

AUCTION BRIEFS

Last year the Children's Auction Saturday morning was a great success. It will be repeated this year, again on Saturday morning, from 10 to 12. Only children may bid. Those bidding on pets must have permission of their parents.

Rotary-Ann Baked Goods co-chairmen, Mrs. Archer Mohr and Mrs. Charles Gardner, can use an unlimited number of pans of sticky buns, small frosted cupcakes, cartwheel sugar cookies, bite-size pies. Anybody have a favorite recipe for oatmeal cookies with nuts and raisins?

Carl M. Henderson says the chicken barbecue will be just as tasty this year as it was

last year. Members of Dad-dow Isaacs American Legion Post will serve it late Thursday afternoon, July 5, on the Gate of Heaven School grounds. If it should rain, serving will be in Gate of Heaven cafeteria, courtesy of Rev. Francis A. Kane. Philip Shalanca, Plymouth, will prepare the chickens as he did last year.

Because of the illness of Mrs. Prosper Wirt, Mrs. Dana

Crump has offered to take charge of the Book Booth. Mrs. Crump reminds residents that paperbacks have ready sale, and that "whodunits" are always popular. Books should go to the Library, not to the Barn, as they have to be sorted before being offered for sale.

The Grounds Committee is already at work, starting Saturday afternoon to erect foun-

dations for tents. For the past three years, the Auction has been under its own canvas. Prior to that time, tents were borrowed. Tent making was a colossal job, but it has paid off in convenience. In charge of grounds are Ziba Smith, Tony Hudak, Stefan Hellersperk, and Bob Casselberry.

Plenty of lollypops this year, promises Nancy Kozemchak, who is enlisting more Girl Scout Troops to make them by the hundred. And the hot buttered popcorn will smell just as heavenly late at night as it did last year.

It's nice to see Hazel Berti handling the Odds and Ends booth. Save her your odd dishes and anything else you feel you can spare. Her co-chairman is Mrs. James Huston. Every auction day is a bargain day at the Odds and Ends booth.

Dan Flood Sends Flag Flown Over Capitol

Offered for auction this year will be a five by eight flag flown over the Capitol at Washington. It comes with the compliments of the Honorable Daniel J. Flood.

Dan arranged with J. George Stewart, Architect of the Capitol, to have the flag flown over the Capitol building, and sends it with his best wishes for success of the Sixteenth Annual Back Mountain Memorial Auction. He is recuperating at his home in Washington from surgery performed early this spring, and each day takes on more and more of his accustomed work.

One of the pictures taken some years ago at an earlier auction, shows Dan trundling an entire wheelbarrow load of books selected from the book booth, and another picture shows Dan auctioning off a puppy over the block.

I LOVE OLD THINGS

I love old things:
Streets of old cities
Crowded with ghosts
And banked with oranges,
Gay scarfs and shawls
That flow like red water.

I love old abbeys
With high, carved portals
And dim, cool corners
Where tired hearts pray:
I join them in the silence
And repair my soul.

I love old inns
Where floors creak eerily
And doors blow open
On windless nights,
Where heavy curtains
Dance a slow waltz.

I love old trees
That lift up their voices
High above the grasses.
They do not sing
At the light wind's bidding:
They chant alone to storms.

I love old china,
Knowing well the flavour
Of great, strong men
And fair, sweet women
Lurks at the rim
Of each deep brown bowl.

I love old books
Frayed from the searching
Of Truth-hungry fingers:
Their warm, soft vellum
Leads me up through sorrow
Like a dear friend's hand.

I love old men
And old, dear women
Who keep red cheeks
As the snows of winter
Keep the round red berry
Of the winter-green.

(This verse to be chanted)
I love old things:
Weather-beaten, worn things,
Cracked, broken torn things,
The old son, the old moon,
The old earth's face,
Old wine in dim flacons,
Old ships and old wagons—
Old ships and old wagons—
(This line softly)
Old coin and old lace,
Rare old lace.

Wilson MacDonald

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