of the church dinner held Friday night, are taking place this week as follows:

Link R, Mrs. C. C. Clark's Link, will meet at the home of Mrs. W. A. Hartwig, 1700 Walnut street, with Mrs. A. Heerens assisting.

Link E, Mrs. Robert J. Lascelles, leader, will be entertained at the home of Mrs. E. V. Gruhn, 953 Ramona road.

Link I, Mrs. E. H. Kerr, leader, is meeting at the home of Mrs. C. H. Jones, 1514 Forest avenue, with Mrs. E. Storm assisting.

Link D, under the leadership of Mrs. H. A. Smith, will have for its hostess, Mrs. A. E. Gebert of 1526 Greenwood avenue.

W. C. T. U. Meeting

The Wilmette and Winnetka W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Dee Stoker, 228 Myrtle street, Winnetka, on Monday, November 2, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Everyone is cordially invited.

ing." An important motion is passed to install a drinking fountain in the business center of our village. Then the program follows—music and reading. The curtain falls with Mrs. William Panushka about to begin the reading of "Romola."

The birthday cake in the last tableau is a huge one, brought in on the shoulders of four members. The scene of the candle-lighting, with different ones reciting the achievements of the club, is an inspiring one.

—F.B.M.

Woman's Club Nears Its 45th Birthday

Charter Members and Distinguished Guests, Two Speakers, and Pageant Highlights of Day

A forty-fifth birthday is an important milestone in the history of a club and this anniversary and its observance the Woman's Club of Wilmette anticipates with pleasure Wednesday, November 4. A pageant written especially for the occasion, distinguished guests, the presence of well known charter members and two morning lectures will mark the day.

Mrs. Carl J. Zipprich will have the morning hour at 10:30 o'clock, presenting Lorraine L. Blair in "What Every Woman Should Know About Finance."

At noon Mrs. Glen S. Roberts, music chairman, will present Manoah Leide-Tedesco, in a lecture recital on "American Music and Musicians." The speaker, composer, conductor, critic, will comment upon "Deems Taylor, John Alden Carpenter, Henry Hadley; Indian, Negro, and Dance Music."

Among the distinguished European musicians of this generation, educated at the University of Naples and with musical training from the very beginning imparted by several of the greatest living masters, Mr. Leide-Tedesco's musical experience was enriched by his personal contacts with such musical figures as Richard Strauss, Vincent d'Indy, and Felix Weingartner. He has conducted many of the leading symphony orchestras of Central Europe, and in Czechoslovakia was a guest of President Masaryk at his summer home. He conducted the New Chamber symphony of New York City from 1932-35, during which time the first performances of his own compositions were broadcast over the N.B.C. chain from Rockefeller Center. At present several symphonic works are scheduled for early performance in the east.

Mr. Leide-Tedesco has taken an active part in fostering the "New Living Music" in the American Academic world and for several years he headed one of the music departments of the University of Illinois.

It is hoped that Mrs. Herbert G. Leonard of St. Paul, first president of the club, and the mother of Mrs. Quincy Wright of Chicago, lecturer on world affairs in Wilmette last year and now abroad for a year, will be able to attend, as well as the second president, Mrs. H. B. Gates, now of Evanston, and Mrs. Frank L. Joy and Mrs. William Panushka, all charter members. The club expects the president of the Illinois State federation, Mrs. Edward J. Lehman, and the Tenth district president, Mrs. Henry Rhode, to be its guests, together with presidents of neighboring clubs. Thinking this program would be of particular interest to them, they have been invited to come on this day instead of on a regular "President's day."

The pageant, "Flashbacks," described more fully elsewhere in this

To Greet New Members

The regular monthly meeting of the Catholic Daughters of America, Ouilmette court 848, will be held Monday evening, November 2, at 8 o'clock in the Odd Fellows hall. There will also be a reception of new members.

Sings in Pageant



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Helen Bartush (Mrs. Robert Venables), a young Chicago mezzo-contralto whose voice has been highly praised by eminent Chicago critics, who has sung in concert, opera and over the radio, will sing off-stage Wednesday afternoon, November 4, during the pageant celebrating the forty-fifth birthday of the Woman's Club of Wilmette.