

JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Tells About the Marshall Place in Rydal—She Talks of Debutante Parties—And Hears of a Mishap on a Windy Day

I CERTAINLY think anyone who is asked to the race meet at the Edward Everett Marshalls on the Saturday before Easter will have one dandy time, don't you? That place of Marshalls out along the Reading way is a wonder, believe me. If you haven't been there yourself, I have, and it's gorgeous. It has 160 acres, and they have a race track of their own and a small clubhouse on the grounds, and lately they even have had the old chapel on the place fixed up and Bishop Rhineland dedicated it a couple of weeks or so ago. So you see you have everything you want right at hand. A little church of their own, as well as a house, dance floor, track, lawn, woods, stream—everything to make a place ideal, and it is ideal.

At the meet on April 19 there will be a buffet luncheon at the clubhouse and the guests will attend the meet and then dance most of the afternoon. Mrs. Marshall was Miss Sarah Tyler, you know, and her husband are most popular in the horse-loving set as well as the other social set.

The opera last night was quite wonderful, and certainly there was a large and enthusiastic audience, for this may be called the in-between season, as it were, and those who have been South have returned and who have never opened their counting houses yet. Quite a number plan to wait until after Easter week, for what with Mask and Wig parties and dancing classes or other such excitements, the younger set at any rate will be busy as bees, and there is no much sense in going out of town just to come in again.

I have seldom seen Mrs. Aleck Yarnall look lovelier than she did last night at the opera. She had a frock which was a combination of white and silver with insets of a soft rose pink, which is the most beautiful color Mrs. Yarnall ever wears. I remember her once at a Bryn Mawr Home Show—it was the day of the Clark-Townsend wedding—about four years ago, and Elise Hopkins (she was then) came up to the show from the wedding and with chinchilla, a pink cloth gown trimmed with chinchilla. It was the loveliest gown I have looked ever seen, and believe me, she looked simply gorgeous in it.

Mrs. Robert Montgomery had a wonderful gown on last night; it was white satin shot with gold thread and draped in the back of the low-cut bodice was a fold of black narrow velvet, and Mrs. Arthur Emule Newbold, who was with the Aleck Yarnalls in Mrs. Alexander-Brinton Cox's box, wore a wonderful frock of peacock blue green velvet softened with creamy lace.

Mrs. Ridgway also donned a becoming gown of very fine orchid georgette crepe. It was built on very plain lines, the bodice cut V-shaped and there was no touch of white to relieve the purple, but like Mrs. Jack Geary's black dress, it did not need any white.

Several of next year's debs were there, in the orchestra rather than the boxes. I saw Lyseth Boyd in a dainty white satin frock and Sarah Dolan had a blue georgette dress. A very handsome gown was worn by Mrs. Harry Thayer, it was of black and gold brocade; but the most extraordinary costume of the evening was that worn by Mrs. George Willing, Jr. It was a brilliant red tulle and sequin dress made on perfectly straight lines; rather short and held in at the waist with a narrow cord of red sequins. It was the sort of gown that would come alone from the others. Mrs. Willing wore no ornaments in her hair and no jewels. It was certainly a wonderful bit of color.

I TOLD you yesterday that the Red Cross is going to start a drive for clothing for "the needy in Europe." Well, just after I told you that I heard some more about it, so I'll have to tell you a little more. The committee, consisting of Mr. G. Heide Norris, Mr. Paul Thompson and Mr. Stockton Townsend, has secured the use of the building 255 North Broad street, recently vacated by the Emergency Fleet, as a warehouse of this kind of clothes. The Southeastern chapter collected more than 110 tons of clothing for the Belgians. So of course they all want to do just as well this year—I mean this season, but doesn't it seem like a year or two since last October?

GLADYS MULLER is the latest of next year's debutantes to be announced as such. Her exact date has not been announced, but she is to be introduced at a tea early in October. Her mother is Mrs. Auguste Frederic Muller, of 124 West Highland avenue, Chestnut Hill, and her sister, Isabel, married Chat Wetherill. Isabel and Chat, by the way, are going to give a Mask and Wig party for her on the twenty-sixth. She is a very attractive, unusual looking girl, with brown hair and very long eyelashes and a distinctive way of wearing her clothes. Her brother, Fred, is a lieutenant in the A. E. F., and would have been graduated this year from the University.

WELL, I heard of coats sailing over back fences and under gates in the wind last week, and I heard of people being nearly run over in the street because they could not stop themselves in the wind, but did you hear about Mrs. T—?

My dears, she was walking through Ritzenhouse Square and a fearful gust of wind came and her hat just stood right up on end on her head and the hatpin nearly fell out. Naturally she was very angry, and quickly to rescue the hat, and, bless you, her bag broke open and out flew thirty-five one-dollar bills, brand new ones that she had just got from the bank, and they blew all over the square, many of them some twenty feet up in the air, and when you remember the strength of that wind those last March days you will realize the truth of the story when I tell you that not one of those bills was found by the owner. They just naturally blew out of reach and sink in less than time than it takes to say "Jack Robinson."

Fortunately she was not poor, so it did not matter so much as it would have to one who perhaps would have had to work hard to make more.

After a wedding trip—Mr. and Mrs. Daggett will live in New Haven.

An interesting spring wedding will be that of Miss Natalie Lucas, daughter of Mrs. William Edward Lucas, of 400 South Fifteenth street, and Mr. Walter Cook Longstreth, which will take place on Saturday, April 26, at 12 o'clock noon, in the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany. The bride's attendants will include Mrs. Clarence Anthony, of New York, matron of honor; Miss Mabel Perry, of Washington, D. C.; Miss Beatrice MacGeorge, Miss Susie Hobart Porter, Miss Lorna Graham, bridesmaids; Miss Katherine Lucas, of New York, the little niece of the bride, flower girl; and Master Tracy Taylor, page.

Mr. Longstreth will have for best man, Mr. William David, and for ushers, Mr. Walter Cook, Jr., Mr. Samuel Banting, Mr. Clarence Anthony, of New York; Mr. Howard Fussell, and Mr. John Lucas, of New York. The ceremony will be followed by a breakfast at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Willson Lucas, 1808 Pine street, for the two families and a few intimate friends. The at home cards are for after June 15, at 7921 Germantown road, Chestnut Hill.

Mrs. Joseph M. Gazzam will give a dinner at her home, 265 South Nineteenth street, followed by a theatre party in honor of Miss Florence Paul Kane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kent Kane, of Radnor, on Tuesday evening, April 15.

Mrs. J. S. C. Harvey, of Radnor, will entertain eight guests at the convention dinner of the Pennsylvania Women's Suffrage party in the rose garden of the Bellevue-Stratford this evening.

Miss Clarissa Smyth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nevill Smyth, of Summit avenue, Chestnut Hill, will make her debut at a tea to be given on October 29 by her parents.

Miss Elizabeth Ross, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Ross, of 1721 Spruce street, will also make her debut at a tea, which will be given on November 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Sheble, of Roomfort avenue and Sullivan street, Chestnut Hill, have issued invitations for a dance in honor of their daughters, Miss Adalajde Sheble and Miss Elizabeth Sheble, on Friday evening, April 25, at their home. Their guests will include about fifty of the school set.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley R. Yarnall, of Germantown, are receiving congratulatory notes on the birth of a son, Stanley R. Yarnall, Jr., on March 30.

Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Eldon Graham, of 1713 Spruce street, have recalled the invitations for a dinner in honor of their daughter, Miss Gertrude Graham, on April 25, owing to a death in the family.

Mrs. Charles P. Nelson, of Fifteenth and Locust streets, will give a luncheon, followed by a Mask and Wig party, on Saturday afternoon, April 26, in honor of her daughter, Miss Letta Nelson.

Ex-Governor and Mrs. Martin G. Brumbaugh, of 254 West Walnut lane, Germantown, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Mabel Amanda Brumbaugh, and Mr. Ralph Phalon Levars, director of the Philadelphia School of Musical Art.

Mrs. Emily H. de Turck announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Edith Ellis de Turck, to Mr. Alfred Eugene Benner, Jr., on Tuesday, April 8. Mr. and Mrs. Benner will be at home after June 1 at 2427 North Fifty-fourth street, Wynnefield.

"A NIGHT IN JAPAN" Cosmopolitan Club Will Give Entertainment This Evening at Bellevue-Stratford

"A Night in Japan" will be given this evening in the Bellevue-Stratford ballroom and clover room, which will be given an Oriental atmosphere by the hundreds of Japanese lanterns, parasols, idols and scrolls which will be artistically arranged, completing a most striking scheme of decoration.

Tables will be arranged around the edges of the different rooms, and stars from the leading theatres will do specialties. Between acts there will be dancing. Nine o'clock will mark the opening, but no time has been set for the ending. The arrangements for the affair are being made by the Cosmopolitan Club.

The committee in charge consists of Mr. Joseph D. Goodman, Mr. Albert Holmes, Miss Katharine H. Mees, Mr. Harold Robinson, Mr. LeNor D. McNulty, Mr. Robert Comerford, Mr. Louis P. Sigel, Miss Helene Curley, Mr. Harry K. Barber, Mr. Robert A. McMichael, Miss Emmille Kolb and Mr. Edward J. Nepley, chairman. The ladies aid of the Presbyterian Hospital, of which Mrs. W. Austin Obydyke is chairman, will benefit through the proceeds.

TWO OF NEXT YEAR'S DEBUTANTES



MISS ELIZABETH BARTOW

REUNION TONIGHT OF PENN LAWYERS

Many Distinguished Members of Bench and Bar to Gather at Annual Event

The law class of 1896, University of Pennsylvania, will hold its twenty-third annual reunion at the Union League this evening.

Among the other members of the class are Judge George Henderson, of the Orphans' Court, and Judge Thomas J. Baldrige, of Blair county; Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Leo S. Rowe; County Treasurer E. E. Altshouse, of Bucks county; former Sheriff Joseph Gilliland; former Director of Public Safety David J. Smyth; Commissioner Charles D. White, of Atlantic City; Assistant City Solicitor Frederick C. Boyer; former Congressman John R. K. Sott; former Assistant District Attorney Murdoch Kendrick; United States Assistant Treasurer John Brooke Evans; Thomas S. Gates, president of the Philadelphia Trust, Safe Deposit and Insurance Company; former State Senator Jesse Shepard, William P. Siegert, solicitor for the Recorder of Deeds; Commissioner Edward S. Wood, of Trenton, N. J.; former Magistrate James S. Rogers, D. Clarence Gibbons, William B. Bodine, Jr., William Y. C. Anderson, Samuel G. Birnie, H. Horace Dawson, Thomas J. Meagher, Horace L. Henderson, Charles Hunsicker, Harry E. Keller, Thomas Ridgway, Henry W. Scarborough and William H. Snyder.

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PLAN TO DEDICATE MEMORIAL TREES

Marine Corps Plants 250 in Parkway as Tribute to Men in St. Mihiel Battle

No much interest has been shown in the tribute tree movement for commemorating the service of men in the war that more than six hundred trees have already been taken by organizations in this city.

The Civic Club is now arranging the program for dedication services to be held in the Parkway on April 25, at which all contributing clubs and other organizations will be represented.

The largest block has been taken by the marines, who will plant the main avenue of the Parkway with 250 trees in honor of the marines who fought at St. Mihiel. The Civic Club will plant 150 trees in Logan Square.

The Philadelphia Orchestra Association has taken fifty; the National League for Women's Service, fifty; and the Troop Auxiliary of the Red Cross, thirty; the Matinee Musical Club and the Current Events Club have each taken five trees. The Garden Society has taken eleven.

The New Century Club has undertaken to buy and plant forty trees. School children have also shown interest and several schools are raising the necessary \$10 by small contributions to buy a tree.

The Park Commission will get the trees, plant them, care for them and see that those trees which fail to take root are replaced.

Announcement was made today by the organization that a Victory Ball would be held at the Bellevue-Stratford on May 21 in aid of the veteran relief and maintenance fund.

Among other objects, it is the purpose of the organization to aid disabled or sick veterans and their dependents, provide homes for sick or disabled veterans, secure legislation which will assure them justice in all measures now in force and to provide relief funds for all cases of destitution and a permanent employment bureau to aid veterans or their families to obtain satisfactory positions.

Members of the Architectural School of the University of Pennsylvania have succeeded Lieutenant Paul Creel, head of the design staff of the University and a four-year veteran with the French army, to tell of his experiences on the battle fronts. He will recount some war scenes at the reception which will be given for him tonight.

The "welcome home" reception will take place in Houston Hall, and it is expected that 250 members of the school will attend. Professor Warren P. Laird and Provost Edgar F. Smith will deliver the addresses of welcome.

The board of managers of the Home for Aged Couples of Bala is making a very earnest effort to clear off the balance of the mortgage on the property. Already a considerable amount has been raised.

In order to reduce the balance a number of the managers of the home living in Germantown and vicinity will hold a rummage sale Friday and Saturday, April 11 and 12, at the corner of Germantown avenue and Queen lane.

The women on the committee having charge of the sale are Miss Emma Kolb, Mrs. J. K. Hibbs, Mrs. Charles McKarsher, Mrs. George H. Peace, Mrs. P. M. Knodde and Mrs. M. Henry Kerr.

Engineering Lectures Tonight

MISS NANCY DUNNING

Miss Dunning is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Dunning, of 15 South Twenty-first street, and Miss Bartow is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Blackwell Bartow, of Stanton avenue, Chestnut Hill. Both are members of the National League for Women's Service.

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"RIGOLETTO" AGAIN PROVES ITS VITALITY

Enthusiastic Audience Hears Well-Balanced Performance by the Metropolitan Company

Another great masterpiece of melodic composition, the ever-popular "Rigoletto" attracted a vast throng of people to the Metropolitan Opera House last evening to hear a well-balanced but not particularly brilliant presentation of the opera. The cordial reception of the work and its performance goes to show that Verdi and his lovely melodies are a fixture on the operatic stage for many years to come.

Perhaps the greatest interest in the opera to the operagoer lay in the "Rigoletto" of De Luca. This fine singer has repeatedly shown his great ability to act in comic parts, in which he has no superior and only one real competitor on the American operatic stage. Much interest was shown in his performance of Don Carlos in "La Forza del Destino," but owing to the exigencies of time, his tragic scenes in this opera were omitted. Last evening, therefore, was really the first time this year that a Philadelphia audience had the opportunity to see him in a role of real tragedy.

It is no reflection on Mr. De Luca's histrionic art to say that he is better in comedy than in the more serious characters, although he acted his Rigoletto with conviction and a thorough knowledge of the part, but he could not always restrain that twinkle of the eye that proved so fascinating and convincing in "The Barber" and "Gianni Schicchi." Vexedly, his rendition of the part, exacting as it is, left nothing to be desired.

Maria Barrientos was excellent as Gilda. Her voice is of light texture, and did not always prove equal to the orchestration, but her ability to sing in perfect tune and her high register, as well as the manner in which she carried out the intense emotional requirements of the part, both vocally and in her acting, aided her in making a decided success. She has not wholly conquered her habit of facial distortion, and obviously "prepares" for the high notes; but the fact that she always gets them is perhaps only a vindication of the adage that "the end justifies the means."

The third of the principal characters, that of the Duke, was taken by Mr. Lazaro. He sang well as a whole, although there was here and there a tendency to "force" his singing notes, resulting more than once in especially convincing in his acting. His small physique rather than his dramatic ability may be responsible for this. Sophie Braslau gave a fine presentation of Maddalena, charming in appearance, resonant in her fine voice and gypsy-like in action.

Of the minor parts De Seguro was as Sparafucile and Rossi as Monterone were the best. The latter being especially impressive as the outraged parent, his acting in the delivery of the "Malediction" and his vocal work throughout being the best that a local audience has seen for a long time.

The opera is full of popular numbers and they were all given. The dramatic intensity of the course of Monterone was one of the high spots of the opera, as was the scene between Gilda and the Duke in the second act. Madame Barrientos gave probably her best rendition of the evening in the "Caro Nome," which calls not only for delicacy of vocalization, but also for a brilliant coloratura, demanding great range and

flexibility of voice, all of which she possesses. The "La Donna e Mobile," one of Verdi's (or for that matter any other composer's) finest melodies, scored its usual success, as did also the great quartet in the third scene, "Bella Figlia dell' Amore." The story of the opera, like most of those which Verdi selected in this period of his art, is not a pleasant one, but it is redeemed not only by the freshness and beauty of the music, but also by the intensity of the dramatic expression. In spite of the advances of the art of operatic composition since the days when "Rigoletto" was written, this opera has still many years of life.

DOG AND PONY SHOW MAY 15

Settlement House Benefit on Clothier Estate at Wynewood

A dog and pony show will be held May 14 on William J. Clothier's suburban estate at Wynewood. The Workman Place Settlement House will be the beneficiary.

Entries for the dog show close May 8 and should be sent to Mrs. E. F. Rivinus, Chestnut Hill. The entry fee is fifty cents in each class. Post entries will be made at the show at a fee of \$1.

There will be puppy, novice, American-bred and open classes, both sexes for all breeds. Numerous handsome pups will be offered for special prices. William Whitten will judge the non-sporting classes and Dr. Henry Jarrett the sporting varieties.

Entries for the pony show close May 5 and should be sent to Mrs. Victor C. Mather, Haverford. An interesting feature in connection with the show this year will be several gymkhana races for children.

HIGH PRICES FOR ANTIQUES

Top Figure for Textile Panels Made in Italy During Louis XIV Period

New York, April 9.—The second session of the League of Nations, which was held in the galleries of the American Art Association, and even better prices prevailed than on the first day. The total for the session was \$26,085, bringing the grand total up to \$15,005.

PRESBYTERIAN NOON SERVICE

Noon services are being held every day this week, except Saturday, at the Arch Street Presbyterian Church. Doctor Macartney will be the speaker at the service today. Doctor MacColl will preach on Thursday, and Dr. Floyd Tomkins on Friday. The service is at 12:30. A fifteen-minute rest will be given before the service on the Turner Memorial Organ.

To Discuss Bridge Site

The placement of the Delaware river bridge will be discussed by Dr. Warren P. Laird, professor of architecture at the University of Pennsylvania, at the Academy of the Fine Arts tonight at 8:15 o'clock. The lecture will be illustrated and an open discussion will follow.

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