

Book Review

by BETTY SCHECHTER

WHO TOOK THE GOLD AWAY

This book is bound to have a special appeal for the saddle shoes and white bucks generation. It celebrates the era when they were young, and it presents people whose aspirations were once their aspirations, and whose values are the ones they were encouraged, for better or worse, to respect. And it does it all very well. John Leggett's characters are believable, the problems they struggle with are real, and what they do with their lives has the ring of truth. Although, as newly arrived freshmen at Yale, Pierce Jay

and Ben Moseley are assigned to the same dormitory, it seems highly unlikely at first that they will ever have more than a nodding acquaintance. The brashly charming scion of a wealthy family, Pierce moves among his peers with the easy assurance of one accustomed to seeing doors open at his approach. Ben, painfully conscious of his public school background and his need to earn part of his tuition, hovers uncertainly on the fringe of Yale's rigidly stratified society. But, as it turns out, each has something to offer that the other covets, and soon the two boys are locked in an enduring but always tension-filled friendship.

Goulds celebrate 30th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Milford H. Gould of Trucksville have celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Gould is the owner of Antique and Classic Cars, Trucksville. The couple was married in Wilkes-Barre by the late Rev. Llewellyn Thomas. Mrs. Gould is the former Peggy Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas of Newport Street, Ashley.

Mr. Gould is the son of Mrs. Vida Gibbons, 172 South Washington St., Wilkes-Barre. Attendants for the couple were Mrs. Gould's sister, Ruth Thomas, and Donald Hoffman.

carollers

entertain

Brown Manor

Residents of Brown Manor were entertained with Christmas carols sung by neighborhood youngsters Sunday afternoon. Following the singing the group was treated to hot chocolate and cookies at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parente.

The carollers included: Scott and Eric Davidson, Loretta Donnelly, Brian Parente, Lenny Falcone, Cathy and Colleen Campbell, Ellie and Charles Falcone, Philip and Ellen Rowe, and Kimmi Hood. Mrs. Alfred Donnelly was director of the young minstrels.

Many of the neighbors expressed the hope that Christmas carolling would become an annual holiday event in their neighborhood.

party given

for debutantes

Idetown and Huntsville couples hosted a "coming in" party Monday, Dec. 22, for five debutantes. The parties were given by Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Schellenberg of Idetown and Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Casper of Huntsville. The parties were at the Castle Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Epstein Jr. of Forty Fort also were hosts.

The five debutantes who were the guests of honor were Burrell E. Montz, Linda Ann Troup, Sara Bell Parkhurst, Margaret L. Townend and Marcy Scott Robinson.

Harveys Lake

Yacht Club

ball set

The annual Commodore's Ball sponsored by the Harveys Lake Yacht Club will be held Saturday, Dec. 27, at the Irem Temple Country Club, dance chairman Atty. and Mrs. B. Todd Maguire have announced.

Ballroom decorations will be carried out in the traditional "nautical Christmas" theme. A cocktail hour will begin at 8 p.m., followed by dancing to the music of Lee Vincent and his orchestra.

A highlight of the evening will be the passing of the black-plumed admiral's hat to each of the Club's past commodores. The hat will come to rest this year on the head of Robert Casselberry, Hilldonia Ave., Dallas, who will begin his second term of service as commodore of the Yacht Club.

Other committee chairmen for the ball include Mr. and Mrs. John Peipon, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Casselberry, Mr. and Mrs. William Futch, Mr. and Mrs. John Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sgarlat, Mr. and Mrs. William Dantona Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John Bourke and Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Bunn.

area newcomers

Mr. and Mrs. James Hablett moved to 28 Meadowcrest Trucksville. They moved from York, Pa. Mr. Hablett works for Flair Footwear Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Edwards moved to 27 Orchard St. Trucksville. They moved from Greenbelt, Md. Mr. Edwards works for Drake Bakery Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Luksig moved to 106 E. Franklin St., Shavertown. They moved from Luzerne. Mr. Luksig works for State Farm Insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tamanini moved to 102 Carverton Road, Trucksville. They moved from Luzerne. Mr. Tamanini is in the heavy equipment business.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farber moved to 17 Division St., Shavertown, from McGuire Air Force Base, N.J. Mr. Farber is a heating contractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Thomas moved to Loyalville, RD 2, Dallas. Mr. Thomas works for Northeastern National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yeager moved to 78 Meadowcrest St., Trucksville. He works for Back Mountain Lumber.

Mr. and Mrs. John Konopki moved to 245 Meadowcrest St., Trucksville. Mr. Konopki works for Arian's Department Store.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gabel moved to 208 Meadowcrest St., Trucksville. Mr. Gabel works for Valley Vending Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Williams moved to 69 Perrin Ave., Shavertown, from Kingston. Mr. Williams is with the Stegmaier Brewing Co.

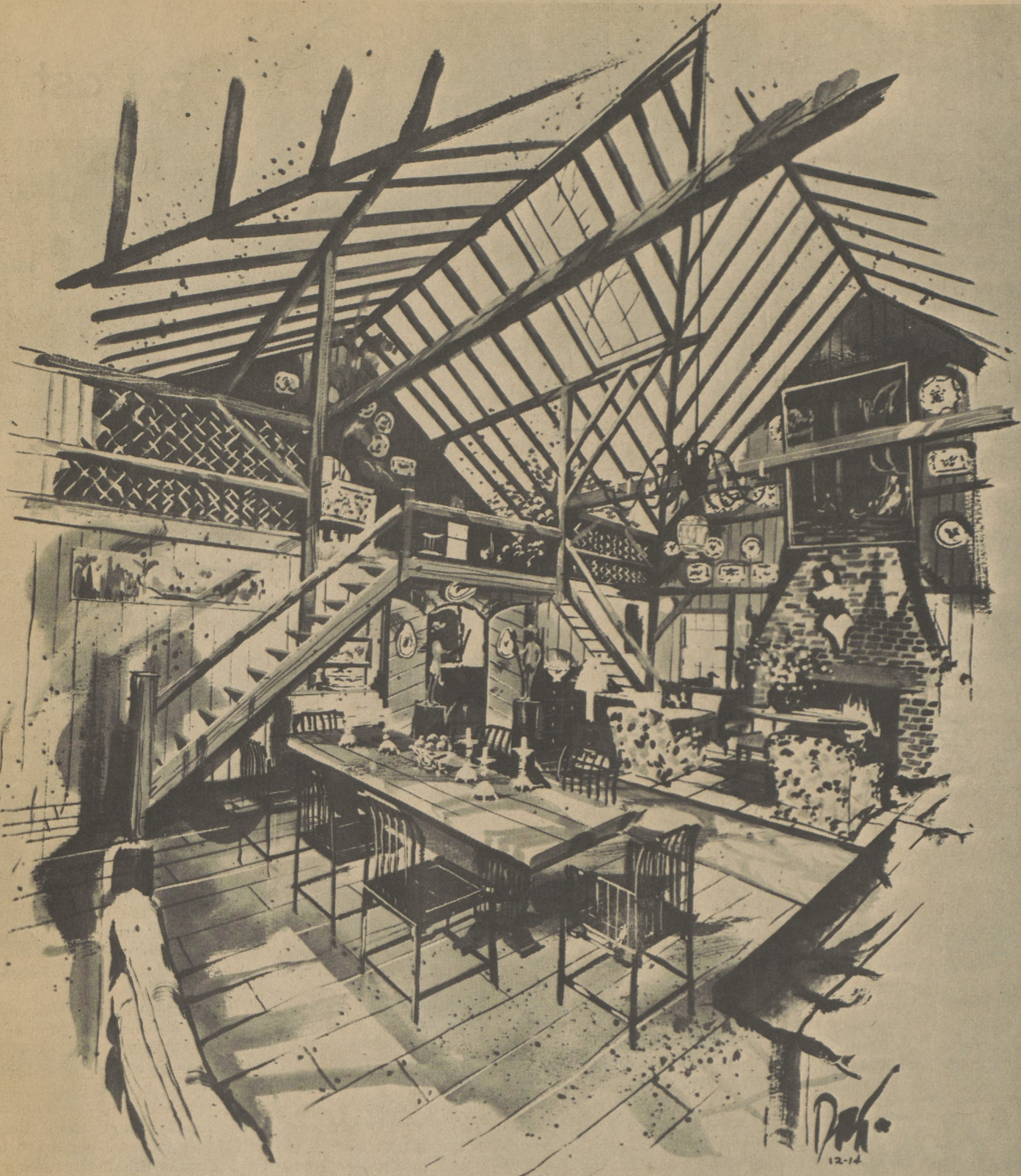
Mr. and Mrs. John Skursky moved to Ellen Drive, Brown Manor, from Wyoming. Mr. Skursky works for United Parcels Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Appel moved to RD 3, Wyoming. He is an electrician.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Klimas moved to Harveys Lake. Mr. Klimas is a construction worker.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Liller moved to 114 Carverton Road, Trucksville. Mr. Liller is a machinist.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Scull moved to Harveys Lake. Mr. Scull works at Duke Isaacs Auto Agency.



View of dining room and living room in barn at Pound Ridge, N.Y.

'a barn for all seasons' exciting

by WILLIAM PAHLMANN

For the past year I have been experiencing the pleasures of weekendering in a 19th century barn, converted into a dwelling, described by one of my young associates as "mind-blowing." I rented this beautiful old structure from my friends, Mr. and Mrs. Miguel de Braganca, quite adequately furnished with chairs, tables and big squashy sofas and lounge chairs, covered in bright orange linen, and a fine, many-branched wrought-iron chandelier in suitable scale.

Needless to say, the enormous sweep of the rough old wood walls, which vault to the ridge-pole, have challenged me with the kind of space I have rarely had at my command, an irresistible challenge!

I spent most of the summer clinging perilously to an elongated extension ladder, hanging things I had in storage. These "things" include a couple of dozen paintings, both modern and traditional, and my collection of old porcelain platters and chargers—about 60 in all.

The effect of the fine porcelains and paintings against the rough weathered wood was so stunning that I immediately began to brood about the massive chimney breast of rosy old brick, above the fireplace that burns a full-size tree trunk. Here I hung a truly vast historical painting (it's about 12 feet high) at a rakish slant, and from the chimney breast beneath I posed an old figurehead from a ship—a curly-haired lady dressed in blue—attached to the chimney breast by sturdy black chains and leaning outward into the room just as she would be attached to the prow of a ship.

Having run out of space on the walls, I turned my attention to the floor space. I used a hand-braided area rug before the fireplace, and this seemed to call for a large, round antique Chinese table between the sofas, surrounded by stools, which provided a place for magazines, scrabble games and breakfast. The Chinese table looked fine and this persuaded me to bring out eight Chinese chairs to go around my English 17th century refectory table and two modern rosewood cabinets to hold plates and cutlery.

About that time, I ran across eight over-scaled, chunky brass Russian candlesticks that burn big, fat white candles, and I couldn't resist them for the dining table. I hung a pair of scarlet Chinese banners on a bamboo pole from the rafters before the two-story window opposite the fireplace, and laid a brilliant modern V'Soske rug down the

center of the enormous room under the tin chandelier, posing two Italian blackamoors on each side of the doorway leading to the bedroom area.

I then turned my attention to the large loft room reached by a double stairway from the living room. Along the open balustrades of the balcony I hung curtains in a bamboo design against an orange-red background, to give the area a feeling of privacy. Here I placed the television set, a country X table for home work, which I never seem to get around to, two rattan sofas, variegated chairs, a big coffee table and two huge fanciful floor poufs made from a pair of Oriental rugs.

This interior, which evades

new class for square dancers

The Circle Eighthers Square Dance Club has announced a new class in Western modern square dancing starting Jan. 6. This beginners' class will be held every Tuesday evening in the Wilkes-Barre YMCA auditorium. The intermediate group will meet Fridays and there will be a club dance every Saturday.

Couples of every age are welcome. The youngest now participating are 10 and 12 years old and the oldest are retired couples. Cost per lesson is one dollar. Everyone is invited to attend and join the fun.

Carl and Betty Hanks are the callers for this active group. Members of the group have appeared several times on television and have performed at the Sweet Valley Festival on Memorial Day, the Fiesta on Public Square and at the Harveys Lake Yacht Club. Several of the more advanced dance couples have appeared in Birmingham, Philadelphia and Allentown.

Harmony Club holds dinner

The Harmony Club held its annual Christmas dinner party at the home of Mrs. Emmax Hoover Dec. 18 at 1 p.m.

The group had met earlier at the home of Nora Dymond to discuss plans for the dinner. Fannie Berbew was cohostess.

my own poor powers of description, is either a triumph of eclecticism or the interior designer run amuck, depending on your point of view. I love it and that's what matters when it comes to interiors. It is comfortable, amusing and invites conversation and even good talk.

I was so pleased with the whole thing that I decided to honor my landlords with a party to express my gratitude. I banked the living area with shaggy yellow chrysanthemums and, as an extra filip, I converted the three-car garage under the barn into a discotheque, with a canopy of colorful printed sheets by Pucci and wall decorations of posters and wallpaper samples. I put in a small platform for dancing, surrounded by tables for four with colorful table linens, and a long

bar. Cocktails were served in the garage, a buffet supper in the barn living room and eventually guests filtered up to the loft for liquors and coffee. There was a general movement between the three levels and the bright country evening clothes, principally pants ensembles, added a final note of charm to the barn precincts.

If there is any application to be drawn from my "barnstorming" it is that a basic attention to scale and proportion and comfort are about the only rules you have to follow in planning interiors that work. Rigid rules are apt to produce rigid rooms and flexibility is not only more effective but more in keeping with the times. It's correct if you like it, so let yourself go and live a little.

Purely Personal

Mr. Glendon Prynn, Joliet, Ill., and formerly of Bunker Hill, is a surgical patient in Silver Cross Hospital, Joliet. He will remain there six weeks, then be confined to his home for six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Glahn, Bunker Hill, and Marjorie, Lancaster, will spend the holidays with the Rev. and Mrs. David Glahn and son Gregory, Great Barrington, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Christy Austin of Meriden, Conn., visited several days with Mr. Austin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Austin, Main Street, Shavertown.

Doris R. Mallin, Pinecrest Avenue, Dallas, is home after being a surgical patient at the General Hospital.

Leighton R. Scott is spending the holidays with his aunt, Mrs. Howard Risley. A student at Cambridge, England, Mr. Scott is writing for The Post while on vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Holman, David and Don, Gibsonia, Pa., will spend the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith and Donna, West Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ferrari, North Carolina, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Welton Farrar, Maplewood Ave., Dallas.

Scott Fry, Annapolis Naval Academy, will be home for the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Francis Fry, Elmcrest, Dallas.

George Searfoss is recuperating after a fall from a tree at his home at Harveys Lake.

Jean Moledor, school nurse in the Lake-Lehman School District, is a patient in the General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Jones and family and Dr. and Mrs. Durelle Scott Jr., are holiday guests of Mrs. Durelle Scott, Huntsville Road, Dallas.



Harveys Lake Yacht Club plans are being made by Mrs. B. Todd Maguire and Mrs. Robert L. Casselberry, seated left to right. Standing are B. Todd Maguire, commodore and Robert L. Casselberry.