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BLUE RIDGE FORUM

1946–1947

Books are keys to wisdom's treasure,
Books are gates to lands of pleasure;
Books are paths that upward lead;
Books are friends, "come, let us read."

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"In the field of world policy I would dedicate this nation to the policy of the good neighbor."

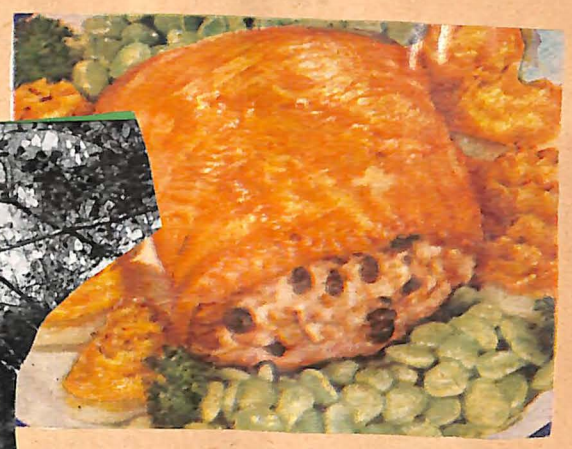
Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Pictured above, are some of the new officers of the Blue Ridge Forum. They are, left to right, Mrs. Leonard O. Key, Mrs. Fred Schnautz, Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, Mrs. William Penn Ayers, and Mrs. E. J. Yost

Blue Ridge Forum Elects Officers

At a luncheon meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum held recently at Natural Bridge hotel, Mrs. Fred Schnautz was installed president; Mrs. William Penn Ayers, first vice president; Mrs. E. J. Yost, secretary; Mrs. Leonard Key, chairman of seminar, and Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, seminar. Mrs. Fred Willman is the retiring president.

Committee chairmen for the coming year are: Mrs. D. P. Hylton, year book; Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic; Mrs. Yost, program and Mrs. J. O. Beoddy, co-chairman; Mrs. Wilman, drama; Mrs. Irving Brinkley, music; Mrs. G. G. Gibson, publicity; Mrs. James Richardson, historian; and Mrs. Charles Steele, parliamentarian.



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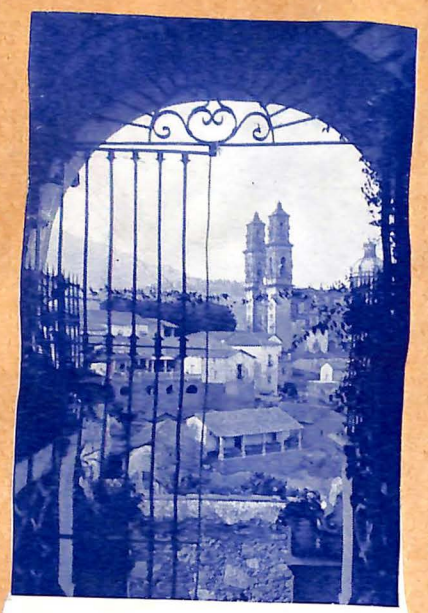

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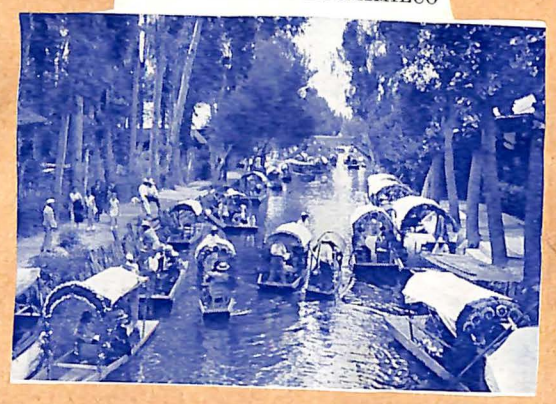

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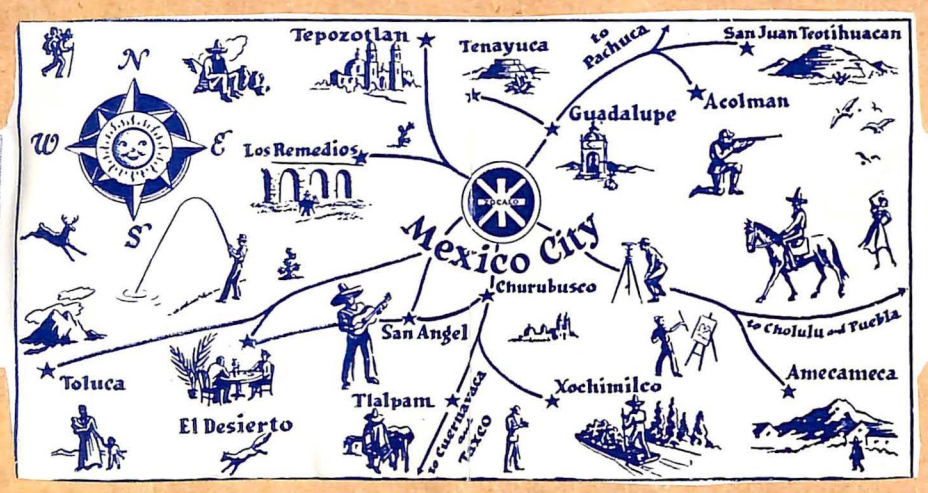
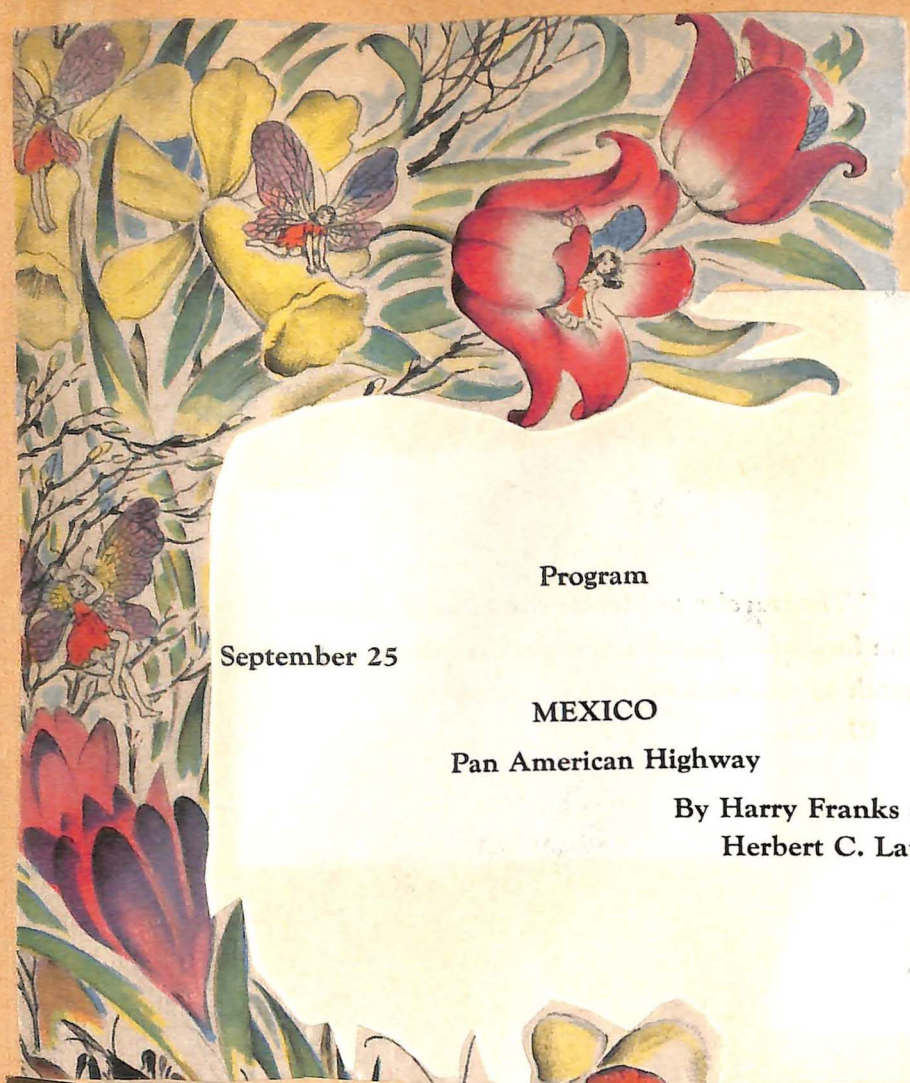




Program

September 25

MEXICO

Pan American Highway

By Harry Franks and
Herbert C. Lanks

FRIENDLY MEXICO
AWAITS YOU!

Blue Ridge Forum To Study Mexico

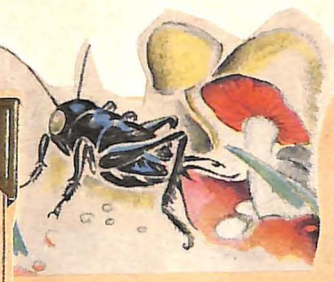
The colorful natural beauty of picturesque Mexico was described by Mrs. James Richardson, leader of the day, at the opening meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum's 21st year, yesterday at the Patrick Henry hotel.

Mrs. Jerome Snavely described a Mexican wedding she recently attended, stating that the bride arrived at the church in a car fully lined in white satin, with flowers encircling her, and bouquets affixed to the vehicle's handles.

Mrs. B. F. Pence led the devotional, and Mrs. Fred Willman, read a poem concerning the intricacies of the English language.

Mrs. J. H. Moore reported on the book "Pan American Highway," written by Harry Franks, with photographs by Herbert C. Lanks.

Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz, president, gave a brief message of welcome, and new year books, decorated by Mrs. W. P. Ayers, were distributed. 9-11-46



Forum To Hold First Meeting On Wednesday

The *Blue Ridge Forum*, at its first monthly meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 25, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning at the Patrick Henry Hotel, Room 238, will have a program concerning Mexico, first of the four topics which the group will study this year.

Mrs. James Richardson, who will be leader of the meeting, will have as her subject "Glimpses of Mexico." Mrs. Jerome Snavely will describe a Mexican wedding which she recently attended in that country, and a book review of "Pan American Highway," by Harry Franks and Herbert C. Lanks, will be given by Mrs. James Moore.

The general divisions of study for the year, and the heads of these divisions are: Mexico, Mrs. Charles Steele; American Theatre, Mrs. Fred Willman; Music, Mrs. Irving Brinkley; and Literature, Mrs. J. W. Smith. Mexican villages, theatre and art will be included in the October and November meetings; current plays will be taken up in December and March; programs concerning literature have been planned for the January, April and June meetings; and contemporary American composers and American folk music are the topics which have been scheduled for meetings in February and May.

Committee members for the year are as follows: Membership, Mrs. Clara Edwards; program, Mrs. E. J. Yost, Mrs. J. A. Beaddy, Mrs. Fred Willman, Mrs. Charles Steele, Mrs. Irving Brinkley, and Mrs. J. W. Smith; and Year Book, Mrs. D. P. Hylton, Mrs. B. F. Pence, Mrs. Fred Willman, and Mrs. W. P. Ayers.

Mrs. Fred Schnautz is the club's new president. Others assuming duties as officers of the forum are: vice president, Mrs. W. P. Ayers; secretary, Mrs. E. J. Yost; treasurer, Mrs. Jerome Snavely; seminar, Mrs. L. O. Key; Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, and Mrs. J. W. Smith; parlimentarian, Mrs. Charles Steele; timekeeper, Mrs. J. H. Moore; critic, Mrs. A. D. Miller; historian, Mrs. J. M. Richardson; and publicity, Mrs. G. J. Gibson.

Then below are groups snapped at stations en route home,— off the train for a little exercise and air; and at the lower right are Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Johnston with a group of Mexican urchins who look as if they have been made happy with a few centavos.

Blue Ridge Forum Hears Mrs. C. G. Steele

Oct. 9. 1946.

The Blue Ridge Forum met yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Thurman and Boone assembly room and continued their study of Mexico with Mrs. Charles G. Steele, leader of the day, speaking on "Village Glimpses." A luncheon at the Meiringen Tea Room at 12:30 o'clock followed the meeting.

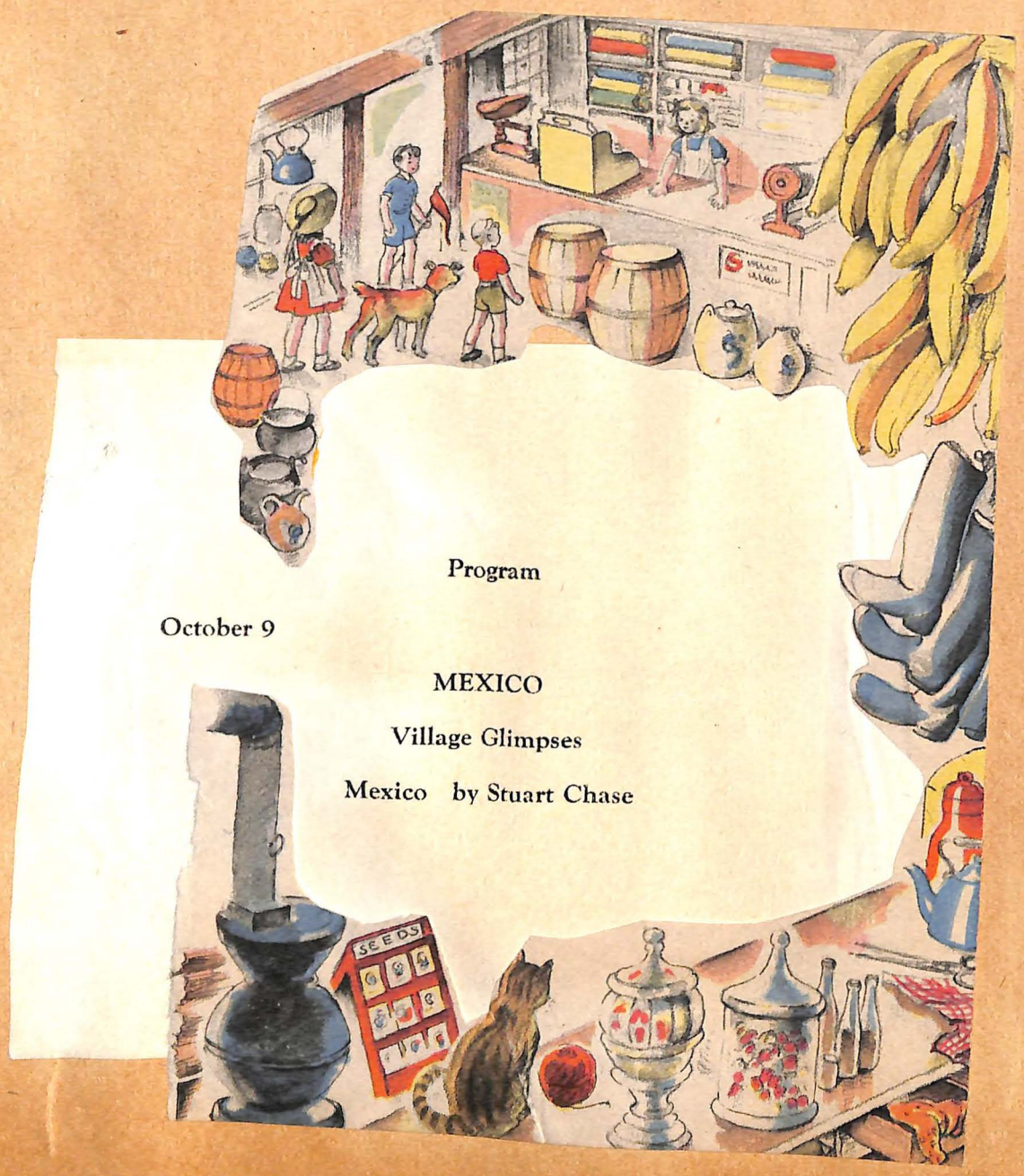
Mrs. Steele described the book "Mexican Maze," by Cartelon Beals, a narrative of humble village life.

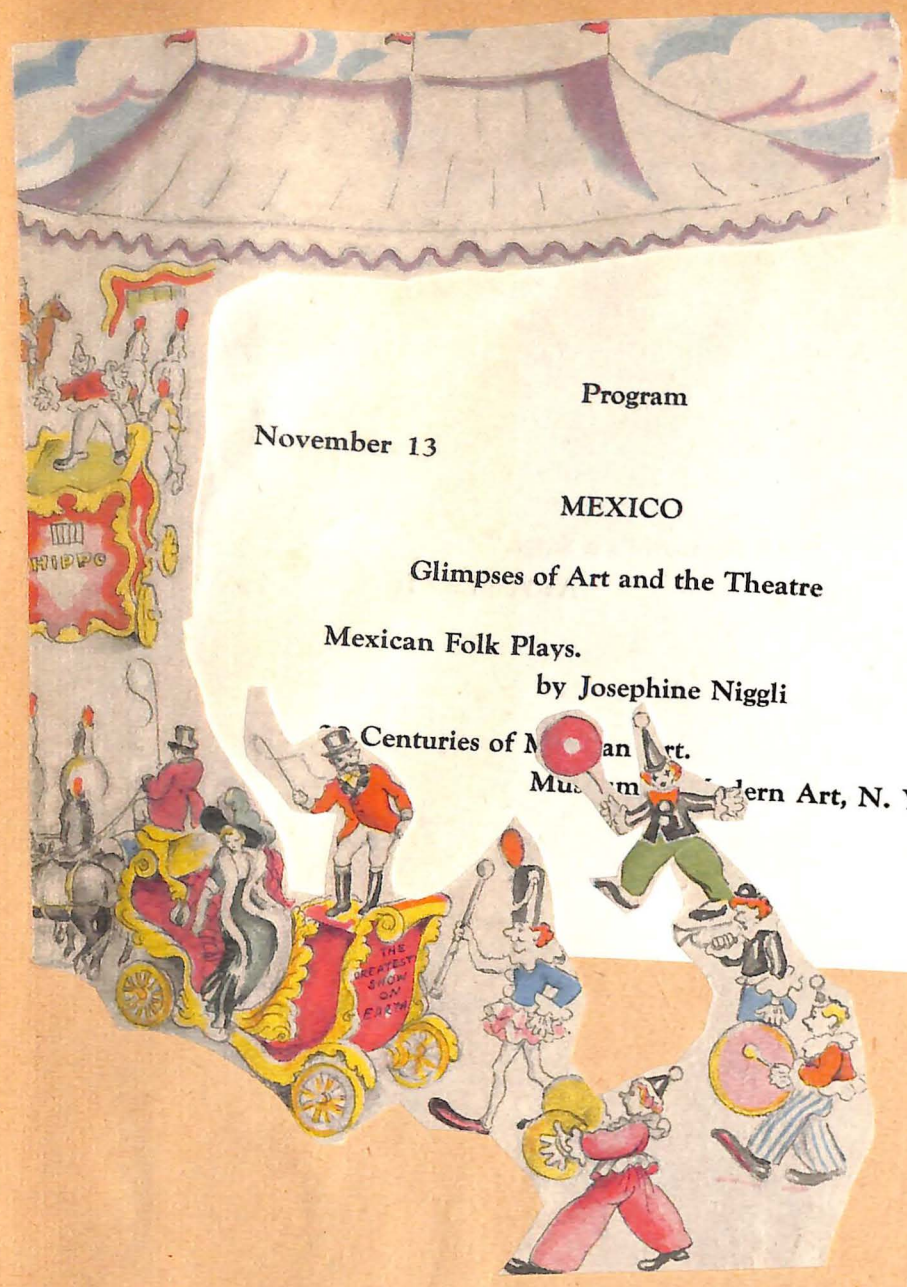
"Mexico," by Stuart Chase was reviewed by Mrs. W. P. Wiltsee, who emphasized the people's unawareness of time. She quoted Mr. Chase, who spent five months traveling in Mexico before writing his book, as saying that he wasn't happy there until he put away his timepiece, since time meant nothing to the village people. Mexican hospitality, their love of color, and the prevalence of intricate forms of art even in their market wares, were among the topics discussed.

Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic, instructed the group in the pronunciation of various Spanish and Mexican words, and Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant led the devotionals.

Miss Elizabeth Starritt, soprano, sang a Mexican song and a Spanish creole number. Miss Nellie Stuart was her accompanist.

Mrs. L. O. Key, chairman of the seminar, announced her program for the November meeting.





Program

November 13

MEXICO

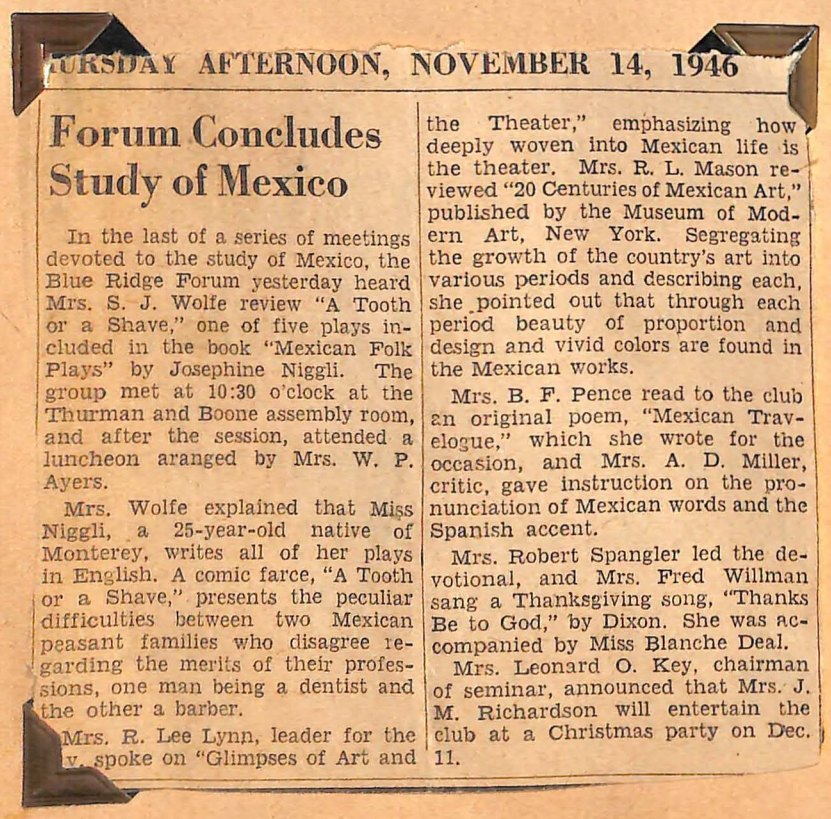
Glimpses of Art and the Theatre

Mexican Folk Plays.

by Josephine Niggli

20 Centuries of Mexican Art.

Museum of Modern Art, N. Y.



THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 14, 1946

Forum Concludes Study of Mexico

In the last of a series of meetings devoted to the study of Mexico, the Blue Ridge Forum yesterday heard Mrs. S. J. Wolfe review "A Tooth or a Shave," one of five plays included in the book "Mexican Folk Plays" by Josephine Niggli. The group met at 10:30 o'clock at the Thurman and Boone assembly room, and after the session, attended a luncheon aranged by Mrs. W. P. Ayers.

Mrs. Wolfe explained that Miss Niggli, a 25-year-old native of Monterey, writes all of her plays in English. A comic farce, "A Tooth or a Shave," presents the peculiar difficulties between two Mexican peasant families who disagree regarding the merits of their professions, one man being a dentist and the other a barber.

Mrs. R. Lee Lynn, leader for the day, spoke on "Glimpses of Art and the Theater," emphasizing how deeply woven into Mexican life is the theater. Mrs. R. L. Mason reviewed "20 Centuries of Mexican Art," published by the Museum of Modern Art, New York. Segregating the growth of the country's art into various periods and describing each, she pointed out that through each period beauty of proportion and design and vivid colors are found in the Mexican works.

Mrs. B. F. Pence read to the club an original poem, "Mexican Travelogue," which she wrote for the occasion, and Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic, gave instruction on the pronunciation of Mexican words and the Spanish accent.

Mrs. Robert Spangler led the devotional, and Mrs. Fred Willman sang a Thanksgiving song, "Thanks Be to God," by Dixon. She was accompanied by Miss Blanche Deal.

Mrs. Leonard O. Key, chairman of seminar, announced that Mrs. J. M. Richardson will entertain the club at a Christmas party on Dec. 11.

Program

December 11

Excerpts from a current play.

DECEMBER 8, 1946.

Mrs. Richardson Will Entertain Forum Members

Members of the Blue Ridge Forum will be guests of Mrs. J. M. Richardson at Hotel Roanoke on Wednesday, December 11, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, when the club will hold its regular meeting, and a Christmas party will follow.

Mrs. Fred Willman will read excerpts from the play, "State of the Union," and Mrs. Richardson will tell a Christmas story.

Mrs. W. P. Ayers, hospitality chairman, and her committee; Mrs. A. D. Miller, Mrs. Charles G. Steele and Mrs. Fred Willman are in charge

Blue Ridge Forum Hears Mrs. Willman

Mrs. Fred Willman read excerpts from the play, "State of the Union," at a Christmas party-meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum yesterday at 10:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. M. Richardson

A Pulitzer prize winner this year, the play by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse is a comedy dealing with politics of our country, in which the authors woo their audience with laughter instead of tiring them by lecturing.

Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz, president, opened the meeting by reading a poem by Grace Crowell, "The Heart of a Child." A devotional pertaining to the Yuletide season was given by Mrs. J. W. Smith, and Mrs. Leonard O. Key, chairman of the seminar, was leader of the day.

Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic, gave a few thoughts regarding the origin of Christmas, and Mrs. B. F. Pence read a group of original poems about the season. Mrs. J. M. Richardson related "The Perfect Gift," a story of two children on Christmas Eve.

At noon, Mrs. Richardson entertained at a luncheon. Decorations for the occasion included candles, an arrangement of poinsettias and a lighted Christmas tree. Mrs. W. P. Ayers, hospitality chairman for the p[illegible] painted miniature porcelain [illegible] favors for those present.

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Program

January 8

Current American Literature.

Blue Ridge Forum To Hear Book Reviews At Meeting

Fortnightly Club to Be Entertained by Mrs. Frank Long

MRS. LACY EDGERTON will review "Sudden Quest," and Mrs. A. D. Miller will review "Animal Farm" at the meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum to be held at the Thurman and Boone assembly room on January 8 at 10:30 o'clock. Mrs. Leonard O. Key will be program leader.

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Fortnightly Club

Mrs. Frank Long will entertain the Fortnightly club at her home, 371 Albemarle avenue, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Robert E. Paine will be director of the program on the subject "Postwar Education."

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Mizpah Club

The Mizpah club will meet at the Masonic Temple Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Hostesses will be Mrs. J. A. Harman, Mrs. T. T. Trout, Mrs. Palmer Kelly, Mrs. H. G. Hickok and Mrs. Charles Cornett.

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Home Circle

The Home circle of the King's Daughters will meet at the home of Mrs. M. A. Smythe, 529 Grandin road, on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Lucian Crockett will be assisting hostess.

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Virginia Heights PTA

The Virginia Heights PTA will hold its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. H. W. Morgenthaler will speak on "Mental Hygiene."

The executive board will meet at 2 o'clock.

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Forest Park PTA

The Forest Park PTA will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday at 3 o'clock. The executive board will meet at 2 o'clock.

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Mary Louise Circle

The Mary Louise circle of the King's Daughters will meet at the home of Mrs. C. W. Bishop, 926 Patterson avenue, on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

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Ladies Of Charity

The Ladies of Charity will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs Percy R. Karnes, 701 Carolina avenue, South Roanoke, on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

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Silver Cross Circle

The Silver Cross circle, King's Daughters, will meet Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. E. Topping, 824 Northumberland avenue.

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Ladies' Society

The Ladies' Society of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen will hold its regular meeting Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Officers will be installed.

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Golden Rule Circle

The Golden Rule circle of the King's Daughters will meet at the Mary Louise Home on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Pack

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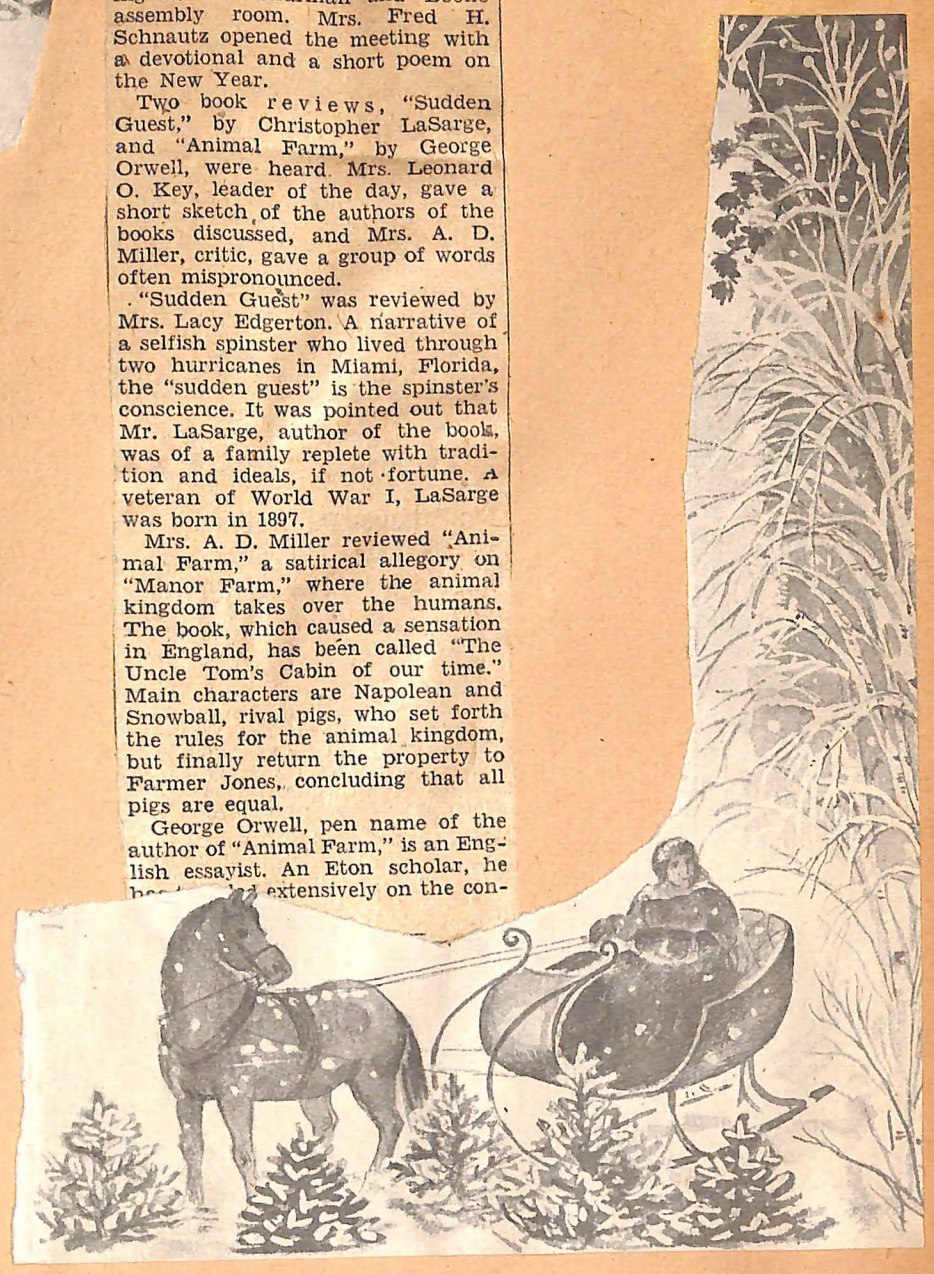

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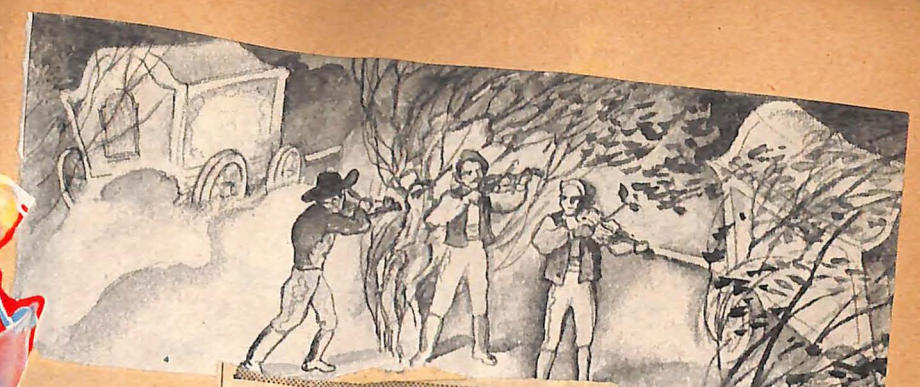

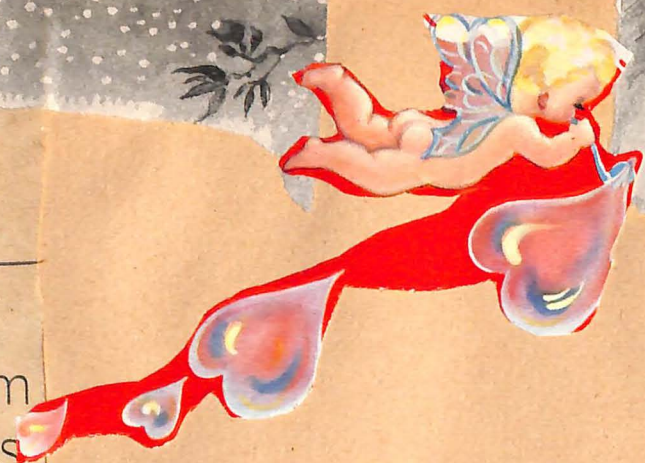

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Following the meeting, which included a Valentine surprise arranged by Mrs. W. P. Ayers, hospitality chairman, members and their guests held a luncheon at the Patrick Henry hotel.

Composers discussed were: Deems Taylor, who also is a radio commentator and newspaper critic, and whose opera "The King's Henchman" sustained a lengthy run; John Alden Carpenter, who wrote "Skyscrapers," and who heads a manufacturing concern, his music being a sideline; Charles Wakefield Cadman, composer of "From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water," who opines that the best music already has been written; Leo Sowerby, who calls himself a "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" because he has composed both church music and jazz; and Roy Harris, symphony composer, who also wrote "Johnny Comes Marching Home."

Miss Deal said that modern music is based on the old classics, and demonstrated this point through various rhythms at the piano.

She pointed out that "The Blue Danube" waltz heads the list of music with the greatest national sales volume. "The Rosary" follows in second place, with "From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water" third, and "Perfect Day" fourth.

The following records, lent to the Forum from the library of J. P. Fishburn, were played: "Symphony No. 3," Roy Harris; and Deems Taylor's "The King's Henchman," "Great Wert Thou" and "Through the Looking Glass."

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Miss Deal Will Speak To Forum

Fortnightly Club To Meet Friday

MISS BLANCHE DEAL will speak at the meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum to be held Wednesday at 10:30 o'clock in the morning in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone. Her subject will be "Musicians Living Today," from the authority of John Aasker Howard. Miss Elizabeth Starritt will sung.

Mrs. W. P. Ayers, hospitality chairman, will have charge of the Valentine party. Following the meeting a luncheon will be held at Hotel Patrick Henry.

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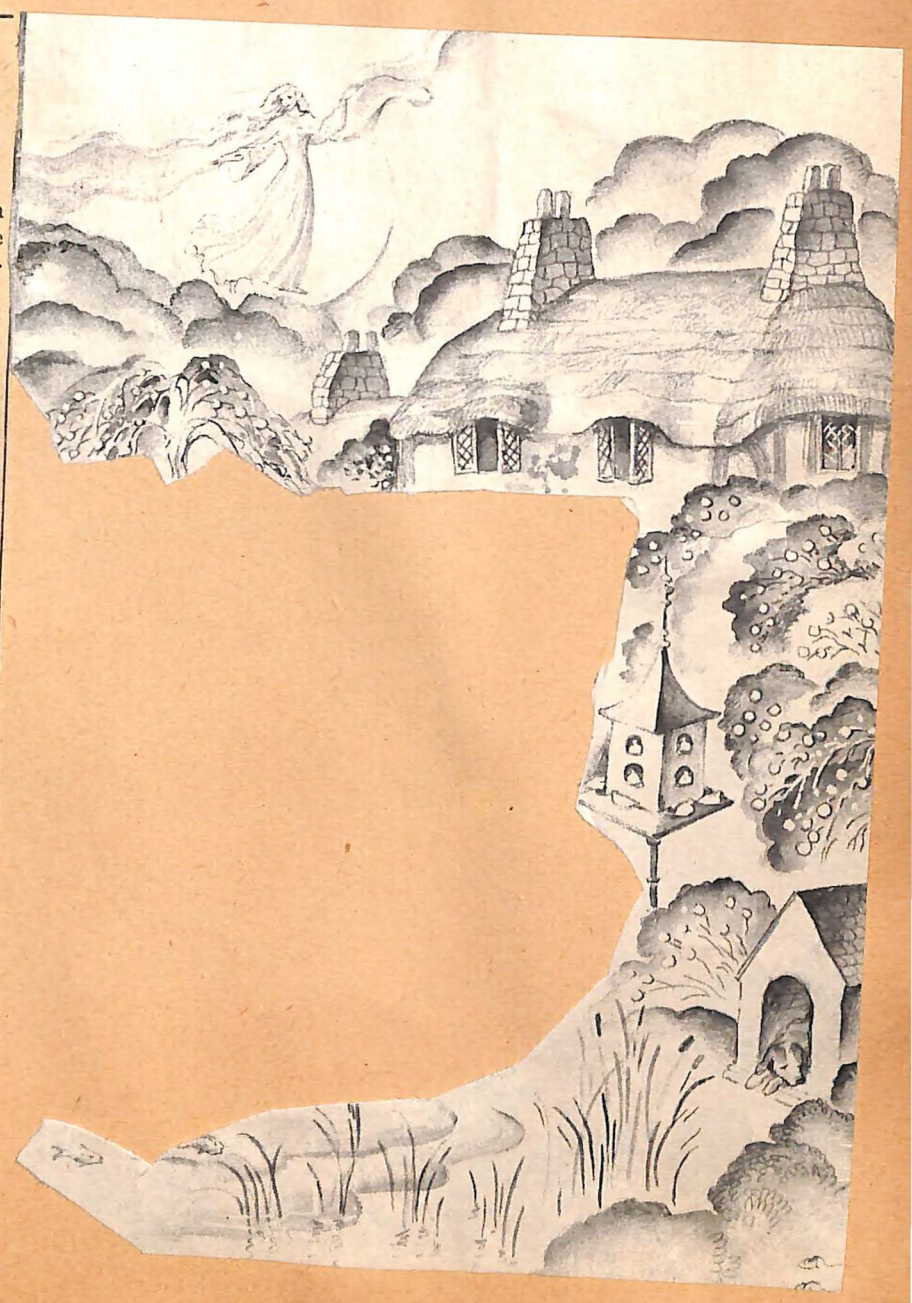

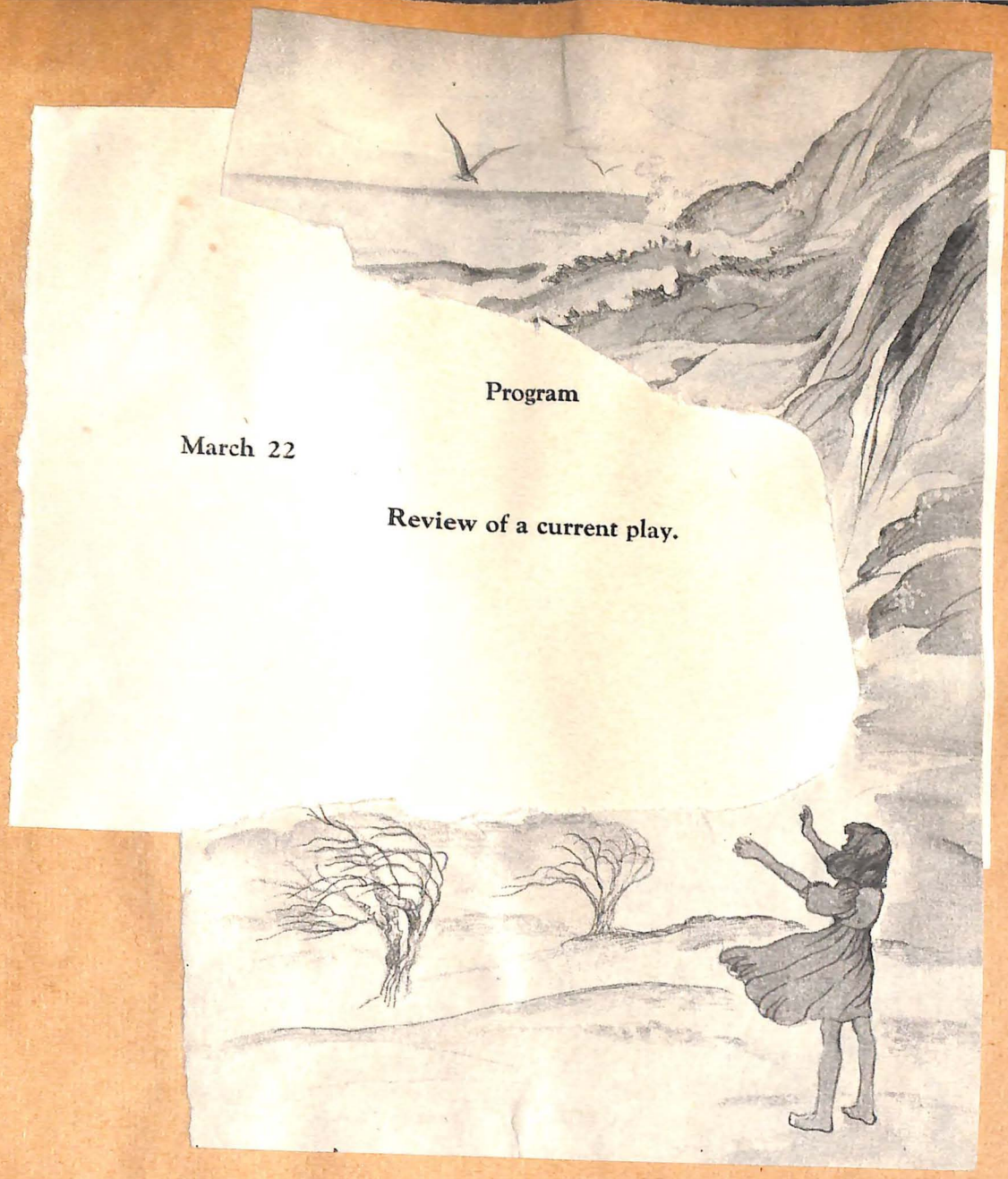

Program

March 22

Review of a current play.

Mrs. J. M. Richardson Named Head Of Forum Committee

... editor of "Garden Gossip," the

Blue Ridge Forum

Mrs. J. M. Richardson was appointed head of a committee to bring in a report for the coming year's course of study at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum held yesterday morning at the Thurman and Boone assembly room.

Named to serve on the committee with Mrs. Richardson were Mrs. D. P. Hylton and Mrs. James H. Moore.

Mrs. Fred William, leader for the day, spoke on Broadway musical comedies. She discussed "Street Scene" by Elmer Rice, and "Finian's Rainbow" by Harburg and Saidy. The former, a dramatic musical, she described as a presentation of life on the streets of New York City; the latter, also a musical play concerning the common folk, she said boasts two song hits: "Irish Dream" and "Pot of Gold."

Mrs. J. A. Beoddy reviewed the play "Oklahoma," which depicts "close-to-earth people" at the turn of the century. She said the play has 23 characters of importance, and told of their box-lunch affairs, a wedding and the trial with which the story ends.

Mrs. Irving Brinkley played recordings of music from "Oklahoma," lent to the club by Mrs E. J. Yost. These included the overture from "Oklahoma," "Oh! What a Beautiful Morning," "Surrey with the Fringe on Top,' "Pore Jud Is Daid," "People Will Say Were in Love," "Out of My Dreams," and "Oklahoma."

Mrs. Clara Edwards opened the meeting with the devotionals, and members sang a song in honor of Mrs. J. M. Richardson as a birthday tribute. Next month's program was announced by Mrs. L. O. Key, and Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic, gave a list of often mispronounced words.

Mrs. Leonard O. Key invited the club members to her home for a coffee following the April meeting.

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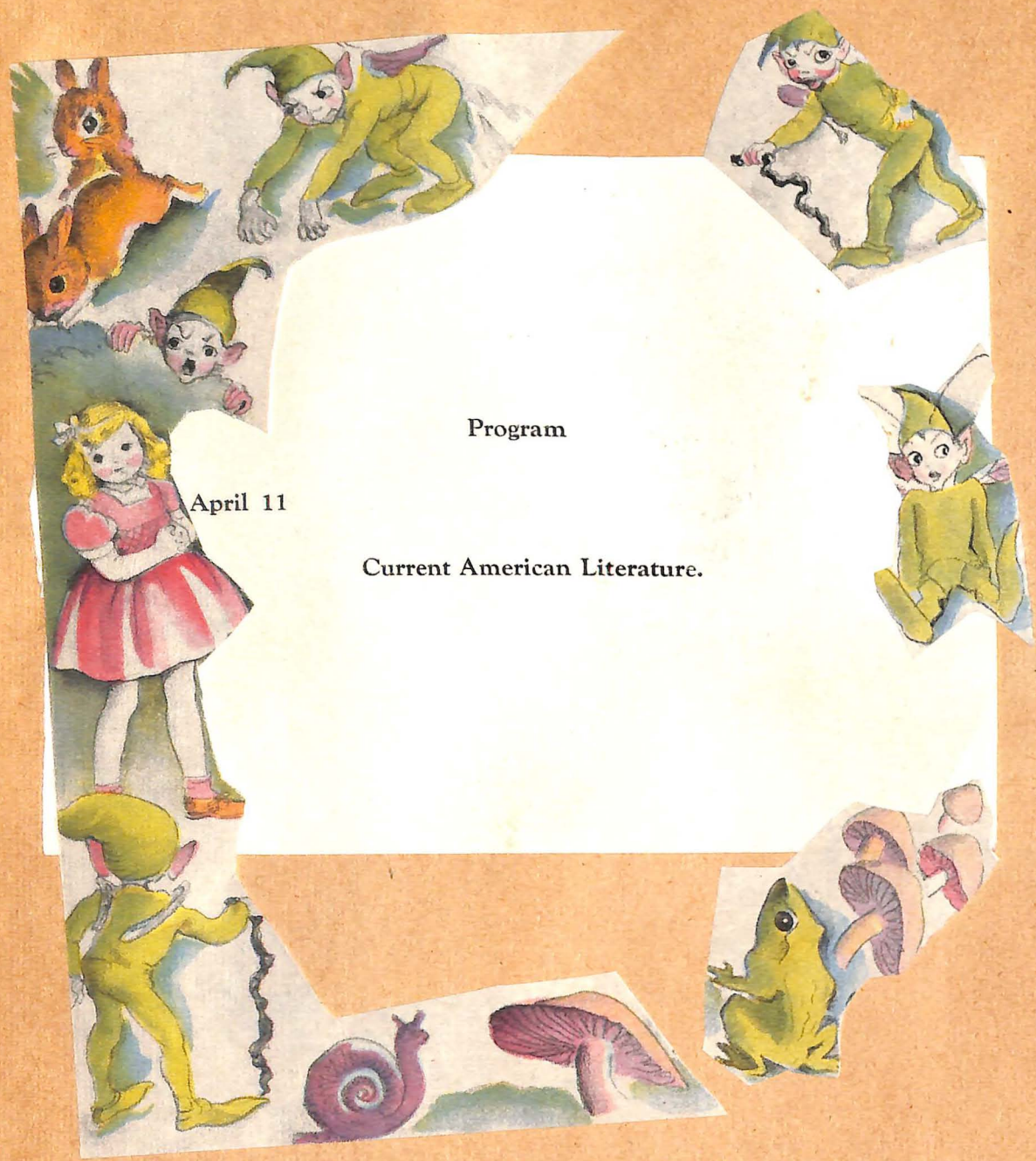

Program

April 11

Current American Literature.

Forum To Meet Wednesday With Mrs. L. O. Key

The Blue Ridge Forum will meet on Wednesday, April 9, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning at the home of Mrs. L. O. Key, 511 Richelieu avenue, South Roanoke.

Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson will review "Pavillion of Women," by Pearl Buck, which is said to be one of the finest and most sensitive novels yet written by the Nobel prize winning author of "The Good Earth."

Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant will be leader for the day. After the meeting, members will be guests of Mrs. Key at a coffee.

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Mrs. Gibson Gives Review At Meeting

Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson reviewed Pearl Buck's "Pavillion of Women" and Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, leader for the day, gave a brief sketch of the author's life at the Blue Ridge forum's meeting yesterday morning. Club members and their guests met at the home of Mrs. L. O. Key, 511 Richelieu avenue, S. R., and following the meeting were entertained by their hostess at a coffee.

Mrs. Gibson related the story of Madame Wu, main character of the book which concerns a wealthy, old-fashioned family in China, who gave up her wifehood and chose another for her husband in order that she might take care of their large and dependent household of 60 members. She told also of how Madame Wu, through the teachings of a western priest, became a changed person and a more humble individual.

Mrs. Sturdivant, who also led the devotionals, spoke of the family and household customs of the Chinese people which are the background of the novel. She told of the author's life as the daughter of American missionaries in the far interior of China, and of awards she has received for her literary works, which include the Nobel prize, Howell's medal of the American Academy of Art, and the Pulitzer prize. A daughter of Caroline and Absalom Sydenstricker, Pearl Buck attended Randolph-Macon college.

Mrs. James Richardson brought recommendations to the group for next year's study course. These were accepted by the club.

A nominating committee was elected as follows: Mrs. Irving Brinkley, Mrs. R. L. Mason and Mrs. E. J. Yost.

Spring floral decorations were used for the meeting which was opened by the club's president, Mrs. Fred Schnautz, who read a poem, "In April," by Dorothy De-Vouche.

Program

May 9

Our American Folk Music.

Mrs. Edwards New President Of Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum held its final meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. W. P. Wiltsee, on Avenham avenue. Luncheon was served after the meeting.

Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz, retiring president, spoke to the group before turning over the gavel to Mrs. Clara Greenwood Edwards, who will head the club next year.

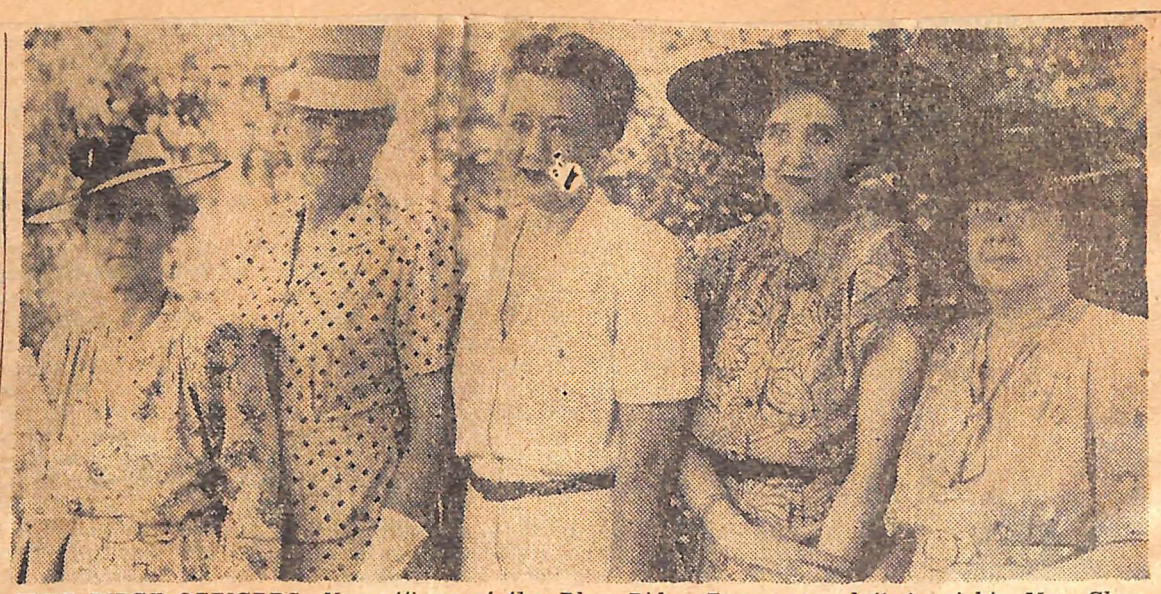
Other new officers are: Mrs. James H. Moore, vice-president; Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, secretary; Mrs. Jerome Snavely, treasurer; Mrs. D. P. Hylton, seminar chairman, with Mrs. S. J. Wolfe and Miss Elizabeth Starritt on the committee; Mrs. B. F. Pence, membership chairman; Mrs. J. W. Boswell, parliamentarian; Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, timekeeper; Mrs. Lacy Edgerton, publicity chairman; Mrs. Leonard O. Key, historian; Mrs. Charles Steele, critic; Mrs. Irving Brinkley, year book chairman, with Mrs. E. J. Yost and Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson, committee members.

Mrs. Moore presented Mrs. Schwartz and Mrs. Yost, who served as secretary this year, with silver bowls, gifts from the club.

Mrs. Fred Willman gave a prayer, and annual reports from the various officers were heard. Mrs. Key was the leader for the day, and Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic, gave the pronunciation of a group of oft-mispronounced words.

Mrs. J. W. Smith reviewed the book "Together" by Katherine Tupper Marshall, wife of Secretary of State George C. Marshall. Mrs. Smith gave excerpts from the book, thereby presenting a sketch of the general and his wife.

Mrs. Pence gave a group of her own poems, many of them dealing with the spring season and various phases of nature; others pertaining to everyday happenings.



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Richard Edwards Is Elected Mayor

Pence Named Civil, Police Justice; Minton Is Vice-Mayor

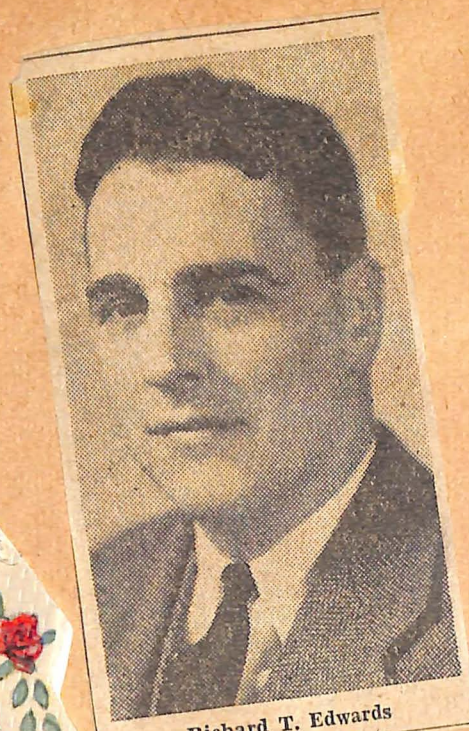
Richard T. Edwards, who topped the Democratic ticket in the June election, was chosen president of city council, with the title of ex-officio mayor, and A. R. Minton, another of the three new Democratic members, was elected vice-president, at the biennial reorganization of council yesterday afternoon.

The two carry-over members—W. B. Carter and E. E. West, Jr.—refrained from voting in the election.

One Change Made

The council made but one change in Roanoke officialdom as officers were elected for the next two four years. There was no mention of City Manager W. P. Hunter, who serves at the pleasure of council except in the closing moments of the meeting, when a faint remark was heard.

Richard F. Pence, recently discharged navy man and former assistant commonwealth's attorney, was elected civil and police justice for a four-year term beginning October 1, succeeding Judge Harris S. Birchfield, who has been on the bench since February 7, 1930.



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Forum Names Mrs. Edwards As President

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Others named to offices in the club include: Mrs. James H. Moore, vice-president; Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, secretary; Mrs. Jerome Snavely, treasurer; and Mrs. D. P. Hylton, seminar chairman. Mrs. Hylton's assistants will be Miss Elizabeth Starritt and Mrs. S. J. Wolfe.

Miss Starritt gave a talk concerning American folk music, using pertinent chapters from John Tasker Howard's book, "Our American Music," as the basis of her report.

She described folk songs as those of the people of the soil which last for generations. She also advanced the theory that folk songs must be typical of the people who sing them and be more important that the composer. In this instance, she cited as an example "Dixie," and said that it is more important than Don Emmett who composed it.

In listing the various categories for our folk music, she discussed the Indian, Negro, mountaineer, cowboy, and lumber-jack songs, and said that "Turkey in the Straw" is possibly the nearest approach to a national folk song we have in America.

The group heard recordings of Lieurance's "Sioux Serenade" and "By the Waters of the Minnetoka;" "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen," the composer of which is unknown; and "The Arkansas Traveler."

Mrs. Charles G. Steele presided at the session, and Mrs. A. D. Miller, critic, gave a list of often mispronounced words.

Following the meeting, members of the club held a picnic at Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz's grounds, "On the Hill."

MOTTO

" Not what we have,
But what we share,
For in ceasing to share,
We cease to have."

New President of Blue Ridge Forum Gives Talk at Installation Meeting

Mrs. Clara Edwards, retiring president of the Blue Ridge Forum, handed over her gavel to Mrs. A. D. Miller, new president, following the installation of officers during the meeting held Wednesday morning in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone.

Other officers installed were: Mrs. Irving Brinkley, vice president; Mrs. L. O. Key, secretary; Mrs. S. H. Wolfe, treasurer.

Mrs. Miller, who was president during 1934 and 1935, gave a resume of those years, and then appointed the following additional officers: Mrs. Charles G. Steele, parliamentarian; Mrs. S. H. Huff, timekeeper; Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, critic; Mrs. P. C. Hancock, historian; Mrs. R. L. Mason, telephone chairman; Mrs. Fred Schnautz, yearbook committee; Mrs. G. J. Gibson, reporter; Miss Elizabeth Starritt, membership chairman.

Mrs. J. M. Richardson, leader of the day, introduced her subject, "Turning Back the Pages of History," using an alphabetical outline. She also introduced the speakers, Mrs. James H. Moore and Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson.

Mrs. Moore gave a paper on "Old Furniture," telling about the knowledge of styles, and stating that periods were named after monarchs or designers. She also said that the first swivel chair was invented by Thomas Jefferson.

Mrs. Gibson spoke on "Old Glass" and briefly told of the history of several types, displaying pieces of early Victorian ware.

Following the meeting a "May Festival" luncheon was held at Hotel Patrick Henry for members and their guests. The invocation was delivered by Mrs. James H. Moore, and Mrs. B. F. Pence, toastmistress, told of the customs and origin of May, and read several poems, some of which were original.

Responses of poetry were given by Mrs. A. D. Miller, Mrs. Irving Brinkley, Mrs. R. L. Mason, Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, and Mrs. S. H. Huff. Miss Elizabeth Starritt rendered two vocal selections, accompanied by Miss Nellie Stuart.

Mrs. Moore presented gifts from the Club to Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Sturdivant, retiring president and secretary. Mrs. Moore, hospitality chairman, was assisted by Mrs. A. D. Miller, Mrs. B. F. Pence, and Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz. Flower arrangements for the tables were made by Mrs. D. P. Hylton, Mrs. S. J. Wolfe and Mrs. J. A. Beoddy.

BLUE RIDGE FORUM

1947-1948

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Treasurer----------	Mrs. J. C. Snavely
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	Mrs. S. J. Wolfe
Parlimentarian --------	Mrs. J. W. Boswell
Timekeeper----------	Mrs. J. A. Beoddy
Critic ----------	Mrs. Charles G. Steele
Historian----------	Mrs. L. O. Key
Publicity----------	Mrs. Lacy Edgerton

COMMITTEES

Membership	Mrs. B. F. Pence
Program	Mrs. D. P. Hylton
	Miss Elizabeth Starritt
	Mrs. S. J. Wolfe
Year Book	Mrs. Irving Bunkley
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Carlyle.

Program

September Twenty Fourth

THE SYMPHONY

Motion Picture and Narration

Mrs. Irving Bienkley

Crystal Spring School
10:30 A. M.

"Poetry is vocal painting, as

painting is silent poetry."

Ascribed to Simonides
of Ceos.

Program

October eighth

Doors to Poetry

Mrs. B. F. Pence

10:30 A. M.

"Hence, horrible shadow!!

unreal mockery, hence!"

Shakespeare

Program

November Twelfth

Drama - "Mac Beth"

Mrs. F. E. William

10:30 A. M.

"Oh come, all ye faithful,

joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem."

Canon Frederick Oakeley

Program

December Tenth

Christmas Customs of Different Lands

Mrs. W. P. Ayers

10:30 A. M.

torian: Mrs. R. L. Maso

"Literature is a kind of intellectual light which, like the light of the sun, may some times enable us to see what we do not like."

Samuel Johnson

A Project for the Employment of Authors.

Program

January Fourteenth

A Best Seller

Mrs. J. W. Boswell

10:30 A. M.

"If we mean to have heroes,
statesman and philosophiers,
we should have learned women."

Abigail Adams

Program

February Eleventh

Outstanding Women of the World

Mrs. E. J. Yost

10:30 A. M.

"How much hell and ruin are inevitably brought on innocent people and innocent countries by men who make virtue of consistency."

Kenneth Roberts

Program

March Tenth

Historical Novel

Lydia Bailey--By Kenneth Roberts

Mrs. F. H. Schnautz

10:30 A. M.

"The especial condition of true ornament is, that it be beautiful in its place, and nowhere else."

John Ruskin: Stones of Venice.

Program

April Fourteenth

Interior Decorating

Mrs. Stanley Radke

10:30 A. M.

"Antiquities are remnants of
history which have casually
escaped the shipwrecks of time.

Francis Bacon

The Advancement of Learning

Program

May twelfth

Period Furniture
And
Old Glass

Mrs. J. M. Richardson

10:30 A. M.

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Deal, Miss Blanche	21994
Edgerton, Mrs. Lacy	24120
Edwards, Mrs. Clara	20187
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Hancock, Mrs. Percy	24331
Huff, Mrs. S. H.	23897
Hurt, Mrs. F. P.	22062
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Tilghman, Mrs. William ----------31248
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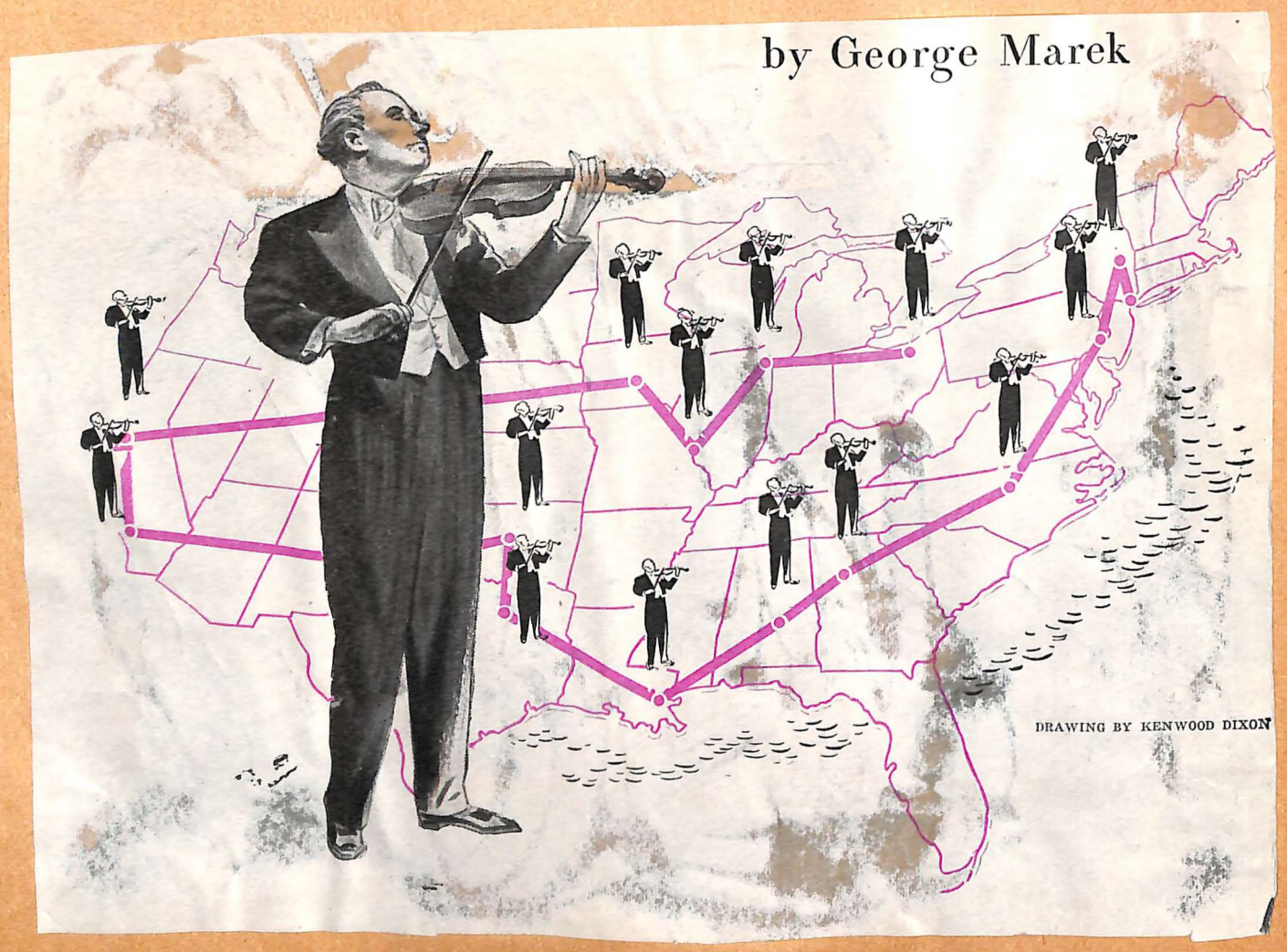

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Down the Dales the Autumn Goes

Down the dales the Autumn goes,
Fair as only she is fair;
Glints of amber in her hair,
On her cheeks the tints of rose;
In her wide and wistful eyes
Gentian colors such as look
From the mirror of the brook
When the noon is in the skies.

To the song of bird and stream,
Melody of cricket strings,
And the pine's low murmurings,
On she moves as in a dream,
Bearing dreams of long repose
In the dim white halls of Sleep;—
With no harvests left to reap
Down the dales the Autumn goes!

—Clinton Scollard.

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PINKIE. Unique in that it flowers almost continuously from spring until late fall.

Song Unchanging

By Bernice Bunn Christman

Never a bird against the sun
On wild and lyric winging
But, breaking through my heart,
there comes
Your sweet and crooked singing.

Never a nightfall blues the road,
Never a star-caught tree,
But down the shadows, trudging
home,
Your heart comes back to me.

Fashion Ensemble

I pick myself a velvet dress
Of royal purple hue,
Then touch it up with orchid lace
And a bow of violet-blue.
Petunia beds and butterfly bush
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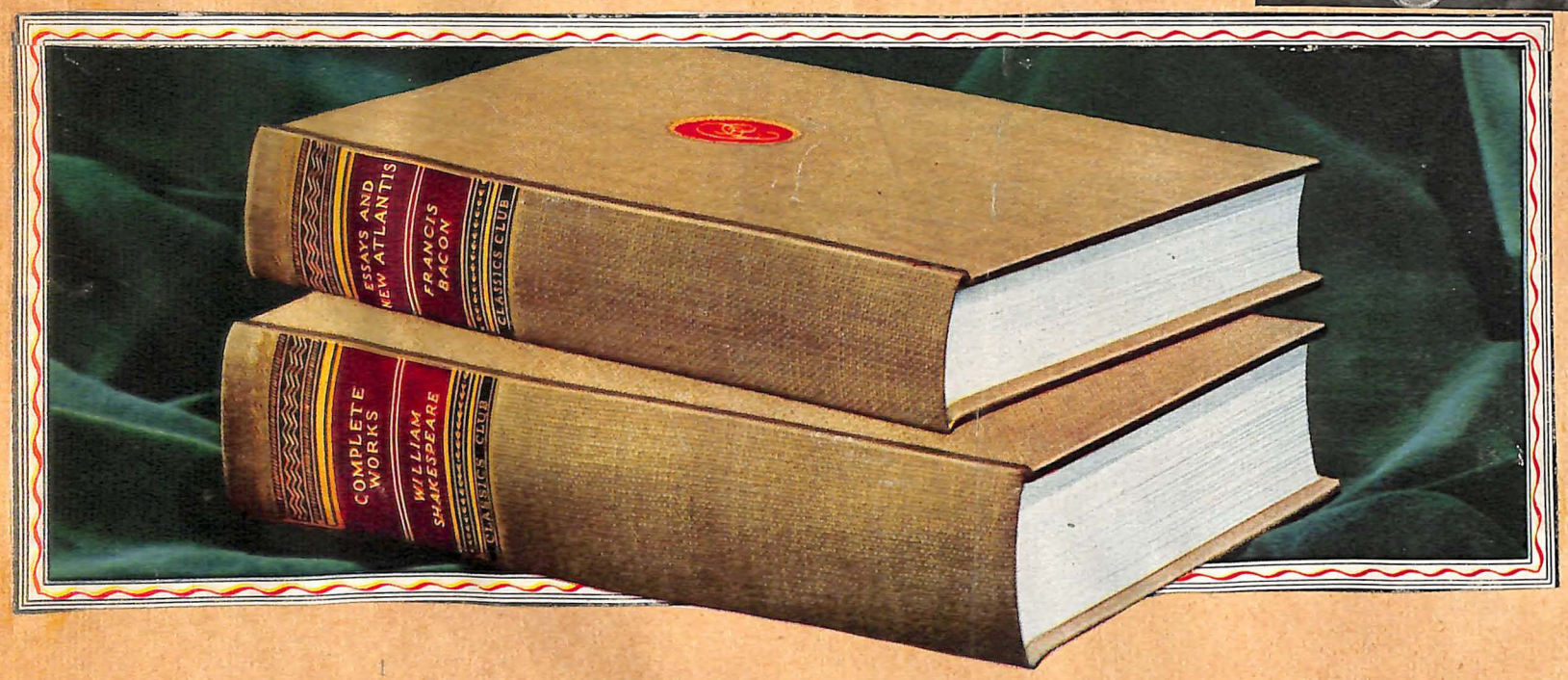

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Passing Scene Of US Women Is Described

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Country Girl

By Eleanor Alletta Chaffee

The neighbors said
That she was daft,
But when she heard them
She only laughed.
Her mouth was crimson,
Her long eyes green,
Her house the untidiest
Ever seen.
She invited her love
For tea one day;
He looked at the dust,
Then looked away.
But he came back
Through the broken gate
For cookies served
From a chipped blue plate.

The neighbors crossed
Themselves in fright
When they heard her whistling
One moonlit night.
And what a man
Of his steady ways
Saw in her
And her witch's gaze
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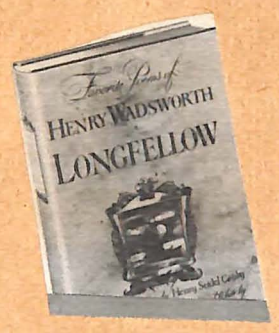

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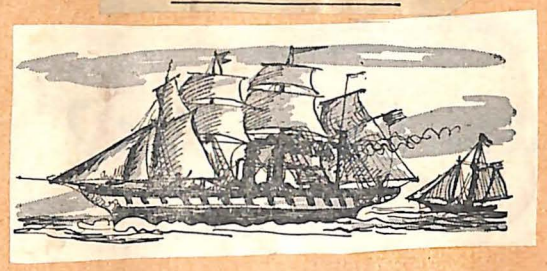
Mrs. Leonard O. Key, in sketching the life of the Maine-born author, described his as a conservative and "a stickler" for factual research as the basis for his historical writing.

A nominating committee was elected composed of Mrs. Charles Steele, Mrs. Schnautz and Mrs. D. P. Hylton, who will report at the April meeting. Mrs. Steele, critic, conducted a lesson in pronunciations.

A schedule of programs for next year was submitted by Mrs. R. L. Mason, chairman of the program committee. Mrs. Clara Edwards, president, spoke in behalf of the Red Cross campaign.



Mrs. A. D. Miller Named Head of Blue Ridge Forum

Mrs. A. D. Miller was elected president of the Blue Ridge Forum at the meeting on Wednesday morning, when Mrs. Leonard O. Key was hostess to the group at her home in South Roanoke.

Other officers named were Mrs. Irving Brinkley, vice president; Mrs. Key, secretary; Mrs. S. J. Wolfe, treasurer; Mrs. Fred Willman, Mrs. E. J. Yost and Mrs. R. L. Mason, members of the Seminar.

In a study of Alaska, Mrs. Wolfe, program leader, assisted by Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, painted a verbal picture of this country's miles of emptiness, its agricultural disadvantages, its mosquitoes, mud and dust; a country, nevertheless, that exerts a profound hold on people who live there, and that has earned the title "Land of Opportunity."

Mrs. Beoddy told of Alaska's barely touched resources, its forests, and described the types of natives. Mrs. Wolfe told the story of the Alaskan Highway, considered the biggest achievement of United States engineers since the building of the Panama Canal.

Mrs. Charles Steele, critic, held a lesson on pronunciations. The meeting was followed by a luncheon.

New Officers Installed by Blue Ridge Forum

Mrs. Clara Edwards, retiring president of the Blue Ridge Forum, handed over her gavel to Mrs. A. D. Miller, new president, following the installation of officers during the meeting held Wednesday morning in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone.

Other officers installed were: Mrs. Irving Brinkley, vice president; Mrs. L. O. Key, secretary; Mrs. S. H. Wolfe, treasurer.

Mrs. Miller, who was president during 1934 and 1935, gave a resume of those years, and then appointed the following additional officers: Mrs. Charles G. Steele, parliamentarian; Mrs. S. H. Huff, timekeeper; Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, critic; Mrs. P. C. Hancock, historian; Mrs. R. L. Mason, telephone chairman; Mrs. Fred Schnautz, yearbook committee; Mrs. G. J. Gibson, reporter; Miss Elizabeth Starritt, membership chairman.

Mrs. J. M. Richardson, leader of the day, introduced her subject, "Turning Back the Pages of History," using an alphabetical outline. She also introduced the speakers, Mrs. James H. Moore and Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson.

Mrs. Moore gave a paper on "Old Furniture," telling about the knowledge of styles, and stating that periods were named after monarchs or designers. She also said that the first swivel chair was invented by Thomas Jefferson.

Mrs. Gibson spoke on "Old Glass" and briefly told of the history of several types, displaying pieces of early Victorian ware.

Following the meeting a "May Festival" luncheon was held at Hotel Patrick Henry for members and their guests. The invocation was delivered by Mrs. James H. Moore, and Mrs. B. F. Pence, toastmistress, told of the customs and origin of May, and read several poems, some of which were original.

Responses of poetry were given by Mrs. A. D. Miller, Mrs. Irving Brinkley, Mrs. R. L. Mason, Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant, and Mrs. S. H. Huff. Miss Elizabeth Starritt rendered two vocal selections, accompanied by Miss Nellie Stuart.

Mrs. Moore presented gifts from the Club to Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Sturdivant, retiring president and secretary. Mrs. Moore, hospitality chairman, was assisted by Mrs. A. D. Miller, Mrs. B. F. Pence, and Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz. Flower arrangements for the tables were made by Mrs. D. P. Hylton, Mrs. S. J. Wolfe and Mrs. J. A. Beoddy.

Officers installed yesterday by the Blue Ridge Forum are: seated, Mrs. A. D. Miller, president, and Mrs. Irving Brinkley, vice president; standing, Mrs. S. J. Wolfe, treasurer; Mrs. S. H. Huff, timekeeper; Mrs. Fred Willman, chairman of seminar, and Mrs. R. L. Mason, seminar member.

May 1948.

"Antiquities are remnants of history which have casually escaped the shipwrecks of time.

Francis Bacon

The Advancement of Learning

Anne Langley, Historian.
Mrs. L. O. Key

BLUE RIDGE FORUM

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

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Roanoke, Virginia

1948 - 1949

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Time and place of meeting
10:30 A. M., second Wednesday
of each month. Thurman and
Boone Assembly Room.

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MOTTO:

"Not what we have,
But what we share,
For in ceasing to share
We cease to have."

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COLORS:

Black and Gold

OFFICERS

President-------Mrs. A. D. Miller
Vice Pres. -----Mrs. Irving Brinkley
Secretary-------Mrs. L. O. Key
Treasurer-------Mrs. S. J. Wolfe
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Mrs. Charles Steele
Parliamentarian-Mrs. Charles Steele
Timekeeper------Mrs. S. H. Huff
Critic----------Mrs. J. A. Beoddy
Historian-------Mrs. P. C. Hancock
Publicity-------Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson

COMMITTEES

Membership----Miss Elizabeth Starritt

Program-------Mrs. J. A. Beoddy
Mrs. R. L. Mason
Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson

Telephone-----Mrs. R. L. Mason

Year Book-----Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz
Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson

"Every age hath it's books".

Koran.

PROGRAM

September Fourteenth

Fiction

Mrs. E. J. Yost

"Who harkens to the gods,

the gods give ear."

Homer.

PROGRAM

October Thirteenth

Mythology

Mrs. R. L. Mason

"This above all; to thine
own self be true,
And it must follow as
the night the day,
Thou cans't not then
be false to anyman."

Hamlet
Act 1 - Scene III.

PROGRAM

November Tenth

"Hamlet"

Mrs. B. F. Pence.

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carol play
and wild and sweet
the words repeat -
of peace on earth, good will
to men.

Longfellow
Christmas Bells.

PROGRAM

December Eighth

Christmas in Song and Story

Mrs. L. O. Key.

"The test of civilization

is the estimate of woman."

J. W. Curtis.

PROGRAM

January Twelfth

Outstanding Women of Today.

Mrs. Lacy Edgerton.

"Music -even in the most
harrowing moment -
ought never to offend
the ear, but should
always remain music,
which desires to give
pleasure."

Mozart.

PROGRAM

February Ninth

Opera

"Don Giovanni."

Miss Blanche Deal.

"The play's the thing."

Shakespeare
Hamlet
Act II - Scene III

PROGRAM

March Ninth

Current Play

Mrs. Lake Rosenberg

"Truly each new book is as
a ship that bears us
away from the fixty
of our limitations into
the movement and
splendor of life's
infinite ocean."

Helen Keller.

PROGRAM

April Thirteenth

Current Fiction

Mrs. S. H. Huff

"Come, sit down, every Mother's son

and rehearse your parts".

A Midsummer's Night Dream
Act III - Scene I.

PROGRAM

May Eleventh

"A Midsummer's Night's Dream"

Mrs. Fred Willman.

"Changed to —
"As you Like It"

BLUE RIDGE FORUM

MEMBERSHIP

Name	PHONE
Bass, Mrs. H. A.	2-5464
Beoddy, Mrs. J. A.	8692
Brinkley, Mrs. Irving	2-4341
Bush, Mrs. E. L.	8986
Deal, Miss Blanche	2-1994
Edwards, Mrs. Clara	2-0187
Gibson, Mrs. Gifford J.	2-8273
Hancock, Mrs. Percy	4835
Huff, Mrs. S. A.	3-0708
Hurt, Mrs. F. P.	2-2062
Hylton, Mrs. D. P.	2-5834
Key, Mrs. L. O.	2-7786
Lynn, Mrs. R. Lee	2-4496
Mason, Mrs. R. L.	2-5763
Miller, Mrs. A. D.	2-0553
Moore, Mrs. James H.	6581
Pence, Mrs. B. F.	5837
Richardson, Mrs. J. M.	2-2084
Rosenberg, Mrs. Lake	9763
Schnautz, Mrs. Fred H.	2-5493
Snavely, Mrs. J. C.	2-4044

Spangler, Mrs. Robert----------7510
Starritt, Miss Elizabeth---------8652
Steele, Mrs. Charles G. -------2-3897
Sturdivant, Mrs. L. G. --------2-1710
Thomas, Miss Martha----------2-4331
Tilghman, Mrs. William---------3-1248
Willman, Mrs. Fred----------2-5775
Wolfe, Mrs. S. J. ----------2-4085
Yost, Mrs. E. J. ----------2-2430

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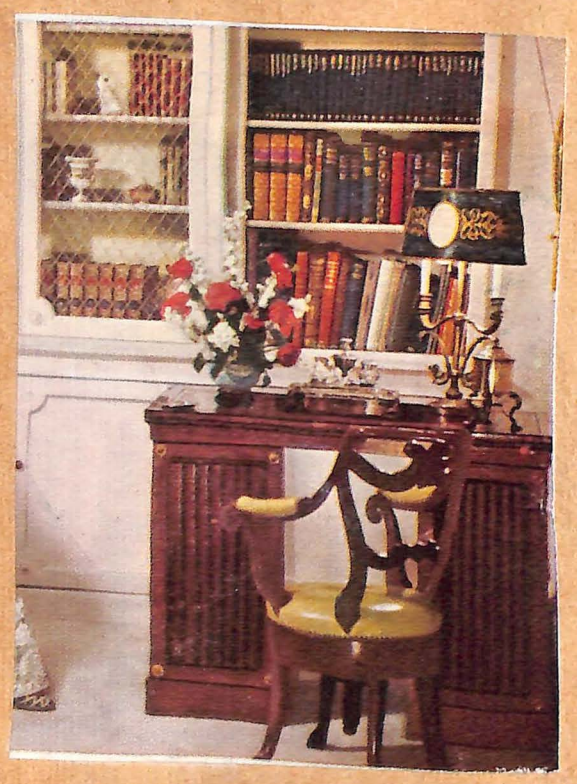
September

Readers' Own Corner

Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum will hold its opening meeting Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning in the Thurman and Boone assembly room.

Mrs. E. J. Yost will be leader for the day and Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant will review the book, "How to Stop Worrying and Start Living", by Dale Carnegie.



New Books Discussed at Forum Meet

The Blue Ridge Forum met yesterday in the Thurman and Boone Assembly Room for a program on "Modern Fiction," with Mrs. E. J. Yost as leader for the day.

Mrs. A. D. Miller, the organization's new president, opened the meeting with a prayer and read the poem, "Autumn of Life." Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, critic, gave a group of words no longer in common use and a group of often-mispronounced terms. A resume of programs for the coming club year was given by Mrs. Fred Willman.

Mrs. Yost gave synopsis of various current books, both fiction and non-fiction, among them: "Shannon's Way" by A. J. Cronin; "Peony" by Pearl Buck; "Nothing So Strange" by James Hilton, which will be published soon; and "The Gathering Storm" by Winston Churchill.

Mrs. L. G. Sturdivant reviewed Dale Carnegie's new book, "Stop Worrying and Start Living," which she said contains many Bible quotations and has as its theme the benefits of living one day at a time instead of worrying over past and future events.

She said the author points out that worry is an attributing cause of many diseases, including high blood pressure, heart ailments and ulcers, and lists among rules for avoiding worry, both keeping the peace of one's inner self and keeping busy as life is too short to be idle.

New yearbooks, compiled by a committee of which Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz was chairman, were distributed. The group lunched together after the session.

It was announced that the next meeting will be a cooperative luncheon at the home of Mrs. E. J. Yost, 638 Allison Ave.

October

Blue Ridge Forum Will Hold Meeting Wednesday

THE BLUE RIDGE FORUM will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning at the home of Mrs. E. J. Yost, 368 Allison Ave. Leader for the day will be Mrs. R. L. Mason, and the program will be about Scandinavian, Greek, Roman and German mythology. Mrs. Clara Edwards, Mrs. D. P. Hylton, Mrs. James H. Moore and Mrs. Charles G. Steele will take part on the program. After the meeting, there will be a cooperative luncheon at Mrs. Yost's home.

The speaker, whose subject will be "Virginia State Parks," will be introduced by M. Carl Andrews, editor of the Roanoke World-News.

Program Given On Mythology At Forum Meet

The Blue Ridge Forum met at the home of Mrs. E. J. Yost for a cooperative luncheon and a program on mythology yesterday. Mrs. A. D. Miller, president, read passages from the Bible, giving the group a challenging thought for the day.

Mrs. Miller also welcomed Mrs. A. B. Hendrick as a new member of the organization.

Mrs. R. L. Mason, leader of the day, explained the origin of mythology and pointed out that some of the most beautiful and worthwhile things in life cannot come under the heading of fact, adding that they are felt and understood, and play a dominant part in the development of one's finer self.

She said throughout the ages there has been a close affinity between religion, fact and art in a broad sense and that the poet, sculptor and painter have been the chief interpreters of their religion as well as of their day and generation. She added she felt it would be a great mistake not to study mythology, just as it would be a mistake not to study literature at all.

Mrs. Mason pointed out that the virtues and weaknesses of human nature are mirrored in the tales of the gods, who in spite of the fact that they were supposed to be larger and possessed of super-human powers, closely resembled men.

Mrs. Charles Steele spoke on Greek Mythology and read a poem, "Miracle," by Mrs. B. F. Pence, a Forum member. She told of Homer, who, several hundred years before the Christian era, blinded and robbed of his possessions, told stories to those who would listen. Mrs. Steele remarked that, as there were no newspapers in those days, people welcomed anyone who could tell of the happenings of other lands, adding that later the stories and recounted legends of Homer were written down.

Mrs. D. P. Hylton spoke on Roman Mythology and listed its four origins: Scriptural, woven around the Scriptures; historical, woven around the history of the country; allegoric, purely mythical; and physical, dealing with the worshipping of the sky, fire, sun, etc.

She said Roman mythology was an outgrowth of the Greek but that it was not so speculative as the Italian and Greek minds were different and could not have the same imagination but that the mythologies did serve to unify the people in those days. She also gave the story of the Christian wanderings to Italy.

Mrs. James Moore, who spoke on German Mythology, explained that the myths of that Nation came under two classifications—explanatory and aesthetic.

She explained that they made clear the facts of the universe and the experiences of life to account for religious rites and social customs, of which the origin is forgotten.

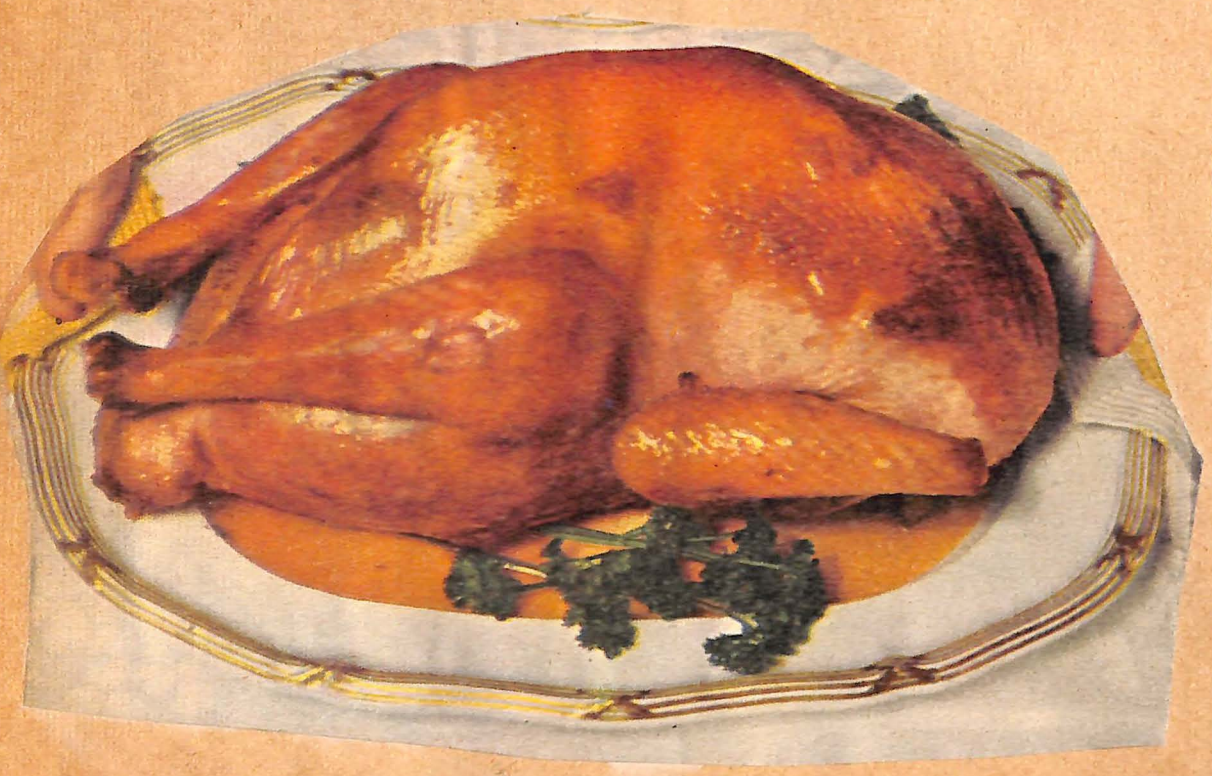
Myths, whether natural, historical or spiritual, are not to b regarded as mere folly but as a interesting product of the huma mind, she continued, adding tha in records of German mythology the story of Volsungs-Nibelung springs from mythological source common to the whole Teutoni race. Two distinct versions hav survived, she said—the Low o North German and the High o South German.

Mrs. Clara Edwards spoke o Scandinavian Mythology. She sai they had 12 gods and 24 god desses and that they worshippe the gods of force. She likened th quality of magic in today's comi strips to the Scandinavian my thology.

November

Blue Ridge Forum

The monthly meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum will be held Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone. The program will be on "Hamlet," and Mrs. B. F. Pence will be leader. Assisting her on the program will be Mrs. J. M. Richardson and Miss Elizabeth Starritt.



Mrs. B. F. Pence Gives Program About 'Hamlet'

Mrs. B. F. Pence led a program on "Hamlet" when the Blue Ridge Forum held its monthly meeting in the Thurman and Boone Assembly Room Wednesday morning. She introduced the play by reading two of her original poems, and then giving a brief sketch of Shakespeare's life.

In 20 years he wrote 37 plays and 154 sonnets, she explained, and he is considered the greatest dramatic artist of the world. She pointed out that lines from this play are often quoted.

Mrs. Pence was assisted by Mrs R. L. Mason and Miss Elizabeth Starritt, who read several scenes from the play. In closing the program, Mrs. Pence read two of her original poems about Thanksgiving.

The program was introduced by Mrs. E. J. Yost, for Mrs. Fred Willman. Mrs. A. D. Miller read the poem, "How They Did It in the Early Days," describing the early Thanksgiving.

Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, critic, discussed a few simple words of everyday use which are often mispronounced.

It was announced that the next meeting will be in the form of a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, 429 Washington Ave. At this time, gifts will be exchanged and the Christmas offering for the Alms House taken. Mrs. Irving Brinkley is in charge of the offering committee. Mrs. L. O. Key will lead the program on "Christmas In Song and Story."

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Forum To Meet

The Blue Ridge Forum will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 10:30 o'clock in the morning at the home of Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, 429 Washington Ave.

The meeting will be in the form of a Christmas party and co-operative luncheon and each member will bring a gift for exchange.

Mrs. L. O. Key will be in charge of the program, theme of which will be "Christmas in Song and Story."

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Mrs. L. O. Key Gives Program On Christmas

Mrs. L. O. Key led a program on "Christmas in Song and Story" when the Blue Ridge Forum held its December meeting at the home of Mrs. J. A. Beoddy Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. She gave the history of carols and customs based on old legends from other countries.

In several countries Dec. 6 is celebrated as the birthday of "Saint Nick," Mrs. Beoddy said. She explained that the Americans inherited the Santa Claus from the Dutch, the tree from the Germans, and the manger scene from the Catholic countries.

Miss Elizabeth Starritt sang Bohemian, Russian Italian, French and German carols, with Miss Blanche Deal as accompanist. Following this the entire group sang several English Christmas hymns.

Mrs. A. D. Miller read a prayer poem, and the critic, Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, discussed the improper use of some common terms. Mrs E. J. Harris was presented as a new member. Mrs. C. C. Bell was a guest for the meeting.

Christmas gifts were exchanged and contributions were made to the almshouse.

Luncheon was served at 12:30 o'clock. Mrs. Irving Brinkley was chairman of the hospitality committee, assisted by Mrs. E. J. Yost and Mrs. James H. Moore.

January

Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum will meet Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Thurman and Boone Assembly Room. Mrs. H. A. Bass and Mrs. A. D. Hendricks will assist Mrs. Lacy Edgerton, who will have charge of a program on "Outstanding Women of Today."

Great Women Discussed at Forum Meet

"Outstanding Women of Today" was the topic of the program, with Mrs. Lacy Edgerton as leader, when the Blue Ridge Forum met yesterday morning in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone. Assisting Mrs. Edgerton in presenting the program were Mrs. A. B. Hendricks and Mrs. H. A. Bass.

Mrs. Hendricks gave brief sketches of the lives of Helen Hayes, Ruth Marion Leach and Judge Camille Kelley. Miss Hayes, who in private life is Mrs. Charles MacArthur, the mother of two children, has been acting since childhood and has been acclaimed as the greatest actress of her age, she related.

Miss Leach, Mrs. Hendricks went on to say, is vice president of the International Business Machine Corp. She also gives talks concerning women in business, stressing the fact that the important thing is not to keep the jobs, but to have the freedom to keep them.

Mrs. Hendricks stated that the last of her subjects, Judge Kelley, has been elected as judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court in Memphis, Tenn., six times, and is the first woman judge to serve in that State. She is the mother of three children.

"The Mother of the Year," Mrs. Helen Gartside Hines, 60 years of age, was discussed by Mrs. Bass. She said that she is from Springfield, Ill., and is the mother of ten children. She was elected by the Golden Rule Foundation of New York.

Mrs. Bass' second subject was Helena Rubenstein. She termed her one of the most successful business women in the world and said she has made millions of dollars selling cold cream, and has opened salons in nearly every city in this country, as well as in Europe.

Mrs. Margaret Chase Smith, senator from Maine, was the last woman to be discussed. Due to her husband's illness, she substituted for him in a campaign and therefore started her very successful career, Mrs. Bass said.

Preceding the program, Mrs. A. D. Miller led a "New Year Prayer," and Mrs. Irving Brinkley reported on the Christmas offering for the Alms House. Mrs. J. A. Beoddy discussed a group of mispronounced words.

A luncheon followed the meeting.

February

Program on 'Don Giovanni' Will Be Given for Blue Ridge Forum

Blue Ridge Forum

The opera "Don Giovanni" by Mozart will be discussed by Miss Blanch Deal at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Miss Elizabeth Starritt will sing, accompanied by Mrs. Dean Dunwody.

Following the meeting, a Valentine luncheon will be served at the Patrick Henry Hotel. Mrs. B. F. Pence will be toastmistress. Mrs. Irving Brinkley is in charge of reservations.

Miss Deal Is Speaker for Forum Meeting

The Blue Ridge Forum met yesterday morning at the Thurman & Boone Assembly Room for a business session and program on Mozart's opera, "Don Giovanni." After the meeting a Valentine luncheon was held at Hotel Patrick Henry.

Mrs. Fred Willman conducted a devotional period and Mrs. A. D. Miller read a Valentine poem by Clara King Carlton.

Miss Blanche Deal discussed "Don Giovanni" and gave a brief resume of the composer's life. Mrs. J. A. Beoddy gave a group of often mispronounced opera names, including the characters in "Don Giovanni."

Miss Deal related that Mozart played the organ at seven years of age and at 14, had written an opera. She said he composed music in every form and that his works include 20 operas.

"Don Giovanni," she reported, is said to be the most nearly perfect opera ever written because "it doesn't lack a single element." She described the work, scene of which is laid in Seville, Spain, in the 18th century, as having ordinary people in it, portraying man's emotions and containing brilliant music. It was first performed, she said, in Prague in 1787 with Mozart conducting.

Mrs. B. F. Pence, who read several of her original poems, was toastmistress at the luncheon. Miss Elizabeth Starritt, accompanied by Mrs. Dean Dunwody, sang "Irish Love Song," Griselle-Young, and "The Cuckoo Song," Margaret Ruthven Lang.

Mrs. Irving Brinkley, hospitality committee chairman, was assisted by Mrs. James H. Moore and Mrs. E. J. Yost. Guests included Mrs. R. W. Riddle, Mrs. J. E. Gardner, Mrs. P. E. Faw, Mrs. J. B. Morgan, Mrs. C. C. Bell, Miss Sara Shockey, Mrs. Dunwody, Mrs. Lawrence Duncan and Mrs. W. M. Griffith.

March

Blue Ridge Forum

"Edward, My Son," a current Broadway play by Lowell Langley and Robert Morley, will be reviewed by Mrs. Lake Rosenberg at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum in the Thurman and Boone assembly room Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

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Mrs. Rosenberg Speaks To Blue Ridge Forum

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Mrs. Rosenberg, who was introduced by Mrs. R. L. Mason, explained that after a successful run in London, the play is now at the Martin Beck Theatre in New York where critics have acclaimed it as "theatre at its best." She said that the play is composed of series of events, each with its own climax, merged into one story.

Although the play centers around the life of Edward, he never appears on the stage, the speaker stated, and the chief character is Edward's father, Arnold Holt, played by Morley.

Preceding Mrs. Rosenberg's talk, Mrs. J. A. Beoddy led a discussion on carelessly mispronounced words.

President of Music Club To Attend Texas Meeting

Leaving Friday for Dallas, Tex., where she will attend the biennial convention of the National Federation of Music Clubs on March 27 through April 3, will be Mrs. A. D. Miller, president of the Thursday Morning Music Club.

Among other Virginians who will attend the meetings will be Dr. and and Mrs. Charlie Manges of Blacksburg.

The program will open with a choir festival entitled "The Church Comes Singing." Several hundred voices will make up the group and all sections of the country will be represented. Choir soloist will be Chloe Owen, soprano. Also on the program, an address by Dr. Alvin F. Brightbill, the Federation's Chairman of Church Music.

Mrs. A. D. Miller

EDWARD, MY SON (MGM). "Nothing's too good for Edward," says Spencer Tracy to Deborah Kerr on their son's first birthday. Gradually we see what he means. When Edward (who never appears) is six, Tracy burns his store and collects the insurance to make possible an operation for the boy and a new business. Ten years later he's rich, his wife bitter. Tracy has an affair with secretary Leueen MacGrath, but for Edward's sake won't get a divorce. His wife becomes an alcoholic. Of course the point of this powerful film version of Robert Morley's hit play is that Edward, for whom Tracy ruins so many people, is himself ruined.

April

Blue Ridge Forum

A program on "Current Fiction" will be presented under the leadership of Mrs. S. H. Huff at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Thurman & Boone assembly room.

"The Parson Takes a Wife," by Maria William Sheerin, will be discussed by Mrs. S. J. Wolfe. Mrs. Eugene Harris will review "Dinner at Antoinnes," by Frances P. Keyes.

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Looks at New Books

Mrs. Huff Leads Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum elected Mrs. S. H. Huff as president for the coming year at a meeting yesterday in the Thurman and Boone Assembly Room.

Other officers chosen were: Mrs. R. L. Mason, vice president; Mrs. E. J. Yost, secretary; Mrs. S. J. Wolfe, treasurer.

Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz was named seminar chairman, and serving with her will be Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson and Miss Blanche Deal.

Yesterday's meeting was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Charles Steele. An outline of programs for the coming Club year was given by Mrs. E. J. Yost, and Mrs. J. A. Beoddy listed a group of frequently mispronounced words.

Mrs. Fred Willman introduced Mrs. Huff, the leader of the day, whose subject for discussion was modern fiction. She traced the history of fiction through the ages, beginning with the Egyptian, Chinese, and Persian works and taking up those of Italy and Greece.

"Camile of Panelea," written in 1740 by an Englishman was named by Mrs. Huff as the first love story. She showed how modern fiction is an outgrowth of the ancient myths.

Mrs. Huff introduced Mrs. Wolfe who reviewed "The Parson Takes a Wife" by Mrs. Maria Williams Sheerin, wife of the Rev. Charles W. Sheerin.

"Dinner at Antoines" by Frances Parkinson Keyes was reviewed by Mrs. Eugene Harris.

May

FORUM OFFICERS—At a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum yesterday, new officers were installed. They are: (seated left to right) Mrs. Fred Schnautz, seminar chairman; Mrs. S. H. Huff, president, and Mrs. R. L. Mason, vice president; (standing, left to right) Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson, and Miss Blanche Deal, members of the seminar. Not included in the picture are Mrs. S. J. Wolfe, treasurer and Mrs. E. J. Yost, secretary.

Mrs. Huff Installed as Forum Head

Mrs. S. H. Huff was installed as president of the Blue Ridge Forum during a meeting held yesterday morning in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone. She replaces Mrs. A. D. Miller, who opened the meeting with a prayer and then heard reports from officers of the past year.

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Following the meeting, luncheon was served at the Shenandoah Club. Mrs. J. M. Richardson acted as toastmistress and gave a short biography of William Shakespeare.

CLUB PRESIDENT—Mrs. A. D. Miller, new president of the Thursday Morning Music Club, officially took over her office at the annual spring luncheon yesterday.

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Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum will hold its last meeting of the year on May 11 at 10:30 a.m. in the assembly room of Thurman and Boone. Mrs. Fred Willman is in charge of the program and will discuss Shakespheare's "As You Like It." She will be assisted by Mrs. Charles Steele and Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson.

Luncheon will be served at the Shenandoah Club following the meeting. New officers will then be installed.

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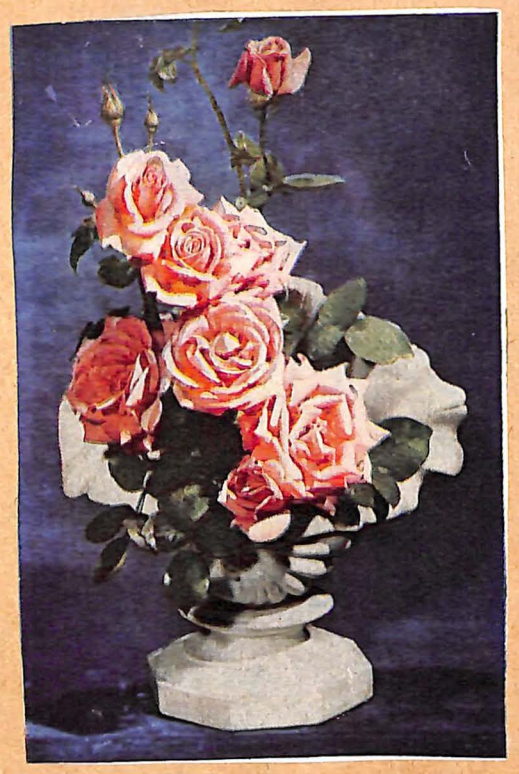
Following the meeting, luncheon was served at the Shenandoah Club. Mrs. J. M. Richardson acted as toastmistress and gave a short biography of William Shakespeare.

Mrs. B. F. Pence talked on the spirit of friendship of the Blue Ridge Forum, and presented gifts to Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Leonard O. Key, outgoing secretary.



Lora Hancock, historian
[Mrs. Percy C. Hancock]

BLUE RIDGE
FORUM

Roanoke, Virginia

In order to learn to be one's true self, it is necessary to obtain a wide and extensive knowledge of what has been said and done in the world.

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Wake yourself up with poetry, establish your character in stories, and complete your education in music.

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Reading without thinking gives one a disorderly mind, and thinking without reading makes one flighty.

Confucious.

A PRAYER

Before the eternal God of wisdom we stand to ask a blessing. Grant us this day that we may study with understanding hearts - and that we may share with that same bountiful measure which has been bestowed upon us. Amen.

Mrs. Marshall Nininger

1925-1945

BLUE RIDGE FORUM

Roanoke, Virginia
1949-1950

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Time and place of meeting 10:30 A.M., second Wednesday of each month. Thurman and Boone Assembly Room.

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MOTTO:

"Not what we have,
But what we share,
For in ceasing to share
We cease to have."

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COLORS:

Black and Gold

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Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson
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Critic.....Mrs. Fred Willman
Historian.....Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson

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Mrs. Irving Brinkley
Co-Chairman
Mrs. Percey C. Hancock

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Membership.....Mrs. F. P. Hurt

Program.....Mrs. E. J. Yost
Mrs. S. H. Huff
Mrs. Chas. Steele

Telephone.....Mrs. A. B. Hendricks
Co-Chairman....Miss Martha Thomas

Year Book.....Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz
Mrs. E. J. Yost

"God sent His singers upon earth
With songs of sadness and of
mirth,
That they might touch the hearts
of men,
And bring them back to Heaven
again."

Longfellow

PROGRAM

September Fourteenth

Light Opera

Miss Elizabeth Starritt

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"A thousand years scarce serve
to form a state; an hour may
lay it in the dust."

Byron.

PROGRAM

October Twelfth

American History
Government, Schools,
Customs, Arts and
Possessions.

Leader - Mrs. L. O. Key

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"One does not judge of the merit of a man by his great qualities, but by the usage which he knows how to make of them."

La Rochefoucauld.

PROGRAM

November Ninth

American History

Outstanding Men
Industry
Religion
Education

Leader - Mrs. R. Lee Lynn

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"A Merry Christmas to us all,
Mydears -
God bless us!"

Dickens

PROGRAM

December Fourteenth

Christmas Story
Mrs. James Richardson

Carols - Mrs. R. L. Mason

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"It is not the number of hours you put in - it's what you put in the hours that count."

Martin Vanbee

PROGRAM

January Eleventh

Roll Call

Hobbies - With each member responding with one and one-half minute talk on her special hobby.

Display

Leader - Mrs. S. J. Wolfe

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"No army can withstand the strength of an idea whose time has come.

Victor Hugo.

PROGRAM

February Eighth

Science - New discoveries in Astronomy

Mrs. Charles Steele

Physics

Mrs. Lacy Edgerton

Leader - Mrs. J. A. Beoddy

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"Ideas are the mightiest influence on earth. One great thought breathed into a man may regenerate him."

Channing.

PROGRAM

March Eighth

Science

New Discoveries in Medicine
Mrs. A. B. Hendricks

Atomic Energy
Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz

Leader - Mrs. E. J. Yost

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"All the World's a stage, and all the men and women merely players."

Shakespeare.

PROGRAM

April Twelfth

King Lear

Mrs. B. F. Pence

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

"Dreams, books are each a world, and books we know are a substantial world, both pure and good; round these, with tendrils, strong as flesh and blood, our pastime and our happiness will grow."

Wordsworth.

PROGRAM

May Tenth

Modern Fiction

Mrs. Eugene Harris

Leader - Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson

Current Events - Mrs. D. P. Hylton

BLUE RIDGE FORUM

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
Revised September 1944

Article I. The name of this organization shall be The Blue Ridge Forum.

Article II. Object - The object of this organization shall be to pursue steadfastly the yearly programs planned for the promotion of Higher Education, Personal Improvement and Social Progress. It shall be non-political and non-sectarian.

Article III. Membership - Membership shall be open to all former Delphians. Additions may be made to the membership not to exceed ten active members, other than former Delphians. To become a member, a candidate's name shall be endorsed by two members of the Forum and after majority vote of the membership, an invitation shall be extended to the candidate and upon acceptance the candidate becomes a member.

Article IV. Officers - The officers of the organization shall be a president, Vice President, secretary, treasurer and three directors of the seminar all elected annually to serve for a period of one year, or until their successors are duly elected, and whose term of office shall begin immediately following the close of the year. Should an office become vacant prior to the annual election, such vacancy may be filled by a majority vote at any regular meeting.

Article V. Amendments - Amendments may be made to this Constitution by giving previous notice and adopted by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, a quorum being present.

B Y - L A W S

MEETINGS

Section 1. The Forum shall hold monthly meetings from September to June.

Section II. The president shall have power to call special meetings.

Section III. A special meeting may be called by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting, a quorum being present. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Section IV. The Executive Board shall consist of all elected and appointed officers. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section I. The President shall preside at all meetings of the

organization; shall diligently strive to promote its welfare at all times; shall stimulate the interest and co-operation of the members by precept and example and shall otherwise direct the affairs of the organization.

The offices of Parliamentarian, Critic, Reporter, Timekeeper, Historian and Rollkeeper shall be filled by the President, who shall appoint all special committees not otherwise provided for.

Section VI. In the absence of the president, the vice-president shall assume the duties of the president. She shall also serve as Chairman of the Hospitality Committee.

Section VII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the minutes of all meetings; the record of the names and addresses of all members;

shall be custodian of all organization records and shall give notice of all regular or special meetings as may be necessary.

Section VIII. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to enter in the records of the organization the receipts and disbursements of all monies; she shall render at the close of the year a complete statement of the organization's finance, and shall be custodian of and responsible for all funds.

Section IX. The members of the seminar shall appoint a director for each program, and shall assign to various members the topics they are to discuss. They shall also see that the topics for study contained in the year book are faithfully carried out. Non-members shall not be given the privilege of the floor and shall not appear on any program.

ELECTIONS

Section X. At the regular business meeting in April a Nominating Committee of three shall be elected. This Committee shall make its report for officers and directors as called for in Article IV of the Constitution. Nominations from the floor may also be made at this time. Election shall be by ballot, provided there is more than one nominee for any office; otherwise by acclamation.

DUES

Section XI. Annual dues shall be two dollars, payable upon receipt of the year book.

SOURCE OF AUTHORITY

Section XII. Roberts' Rules of Order shall be authority on all points of

procedure not covered by this constitution and By-Laws.

GUEST PRIVILEGE

Section XIII. Any member shall have the privilege of inviting a resident guest to the meetings, but the same resident guest shall not be entitled to more than one meeting in any one year. Non-resident guests may have guest privileges extended during the visit, provided it does not exceed two meetings in any year.

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to order
Roll
Reading of minutes
Reports of Officers
Reports of Committees
Appointments and elections
Unfinished business
Communications
New Business
Literary Program
Adjournment

PAST PRESIDENTS OF BLUE RIDGE DELPHIANS

PAST PRESIDENTS
OF
BLUE RIDGE FORUM

Mrs. Stanley F. Radke.....37-38
Mrs. Lacy Edgerton.....38-39
Mrs. J. A. Beoddy.....39-40
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Mrs. Fred E. Willman.....45-46
Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz.....46-47
Mrs. Clara B. Edwards.....47-48
Mrs. A. D. Miller.....48-49

MEMBERSHIP

Name	Phone
Bass, Mrs. H. A.	2-5464
Belle, Mrs. C. C.	2-1710
Beoddy, Mrs. J. A.	8692
Brinkley, Mrs. Irving	2-4341
Bush, Mrs. E. L.	8986
Deal, Miss Blanche	2-1994
Edgerton, Mrs. Lacy	2-4120
Edwards, Mrs. Clara	2-0187
Gibson, Mrs. Gifford J.	2-8273
Hancock, Mrs. Percy	4835
Harris, Mrs. E. J.	5928
Hendricks, Mrs. A. B.	2-6115
Huff, Mrs. S. A.	3-0708
Hurt, Mrs. F. P.	2-2062
Hylton, Mrs. D. P.	2-5834
Key, Mrs. L. O.	2-7786
Lynn, Mrs. R. Lee	2-4496
Mason, Mrs. R. L.	2-5763
Miller, Mrs. A. D.	2-0553
Moore, Mrs. James H.	6581
Pence, Mrs. B. F.	5837
Richardson, Mrs. J. M.	2-2084
Rosenberg, Mrs. Lake	9763

Schnautz, Mrs. Fred H. 2-5493
Snavely, Mrs. J. C. 2-4044
Spangler, Mrs. Robert..... 7510
Starritt, Miss Elizabeth... 8652
Steele, Mrs. Charles G. ...2-3897
Thomas, Miss Martha.....2-4331
Tilghman, Mrs. William.....3-1248
William, Mrs. Fred.....2-5775
Wolfe, Mrs. S. J. 2-4085
Yost, Mrs. E. J. 2-2430

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- SepTEMBER -

THE ROANOKE TIMES, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA: SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 11, 1949.

Play Will Be Reviewed at Forum Meet

Miss Elizabeth Starritt will review the current Broadway musical, "South Pacific," based on the Pulitzer Prize winning "Tales of the South Pacific" by J. A. Michener, at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the assembly room at Thurman and Boone for the first meeting of the year.

Miss Starritt will be assisted by Mrs. Leonard Key and Mrs. Irving Brinkley. Mrs. D. P. Hylton will discuss current events, and the new officers will assume their duties.

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THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 15, 1949

Hit Musical On Broadway Is Reviewed

The Blue Ridge Forum opened its new year at a meeting at the Thurman and Boone assembly room yesterday with the new president, Mrs. S. H. Huff, presiding. Mrs. Huff led the devotional service, and minutes were read by the new secretary, Mrs. E. J. Yost.

Mrs. Fred Willman, critic, discussed the use of various words. Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz and Mrs. Percy Hancock discussed current events.

For the program, Miss Elizabeth Starritt reviewed the current Broadway musical play, "South Pacific," assisted by Mrs. Leonard Key. Mrs. Key discussed "Our Heroine" and "Fo-Dolla," two tales which are used in the story.

Recorded selections from the musical, which stars Mary Martin and Ezio Pinza, were played by Miss Starritt.

OCTOBER

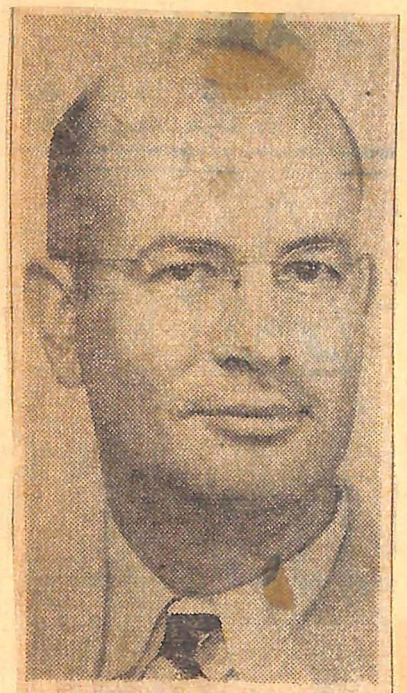
ACTOR ARRIVES TO LAUNCH FUND DRIVE—John Payne is greeted at Woodrum Field on his arrival from California yesterday to speak at a meeting opening the 1950 Community Fund drive in Roanoke. Left to right are: Mr. Payne, his mother, Mrs. George W. Payne, B. F. Parrott, drive co-chairman, and Clem D. Johnston, who has twice headed Fund drives.

THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA., TUESDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 11, 1949

Meetings

The Blue Ridge Forum will meet at Thurman & Boone Assembly Room tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. for a program on "Phases of American History."

THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 13, 1949



DOCTOR AND NOVELIST, Frank G. Slaughter, M. D., will be in Roanoke Friday, Oct. 21 under the auspices of the Roanoke Woman's Club. His latest novel, Divine Mistress, a story of medicine and romance in the Italian Renaissance, has just been published. Dr. Slaughter will speak at 3 p.m. at the Patrick Henry on the subject, "The Story Behind the Bestsellers".

American History Discussed at Forum

"Phases of American History" was the subject discussed by Mrs. L. O. Key and Mrs. Lacy Edgerton at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum yesterday morning in the Thurman and Boone Assembly Room.

Mrs. Key outlined American history from the landing of the first settlers to the present. Some of the things which she discussed were the Bacon Rebellion, Boston Tea Party, Declaration of Independence, freeing of slaves, Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Spanish-American War and First and Second World Wars. She also told of the first schools in this country, Harvard, William and Mary and the University of Virginia.

Mrs. Edgerton discussed "States Rights," explaining the different types of people found in various sections of the country.

During the current events discussion, Mrs. D. P. Hylton gave a report on the progress of the rocket, and Mrs. B. F. Pence read an original poem, "Mill Mountain in October." Mrs. Fred Willman, critic, listed words often mispronounced.

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Members of Le Cercle Francais were entertained by Mrs. J. M. Richardson at Hotel Roanoke recently. Included on the program was a talk by Mlle. Denise Hailliot of Hollins College. She spoke on her recent trip to Quebec. A French lesson was given by Mrs. J. H. Fallwell. A poem written by Mrs. Richardson was recited by Miss Betty Jo Richardson.

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Mr. L. O. Key Gives Talk At UDC Meet

The story of "Bibles Through the Blockade" was told by Mrs. Leonard O. Key at the meeting of the Roanoke Chapter, United Daughters of The Confederacy, recently when Mrs. Corbin Glass and Maude Franklin were joint hostesses to the group at the home of Mrs. Glass on Westover Ave.

Basing her talk on the account by Dr. T. Edwin Hemphill of the research department, Alderman Library, University of Virginia, Mrs. Key told how the two brothers, William James and Moses Drury Hoge, Presbyterian ministers, conceived and executed their plan for going to England during the War Between the States and buying Bibles and religious literature for the Confederate soldiers. Although some cargoes were lost, many of the Bibles were successfully brought through the blockade to Southern ports. These were given -- not sold—by religious groups of England.

Mrs. E. J. Yost made a report on the recent pilgrimage made by the Dixie Grays Chapter, Children of the Confederacy, to the Lee Chapel in Lexington, where they heard a lecture on Southern history by Mrs. W. C. Flournoy, custodian of the chapel. Twelve children made the trip and they were accompanied by Mrs. R. E. Petterson, Mrs. Yost, Mrs. F. J. Burt and Mrs. Victor Dandridge.

Miss Louise Dyer, president, and Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, delegate, gave an account of the convention of the Virginia Division UDC, held October 4-6 in Charlottesville, dwelling particularly on the proposed memorial to General Lee in the National Cathedral, Washington, and on the Virginia Division's offer of a site in Richmond, with a gift of $10,000 for the erection of a permanent home for the national UDC organization.

A chapter scrapbook was exhibited, which was made by Mrs. J. M. Raleigh, with clippings and Confederate pictures contributed by members. Year books, dedicated to the Red Shirt Shrine, were distributed by Miss Mae Hoover. Mrs. L. B. Cabaniss opened the meeting with prayer and the program closed with a forum on trends of this country's present day history.

NOVEMBER

THE ROANOKE TIMES

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA, SUNDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 6, 1949.

SOCIETY SECTION

AND THE ACTIVITIES

OF WOMEN

Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum will meet Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 10:30 a.m. in the Thurman and Boone assembly room.

Mrs. R. Lee Lynn will have charge of the program, "Outstanding Men in Industry, Religion, and Education. Mrs. D. P. Hylton will speak on industry, Mrs. Fred Willmar, religion, and Miss Blanche Deal, education.

Mrs. R. L. Mason will talk on current events.

Luncheon will be after the meeting at the Patrick Henry Hotel.

The Lights Go On

For a good many years one of the Thanksgiving features in Roanoke has been the turning on of a beautiful Christmas street lighting system sponsored by the City's merchants. Not only do they provide a wonderful boost in spirits for the Yuletide season but they tell visitors as well as home folks that we have plenty for which to be thankful and are willing to show it.

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Once again this evening as thousands flood the City for tomorrow's gridiron classic between VMI and VPI, the lights will go on. This time it will be a neon lighted star pattern, more attractive than anything that has gone before.

But the real attraction will be the huge star on Mill Mountain—100 feet high and visible for many miles. It will burn not for this season alone but the year around. The sponsors hope that it will make Roanoke known as the "Star City of the South."

A word of special thanks is due to the merchants for their untiring and cooperative work to make the Thanksgiving-Christmas period one of beauty and attractiveness for Roanoke. They may be sure that tonight's performance is going to be long remembered.

FRITZ KREISLER CONCERT

Monday, November 14th—8:15 P. M.

AMERICAN LEGION AUDITORIUM

Tickets on Sale at Hobbie's Starting Nov. 10th

First 20 Rows on Main Floor, $2.00

Balcony, $1.50

Prices include tax

THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 10, 1949

Blue Ridge Forum Conducts Memorial Service

A short memorial service to Mrs. William Tilghman, charter member, was conducted by Mrs. A. D. Miller at the meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum yesterday morning. Mrs. R. L. Mason then gave a short report on the workings of the United Nations.

Mrs. R. L. Lynn was leader for the day of the study subject which was "Outstanding Men in Industry, Religion and Education."

Mrs. D. P. Hylton spoke on the lives of Ford, Firestone, and DuPont and used their motto of "supply the needs of the people and then you will succeed—make money secondary."

Mrs. Fred Willman spoke of William Bradford, Roger Williams and Cotton Mather as the three outstanding men of colonial days who laid the foundation of our religious thinking.

Miss Blanche Deal spoke of men who have done so much for the present system of education.

-DECEMBER

Truman Urges Nation Find Real Meaning of Christmas

Asks Dedication to Brotherly Love as Only Solution to World Problems

By ROBERT E. LEE

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 24 (UP)—President Truman asked the Nation today to dedicate itself to brotherly love and find the "real meaning of Christmas."

Held Only Solution

Mr. Truman, in his annual Christmas message to the nation, said the love of God and of man is the only solution for the world's problems.

Radio microphones were set up in the small music room of his home here to carry his message over all major networks. As he spoke, he gave the signal to light the national community Christmas tree on the White House lawn halfway across the country.

"We miss the spirit of Christmas," the President said, "if we consider the incarnation as an indistinct and doubtful, far-off event, unrelated to our present problems."

He urged Americans not to forget, in enjoying their own abundance, that many families in foreign lands are destitute and "torn with despair" on this Christmas Eve.

"For them, as for the Holy family on the first Christmas, there is no room at the inn," Mr. Truman continued.

He said that, since returning home from Washington yesterday, he had re-read in the family Bible Isaiah's prophecy of the first Christmas.

"Just as Isaiah foresaw the coming of Christ," Mr. Truman said, "so another battled for the Lord, St. Paul, summed up the law and the prophets in a glorification of love which he exalts even above faith and hope."

Warns Against Passion

"In this blessed season," he continued, "let not blind passion darken our counsels. We shall not solve a moral question by dodging it.

"We can scarcely hope to have a full Christmas if we turn a deaf ear to the suffering of even the least of Christ's little ones."

As he spoke, scores of neighbors clustered outside the gate around the snow-covered lawn of his white frame home. Tonight carolers would pass along that way, singing their ancient hymns of Christmas glory. In his own living room, the lights of the tree he helped decorate last night were shining.

Miss Margaret Truman planned to sing with the choir at midnight services at the Episcopal Church but she will not sing a solo. Mrs. Bess Truman may attend the services with her daughter, but the President probably will remain at home.

Earlier today, the President spent several hours at his penthouse in the Hotel Muehlebach in Kansas City, greeting old friends and reading Christmas mail.

Looks Over Greetings

When his visitors had left, the President sat down with his personal correspondence secretary, Miss Rose Conway, to go over a stack of holiday greetings received in the mail. He also conducted a little routine White House business, according to an aide.

Mr. Truman arrived at the penthouse at 10 a.m. He immediately sent for Frank Spina, his favorite barber. Spina, a member of the President's famous Battery D in World War I, gave the chief executive a hair trim while Mr. Truman greeted a steady stream of visitors.

Callers included Federal Judge Richard D. Duncan, Rep. Richard Bolling (D-Mo); W. A. Holloway, regional director here for the Department of Commerce; the President's brother, J. Vivian Truman; his first cousin, retired Maj. Gen. Ralph Truman, and the general's wife.

Another caller was Monsignor L. Curtis Tiernan, retired Army chaplain who served Battery D in the first World War.

When the President's hair cut was finished, officers of the Truman Democratic Club went in to give him a gold travelling clock inscribed: "To Our Chief," and a scroll proclaiming Mr. Truman as the "Man of the Hour." The President told the Club's president, Thomas J. Gavin, that he wished he could believe he deserved the honor as much as the Club seemed to think he did.

The Club was holding a party downstairs in the hotel.

The President lunched in the hotel with members of his personal staff before coming back to Independence.

THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 15, 1949

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Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum will have a Christmas luncheon after the meeting on Dec. 14 at 10:30 a.m., at the home of Mrs. E. P. Hurt, 529 Washington Ave., S. W.

Mrs. J. M. Richardson will give the Christmas story. Mrs. R. L. Mason will speak on carols. After the program Miss Elizabeth Starritt will lead the group in carol singing.

Mrs. J. A. Beoddy will talk on current events.

Blue Ridge Forum Has Program, Luncheon

A Christmas program was given at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum yesterday preceding a luncheon at the home of Mrs. F. P. Hurt and Mrs. W. W. Draper on Washington Ave. Gifts were exchanged.

"The Man Who Was Too Busy To Find The Child" was reviewed by Mrs. J. M. Richardson, and Mrs. R. L. Mason told the history of Christmas carols.

Miss Elizabeth Starritt led the group in carol singing.

NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

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By CHARLES B. DRISCOLL

NEWS OF THE DAY

Cry the news in every street,
Tell to everyone you meet:
"There is joyful news today!
Help me speed it all the way
From the housetops and the planes;
In the country ways and lanes,
Tell the news to all the people,
Ring the bells in every steeple—

"Greetings friends; good morrow stranger:
There's a baby in a manger,
Born to free the world from sin!
Lift your hearts and let him in!"

Over the world's wide Oceans,
Over the lands and the sky,
Stirring mankind's emotions,
Hark to a baby's cry!

Am I asleep or waking?
Dawn, it seems, is breaking
Over heaven and earth;
Angel bands are singing,
All the bells are ringing:
Thanks be to God!
Thanks be to God!
The Lord has come!

KEEP YOUR CHRISTMAS STAR SHINING

January

SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 1, 1950.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY: The good Old Year is with the past,
O be the New as kind!—Bryant.

As We Cross the Year's Threshold

"The stream of time glides smoothly on," as Ovid reminds us. In the words of Benjamin Franklin Taylor:

A wonderful stream is the River Time,
As it runs through the realm of Tears,
With a faultless rhythm, and a musical rhyme,
And a broader sweep, and a surge sublime,
As it blends with the Ocean of Years.

Yes, the stream of tide glides on, carrying us along, and although we know where the journey will end, we know not what scenes we shall witness or what experiences will be our lot before it is over.

There are some who face the future with fear and apprehension but that is not the common sentiment, for hope, "that star of life's tremulous ocean," is as natural to the spirit of man as the breath of life is to his nostrils and "chiefly ruleth the changeful mind of men." That accounts, undoubtedly, for the joyful mood in which men and women annually greet the New Year.

"Things past belong to memory alone; things future are the property of hope." And so at each recurring advent of another year we are prone to look forward rather than backward, resolutely banishing forebodings and assuring ourselves that what is to be will be better than what has been.

Not always does it turn out that way, to be sure. But it is the nature of man to be hopeful and not pessimistic, to be sanguine rather than despairing, and, conscious of his immortal destiny, to go forward to whatever fate may hold in store for him bravely and confidently.

Youth, Samuel Ullman tells us, is not a time of life; "it is a state of mind." That is a good thing for all of us to remember, more especially those of us who have left our physical youth far behind and are steadily drawing nearer the end of life. That need not be cause for regret, for the whole of life is a wonderful experience and, after all, "what is our life but a succession of preludes to that unknown song whose first solemn note is sounded by Death?"

Truer words were never uttered than those spoken by Samuel Johnston: "It matters not how a man dies, but how he lives." That is a good thing to remember, a thing that every man should tell himself as he faces each new day, each new week, each new year.

A New Year greeting for the fateful year in which mankind is entering this morning? None could be better, and certainly none more helpful, than the quotation used by King George in his New Year's message to the British people in one of the darkest hours of the recent war:

"I said to a man who stood at the Gate of the Year, 'Give me a Light that I may tread safely into the Unknown,' and he replied, "Go out into the Darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light and safer than a known way'."

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA: SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 8, 1950.

Blue Ridge Forum Will Have Exhibit of Hobbies

Banker to Speak at Meeting of Credit Women's Breakfast Club

AT A MEETING of the Blue Ridge Forum Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Thurman and Boone assembly room, each member will exhibit her hobby and describe it.

Mrs. S. J. Wolfe is leader of the program, and Mrs. F. P. Hurt will discuss current events.

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Forum Members Display Hobbies

Members of the Blue Ridge Forum displayed and described their hobbies at a meeting in the Thurman and Boone assembly room Wednesday morning at 10:30. Mrs. S. J. Wolfe was in charge of the program.

Most popular among the hobbies reported were antiques, music and books. Next came painting and then crocheting, knitting and sewing. The next in popularity were handicraft and collecting, and then came poetry and short story writing and cooking.

Special hobbies of some members were working with Girl Scouts, visiting shutins and doing cancer work.

Outstanding among the exhibits were collections of old invitations, books, coins, samplers, etc., and displays of handpainted china glass and trays.

Mrs. S. H. Huff, president, gave New Year greetings to the Club, and Mrs. F. P. Hurt discussed current events.

THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA.; THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 12, 1950

— February —

It's Fun, Anyhow

Noting that a Baptist preacher in Atlanta has joined a lot of others in attacking the pagan origin of Valentine Day, we venture to point out that like Santa Claus, young Dan Cupid is here to stay. Nothing that the Rev. L. B. Huston or anyone else may say will have much adverse effect.

Admittedly the celebration as we know it today with sending of greeting cards of love, candy, flowers and other tokens of esteem is a strange but not unlovely twist to what was a day of tragedy.

Tradition says that Valentine, a young priest, was beheaded in Rome on Feb. 14, 270 A.D. Christians memoralized his death because he did good and often sent messages of cheer. The martyrdom occurred on the same day as a Roman feast—the Lupercalia—in which wine, women and song had a considerable part. It was dedicated to Lupercus, the pastoral god, and the goddess of love, Juno.

Gradually these two events merged in the years just as did St. Nicholas and Christmas along with the pagan yule tree and as ghosts and goblins with All Hallows Eve until we have Halloween. Along about the year 1400 there grew up in England a superstition that the first person you saw on Valentine Day would be your husband or wife. The sending of greetings came much later.

It is hard to look upon this as an unpleasant custom, even if it does corrupt the original meaning of a Saint's death. Nothing that exalts love can be reprehensible. Anyhow, it's a lot of fun, so why all the ruckus?

Forum Will Have Lunch On Feb. 8

The Blue Ridge Forum will have a "covered-dish" luncheon Wednesday, Feb. 8, at the home of Mrs. E. J. Yost on Allison Ave., S. W. Scheduled for noon, it will follow a program meeting at 10:30 a.m., also at Mrs. Yost's.

The program will be on science and Mrs. J. A. Beoddy will be leader for the day. Mrs. Charles Steele will discuss "New Discoveries in Astronomy" and Mrs. Lacy Edgerton will speak on physics.

Mrs. D. P. Hylton will discuss current events.

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Academy Repair Group Plans Meeting

The Academy of Music Committee, appointed to get the facts and develop a plan for reopening the historic old playhouse, will make its first approach to the problem tomorrow.

Miss Elizabeth Starritt, chairman, said as many of the five members as are available tomorrow will confer with City Manager Arthur S. Owens at 10:30 a.m.

City Council appointed the committee several weeks ago after an architect estimated building changes to comply with State fire regulations would cost $145,000. Council directed the group meet with the City Manager and also the State Fire Marshal.

The building has been closed since January a year ago because of fire hazards.

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Home Department

Mrs. C. G. Kulp of Henebry's Jewelers will speak on "Table Setting" at a meeting of the American Home Department of the Roanoke Woman's Club Thursday, Feb. 9, at noon at the home of Miss Martha Thomas, 526 Campbell Ave., S. W.

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Blue Ridge Forum Hears Program on Astronomy

A program on new discoveries in astronomy and physics was presented at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum at the home of Mrs. Elmer J. Yost on Allison Ave. yesterday morning.

Mrs. Charles Steele told of the Mt. Palamor Conservatory in California and of the sky mapping being done there. Mrs. Lacy Edgerton spoke on "How Science Has Changed Our Lives."

A luncheon followed the meeting.

— March —

Program About Science Given At Forum Meet

Mrs. A. B. Hendricks and Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz spoke on "Science" at the meeting yesterday of the Blue Ridge Forum at Thurman Boone Assembly Room.

Mrs. Hendricks, speaking on "New Discoveries in Medicine," told of new drugs and the results of their use in relation to the common cold, high blood pressure, and a vaccine for polio.

Mrs. Hendricks concluded her talk with notes on the recent work in the field of obstetrics and gynecology.

Mrs. Schnautz spoke on "Atomic Energy" with special emphasis on its power of good or evil in the world. She illustrated her talk with blackboard drawings to show how atomic energy is produced.

Mrs. Schnautz also talked on the use of by-products of atomic energy.

Mrs. Schnautz was leader in the absence of Mrs. E. J. Yost. The following members were appointed to arrange a slate of study for 1950-51: Mrs. L. O. Key, Mrs. J. A. Beoddy and Mrs. Lacy Edgerton.

Mrs. James H. Moore spoke on current events and Mrs. Fred Willman on "Words, old and new, and their pronunciation."

THE ROANOKE TIMES, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA: SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 5, 1950.

Blue Ridge Forum

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Mrs. E. J. Yost will be leader for the day and Mrs. James Moore will relate current events.

SAVE THOSE OLD SHIRTS—The Roanoke Chapter of the American Cancer Society, Virginia Division, doesn't want to take the shirt off your back. But it will take those old ones you throw away because of frayed collars. As seen above workers at chapter headquarters in the lobby of Hotel Patrick Henry, remove the collars, shorten the sleeves and make "tommy shirts" for needy cancer patients. Left to right are: Mrs. Harry B. Stone, Jr., co-chairman of campaign; Mrs. F. P. Hurt, district commander, and Mrs. Ernest Fishburn, chapter president. Unable to be present was Mrs. William B. Fortune, co-chairman of campaign.

APRIL

EASTER SERVICES WILL DRAW MANY

Christ the Lord is risen today
Sons of men and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high,
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply.

Lift your glad voices in triumph on high
For Jesus hath risen and man cannot die.

The golden gates are lifted up,
The doors are opened wide,
The King of Glory is gone in
Unto His father's side.

THE ROANOKE TIMES, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA: SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 9, 1950.

Distinguished Visitor

Roanoke this week is host to a man who, in terms of the good done for humanity, is one of the greatest it has ever received. We refer, of course, to Sir Alexander Fleming of St. Mary's Hospital, London, discoverer of penicillin.

We have had presidents, generals, admirals, politicians and industrialists whose fame is widespread but here is one whose genius probably has saved the lives of more people than any scientist of our times. Indeed, there are undoubtedly many Roanokers alive today because of him.

We often think that history places entirely too much emphasis on the heads of governments and the men who fight wars and entirely too little on the soldiers of science and medicine. William Harvey, Robert Boyle, Edward Jenner, Pasteur, Curie, Walter Reed and Roentgen, to name only a few of a vast army who have fought to give life rather than take it away, are far greater men in our book than any general who ever lived.

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So great was the need for penicillin and so rapid was its culture on a mass scale to provide help for millions that mankind has accepted it as a matter of course in a very short time. Actually, it is only a few years old, yet in those few years it has helped to write new medical annals in the prevention and cure of disease.

Here to serve as a lecturer in the Gill Memorial Hospital spring congress, Sir Alexander naturally is in tremendous demand. As soon as it was learned that he was coming to Roanoke, invitations poured in from all over America for him to address hospital conferences, learned societies and professional groups. He will address the Roanoke Academy of Medicine tonight and pursue a busy schedule until he returns to England.

The visit of this distinguished benefactor of mankind, therefore, is a particularly bright feather in Roanoke's cap. We extend to him a hearty welcome on his first visit to Virginia.

Forum Will Have Program On King Lear

The April meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum will be held Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at Thurman and Boone. Mrs. B. F. Pence will lead a program on "King Lear." Mrs. Fred Willman and Mrs. Lacy Edgerton will participate on the program, and Mrs D. P. Hylton will discuss current events.

Shakespearian Program Is Presented

Mrs. B. F. Pence gave a program on Shakespear's "King Lear" at a meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum in the Thurman and Boone assembly room yesterday morning at 10:30.

Mrs. Pence was assisted by Mrs. Fred Willman and Mrs. Lacy Edgerton in the discussion of the human frailties depicted in this play. She also gave several quotations from Shakespeare, and closed with the reading of an original poem, "April in Virginia."

Mrs. L. O. Key outlined the course of study for 1950-51. She was assisted by Mrs. Edgerton and Mrs. J. A. Beoddy.

Mrs. Willman gave the critic's report, and Mrs. A. D. Miller discussed current events.

It was announced that the annual luncheon will be held May 10 at Hotel Roanoke.

Editorials---The Roanoke World-News

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 14, 1950

A Great Day For Roanoke College

This is a great day in the history of 108-year-old Roanoke College.

Not only does a new regime begin with inauguration of Dr. H. Sherman Oberly as its sixth president, but national significance is gained through attendance of Harold Stassen, president of the University of Pennsylvania and principal speaker.

From early this morning until tonight a day of tremendous activity will grip the venerable Salem institution.

The College is honored in attendance of representatives from scores of the Nation's leading universities and colleges, including the two oldest—Harvard and William and Mary.

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Former faculty members and alumni in the hundreds have returned for the ceremonies. Many of them are prominent in numerous fields of human endeavor. Most of them are ordinary citizens, good Americans and loyal sons and daughters of a fine institution. But all are met together for the same purpose—to do honor to the College and its new chief.

In the few months he has been here Dr. Oberly has won the hearts of the people of this community, quickly stepping into a place of natural leadership which goes with the job. He can look forward confidently to a period of long and fruitful service. There is much to be done but he has a firm foundation upon which to build.

It detracts nothing—rather adds to the occasion—to point out that this foundation was made strong by the man Dr. Oberly succeeds—Dr. Charles J. Smith, our beloved Dr. Charlie whose 25 years in harness as a college president have meant so much to every resident of Salem and Roanoke and this entire area. It is with regret that we saw him retire, but we join in his pardonable pride in the caliber of man who takes his place at the helm.

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Dr. Oberly gained his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Pennsylvania. Before coming to Roanoke he was its director of admissions and professor of philosophy. As such he was highly regarded by students, alumni and faculty. In sending its president to Salem today, Pennsylvania therefore pays tribute to its own son in a gesture of genuine friendship.

Dr. Stassen, the distinguished former governor of Minnesota, young Navy veteran and top-notch figure in counsels of the Republican Party, certainly is among the outstanding Americans of our times. He possesses the vigor and ambition of youth while already a man of great accomplishments. It is an honor to have him in our midst for a day on his first visit to this section.

To him and to all the notable visitors we extend a welcome on behalf of the community. For Dr. Oberly we wish the success he assuredly merits. For Roanoke College we wish unending years of growing and building for God and country.

MAY

Drawn for the Children's Spring Book Festival by Barbara Cooney

Sunday May 7 1950

Blue Ridge Forum Plans Annual Spring Luncheon

THE annual spring luncheon of the Blue Ridge Forum will be held at Hotel Roanoke Wednesday. Mrs. C. C. Bell will act as toastmistress.

Preceding the luncheon, the group will meet at 10:30 a.m. to hear a program on "Modern Fiction" by Mrs. Gifford J. Gibson. Mrs. Eugene Harris will give a book review, and Mrs. Fred Schnautz will discuss current events.

CELEBRATION—Here are the officers of the Blue Ridge Forum which held its annual luncheon meeting at Hotel Roanoke today and also celebrated its 25th anniversary. Left to right are: Mrs. R. L. Mason, president; Mrs. Clara Edwards, treasurer; Mrs. S. J. Wolfe, vice president, and Mrs. Gifford Gibson, secretary. All are from Roanoke.

25th Anniversary Luncheon Held by Blue Ridge Forum

The Blue Ridge Forum celebrated its 25th anniversary at the annual spring luncheon yesterday at Hotel Roanoke. Mrs. C. C. Bell acted as toastmaster, and past presidents were honored. Mrs. W. F. Genheimer, the second president, cut the birthday cake.

Mrs. B. F. Pence read an original poem relating the history of the club over the past 25 years. Miss Elizabeth Starritt sang "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms," accompanied by Miss Blanche Deal.

Gifts were presented the retiring president, Mrs. S. H. Huff, and the retiring secretary, Mrs. E. J. Yost, by Mrs. F. P. Hurt in the name of the group.

Preceding the luncheon, the regular meeting was held, during which officers were installed. They are: Mrs. R. L. Mason, president; Mrs. S. J. Wolfe, vice president; Mrs. Gifford Gibson, secretary; Mrs. Clara Edwards, treasurer. Those in charge of the seminar are Mrs. D. P. Hylton, Miss Elizabeth Starritt and Miss Martha Thomas.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 11, 1950

THE ROANOKE WORLD-NEWS, ROANOKE, VA., TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 16, 1950

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Mrs. John F. Vines of Nashville, formerly of Roanoke, will be honored by Mrs. J. B. Preston at her home, 3101 Willow Rd., Grove Park, tomorrow afternoon from 3 to 5. Open house will be held for members of the Blue Ridge Forum, of which Mrs. Vines was the first president.

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Mrs. F. P. Hurt Leads Discussion On Poetry at Blue Ridge Forum Meet

"Poetry" was the program topic for the first meeting of the season held yesterday at 10:30 a.m. by the Blue Ridge Forum in Thurman & Boone Assembly room.

Mrs. F. P. Hurt, leader for the day, discussed English poetry, saying that Milton is known as the "poet's poet," and Tennyson as the greatest modern master of technique. She also called attention to the fact that Tennyson accumulated a fortune from his work.

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During the business meeting, reports were made, and a motion was adopted to have the Seminar assign topics to members assisting the leaders for the various programs.

The Forum was requested to observe the "Prayer Vigil."

Love of Chinese For Flowers Told At Alleghany Meet

The love that Chinese people have for flowers was discussed by Mrs. F. Haden Vines yesterday afternoon when the Alleghany Garden Club met at the home of Mrs. Broaddus Chewning.

Mrs. Vines lived in China for a number of years. She told the group of the flowers of that country and of their growth, and said that even in poverty the Chinese people have a love for beautiful flowers.

Blue ribbons went to: Mrs. L. E. Witherow, Mrs. H. C. Wyatt, Mrs. J. T. Strickland, Mrs. L. O. Key, Mrs. William Gibbons, Mrs. Tom Andrews, Mrs. Gilbert Wood, Mrs. N. R. Lehmann, Mrs. George Martin and Mrs. Gilbert Butler.

Red ribbons were awarded to Mrs. Burrell Illyus, Mrs. J. Y. Neal, Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Martin. Those receiving green ribbons were Mrs. Arthur Stone, Mrs. Gibbons, Mrs. Hascall Bowen and Mrs. J. T. Engleby.

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Talks Given At Blue Ridge Forum Meeting

A resume of the history of Virginia from 1607 to 1950 was given by Mrs. E. J. Yost, who was leader for the Blue Ridge Forum when it met yesterday morning at the Thurman and Boone Assembly Room.

Mrs. Yost discussed the State's natural resources, Natural Bridge and the Dismal Swamp, which she said was the greatest oddity.

Colonial Virginia of the 18th century was covered by Mrs. Charles Steele. She described the life of the planter, who was "a feudal patriarch, mildly ruling everybody and entertaining everybody."

Mrs. Clara Edwards told of modern Virginia, the schools, music and libraries. She said that the Alderman library at the University has become in the field of American history a center of research of national significance.

Governmental advantages were discussed by Mrs. J. M. Richardson, who called attention to the necessity for women to go to the polls and vote.

The Reader's Viewpoint

Carvins Cove Offers Rest, Beauty And Recreation

Last summer I spent an afternoon at Carvins Cove, one of Roanoke's natural beauty spots.

We cruised the square mile of water, exploring all of the numerous little coves and streamlets which feed the lake.

I was particularly fascinated by steering the boat close in shore and enjoying the birds singing nd many wild flowers, blooming in profusion.

As you may know, Carvins Cove is Roanoke's principal source of water supply. The 80-foot dam was ocmpleted in 1928 and required 15 months to fill from the mountain streams and springs of its 18-square-mile water shed.

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One could hardly find a more beautiful spot.

Completely surrounding the lake are mountains and hills, covered with trees and brush, yet I noticed rock outcroppings on several of the slopes.

The shimmering water, the birds, the flowers and singing trees are real soul medicine.

For several years now, boating on the cove has furnished recreation for enthusiasts of this area.

Fishing too is enjoyed at this refuge from "the little woman" who just doesn't like boats.

Its nearness to the City is a great advantage for those who love to picnic. Picnic grounds are located on a small peninsula, equipped with tables and benches, sheltered by pines from the sun's gentle rays, but yes, a summer rain is one of the joys of picnicking! You have to know someone who owns a boat who will ferry you across the lake to the grounds as swimming is not allowed.

The red bud and the dogwood are an artist's dream. From now until June these blossoms paint the roadsides and hills with splotches of red and white.

The road is curved but in pretty good condition and the drive to the cove is one of beauty which all Virginians will enjoy and all Roanokers can brag about.

Something was mentioned on the editor's page several days ago, to the effect that landings or piers might be built by the City. I was charmed by the natural beauty of the cove, but saw in my mind's eye, a white sandy beach with well-built docks, jutting out into the lake as a great improvement and also as a drawing card to the cove for people not primarily interested in fishing or boating, but who wished to escape the heat of the City for rest and relaxation.

Carvins Cove is a lovely spot. Why not make the most of it, Mr. and Mrs. Roanoke?

MARY HOOPER STEELE.
212 Murrell Rd.

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SAYS SHAKESPEARE WAS BRITISH SPY

Doodle and Verse Indicate He Was in Network

LONDON, Jan. 6 (AP)—William Shakespeare — international spy.

That's the latest word on the bard of Avon from a London researcher, Geoffrey Ashe.

A doodle and six lines of verse found in a 16th century document at the public record office here convinced Ashe the poet-playwright was in the pay of Queen Elizabeth's intelligence service.

Good Queen Bess ran the world's most efficient spy network in the days before the Spanish armada. Its chief was Sir Francis Walsingham, her secretary of state.

Uncovers Letter

Ashe, armed with a reading glass and a researchers patience, uncovered the letter to Walsingham from a French official in Calais.

There were no envelopes in those days. Wrappers were used instead. Inside the Frenchman's wrapper were these lines of verse, which handwriting experts say could be Shakespeare's:

"In all the world, if it be sought,
Fair words enow a man may find;
They be good cheap, they cost right naught,
Their substance is but only wind;
But well to say and so to mean
This sweet accord is seldom seen."

There also was a doodle, one which Shakespeare scholars have seen only one other place—in the margin of a Shakespeare manuscript.

Ashe guesses that Shakespeare scribbled the doodle and poetry while killing time in Walsingham's spy headquarters. The scholar speculates that the playwright worked there as a cipher clerk.

The chances are, he added, that Shakespeare also undertook a second trip to Italy for Walsingham. His whereabouts between 1587 and 1592 are unknown, he pointed out.

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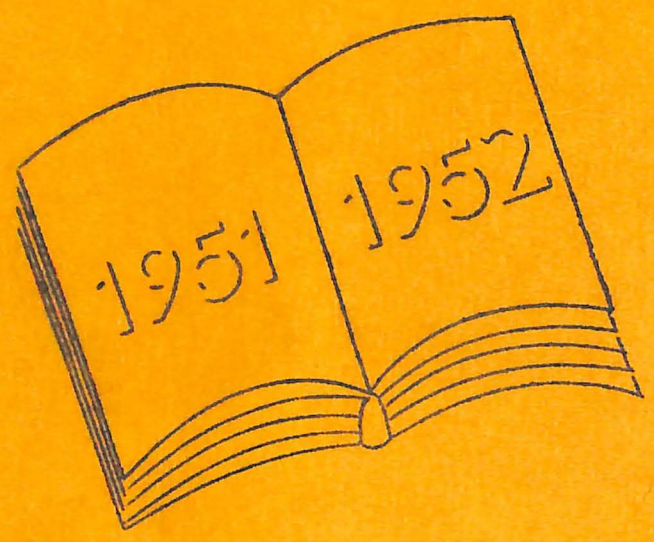

ROANOKE, VA.

Blue Ridge Forum Has May Day Program

At the annual luncheon meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum held yesterday at Hotel Roanoke, a May Day program was given. Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, leader for the meeting, gave the origins of May Day celebrations. She said the customs go back as far as the Druids, the Greek celebrations and the early festival in India and Egypt

Mrs. Gifford Gibson was installed as president. Other new officers are Mrs. James Moore, vice president; Mrs. A. D. Miller, secretary; Mrs. Percy Hancock, treasurer; Mrs. Lacy Edgerton, Mrs. Everett Shober and Miss Blanche Deal, seminar chairmen.

Mrs. E. J. Yost told of the May Day celebrations in the various countries. She told how the May pole was brought to America but the Puritans wouldn't dance around it for they considered it worse than dancing around the golden calf of Moses' time.

Myths of Greeks and Romans were told by Mrs. Fred E. Willman.

The luncheon program was presided over by Mrs. D. P. Hylton as toastmistress. She read a poem by Mrs. Anabell Pence on "Springtime in Virginia." Mrs. Charles Steele told the story of the Fairystones, which are found only in Virginia, and Mrs. James Moore told four legends of the dogwood.

The meeing was concluded with the showing of the motion picture, "Daughter of the Stars."

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Black and Gold

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Seminar.....Mrs. Chas. Steele
Mrs. F. P. Hurt
Mrs. E. J. Harris
Parliamentarian.Miss Blanche Deal
Timekeeper.....Mrs. Fred H. Schnautz
Critic.....Mrs. J. A. Beoddy
Historian.....Mrs. Horace A. Bass
Publicity.....Miss Martha Thomas

ELECTIONS

Section X. At the regular business meeting in April a Nominating Committee of three shall be elected. This committee shall make its report for officers and directors as called for in Article IV of the Constitution. Nominations from the floor may also be made at this time. Election shall be by ballot, provided there is more than one nominee for any office; otherwise by acclamation.

DUES

Section XI. Annual dues shall be two dollars, payable upon receipt of the year book.

SOURCE OF AUTHORITY

Section XII. Roberts' Rules of Order shall be authority on all points of

procedure not covered by this con
tution and by-laws.

GUEST PRIVILEGE

Section XIII. Any member shall hav
the privilege of inviting a resid
guest to the meetings, but the sa
resident guest shall not be entit
to more than one meeting in any o
year. Non-resident guests may hav
guest privileges extended during
visit, provided it does not excee
two meetings in any year.

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to order
Roll
Reading of minutes
Reports of Officers
Reports of Committees
Appointments and electio
Unfinished business
Communications
New Business
Literary Program
Adjournment

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HAND

Grasps hand, eye lights
eye in good friendship,
And great hearts expand,
And grow one in the sense
of this world's life.

1833 - Robert Browning.

interest and co-operation of the members by precept and example and shall otherwise direct the affairs of the organization.

The offices of Parliamentarian, Critic, Reporter, Timekeeper, Historian and Rollkeeper shall be filled by the President, who shall appoint all special committees not otherwise provided for.

Section VI. In the absence of the president, the Vice-president shall assume the duties of the president. She shall also serve as Chairman of the Hospitality Committee.

Section VII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the minutes of all meetings; the record of the names and addresses of all members; shall be custodian of all organization

records and shall give notice of regular or special meetings as may be necessary.

Section VIII. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to enter in the records of the organization the receipts and disbursements of all monies; she shall render at the close of the year a complete statement of the organization's finances and shall be custodian of and responsible for all funds.

Section IX. The members of the section shall appoint a director for each program, and shall assign to various members the topics they are to discuss. They shall also see that the topics for study contained in the year book are faithfully carried. Non-members shall not be given the privilege of the floor and shall not appear on any program.

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Shrines and Government
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Music waves eternal wands, -
Enchantress of the souls of mortals!

E. C. Stedman

Article IV. Officers - The officers of the organization shall be a president, Vice President, secretary, treasurer and three directors of the seminar all elected annually to serve for a period of one year, or until their successors are duly elected, and whose term of office shall begin immediately following the close of the year. Should an office become vacant prior to the annual election, such vacancy may be filled by a majority vote at any regular meeting.

Article V. Amendments - Amendments may be made to this Constitution by giving previous notice and adopted by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, a quorum being present.

B Y - L A W S

MEETINGS

Section 1. The Forum shall hold mo
meetings from September to June.

Section II. The president shall hav
power to call special meetings.

Section III. A special meeting may
called by a majority vote of the me
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being present. Five members shall
stitute a quorum.

Section IV. The Executive Board sha
consist of all elected and appointe
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DUTIES OF OFFICERS

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at all meetings of the organization
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Christmas Story
Mrs. R. L. Mason

Carols.....Mrs. Irving Brinkley

PROGRAM

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Leader.....Mrs. D. P. Hylton

Book Review

It's a Great Life by Reva Stanley

Life of Author
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Christmas Story
Mrs. R. L. Mason

Carols.....Mrs. Irving Brinkley

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four ends conduce.
For wisdom, piety, delig
use.

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PROGRAM

January 9, 1952

Leader.....Mrs. D. P. Hylton

Book Review

It's a Great Life by Reva Stanley

Life of Author
Mrs. E. J. Harris

"The play's the thing"

Shakespeare.
Hamlet-Act II

PROGRAM

February 13, 1952

Leader.....Miss Blanche Deal

Shakespeare

The Taming of the Shrew..
Mrs. Fred E. Willman

In framing an art
Art hath thus de
To make some good
others to exceed.

William Shakespe

PROGRAM

March 12, 1952

Leader.....Mrs. B. F. Pence

The World's Great Madonnas
Mrs. L. O. Key

Will you see the players well
They are the abstracts and b
chronicles of the time.

Shakespeare

PROGRAM

April 9, 1952

Leader.....Mrs. A. B. Hendricks

A Broadway Show -- to be selected
Mrs. Fred Schnautz

Mrs. Lake Rosenberg

PROGRAM

May 14, 1952

Leader.....Mrs. J. A. Beoddy

MAY DAY

Origin and Customs of Different Countries..

Mrs. E. J. Yost
Mrs. C. C. Bell

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Blue Ridge Forum Has Annual Lunch

May 15, 1952

At the annual luncheon meeting of the Blue Ridge Forum held yesterday at Hotel Roanoke, a May Day program was given. Mrs. J. A. Beoddy, leader for the meeting, gave the origins of May Day celebrations. She said the customs go back as far as the Druids, the Greek celebrations and the early festival in India and Egypt.

Mrs. Gifford Gibson was installed as president. Other new officers are Mrs. James Moore, vice president; Mrs. A. D. Miller, secretary; Mrs. Percy Hancock, treasurer; Mrs. Lacy Edgerton, Mrs. Everett Shober and Miss Blanche Deal, seminar chairmen.

Mrs. E. J. Yost told of the May Day celebrations in the various countries. She told how the May pole was brought to America but the Puritans wouldn't dance around it for they considered it worse than dancing around the golden calf of Moses' time.

Myths of Greeks and Romans were told by Mrs. Fred E. Willman.

The luncheon program was presided over by Mrs. D. P. Hylton as toastmistress. She read a poem by Mrs. Anabell Pence on "Springtime in Virginia." Mrs. Charles Steele told the story of the Fairystones, which are found only in Virginia, and Mrs. James Moore told four legends of the dogwood.

The meeing was concluded with the showing of the motion pictur "Daughter of the Stars."

"Not what we have,
But what we share,
For in ceasing to share
We cease to have"

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