

North Shore Society Imbued with Holiday Festivity

Plans Complete, Society Settles Into Holiday Gait

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Society has much on its mind these days, for Christmas is again at hand. Christmas on the north shore means many things. It is a season when young people hold sway. Society's mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles and friends are on the constant *qui vive* arranging their holiday plans, for society's girls and boys are an energetic group with hosts of engagements to crowd into a vacation period always too short. Whether they return from schools or colleges or are just on recess from local halls of learning, the holidays are theirs.

Their pleasure is inclusive. Winter sports, luncheons, matinees, teas, dinners and most of all, dancing, are their hobbies. And each season we are more impressed with the increasing popularity of the large balls with their groups of hosts or hostesses given as mediums for reunion and fun.

There is no news in the statement that Christmas is a festival that features the occasion for family gatherings, and hundred of these are to be found, both large and small.

Something about Christmas on the north shore stands out as unique. We are convinced one is fortunate to spend the Yuletide here. Several years ago, if we be permitted personal comment, we came to one of these north shore villages from Milwaukee for our Christmas. From the time the Christmas eve train reached Lake Forest the entire atmosphere changed indefinitely into an air tingling with hospitality and expectancy which is renewed each season. In our musing, the analysis, to us at least, lies in the development of our community spirit. Christmas on the north shore is no longer an entirely individual occasion, since this intangible thing is growing in our midst as community spirit, or the brotherliness of man. Our villages and merchants contribute to it through means of Christmas garb, more pronounced each year. In one of our towns this holiday tide, living Christmas trees flank the walks throughout the shopping center to fling out their message of cheer. Community trees and villagers caroling are now a well established part of the Christmas celebration. Community Fellowship does not end here.

At the Christmas tide, joys are keener, and sorrow is a little more poignant for to many it brings wistfulness. The north shore has not forgotten in its own pleasure those in our midst now homeless. Several large groups of north shore women have brought gladness to disabled world war sufferers at Great Lakes. Nearly one hundred children from the Lake Bluff orphanage spent Christmas with north shore families, and took back with them to last for the ensuing year, the memory of a red letter day. We have often wanted to look into the heart of an orphan the day after Christmas, wondering if there isn't a wishfulness there for that which no orphanage can supply.

Give Christmas Dance

The Kenilworth club will be the scene of a Christmas party next Tuesday evening when Frances Anderson, Ruth Arnold, Virginia Bradford, Alice James, Ruth Kinne, Harriet Mons, Margaret Ott, Esther Sprenger and Jane Young will be hostesses at a large dance.

Junior Prom at N. U. Has Starlit Setting

Around the large room lined with hundreds of Christmas trees the two wings of the Junior promenade at Northwestern university were led last Friday by Robert Tannehill, class president, and Miss Evelyn Pearson, on the right, and the left wing by Miss Josephine MacRae, social chairman, and Paul Callopy. The dance was held in Patten gymnasium.

The dancing floor was especially attractive in its decorative scheme this year, with the rows of evergreen trees. The trees at the corners were lighted with electric bulbs, and above the heads of the dancers was suspended a star-speckled sky. Silver ornaments decorated the trees.

Jack Barker, who has been playing in "Cocoanuts," and a former student at Northwestern, sang during the evening. Sophie Tucker's son, also prominent on the stage, entertained the guests with dancing. The Cincinnati Owls furnished the music.

A supper was served in the men's lounge through the latter part of the evening.

A list of patrons and patronesses for the party follows: President and Mrs. Walter Dill Scott, Dean and Mrs. Ralph Heilman, Dean and Mrs. Harry Harrington, Dean and Mrs. Peter C. Lutkin, Dean and Mrs. Irving S. Cutter, Dean Mary Ross Potter, Dean and Mrs. John H. Wigmore, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Tannehill, Mr. and Mrs. Albert MacRae, Dean and Mrs. Arthur D. Black and Dean and Mrs. William C. Bauer.

Members of Miss MacRae's committee, who have assisted with the arrangements, include Ruth Finn, Marjorie Reynolds, June Fellows, Evelyn Gibbs, Carl French, Charles Souders, William Droegmueller and Tom Singleton.

Flock to Tea Dance

Dancing to the splendid music furnished by Cope Harvey and his famous players, more than one hundred young people, ranging in age from 10 to 14 years, attended the holiday dance arranged by the music committee of the Winnetka Woman's club, Tuesday, December 21 from 4 until 6 o'clock.

This annual dance provides an opportunity for the younger people in the village to meet for an afternoon of dancing in the club. Miss Alicia Pratt, well known dancing instructor along the north shore was in charge of the affair.

To Hold Open House

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Fentress of 939 Green Bay road are following out their custom again this year of giving a tea on New Year's day at their home. Mr. and Mrs. Fentress will receive their guests beginning at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Among the dinners being given before the dance Mr. and Mrs. John Nash Ott are giving on December 28 for their son, John, will be the one Mrs. Raymond Durham is having at her home at 808 Auburn avenue. About forty guests have been invited.

Miss Katherine Klotz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Klotz of 722 Prospect avenue will be hostess at a winter sports party at the Indian Hill club Tuesday afternoon, December 28, starting at 1 o'clock. Thirty guests have been invited to the party.

Jean Jackson to Wed Saturday, January 1

Miss Jean Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Jackson of 1195 Asbury avenue, Hubbard Woods, who will be married to Lester R. Gardner of Wallingford, Conn., January 1, has chosen her wedding attendants.

Miss Carol Jackson, the bride's sister, will attend her as maid of honor, and Miss Ethel Jackson, also a sister, will act as one of the bridesmaids. Miss Marjorie Lowe of Chicago, a cousin of the bride, will attend as the second bridesmaid.

Charles M. Barry of Chicago, formerly of Wallingford, will act as best man. The list of ushers includes Carl S. Bullin, of Chicago, formerly of Wallingford, Webster Jackson, the bride's brother, Sidney T. Webster, and William C. Webster, both of Wilmette and cousins of the bride.

The ceremony will take place at Christ church, Winnetka, and will be followed by a small reception for relatives and intimate friends, at the bride's home.

Choose Attendants for Early January Wedding

Miss Dorothea Schmedtgen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Schmedtgen of Wilmette, has chosen Saturday, January 8, as the date of her marriage to Alan C. Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Collins of Philadelphia. The marriage service will be read at 4 o'clock in St. Luke's church, Evanston, and a small reception will follow at the home of the bride's parents, 710 Greenleaf avenue.

Mrs. Alfred H. Taylor of Evanston will attend Miss Schmedtgen as matron of honor, and the bridesmaids will be Miss Helen Bruch and Mrs. Samuel N. Comly, also of Evanston, Miss Mary Louise Scheidenhelm of Wilmette and Miss Katharine Brown of New York City.

Mr. Collin's father will act as best man. The ushers will be James S. Collins, brother of the bridegroom, J. Freeman Lincoln of Philadelphia, Edwin N. Chapman, Jr., and Wilfred B. Garwin of New York City, Lockwood Thompson of Cleveland and Alfred H. Taylor of Evanston.

Mr. Collins and his bride will make their home in Philadelphia.

Week-end Gala Sorority and Fraternity Season

Among the pre-Christmas parties given last week-end were several sorority and fraternity dances held Saturday evening by chapters at Northwestern university. The Alpha Phi entertained at a formal dinner dance at the Belmont hotel. The Delta Upsilon and Sigma Nu fraternities entertained at formal dinner dances at the chapter houses. The latter party was given for the active chapter.

Phi Kappa Psi gave its semester formal, with dinner preceding, at the chapter house. An informal Christmas party was held by the Scribblers at their house. Their formal party for the winter season was given on Saturday, December 11. The members of Delta Tau Delta fraternity and their guests came in Dutch costumes. They were entertained during the evening by a black bottom dancer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Windes of 873 Soruce street are entertaining at an informal reception on New Year's day from 2 until 6 o'clock in the afternoon in honor of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Guilford R. Windes.

Country Club Opens for Xmas Dance for Youth of Village

The young people's Christmas dance at the Ouilmette Country club was one of the attractive affairs planned for Christmas day. The committee in charge expected a large group of the juniors of the club and of the village. The hour set for Cope Harvey's orchestra to start the party was 9 o'clock. The clubhouse has been decorated in holiday dress for this dance and for the other activities of the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. John Prost, who were at the head of the committee in charge, were assisted in receiving by the members of their committee: Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Corns, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mahan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Rickson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Zimmerman.

Reservations are being made for the formal New Year's eve party, December 31. Dinner is to be served at 8 o'clock. On New Year's day there will be open house at the club, and a tea dance, the hours being from 4 until 10 o'clock.

Kentucky Society Hears Charming Xmas Program

The telling of the Christmas story with the interspersing of carols and dancing of the minuet, was the keynote of the delightful Christmas party given by the Kentucky Society of Evanston and the North Shore in the ballroom of the Orrington hotel Tuesday afternoon of last week.

More than 250 members of the society and their guests filled the ballroom and heard with delight the program given by Dean Peter Lutkin's choir, the narrative told charmingly by Mrs. Dan Brummitt, and watched the graceful dancing of a group of girls from Roycemore school.

The hostesses for the occasion who received the guests and poured at the tea table were:

Mrs. Leroy Gidding, Mrs. John A. Lee, Mrs. J. B. Heth, Mrs. W. L. Wright, Mrs. D. L. Fester, Mrs. Irwin Keller, Mrs. Robert Reed, Mrs. W. H. Bryant, Mrs. John W. Leathers, Mrs. Preston H. Williams, Sr., Mrs. H. W. Talbot, Mrs. Henry Webster, Mrs. Crain, Mrs. Musick, Mrs. J. Sherman Dudley, Mrs. Harrison Smith, Mrs. James W. Guest, Miss Bessie Duke Kinney and Miss Lucy Blakemore.

Wellesley Girl Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Dawes of Glencoe have announced the engagement of their daughter, Marian, to Gordon Butler Bilderback, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Bilderback of Champaign, Ill.

Miss Dawes was graduated from Wellesley college. Mr. Bilderback attended the University of Illinois and Yale.

Debut at Dinner Dance

Miss Phoebe Nelson, daughter of the Murry Nelsons of 44 East Elm street, Chicago, formerly of Winnetka, will be formally introduced to society at a dinner dance, Thursday evening, December 30.

The dance is being given by Miss Nelson's parents, and will take place at the Drake hotel, at 8 o'clock. About 150 invitations have been issued.