

# Benefits Prevail in Popularity with Society During Lent

## Plan Dinner Parties to Precede Monologs by Actor's Daughter

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During the season of Lent the benefit assumes an even more prominent place in the activities of north shore society. It is a time when large affairs of a purely social nature are kept in abeyance for those that have for their purpose the helping of others. In Winnetka plans are nearing completion for an event of this kind which will bring to the north shore one of unusual talent and charm, Cornelia Otis-Skinner, daughter of the distinguished actor. Miss Skinner will give a program of delightful monologs at Skokie school Tuesday evening, March 22, at 8:15 o'clock, as a benefit for the Bryn Mawr scholarship fund.

Dinners have been decided upon by many as a pleasant means for gathering groups together before attending the entertainment. Among those who will entertain in this manner are Dr. and Mrs. Frank Blatchford, Mr. and Mrs. Laird Bell, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Miller, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James F. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Elliott, and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert H. Scribner.

Among others who have bought tickets for the performance are: Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Alley, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. John Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Washburne, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. William B. McIlvaine, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Warden, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Morris K. Wilson, and Mr. and Mrs. Horace K. Tenney.

Tickets for the benefit may be secured from Mrs. John R. Reilly, Winnetka 968, or from Mrs. Skinner's Book store, 724 Elm street.

## Circle Activities

Mrs. Albert Martin, Mrs. Wirt Farley, and Mrs. Stanley Simpson will be joint hostesses Tuesday, March 22, for an all-day meeting of the Walden Road circle at the home of Mrs. Simpson, 1040 Starr road. Sewing in the morning, luncheon at 12:30 and bridge in the afternoon compose the program for the day.

Mrs. Ralph B. Kraesch, 455 Sunset road, will be hostess at a bridge for the members of the New Trier circle and their friends on Friday, March 25, at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Lee Walker will be assisting hostess.

The Pine Street circle gave a St. Patrick's day supper party at Community House Thursday, March 17, followed by games and a musical program. Mrs. David Kennicott was chairman of the affair.

Mrs. Herman H. Englehard, 377 Sunset road, opened her home on Tuesday afternoon, March 15, to the members of the New Trier circle for their regular monthly meeting.

The Skokie circle will give a bridge party on Monday afternoon, March 21, at 2 o'clock at the Community House. The members have been invited to attend and to bring guests. Mrs. Richard Albert Ballenger is in charge of tickets. They can also be purchased at the door.

The Foxdale Avenue circle will meet Monday, March 21, at 2 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Cleveland, 828 Foxdale avenue. All members are urged to be present.

## Kappa Mothers to Give Benefit for House Fund

The Kappa Kappa Gamma mothers are taking charge of the New Evanston theater Monday evening as a benefit for the house fund at Northwestern university. Since their opening in the fall the Minturn Players have become a popular institution with Evanston and north shore people, and their presentation of "The First Year" on Monday is expected to be as well received as their previous work.

The proceeds are to be used in furnishing the sorority house, which is now under construction at the corner of Orrington avenue and University place. This benefit is one of a number that have been given for the Kappa fund, among the many sorority house fund affairs given since the dream of the new woman's campus has approached reality.

The evening will be of added interest to the sorority, as Nancy Harris, a member of the Minturn Players, is a Kappa and a former actor in campus dramatics. Miss Harris was recently married to J. Robert Pershall of Evanston.

Tickets and reservations are being handled at the box office of the theater in Evanston, and anyone who is interested in further details can reach Mrs. Charles R. Bixby at Wilmette 2577.

## Keith Davis Will Wed Chicago Girl Saturday, April 2

The wedding of Miss Gretchen Stratton of Chicago, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Stratton of 7410 Drexel boulevard, and J. Keith Davis of Wilmette, will take place Saturday afternoon, April 2. Miss Stratton and Mr. Davis met at the University of Illinois where the former was a member of the Pi Beta Phi sorority, and the latter a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma. Mr. Davis, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Davis of 727 Ashland avenue, is well known on the north shore. He has lived in Wilmette twenty years.

Among the many attractive affairs being given for the bride-elect are luncheon showers with Mrs. George M. Spangler of Glencoe, Miss Mary Worthington of Glencoe and Miss Alice Shipman of Kenilworth the hostesses.

The wedding will be informal. The service will be read at the Engleside Methodist Episcopal church and a reception for relatives will follow at the Windermere East hotel. Mrs. Craig Ruby will be matron of honor and Delwyn Worthington of Glencoe will act as best man.

The young couple will be at home to their friends after May 1, at 61 Forest avenue, Riverside, Ill.

## Panhellenic Luncheon

The Panhellenic association will hold its annual luncheon in Chicago Saturday at the Illinois Women's Athletic club at 12:45 o'clock. Miss Daisy Belmore of "The Vagabond King" company is to be the speaker, and Miss Belle Forbes Cutter is the soloist.

The delegates from each sorority are handling the reservations for the luncheon. Mrs. Ralph E. Heilman of Evanston is president of the association, Mrs. H. E. Robinson of Chicago, vice president, Mrs. Thomas Gonser of Evanston, secretary, and Mrs. Eleanor W. Moffman of Chicago, treasurer.

## Woman's Catholic Club to Celebrate Birthday

The Woman's Catholic club of Wilmette will celebrate its fourteenth birthday at its next meeting on Friday afternoon, March 25, at 2 o'clock, at the Woman's club of Wilmette. The program for the afternoon includes a talk, "A Mediterranean Cruise," by Mrs. Mary Ridpath Mann, daughter of the historian, Ridpath, who has been a lecturer for the Chicago historical society for ten years.

The illustrations for the talk were taken by George H. Connor, of the Travel bureau. Decorations for the afternoon will be carried out in the club colors, yellow and white. There will be a birthday cake with fourteen candles to celebrate the occasion.

## State Officer Speaks to Kenilworth Voters Today

Miss Edith Rockwood, secretary of the Illinois League of Women Voters, is to give a talk today before the Kenilworth League of Women Voters at its meeting at the Kenilworth club. Miss Rockwood has been spending much time at Springfield furthering the bills in the legislature which the Illinois League of Women Voters is backing.

The meeting opens at 11 o'clock, to be followed by luncheon. All Kenilworth women are invited to be present at this, the last meeting of the Kenilworth league this year.

## College Alumnae to View Foreign Travel Pictures

The north shore alumnae of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college will hold a luncheon meeting Saturday, March 19, at 12 o'clock, in the Gold room of the Orrington hotel.

Mrs. Alfred R. Bates, president of the North Shore Alumnae association, announces a most attractive program. The Travel bureau of the City National Bank of Evanston will present its delightful moving picture, "A Trip Through Europe," which tells the story of last summer's student trip as conducted by this travel bureau.

## Work to Talk on Bridge

The afternoon card committee of the Ouilmette Country club, through the courtesy of the Chicago Evening American, is offering to women along the north shore interested in bridge, a lecture by Milton C. Work, Monday afternoon, April 4. Mr. Work, the well known authority on bridge, will give his talk at the Ouilmette Country club, 911 Michigan avenue, Wilmette.

## Club Plans Bridge Tea

The Southern Woman's club of Chicago is giving a bridge tea at the Georgian hotel, Evanston, Tuesday, March 22, at 1:30 o'clock. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. William Ekholts of the Orrington hotel, University 8700, or from Mrs. Edgar Foster Alden of Winnetka, Winnetka 803.

## Will Be Tea Hostess

Mrs. A. J. Balaban will entertain the hostesses for the Chicago Junior school annual benefit at a musicale and tea Wednesday at her home in Glencoe. The dance and card party will be given at the Drake hotel next Friday evening.

## Garden Club's May Market Will Provide Village Beauty Spots

Like an English May day will be the May village in the village green which the Winnetka Garden club has announced for Saturday, May 21. The club members are busy formulating plans, and committees for the market are to be announced soon. This year the club will specialize on plants. There are to be many seedlings, and persons desirous of starting gardens will find there clumps of perennials.

The money that the club hopes to obtain from the market is to be used to further civic beauty. The success of the enterprise will mean new beauty spots in certain sections of the village.

Spring gardens are to be the subject of an informal talk by Mrs. Harry Barnum of Winnetka Thursday, March 24, at 3 o'clock, before members of the club. Mrs. Barnum's subject is "Gardens in the Spring," and what Mrs. Barnum has to say on the subject will be of much value as she has lectured and gardened extensively in the South. The meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. C. Colton Daughaday, 180 Chestnut street, Winnetka.

The club is planning to exhibit in the Lake Forest Flower show. The tentative date for the show is May 28.

The Winnetka Garden club has been asked to assist the Tribune in the garden contest recently announced by the paper. The presidents of garden clubs are co-operating with the Tribune and helping in the plans. Mrs. Hamilton Daughaday represented the club yesterday at a luncheon given by the Tribune at the Drake hotel for those who will take part in this work. The Tribune is offering \$5,000 in prizes for the best garden plot developed from a plot of ground. The purpose of the contest, which was announced after the Chicago Flower and Garden show had drawn much attention and praise to the idea of gardens for every home, is to encourage and stimulate development of gardens in all small homes.

## Welfare Board Announces Important Meeting Monday

Members of the Winnetka executive board of the Infant Welfare society will meet at the home of Mrs. Ernst C. von Ammon, 568 Elm street, on Monday, March 21, at 11 o'clock.

This is the final meeting of the campaign for the 1927 budget, as well as the regular monthly meeting. It is most important that all members be present to give their completed reports showing the results of their solicitations, it is announced.

A prize will be given to the member obtaining the greatest number of subscriptions and also to the one securing the largest single donation. After the business meeting, luncheon will be served.

## Betrothed

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Sweeney of Chicago announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Catherine, to John Joseph Hartnett, son of Mrs. John J. Hartnett of Chicago, formerly of Winnetka.

Examination for membership in the Junior league have been concluded recently. On the list of those who passed successfully are the names of three Winnetka and Hubbard Woods girls, Carolyn Case, Mary Louise Fenton, and Ellen Stuart.