Preston Recital Excellent Though Done Too Hastily By RUTHEDA L. PRETZEL

Another sign of the coming of autumn was the closing of the summer musicales at the Skokie Country club Sunday afternoon, September 16. These musicales have proved a boon to members of the club and friends, who found they answered more than satisfactorily the worn question, "What shall we do on Sunday afternoon?" Mrs. Dwight C. Orcutt has been in charge of the musicales this year and for several years, and has cated, informal audience as has been street also has gone to Connecticut. attending the musicales. Wherefore she is to be thanked.

Howard E. Preston, baritone of Wilmette, closed the season with a brief road, has left for Yale university. but enjoyable program.

Given Too Hurriedly

Mr. Preston is the possessor of a rich, mellow voice which he uses to its full advantage. But he was obviously anxious to be done with the program last Sunday in order to be off on a fishing trip. This critic arrived before 4:30 o'clock, to find him finishing his second number, and during his entire program felt his impatience of delays between groups, and even of the audience itself. No encores were given, although the applause was more than convincing. Half the charm of such an afternoon is in leisurely making one's way through a program given by an artist who is friendly and generous. It is a pity Mr. Preston could not have found a later train out of the city.

Perfect Program Mr. Preston's program was well nigh perfect. His second group, made up of Franck's "Nocturne"; Debussy's "Les Cloches"; and Hahn's "D'une Prison," showed that he is an artist in bringing out the story with sympathetic feeling and a sonorous, smooth tone. In more dramatic songs, such as Fourdrain's "L'Isba En Flammes," he thrills the audience with his resonant, warm tone and his forceful interpretation. "Danny Deever," by Damrosch, was another that was so vividly given it brought forth enthusiastic applause. Hammond's "The Ballad of the Bony Fiddler," was sung with a gruesome touch, while Taylor's "Captain Stratton's Fancy" went off with a fine dash. Mr. Preston's portrayals of the different characters are worth hearing and seeing. Charles Lurvey gave him excellent accompaniments at the piano.

Travels 1,400 Miles in Outboard and Likes It

A 1,400 mile trip in a sixteen-foot outboard motor boat has been completed by Walter Kaehler, commodore of the North Shore Outboard Motor club, in company with Sidney Bown of Chicago, and Kaehler says he would not trade the vacation he spent for any millionaire's trip.

They started out from the Evanston shore and made their way northward to Sturgeon Bay, Green Bay and over to Mackinac Island, then Sheboygan, Wis., and across Lake Huron. Up St. Mary's river into Canada they continued for some miles before turning their course on the homeward journey. They came down the east shore of Lake Michigan to Michigan City and straight across from there to Evanston.

The trip took four and one-half weeks. The weather gave them a calm trip north and a stormy journey home. Kaehler's Dunphy with an Elto-quad motor covered the course at an average of fifteen miles an hour.

John Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy B. Davis, 766 Prospect avenue, returned to Harvard on Thursday of this past week.

LEAVING FOR SCHOOL

Among the young people who have gone and are going to school are Eldridge Anderson who will go to Yale, Jane McKinney who will finish her senior year at Bradford Preparatory school, Dick Burke who will finish at Dartmouth this year, Edward Baumann who goes to Princeton, Gordon DeLay, and Louise Conway who goes to Wellesley for her sophomore year.

RETURN TO SCHOOL

W. D. Truesdale, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Truesdale, 570 Arbor Vitae road, has returned to Culver Military academy. Miss Lois Truesdale has gone to Connecticut college. always selected artists who would Miss Barbara Barrett, daughter of Mr. appeal to just such a musically edu- and Mrs. A. M. Barrett of 530 Cherry

> George Massey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Massey of 705 Sheridan

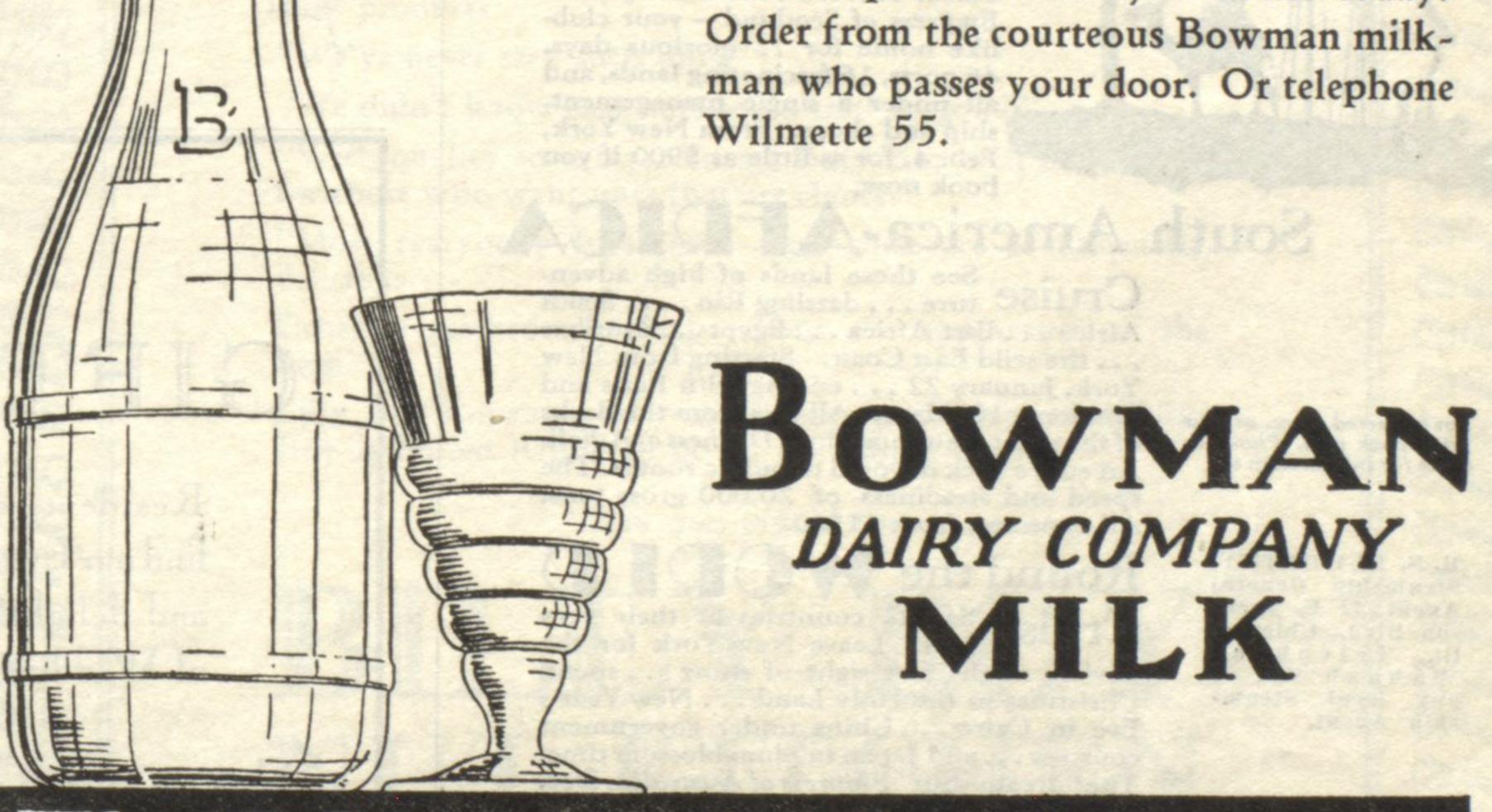


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