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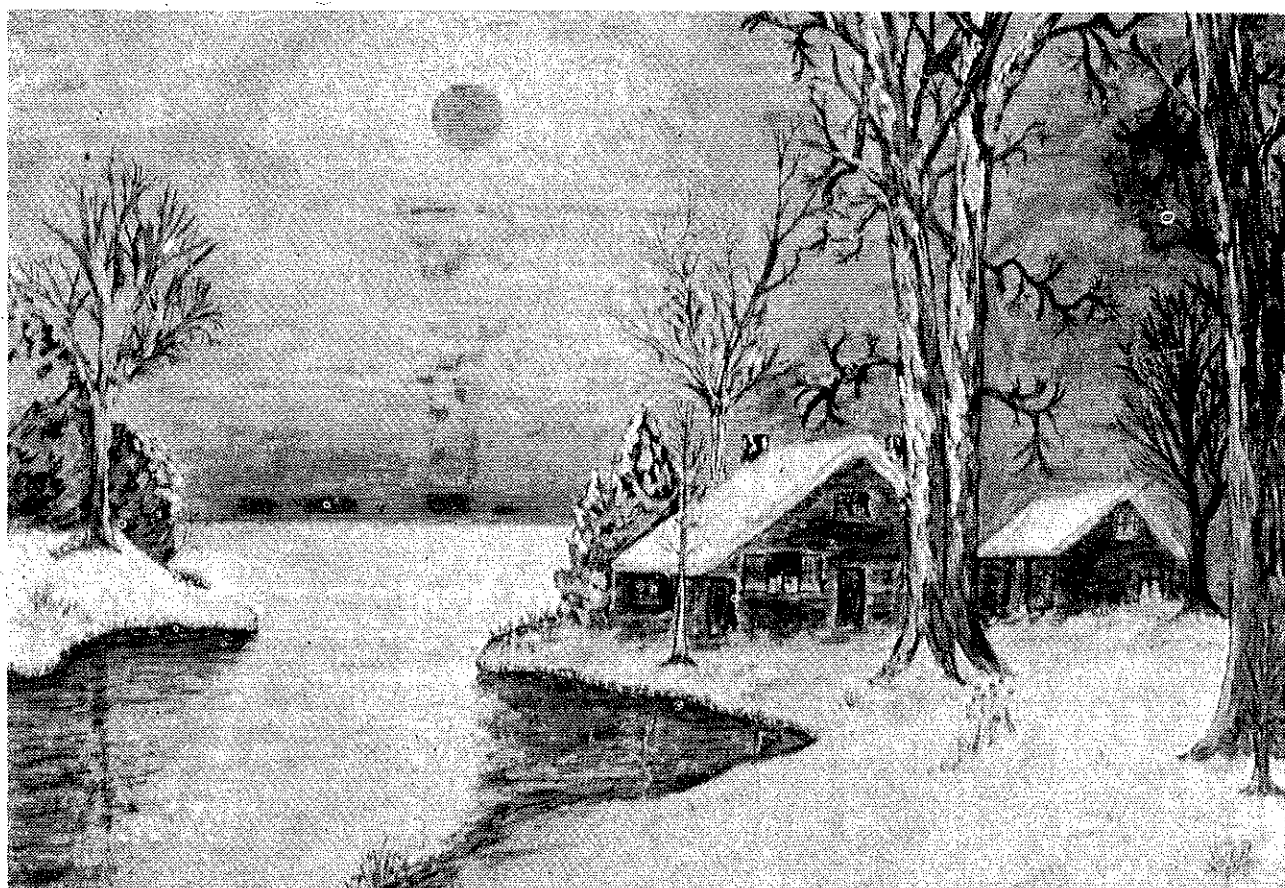
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OMENA, MICHIGAN DECEMBER, 1958.

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A Happy And A Prosperous New Year To All!

"God Bless Us, Every One!"



WINTER NIGHT water color by Ray Flett, 1949.

When the winter sun had set down below the twilight sea,
From the wintry sky above came a sound so heavenly:
"Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!"

(From an old French Carol).

COMMODORE'S MESSAGE.

The future of the Omena Traverse Yacht Club looks bright. In fact it looks brighter than at any time since its formation some ten years ago. The fact that the Club has "come of age" was evidenced at a recent Board meeting when Jessie Carmichael signified her faith in the future of the Club by releasing the **restriction in the original deed which** would have provided for the reverting of the Club to her heirs in event it ceased to exist. Jessie is convinced that the Club has demonstrated its power to continue and feels that the Board of Directors has managed wisely throughout the past years. Recently when the Board decided not to mortgage the property as a means of raising money to carry out improvements, she felt that this was a wise decision.

Now that the deed is free and clear, the Board has acted quickly in planning immediate improvements to be financed by the sale of bonds to members. These bonds will be of \$50 denomination and interest bearing.

Here is how it will work. Some members have already evidenced their willingness to buy \$500 worth of bonds. Others for smaller amounts of \$30, \$200, and \$100. Undoubtedly some of the Junior members want to own at least one bond. If every family group subscribes to at least 2 or 3 bonds, the Club will have sufficient funds to carry out its entire improvement plan before July 4 of next season.

Those of you who have visited Omena recently have undoubtedly noticed that the other dock has been cribbed and capped with concrete. This was the first item to be carried out on the proposed improvement plan.

One of the first considerations to be tackled next Spring will be the widening of the entrance roadway to accommodate two-way traffic. This can be done easily while at the same time grading the hump out of the road, making it safer to all members coming and going.

The major improvement to be started next June will be the excavation of the lagoon type harbor for provision of slips for ten or 12 Lightning Type sail boats and power boats. The rental from these slips together with one or two special events to be planned by the Docks and Harbors Committee will make the project self paying in a short while. Money from these sources will be used to pay the interest on the bonds and to retire as many bonds as possible each year.

Working with Bob Newland on the financing of the Club improvements is Ken Hagemann. Legal advice is being furnished by Joe Alcorn and Janet Wagner.

You can show your faith in the future of the O T Y C by subscribing generously when the Committee solicits your support.

Now is the time for action. And action you are getting. Your Board of Directors

has also taken an option on the lots immediately adjoining the Club property to the south. Jessie is willing to give us this option. At the present time it is not known how we may use these if we do acquire them, but it was felt wise to have at least an agreement with Jessie to give us first chance to purchase them in case she is approached by another party interested in acquiring them.

So plan for another wonderful Summer at Omena next year. With our fleet of sailboats and power boats nestled in their slips and securely tied, safe from waves and wind, you will be proud to be a member of a young but promising yacht Club. There isn't another around the Bay for miles.

Humphrey.

THIS IS YOUR LIFE program was scheduled as a SURPRISE entertainment, and we believe that it was a BIG surprise to Jessie Carmichael. Gwen Pike had the idea, and Martha Feely and Horace Wheeler, both old friends of Jessie, believed that Gwen's idea could be carried out. Commodore Humphrey got official



JESSIE CARMICHAEL

"This Is Your Life", Aug. '58.

Photo by Earl Moore.

permission for the program from Ralph Edwards, who sent the Committee some professional guidance, and the address of the publisher of the official scrap book. Humphrey consented to be the Master of Ceremonies, and a good one he was too. It fell upon Martha to enlist the help of friends and relatives in producing dates and pictures and to either send messages or participate in person. Geno Herrick and Hazel Taylor wrote the script and we all practiced.

Mr. Loomis, Superintendent of the Traverse City Public Schools, lent the projector for the pictures, Eddie Lyon and a friend manned the machine. Christopher Verdery spoke the commercial as a courtesy to the sponsors of the TV program. Jessie was given a corsage, and a beaded purse instead of a charm bracelet, and the scrapbook with the original script. Earl Moore took pictures. After the pro-

gram, the cast had a party at Martha's.

Those participating in the program with letters and telegrams were: Waldo Abbot Jr., Priscilla Abbot Straub, Marie Abbot Jackson, Mrs. Rollo Johnson (Jes-



CHRISTOPHER VERDERY

"Look, Mom, No Cavities!"

Photo by Earl Moore.

sie's sister), Margaret Appleford, (Hector's sister), Laura, (Mrs. George) Judson, Gene (Mrs. Milford) Harford, Mary Appleford MacGowan, Dr. Stanley Moore and Dr. Vincent Moore.

Those appearing in person were: Humphrey Jackson, Horace Wheeler, Christopher Verdery, Mary Huff, Bill Feely Jr., who postponed a trip in order to take part, Fred A. Gorham, who came from Chicago for the event (and not at the courtesy of an airline), Martha Feely, Adeline Hood, Genevieve Herrick and Hazel Taylor.

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INLAND WATER TRIP IN BOTVED SEDAN CRUISER.

By Norman Jahanning.

On Friday morning, Berenice and I took an adventurous boat trip in our little cruiser from Omena Bay to Charlevoix, and thence down the length of Lake Charlevoix to Boyne City where we tied up for three days while visiting friends at Walloon, just seven miles inland.

Come Sunday afternoon, we again headed toward Charlevoix, where we checked for provisions and plenty of gasoline, intending to return home if wave conditions were right. But then we decided to turn north, heading for the "Big Mac" Bridge, a trip we had looked forward to all summer.

Just at dusk we spotted the huge center concrete piers of the bridge. We had just passed through Greys Reef 15 miles away, when a beautiful display of lights outlined the whole structure. We saw the bridge in true picture post card colors with a big orange moon rising in the background! After a false run toward shore at Mackinaw City, we found that proper dockage was not to be had. With darkness upon us, a kindly watchman took our mooring lines into a Ferry slip, and Berenice and I rocked to sleep in this "concrete box".

Next morning, off to Cheboygan with a cool strong wind from the west. We made this run in one hour, coming past the Coast Guard "Mackinaw" and tying up at a boat yard where we heard it said that dredging operations were ahead on the way to the river. While Berenice got some food, I investigated and found out that three steel cables lay across the river and that beyond the cables, a dredge, towboat and barge formed a complete block! But with welcome assistance we slipped under the cables, and the Captain in charge moved equipment to let us pass through. We were then entering the Inland Waterway which eventually should bring us to Harbor Springs, via a rough trip in Mullet Lake, but by a shoreline in the full beauty of Fall colors. A small lock lifted our little boat to lake level, a level remaining constant to Crooked Lake where Eagle Boat House put us on a trailer and "dumped" us back in at Harbor Springs.

Gale force winds made us "weather in" over night. Again we slept comfortably at dock. Persistent bad weather put us on a bus for Traverse City. Back in Omena we learned that on Monday our dear friends had notified the Coast Guard to search for us, when all that day we were safe in the "lee" on the Inland Rivers and Lakes!

GOLDEN WEDDING BELLS.

On Sept. 9, at 6 o'clock, about 50 of the O T Y C members still in residence here, and a dozen or more friends and relatives from out-State, attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Harriette and Halbert White. A glorious time we all had

surrounded by congenial comradeship and warm hospitality, to say nothing of that heady cheer and rotund well being inspired by the lilting tinkle of champagne glasses and the slower rhythm of heavy dinner forks.

We give an account of the occasion as published on Sept. 14, in the Sunday Kansas City Star:

Mr. and Mrs. Halbert White's Golden Wedding Anniversary, celebrated on last Tuesday at their summer home, "Idlecrest", in Omena, Mich., was attended by members of their families and friends who have been neighbors for many summers in Omena. Dinner for 60 guests was served on the porches and in the home where yellow gladioli and roses were the decora-



HARRIETTE and HALBERT WHITE
And their Golden Wedding Cake.

tion. A large gold-colored cake on the main serving table was topped with roses. Of interest was the champagne punch boat in a silver Norwegian punch cup more than 200 years old. The cup belongs to Mrs. Hazel Clark Taylor of Omena, a daughter of Mrs. Harry Clark, formerly of Kansas City.

Mrs. White's gown of gold lame had a lace yoke which was on her wedding dress and she wore a white orchid with yellow throat, edged with gold colored button pompons. Mrs. William Thorp, who played the wedding march at Mr. and Mrs. White's wedding, played the same march at the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Stine and Mrs. White's brother, Mr. Carroll Dorn, have returned from Omena. Mr. and Mrs. White will return home about Oct. 1.

COMBINED WORK AND TRAVEL.

Lestra Saxton has sent news of her grandson, Dr. Robert Saxton, and his family. Robert is a Navy Lieut. and Flight Surgeon stationed for a year with Jane

and the children in Kwajalein Island, one of the Marshall group in the West Central Pacific. The group is a part of Oceania known as Micronesia (small islands) north of the Equator. Micronesia also includes the Caroline, Marianas and Gilbert Islands, Guam, Wake and Nauru. They are mainly coral islands, unlike those of Melanesia and Polynesia, including Hawaii, which are of volcanic origin and luxuriant with rain forests. Robert and Jane have quite a different background than Judith Pike.

Kwajalein Island is the largest atoll of the Marshalls. The islands were discovered in 1526 by the Spanish. They were visited by Captains Gilbert and Marshall in 1788, hence their name. They were a German protectorate from 1885 to 1914. Then they became a possession of Japan, who still proclaimed sovereignty over them at the time of the Second World War. They were captured by the U. S. forces in 1944. The U. S. made atom-bomb tests there at Bikini in 1946. (Two parallel chains of the islands are 130 miles apart). In 1947 they were included as U. S. Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Kwajalein, though the largest, is only two and one half miles long and one half mile wide. About 200 U. S. Navy personnel, according to Lestra's letter, are stationed there. Robert and Jane have a house made of cement blocks. It has a living room, kitchen, dining room, three bedrooms and bath. In spite of a relatively hot climate, trade winds make the locality endurable.

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O T Y C ANNUAL MEETING**AUG. 20, 1958.**

Commodore Jackson called the meeting to order after the Wednesday night supper.

The reading of the Secretary's report of the Annual Meeting of 1957 was read. The Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Preston Smith not being present, and his report not sent in, the Club's treasury report for the year had to be postponed. It should be filed for audit before Sept. 11 when the new Secretary takes office.

Commodore Jackson gave his report of his year's activities. The full report is attached to this record. (Filed with Secretary's record; not given here. Ed.).

Dock and Harbor Committees: Bob Newland Chairman, holding office since the resignation of Fred Shaffer, original Chairman for the 1958 season. Bob reported that three major plans had been proposed for docking facilities all of which were being considered; lots of investigation was being done because of the complicated factors involved, and estimates of costs were being secured. An estimate also for a concrete topping of the present cribs had been received. Ways and means for financing the costs of plans were also being considered under advisement. The basic consideration in these plans was to establish a protected area for Penguins and Lightnings. By next Spring, plans can be submitted in specific form.

Membership Committee: Margery Renz Chairman, reported that Dr. and Mrs. Bolen, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Taylor Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Patterson (of Ingalls Bay) had accepted an invitation to join the Club. In addition there was the prospect of additional members among the young marrieds of Club families, for the coming season.

The Commodore in commenting on Mrs. Renz' report suggested that both husband and wife be encouraged to take out memberships. Both the Commodore and his Lady have done so as a good example.

Social Committee: Mrs. Pike Chairman not being present, the Commodore reviewed the variety of well attended events that had been planned and executed by the Committee. The question of Saturday nights being the popular night for special Club activities was voiced, a question that might be put before the Club members in a forthcoming questionnaire.

Pot-Luck Dinner Committee: Emily Smith Chairman stated that the attendance and the financial report could not be made because the activity had not ended. She read the names of the Committee's membership and thanked each member for her co-operation and service as well as Mrs. Vera Lawrsen, their assistant for service.

Young People's Committee: Mary Moore Huff and Joan DeVore Chairmen reported that swimming and sailing les-

sons to the children at 50¢ the lesson had been well attended during the period of their duration, and that the teaching being donated, the fees were accruing toward the purchase of play equipment for the younger children.

Nominating Committee: Ray Flett Chairman reported the slate made up by his Committee for the coming Club year:

Commodore: Humphrey Jackson
Vice Commodore: Joe Alcorn
Rear Commodore: Norman Johanning
Sec.-Treasurer: Mary Louise Gleason
Board Members: Mary Foltz, Bob Newland, Hazel Taylor, Horace Wheeler, Crampton Finn, Jessie Carmichael, and George Smith.

Mr. Waldo Abbot moved that the nominations be accepted as recommended by the Committee, and that the Secretary be instructed to record a unanimous vote for the same.

The motion was seconded and carried.

The Commodore entertained a motion for a review of the Constitution's By Laws in order to make them more adequate for present needs. Mrs. Lyon so moved; Dr. Moore seconded, and the motion was carried.

Dr. Andy Renz brought up again the possibility of raising the Club membership dues. Bob Newland said that the Federal tax involved in so doing had kept the dues down, but that the tax rule would be repealed next year. Hazel Taylor expressed the opinion that it would be more fair to single individuals at least, to make dues individual rather than by married pairs.

Mr. Sloniker suggested that dock plans be published in the BREEZE.

The Commodore mentioned the gift of Mr. Ray Flett, books for permanent filing of Breeze copies; that a scrap book of clippings, etc., was in the making.

Mr. Dave DeVore mentioned that there was confusion in his opinion in the minds of many concerning the function of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors, according to Mr. DeVore, are elected to plan, execute and spend the money for running the Club's business.

Mr. Ben Foltz declared that he did not want to have his remarks interpreted as not having confidence in the Board of Directors, but that he felt that the Board of Directors should have the benefit of the opinions of the Club members, an opinion that could only come if the Club members knew what alternatives the Board was considering.

Mrs. Mary Louise Gleason suggested that the Constitution Committee consider dues in suggesting revision of the Club's Constitution.

A rising vote of thanks was given the Commodore for the splendid year of service.

Norman Johanning and Earl Moore moved to adjourn.

Submitted by Hazel Taylor,
Sec. pro tem.

**FROM THE ISLE OF SKYE
TO CANNES.**

One of our members sojourning abroad again this summer was Clemewell Lay, Co-Headmistress of the Emma Willard School. Just back from attending a Headmistress meeting in New York City, where she had time to see the Beryoska Ballett, she wrote us briefly of the highlights of her trip before resuming her school duties. We quote from her letter:

"A visit to the Isle of Skye, part of the Inner Hebrides, off the west coast of Scotland was a high point in my journey last summer. Many of the inhabitants still speak Gaelic and the lovely cadence and lilt carries over into their English speech. This pastoral experience of endless sheep and cattle grazing on the sloping pastures of fairly rugged mountains dropping into blue water was varied by an invitation to tea with Dame Flors MacLeod at Dunvegan Castle, on a Sunday afternoon.

Completely different from the Isle of Skye was a brief sojourn in Cannes with French friends. It was no trouble to adjust to haute cuisine and enchanting drives along the Riviera where attempts to revive rusty French generally ended ludicrously.

Above and beyond all I missed Ingalls Bay where I hope to be next summer".

Clemewell Lay.

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TRAVEL IN SPAIN.

Hazel Taylor left in June from Akron, Ohio, in a plane chartered by GOOD-YEAR Employee Activities Committee Inc., of GOODYEAR, and flew to Paris where she met her sister, Helen Clark Reed, now stationed at the Hague with her husband Agri. Attache there. They traveled through the chateaux country along the Loire, and then through southern France, entering Spain through the Pyrenees near the small Republic of Andorra. They visited Barcelona, Madrid, and Toledo, but spent most of the time in Andalusia, the colorful southern province, circling by coach from Seville to Juarez, Cadiz and Algeiras, Malaga, Granada, Cordoba, etc., then back to Seville. On return they flew from Madrid to Amsterdam, and the Hague. After a day at the Hague with her sister, Hazel flew to London, and from there back to Akron. The two way trip by plane was a gift from Hazel's daughter, Patricia Kulick, who is a development engineer with GOOD-YEAR AIRCRAFT Inc. For a part of Hazel's absence, Patricia stayed with her grandmother, Blanche E. Clark, and for most of the time Julie, Mrs. Richard Taylor was in charge at the Pioneer.

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**CAROLINE GLEASON BECOMES
MRS. OBERNDORF.**

Caroline Gleason was another of our Fall and Summer brides. The Cleveland Plain Dealer in the Sunday issue of Oct. 12, gave an account of the wedding written by Louise Davis, as follows:

Caroline Chandler Gleason, who became Mrs. Edward Oberndorf yesterday, had no hint of the destination of her wedding trip. But she did know that the first stop would be The Cloister at Sea Island, Ga. She also knew that she will be flying somewhere from Miami, Fla. The wedding at 4:30 took place in Fairmount Presbyterian Church, with Rev. Richard Pacini officiating.

Caroline is the daughter of Mrs. Charles Billings Gleason, 2520 Wellington Road, Cleveland Heights, and the late Mr. Gleason. She was escorted to the altar by her brother, Mr. Stanton K. Gleason of West Newton, Mass. She wore an off-white taffeta gown with dome shaped skirt, chapel length train, short sleeves and scoop neckline.

Alencon lace embroidered in seed pearls formed garlands down the sides of the skirt and the motif also encircled the neckline. An heirloom Brussels lace veil was held by a shell headdress of matching lace. The veil had been worn by the bridegroom's sister-in-law, Mrs. Walter J. Oberndorf Jr., at her own wedding. Caroline wore short kid gloves and carried a crescent shaped bouquet of stephanotis and butterfly orchids.

Linda Vaughan was maid of honor for her cousin. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Philip Thornton, Mrs. Alan Schreck, Mrs. John Gilliam and Mrs. Walter Oberndorf Jr. (Betty Jane Caldwell). They wore ball-length dresses of sapphire blue taf-

feta with scoop neckline, high waisted cummerbunds and trapeze backs. Their bouquets were of Fuji chrysanthemums in shades of peach and coral.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. Walter J. Oberndorf, 2929 Winthrop Road, Shaker Heights, had his brother, Walter as best

man. Ushers were Raymond Barker Jr., John Gilliam, John Klein, James Krill, Robert S. Payne and Lyman Treadway III. The bride's younger brother, David, was junior usher.

Following the service, Mrs. Gleason gave a reception at the Intown Club. Later, Caroline's maternal grandmother, Mrs. David W. Frackelton, gave a buffet supper for the wedding party and the two families.



MRS. EDWARD OBERNDORF

Photo by Clifford Norton

Caroline was graduated from Laurel School, Bradford Junior College and Wellesley College. She made her debut at the 1952 Assembly Ball and is a member of the Junior League. Edward was graduated from University School and from Dartmouth College. He had been in the U. S. Navy as a lieutenant (J. G.).

For the wedding trip Caroline and her husband flew to the Bahamas (Eleuthera and Nassau) and returned home by way of New Orleans where they made a two day stop. The Edward Oberndorfs are at home at 2576 Kemper Road, Shaker heights 20, Ohio.

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LOST.

A Kodak Stereo Camera in Omena. Waldo Abbot would appreciate self in finding it.

**UNITED APPEAL AWARD GOES
TO MRS. GLEASON.**

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer of Oct. 22, 1958:

Mrs. Charles B. Gleason, who once won an art scholarship, put away her easel and brushes long ago.

In their place, countless hours now are spent as a member of community groups working on health and welfare problems.

Today she was chosen to receive the United Appeal distinguished service award. It was presented at a noon meeting of several hundred business and industrial leaders in the Mid-Day Club.

The field of health has been Mrs. Gleason's primary concern.

She is Vice Chairman of the County Hospital Board which administers Metropolitan General Hospital and Highland View Hospital. In the past she has been the head of the Cleveland Health Council and the Visiting Nurse Assn.

Mrs. Gleason also is a Trustee of the Welfare Federation and the Center on Alcoholism and Chairman of the visiting committee of Western Reserve University's Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing.

Mrs. Gleason, widow, lives at 2520 Wellington Rd., Cleveland Heights. Her children are Mrs. Robert E. Vaughan, Mrs. Edward Oberndorf, Stanton and David.

(Please note that Mary Louise is the new Secretary of O T Y C! Ed.).

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ST. CHRISTOPHER'S MISSION.

St. Christopher's is the name chosen for the body of worshipers in the Episcopal service conducted for a second season in the George Smith residence, Omena Heights. Services were held from June through September, in a living room converted to a Chapel. Over 400 persons attended throughout the season, most of them O T Y C members. The Altar Cross was given in Memory of the late Preston Forbes, the brother of Helen Smith and Genevieve Herrick, by the Saturday Nighters of Omena. It was dedicated at one of the summer services by the Very Rev. Francis J. Foley, Dean of the Episcopal Church in Western Michigan and Rector of Grace Church in Traverse City. At the same service the Missal given in Memory of her husband by Mrs. French of Northport, and the Mahogany Missal Stand by Ray Flett, and the Kneelers given by Mrs. Herrick, were also dedicated. Priests summering at the Boswell Cottage on the Point, and others from farther away, were Celebrants of the Holy Communion at the services. It is hoped that the Church group will become an established Mission of the Episcopal Church.

OCTOBER IN MIAMI.

George Smith was elected Deputy to the Convention of the Episcopal Church which met in Miami, Florida, last October. He and Helen spent the time attending meetings, enjoying hotel service, swimming and sun bathing. Most of George's recreation was passive, however, in order to allow his afflicted leg as much rest as possible. The effects of the artery clot suffered during the last part of the summer, still make elevation and rest of the leg imperative for a part of the day.

WINTER IN PUERTO RICO.

Our questionnaire just caught Marie Louise Basler as she was preparing to leave for Puerto Rico via Traverse City. She expects to spend the winter with Betty and Jim Fairbank and their young daughter Susan. She had to fly up to Traverse City to say good-bye to Jane and Bob Newland and little Ann. Marie Louise plans to return to Omena next June and to have both her granddaughters with her on Ingalls Bay.

PLANS FOR HOLIDAY TRAVEL.

Marion and Crampton Finn plan to leave Strawberry Hill for Thanksgiving with Cynthia and John, and their three children in Maumee. They plan to spend Christmas in Bryan, Texas, with Crammy Jr., Pat, Crammy III, and a baby boy or girl expected to arrive in December.

PROGRESS TOWARD RECOVERY.

Lynn White, son of Harriette White, who suffered a broken back on July 4th in falling from a neighbor's roof, where

he had climbed to retrieve a neighbor boy's toy, is making small but definite gains toward recovery.

He left the hospital after three months, a week before schedule and on his birthday. Although it was predicted that he would be paralyzed from the waist down, he is able with Emily's help to get into a car from his wheel chair and spend some time every day in his house of business, wholesale decorator's fabrics and supplies.

He is beginning to have some feeling in his lower limbs and is practicing walking on crutches. Halbert who was also in the business of interior decorating is assisting Lynn at the office a part of every day, and all friends and associates have been helpful in every way.

NEW HOMES.

Bill Graf's new house on Ingalls Bay and that of Jack Stevenson were complete except for inside finishing before cold weather. They are beautiful houses with four bedrooms, two baths, spacious living-room, kitchen and utility room, with insulation and plans for central heating.

WINTER ARRAY.

By Marion Fisher.

(Reprinted from the Cincinnati Enquirer, 1956).

Gems of emerald evergreen
Nestle in the brown lace dress
Winter wears; the oak leaves' sheen
Clings and waits for Spring's caress.
Ivory trunks of sycamore
Stand in shining silhouette
Where the waters lap the shore
Watching pale mists pirouette.
Winter wears her ermine, too,
When her mood is cold, but nice;
Spreads her diamonds for your view
In the hoary frost and ice.

Deck the hall with boughs of holly,
Fa la la la la la la la la.
'Tis the season to be jolly,
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Don we now our gay apparel
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Troll the ancient yuletide carol,
Fa la la la la la la la la.

See the blazing yule before us,
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Strike the harp and join the chorus
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Follow me in merry measure,
Fa la la la la la la la la.
While I tell of Yuletide treasure,
Fa la la la la la la la la.

Fast away the old year passes
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Hail the new, ye lads and lasses
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Sing we joyous all together,
Fa la la la la la la la la.
Heedless of the wind and weather,
Fa la la la la la la la la.
(Old Welsh Carol).

ABOUT THE COVER.

When after a heart attack in 1949, Ray Flett was still in bed convalescing, he tried his hand at water color. A good craftsman in three dimensions, he had never tried before to express himself in two. The original of the cover picture was the best of a number of attempts to sublimate a near fatal illness and its slow recovery. No doubt many of us in times of stress have turned in retrospection to the tranquility of water, woods and sky along Grand Traverse Bay.

FRIENDS.

They (friends) will be like two ships who set sail at morning from the same port and ere nightfall lose sight of each other, and go each on his own course and at its own pace for many days, thru many storms and seas, and yet meet again, and find themselves lying side by side in the same haven after their voyage is past.

Good morning, madam, said the Power Co., service man. I understand there's something in the house that won't work.

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BOTH NEWS AND REMINISCENCE.

To those of us who were there, the report of the social events of last summer is not news, for them, we hope, it is pleasant reminiscences, and to those who were not there, the report is news. Besides, our Commodore believes that the BREEZE should inadvertently serve future generations as an historical document!

The opening event the Fourth of July Turkey Dinner is not under the direction of the Social Committee, nor as one might suppose is it the baby of the Wednesday Night Supper Committee, but the foster child of the Commodore and his Lady. Foster child or no, there is a huge turnout for the christening, usually about 125-35, with food furnished by the Club and tickets about three dollars.

The Wednesday Night Suppers under their special committee have so far been the most popular SOCIAL event these five or six years. To grow eloquent one might say that they have served as a gay love knot in joining together at one time, at one place, all members of the O T Y C and their families, with few exceptions. The Wednesday Night Suppers have effected a getting-acquainted with your next door neighbor and know him better, that just living around Omena for half a century could not accomplish. The small cover charge of 25-35¢ means that all families and the whole family, children, parents, grandparents and great grandparents may attend. Each family group contributes a dish of the Committee-planned menu, enough for themselves and six extra helpings. Those on the Committee take turns as hostesses, and the result has been an informal buffet dinner with good fellowship to match the good food.

It has been the responsibility of the Social Committee to plan special entertainment. Usually these events have taken place on Saturday night. Last summer the effort to have open house on Sunday afternoon was not successful. To review last summer's schedule: July 5, a Beach Party; July 19, A Casino and Millionaire's Party; July 26, Bingo--Not-Quite Party; Aug. 2, Country Fair Party; Aug. 9, Card

Party and Style Show; Aug. 16, This Is Your Life Jessie Carmichael; Aug. 23, Old Settlers Party; Aug. 30, Commodore's Reception; the last two seasons taking the place of the Commodore's Ball. Usually the Racing Committee and Social Committee co-operate in producing Venetian Night, with original, boat-propelled floats competing for prizes, but summer 1958 this event was omitted. All of these social events scheduled were a real success and merit a special writeup that we hope may be published in our May BREEZE. We will pinch hit now for a brief account of the most special event the This Is Your Life surprise for Jessie Carmichael. No one it seems was assigned to report on the event and we regret to say that at this stage of having most of the BREEZE bedded down in bright new lead, our memory may be a bit hazy (as in Hazel!).

IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION

Little news is forthcoming from the undergraduate college members, but Elizabeth Keye has written us. Heidi ann Gary Keye, college Freshmen. Heidi is completely happy at Beloit College, as four generations of her family were before her. She lives in Aldrich Hall and has been elected Vice President of the dormitory. She has pledged Pi Beta Phi, breaking her family tradition in Delta Gamma, and is the pledge representative to her Sorority Executive Committee. Though "Boys" hold an important place on her schedule, good grades in academic work are equally important. She frequently visits her Uncle Fran and Aunt Orpha in nearby Rockford. Gary their son attends Methodist University at Dallas, Texas, and has pledged Beta Theta Pi.

Gary Canatsey is happily located at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo. He has pledged Phi Delta Theta and is planning to major in business administration.

Judith Pike's experience as a student in the University of Honolulu is described under Travel.

Berenice Johanning writes that Donald Gordon graduated from Indiana University in June and is now employed in the Oil Products Company.

James Cramp on Finn Jr., has given up his position with the Agr. Dept. in Stoneville, Miss., for an Associate Professorship at Texas A & M College at Bryan, Texas. He is to be Head of Research of Small Fruits and Brambles. The University has many experimental stations located in different climatic spots in the State, and his work is to try to develop varieties suitable for large commercial production in different areas. "He is hoping to help growers get fruits on the northern markets from early February on", a letter states. He received his Ph D from U of California.

Dale Underwood has left his position at Yale for one at the University of New Hampshire. He, Harriette and the two girls have a new home with twelve acres near Durham. "Harriette's enthusiasm for the move was somewhat tempered be-

cause she had to give up her teaching in the Department of Human Relations at Yale where she taught Ceramics and Jewelry Enameling", according to her mother's letter.

Humphrey Jackson was called to Washington as a participant in the School Mathematics Study Group of Yale University which is conducting a program financed by the National Science Foundation. The University of Michigan is one of nine centers throughout the U. S. co-operating in the project. Grosse Pointe is one of the Michigan school systems participating. The departmental chairman of the Grosse Pointe system and Humphrey were the two teachers chosen to conduct the experimental work in Grosse Pointe. They will be teaching experimental units prepared by the Arlington, Va., and Washington, D. C., groups directed by the National Science Foundation under Dr. John Mayce and Dr. Keady who was Humphrey's advisor for his recently published book on Math. Humphrey made a trip to Washington (for free) on Nov. 21 and 22.

Cynthia Finn (Mrs. John) lectures regularly at the Toledo Art Museum and does work in ceramics there.

THE THEARL SMITHS TOUR EUROPE.

The Thearl Smiths left for their tour of Europe in September, and upon their return in October, went directly to their winter home in Florida. Emily writes that her diary of the trip fills three hundred pages, and that both she and Thearl enjoy every minute of their sojourn.

As highlights of the trip Emily mentions the spiritual experience of an audience with His Holiness the late Pope Pius XII, the last to be granted before he was stricken. Switzerland she thought afforded the most majestic scenery and the more friendliness of its people. The most frightening experience was crossing the Goddards Pass and entering the Blue Grotto. As an artist she stood in awe of the famous art to be seen particularly in Florence and Rome. As a last majestic touch, she saw Queen Juliana of the Netherlands ride in her golden coach to open parliament at the Hague.

Emily will continue with her art study in Florida this winter and participate in its art shows.

IN MEMORIAM.

Alice Bland, mother of Marion Finn, passed away on Dec. 2, after a stroke in her cottage near the Finn's. She was 93 on April 6, 1958. Stately and fragile as a Madonna lily, she had the Puckish humor of squirrel-corn or Dutch-kish-britches. For those who knew her, mixed with our sorrow for the passing of a gracious person, there is also a faint regret for an era passed — an era resplendent with rosewood pianos, afternoon tea from Dresden cups and hand crafted sterling, the rustle of slipper satin and rich brocade. But the heritage of her rich personality, if not her era, shall be ever present.

O T Y C NEWS.

Another year whizzed by and Omena finds itself coming out of the throes of some real Winter weather for the Thanksgiving week-end, however, one bright spot was our pleasant surprise to have Ray and Grace Flett with Laraine and Marilyn dropping in to say "Hello" and have their first peek at Omena with snow — Word comes from Longboat Key Art Center, Florida, that Eva Bauer is being honored at a Tea with special mention on her exhibit of portraits and landscapes; no doubt, Emily Smith will have a hand in this too as she and Theral had returned to Florida earlier from their European sojourn. At an open house last Fall in Omena, Eva Bauer showed us some beautiful colored slides of pictures she had taken on her trip abroad last Summer. The outstanding news now is the word received of the sale of the Newman Summer Home to Dr. Woolford of Cincinnati last Nov. 7th. We welcome Dr. Woolford and family to Omena Point; however, we shall miss our good friends, Stella and Mae, Gus and Rosina, so very much and trust it will be within their province to be in Omena come next Summer as their roots are deep here. — As for us "Natives": Fred and Mary Weiss are wintering at the Beacon on Daytona Beach, Florida. George Smith, although still under Doctor's orders, has returned home from the hospital and manages to keep up his regular activities with the help of his good wife Helen. "Perc" is raising quite a distinctive beard, and is "Uncle Perc" to Alice and Keith Brown's new baby boy, "Bradley". Geno' Herrick reports she is happy in her new Winter abode in Dorset, Vermont, with friendly neighbors nearby altho she misses her Omena. — In case you miss Jessie's black Cadillac you will find a beautiful Buick Estate Wagon parked in its place. Hazel has the fairyland "cottage in the woods" with long icicles reaching down from the overhung roof. Hazel and her good mother, Blanche Clark, have the knack of real hospitality. Mary and Ben Foltz manage to slip in a few trips to Chicago before Winter sets in. This year they have inaugurated Sunday 'eve Suppers, so you see we "Natives" do get together up here — in the Wintertime. Gwen and Melvin Pike have had their docking facilities much improved with the addition of a new slip. We know they are home when we see their friendly light shining out from the hill on our approach to Omena. Upon our return from Brown County and the covered bridges of Indiana. Flo' and Ho' were happy to get back in time for even more vivid Fall colors in good old Leelanau County. Nancy Jo' and John Kohlberg were called to Rhode Island, occasioned by the death of John's father, Mr. Rudolph H. Kohlberg. The unexpected death of her 93 year old mother, Mrs. Edward (Alice) Bland, called Marion and Crampton Finn back to Detroit for burial arrangements. A short funeral service at Suttons Bay Funeral parlor was conducted by Dr. Charles A. Carman prior to

their departure. — Marie Louise Basler and Jannie stopped in to say "Hello". Marie Louise is on her way to Puerto Rico (with her summer clothes) to join Betty in building a new home there. She reports "Popsey" in good fettle, at the Cincinnati Club. — Well, well, here comes some more of that white stuff, so guess I'd better haul the flag in to the P. O. lobby and call it another day. With our Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season wherever you are.

— Horace P. Wheeler.

LINDA JOHANNING BECOMES A BRIDE.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johanning announced the marriage of their daughter, Linda Ann, to Mr. Alvo Ronald Cherne, on Saturday, the fourth of October, 1958. The Richmond, Indiana, Sunday paper



MRS. ALVO CHERNE

of Oct. 5, describes the event as follows:

The marriage of Miss Linda Ann Johanning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johanning of South Sixteenth St., and Alvo Donald Cherne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cherne of Milwaukee, Wis., was solemnized on Saturday evening.

The double-ring ceremony took place at 7 o'clock in the Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, in Milwaukee, Wis., with Rev. George Lindquist as the officiating Clergyman. Members of the imme-

diate families attended.

Mrs. Donald Gordon of Richmond, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Ronald Ribbons, Milwaukee, brother-in-law of Mr. Cherne, was best man.

A reception will be held on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Cherne's parents.

Mrs. Cherne graduated from Westtown School, Westtown, Pa., attended Earlham College, and graduated from the University of Michigan. She is a physical education instructor in Longfellow Junior High School, in Wauwatosa, Wis.

Mr. Cherne, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, is a physical education instructor and Coach at the Nicolet High School, in Glendale, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherne will reside at 6166 North Thirty-fifth St., Apt. 3, Milwaukee.

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THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

The original draft of the questionnaire was received by the BREEZE office on Oct. 30. It was edited and enlarged with suggestions from other Chairmen and sent to the print office on Nov. 1. At Gus Smarey's Print Shop, O T Y C print jobs are only one among many, and the questionnaire could not get into print and sent to you until weeks later. The number of copies sent out was 123, to date 40 have been returned, not quite a third. No doubt an advertising agency would consider 33% a good return, but we believe that more answered copies will follow after tomorrow, Dec. 6, when even this last bit of copy has gone to press. A tabulation, unless based on complete data, would not be conclusive. But it will be possible to state the trend of answers in the 40 received.

1. Of the 40 members answering, 15 were here from 5 to 12 months of the year; 1 was here from 4 to 12 months; 14 were from 1 to 2½ months; 4 were here from ½ to ¾ month; 4 no answer on this question.

2. Names of 28 children were given.

3. Most who answered the question were interested in classes for children in Swimming, Sailing, etc., especially those two. Some who had no children made no answer. Others having no children were very much in favor of lessons by a qualified instructor. Several persons felt that an instructor should be available for sailing lessons all and every day and that Club members having boats should lend them for the program. All seemed in favor of having minimum prices for lessons in order that they might be available to all. One young mother made the pertinent suggestion that a schedule of lessons be publicized in time for parents to enroll their children, and themselves, as soon as they arrived.

4. ALL were in favor of continuing the Wednesday Night Suppers. Three persons thought that the suppers should not be called "pot luck". Most wanted to continue the committee-planned menus to which all contributed, with the 25-35 cover charge, with maybe one or two Club-furnished dinners. Five were in favor of an adult supper and a family supper. One person thought that any division would make for cliques, a most undesirable condition! One person felt strongly that changing the simple pot luck suppers would completely ruin the simplicity, informality, friendly, democratic atmosphere of the Club, and undermine the purpose for which the Club was founded!

5. The answers to question five were varied. Seven were in favor of social activities on Saturday night, but some qualified this choice by saying every other Saturday. Five thought Saturday night bad. The rest were non committal. Some seemed to feel that Saturday twice the month would be a good time for a dance with orchestra, and that such parties as games and theme parties could have best attendance on week nights. Various nights were suggested as well as Wednesday af-

ter supper. One person made the suggestion that social events be planned for different age groups, "Let all under 30-35 have a party of their choice one night a week, and all over 40 plan an affair of their own". One person was for more activities for "land lovers", activities which would "draw people to the Club everyday, such as badminton, ping pong, soft ball, tennis, volley ball, etc.". Many were in favor of square dancing; one suggested dancing lessons for the younger group. One terse and pertinent suggestion was, "Induce younger generation to take over operation. They should be among the officers and upon the Board of Directors and Chairmen of Committees". Many felt that the Club should be open at all times, a place for the young people to congregate, and of necessity with sandwiches and pop available. The type of parties planned in the past met with favor.

6. Nine persons had some kind of sail boat, two of these plus two others had motor boats; one person intended to get some kind of boat, but would not keep it at the Club; five other persons would not keep them at the Club, some of these, however, felt good harbor facilities were a "must"; six persons would or already did, keep their boat at the Club. Some thought that interest in boating could only be encouraged by dock facilities, others by having Club boats for hire; others by giving instruction in sailing or boating, some suggested a better racing program and the continuation of Venetian Night.

7. As to dues there were many suggestions: "Don't raise dues, get more members". Some suggested scaling dues according to members in the family or length of stay. One felt that if dues were too high, those vacationing here for only two weeks, might change membership to a guest membership. One suggested a sliding scale, e. g. 2 in family 2 memberships, if 3 in family 2 memberships, if 4 in family 3 memberships. One remarked that dues would depend on the Club budget, "We want a good Club, one that provides activities for both young and old". One person who should know said, "Just for maintenance we do not need to raise dues. If we want major improvements we have always found the Club members willing to pay for them". Present maintenance might change if personnel were there 24 hours the day to care for equipment and supervision activities.

Breeze conclusions to date: One third of the members of the O T Y C have made a sincere effort to suggest enrichment of our Club life. And now is the time for all members to ponder the suggestions of other members, and from them to formulate a more effective Club activity pattern; to put that pattern into action.

More to follow in the Spring Breeze.

PERSONS YOU KNOW — OR SHOULD!

The Leelanau Enterprise this last July, chose our Mary Schaffer Foltz as the sub-

ject of its weekly feature, "People You Know, Or Don't You". Illustrated with Mary's picture as a little girl, the article recalled Mary's long residence in Omena, first coming with her widowed mother in 1906, when their house was built south of Omena, and then every summer throughout the years while she attended school in Chicago; then after her graduation from the University of Chicago, during her teaching years, then again as a student of architecture, and now after her marriage, living in her enlarged home, both winter and summer. Mary has successfully pursued her profession as architect in this vicinity as well as in Chicago. She is a member of several service and professional clubs, State advisory committees, etc., and in addition a very active member of the O T Y C from the time of its aborning. Mary is one of the O T Y C Directors, and Chairman of the House Committee. She has a Lightning and participates in the O T Y C racing program. She and Ben are hosts to many happy gatherings of friends and neighbors, winter and summer.

TWO MONTHS TRAVEL IN ELEVEN COUNTRIES OF EUROPE.

Eva Bauer sailed from Montreal on June 10 with two friends interested in folk lore research, particularly folk music and dancing. Their special interest took them to remote places in eleven countries of Europe where they experienced what few tourists are privileged to know first hand. Highlights of Eva's trip were the Festival of the Midnight Sun at Leksand, Sweden, the Edenbough Festival and the Festival in Wales. Eva had the unique experience, also, of visiting the homes of her ancestors in Ireland and Wales.

Returning to the States on Sept. 20, Eva brought with her hundreds of colored slides of photographs she had taken for the most part, herself. They were taken with the discrimination of an artist as those of us who saw a few before she left for Florida can testify. In Florida she is planning a One Man Show of her paintings at the Art Center in Longboat Key, Dec. 6-20. This winter she will again study with the well known artist Robert Chase.

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THE PENQUOMENA FLEET.

By Betsy Lyon

The Penquomena Fleet had an unusually good season this last summer, having a total of ten races.

At a meeting of the skippers and crews held on July 26, Ed Lyon was elected Fleet Captain and Betsy Lyon Secretary. Also it was decided that the racing days would be Tuesdays and Saturdays with Mondays and Wednesdays as alternate days.

The results of the races were announced at the Commodore's Reception, and were as follows:

1. Ed Lyon
2. Margy Lyon
3. Holly Smith
4. Mary Helen Ayars
5. Humphrey Jackson.

A regatta was held on August 10 and with five Lightnings, three Penguins and two Sailfish competing, the affair was considered quite a success.

STUDENT-TOURIST IN HAWAII.

Judith Pike is having the wonderful experience of attending the University of Hawaii. She had a delightful trip over, and a cordial welcome by a prominent Japanese doctor and his wife, professional friends of Dr. Pike. She is living in a spacious house in Honolulu not far from the University, the home of a prominent Hawaiian widow. Her address is 2228 Hoonananea St., Honolulu 14, T. H. She writes with enthusiasm of her broader horizons acquired in that far western territory of the U. S. A. We quote from her letter:

"I'm finding my stay in the Hawaiian Islands as a combination student-tourist most interesting. As a student I am experiencing firsthand a real "frontier" of sociological importance. Hawaii is a melting pot races; it is characterized by a solid and contented fusion of differing elements, and for this reason it far outpaces most areas of the world today. My subjects this semester at the University of Hawaii all hinge on the Far Eastern area, the Pacific Ocean rim states, the Pacific Islands themselves, and Hawaii. The various ingredients of these differing cultures, where East meets West, are joined and nurtured through their development here. The result is the fusion of many of the valuable and worthy components of both areas of the world. It is most interesting to study in such an atmosphere as this.

Approximately three-fourths of the University student body are "foreign students", (as we would say at the University of Michigan), that is, Japanese, Chinese, Hawaiian, Portuguese, Negro, and many racial mixtures. But they are not "foreign students" in any case, as they are very Americanized. They know the United States government, its problems and virtues, thoroughly. They are very much a part of our America, although Congressional complications have pre-

vented them from becoming a State, as yet. The political interest in elections, issues, campaigns, and administrations here is fantastic. The American privilege of free speech and voting are hallowed, and everyone exercises them. It is stimulating to be among such inspiring "citizens". The patience, understanding, and friendliness which these people extend towards us mainlanders has taught me a lesson in hospitality which I shall never forget. I'm receiving an education in the ambassadorship of race relations as well as academic knowledge.

As a tourist I've found the Islands "just like the travel ads", relaxing, colorful, fun, and beautiful. As a resident I see the Islanders view of their home. Of main importance of course is the ocean. Yachting is a favorite pastime and on any Saturday afternoon at the beach one can see literally hundreds of sailboats dotting the offshore area. It is a beautiful sight.

I'm finding this experience to be one of the most educational and stimulating I've ever known.

Sincerely, Judith Pike.

FEMININE GENERAL.

Gwendolyn Pike in lieu of a traditional award of merit, has been given what might be termed a loving cup of recognition in the form of a feature article about her appearing in the Midland Daily News, of Oct. 1, 1958. The News devoted two long columns and a picture to Katharine Tuttle's appreciation of Mrs. Melvin Pike as a vital, sparkling force in her community, as an individual, a musician,



GWENDOLYN PIKE
"Feminine General"

a gardner, a mother and home maker, a teacher of music, a choir leader and a booster for the Midland Symphony Orchestra — in fact a real general "in the current army of active femininity". Gwen was the efficient Chairman of the O T Y C Social Committee for the 1958

season. Her pragmatic philosophy backed by an artistic sense and tireless energy has effected her participation in the Club's social activities these many years. Gwen and Melvin keep their home in Omena always warm and read to receive them throughout the winter, and they are frequent week-end visitors here.

NEW NEIGHBORS.

Stella Newman, Marguerite Rule and others have written that the Newman home on the Point, has been sold to Dr. Robert Woolford of Cincinnati. Dr. Woolford, his wife and three children, were on Ingalls Bay last summer for a short while. They are friends of other of our members from Cincinnati. Dr. and Mrs. Woolford came to Omena to look at the Newman house on Nov. 7, and were delighted with the house and its surroundings. Our Marguerite Rule, Realtor of Cincinnati, made the sale. Many anticipate with pleasure the addition of the Woolfords to our community, and in the wake of that pleasure express the hope that Stella and Mae have not given up the idea of returning to be among us from other quarters. A summer in Omena would not seem the same without them.

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