

Mr. and Mrs. J. Preston Burlingham of 927 Forest avenue, Evanston, are being congratulated upon the birth of their second son, who was born Sunday, January 23, at the Evanston hospital. Mrs. Burlingham was Katherine Green of 776 Prospect avenue, Winnetka, before her marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred D. Breit and family of 422 Essex road, Kenilworth, are entertaining a group of Chicago friends at their Miami Beach home.

Mrs. Alexander Ham of Ishpeming, Mich., was the guest this week of her sister, Mrs. Guilford R. Windes of 460 Winnetka avenue.

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"ERSTWHILE SUSAN" INVITES PLAYGOERS

New Trier Dramatic Club to Produce Marian De Forest Drama at Auditorium February 19

By G. W. C.

"Look at me—I was only educated with a Testament an' a spellin' book an' a slate. An' do I look as if I need to know any mor'n what I know a'ready?"

Thus speaks Barnaby Dreary in the second act of "Erstwhile Susan." At the time, he is engaged in a debate with his wife on the subject of education. His wife is none other than Susan herself, whose ideas on all subjects are always up-to-the-minute.

In reply Susan says, "Far be it from me to give expression to my inmost thoughts." No doubt she feels that common decency will not allow her to say more.

And there one has the main idea of this play by Marian De Forest which the New Trier High school Dramatic club is to produce Saturday, February 19 in the auditorium of that school. Barnaby Dreary, ignorant, a bit barbarian in his ideas, constantly struggling with his altruistic wife Juliet, erstwhile Susan. Then at the last, Juliet triumphing over the uneducated Dutchman and winning freedom for the abused daughter of Barnaby.

The play, though it is based perhaps on an almost tragic theme, has many moments of clear comedy. There is, for instance, the time when Barnaby learns that his wife, whom he has obtained from a bureau that agrees "to ack as publick benefactor to bring congenial souls together," is a "noo woman, one of them sex equality sharps, who lectures to the mothers' social unions about females votin' and energetics."

Another priceless comedy scene is the one wherein the Dreary family dines. As one might expect, Barnaby and his sons eat with their knives, drink out of their saucers, and act generally like hicks. Then when Juliet, the new wife, suggests that the family use the napkins laid before them, Barnaby utters the lovely epigrammatic words, "Well, I like a napkin, too, when we've got gravy."

As a result of these situations "Erstwhile Susan" is a splendid mixture of the hilarious and the serious and a fine chance for amateurs to show their worth.

The cast of the play is as follows:
 Barnabetta Dreary Jane Philbrick
 Emanuel Dreary Karl Karnopp
 Barnaby Dreary John Cogswell
 Abel Butcher Stoddard Small
 Jacob Dreary Emmons DeBerard
 Judge David Jordan Loren Converse
 Juliet Miller, erstwhile Susan
 Marion Schuman
 Ramah Schwenkfelders Ruth Kinne
 Em Eackernagel Katherine Naper
 Abe Wackernagel Robert Martin
 Joseph Yoder Edward Ryerson
 Jennie Getz Herma Logan
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