

Kay's Notations

Kathryn H. Bogle, Social Editor

Many Portlanders began their happy Thanksgiving Day by attending church, with families gathering for holiday dining later.

Union services by six participating churches were held that morning at Zion AME church, with the choir of Mt. Olivet church leading in song.

Those attending St. Philip's Episcopal church began their Thanksgiving worship at 10:30 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Williams, who attend St. Philip's, invited the vicar, Rev. L. O. Stone and Mrs. Stone to dine with the Williams family in the later afternoon.

The Rev. and Mrs. Jesse L. Boyd of Bethel AME church had a family dinner at the parsonage.

The Rev. and Mrs. Clem C. Thompson of the Union Baptist church were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Doss.

One of the largest family gatherings was the one for which Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Miller were hosts. The Millers set places for 25 of their growing family. Their six beautiful daughters helped with preparations.

Around the Miller table, with children of all ages, were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Campbell, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ingersoll, and George Holliday had dinner together at the Blackburns' residence on Rodney Avenue.

The Harold Gaskins had Harold's mother, Mrs. Adelaide Gaskin to spend the day with them and the children.

The Eugene L. Cardens set places for 16 on Thanksgiving Day. The Otto Rutherfords and their family were there, the Cardens' own son-in-law and daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fuller were there, of course, and Dr. and Mrs. Robert Joyner drove down from Seattle for the holiday.

The Twenty Matrons' Progressive club met Wednesday evening with Mrs. Layton D. Manning at her residence on N. E. Cleveland Avenue. The members, with their president Mrs. Elmyra Williams, will complete plans for their Christmas activities.

Beta Psi chapter of Delta Sigma Theta had many hearts beating faster this week when fifteen young ladies received bids to coffee on Sunday. Orpah Gooden and Ellen Law are the sorority's co-chairmen for the Delta's first affair of this nature for the season. Mrs. Law's home will be the setting.

Receiving the bids were: Virlyn Boyd, Beverley Brock, Joy Brock, Marlene Hardy, Regina Johnson, Mary Alice Lee, Lena

McMillan, Gwendolyn Molden, Ernestine Palmer, Olga Ann Plummer, Theresa Searcie, Betty Lou Searcy, Hattie Stringer, and Ann Williams. Mrs. Josephine Grimmett is a newly initiated member of the sorority and was honored guest at dinner Wednesday evening at the home of Soror Cyviria Woods. Laura Glossan is dean of pledges and Lena Hillman is president of the chapter.

Dr. Masayuki Harigai, the new Japanese consul in Portland, was principal speaker at the combined meeting of the three Interracial Fellowship groups last Monday evening at the First Congregational church. Dr. Harigai spoke on "Japan and Democracy Today." The founder of the Fellowship groups, Mrs. Winifred Robinson, gave a brief history of the groups which have been meeting regularly for seven years and introduced each of the chairmen.

Mrs. Lawson Jones is leader of Group One and Miss Dorothy Shimomura is leader of Group Two. Mrs. Gladys Lewis, chairman of Group Three presented the speaker to the 150 members and guests assembled. During the coffee hour which followed, guests met Dr. and Mrs. Harigai and were able to examine closely several Japanese dolls dressed in beautiful silken costumes. Mrs. Fiume Sakano, herself in a Japanese gown, explained the style of dress worn. Mrs. Magnolia Taylor was pianist during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Tappo left this week for a fortnight's vacation. They will visit their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Carlington in Fort Worth, Texas and will also visit in New Orleans. Enroute home the Tappos expect to stop off briefly in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon A. Johnson entertained a number of the college crowd at buffet supper at their home after the game Saturday evening. Honored guests were their son, Ben Johnson, Em-

AKA Sorority Holds 1st Meet

Plans are under way for setting up a graduate and an undergraduate chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority in Portland.

Members of AKA gave a social gathering for prospective new members in order to establish first a graduate chapter. The social affair was at the home of Mrs. Harold Jones, Sunday, Nov. 16.

A soon as the graduate plans are settled, the sorority looks forward to establishing an undergraduate group.

AKA members present were Mrs. Emma Walker, Mrs. Harold Jones, Mrs. Oteria Lott Nichols, Mrs. Willis Williams and Mrs. Howard Jacobson.

These members meet regularly and plan to visit the Seattle chapter soon.

Since they are in the process of organizing, other AKA women who have not been contacted and wish to affiliate with this chapter may get in touch with Mrs. Emma Walker, GA 6456.

Past Time Club Elects President

New president of the Past Time 12 club is Mrs. Nick Banks, 136 N. E. Weidler street. Succeeding Mrs. James Braggs, 2146 N. E. 10th avenue, Mrs. Banks was elected at the last regular meeting of the club, held at the home of Mrs. Stanton Duke, 3963 N. E. 10th avenue, November 15.

Grover Jackson, 1937 N. Vancouver avenue, was elected secretary to succeed Elmer Flowers, 1826 N. E. Victoria avenue.

Other activities engaged in by the members during the meeting included playing cards and watching TV.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Flowers, Sunday.

Junior Debs Give Holiday Dance

An invitational dance, given by the Junior Debutantes, was held Thanksgiving evening at the Williams avenue YWCA. About 50 young couples danced the evening through to the music of phonograph records. Parents of the club members chaperoned the affair.

The Junior Debutantes is an affiliate organization sponsored by La Femme, an adult group. Members are Betty Lou Miller, president; Eunice Muckleroy, secretary; Berna Deanne Plummer; Rosalind Leverett; Evelyne Muckleroy; Charmaine Blanchard; Joan Johnson; Rachele Dawson and Sonja Brooks.

Acting Pleasures, Thrills Bind Director, Players

The thrills and deep pleasure found in amateur theatricals bind together the St. Philip's Players and their director, Geneva Franklin.

Organized in 1951 by Mrs. Franklin, the members of this inter-racial group are of various religious beliefs but they work as a unit of St. Philip's Episcopal church. Father Lee Owen Stone,



MRS. GENEVA FRANKLIN Active in civic drama

rector at St. Philip's, welcomes them all and is glad to have the Players lend their talents to other churches.

When the group decided on "Queen Esther" as their first venture, it was Rabbi Julius Nodel who spoke to them on the life and times of that biblical queen. In return, the Players presented their finished performance of "Queen Esther" at Temple Beth Israel during the Jewish Festival this year. Other successful engagements for this vehicle were for The Portland Music Association, St. Luke's Episcopal church in Gresham as well as for St. Philip's.

Mrs. Franklin has appeared in a play each year with the Portland Civic Theatre first with Donald Mayre as director in 1948 and with James Cameron, the present director.

Construction of stage scenery and the design and making of costumes were learned by Mrs. Franklin when she was a member of Beachwood Players in California. It was there that she had a part in a play directed by Vladimir Sokoloff who also

taught her techniques of directing.

Mrs. Franklin's interest in the theatre first budded when she was a high school girl in Houston, Texas and the interest blossomed during her college days at Jack Yates college in Houston. Her first Little Theatre work was in Houston during 1934 and 1935 when she appeared in "Lady Windermere's Fan," and in "The Importance of Being Earnest."

As director of St. Philip's Players, Mrs. Franklin often is given the able assistance of Arthur Perrow of the Civic Opera Company and of Mr. Cameron of the Portland Civic Theatre. Mr. Perrow helped her when "Ad Infinitum," an allegorical play, was presented by the Players at Mt. Tabor Park for the Park Bureau during mid-summer.

In rehearsal now is "The Key," a one-act drama, which the cast hopes to have ready in the near future. Yet to be chosen is a one-act comedy to be teamed with the drama for an evening's entertainment.

Cast selected for "The Key," the play in rehearsal now, includes Ida McClendon, Francis Williams, Oteria Lott Nicholson, Cuma Clayter, Esther Lanier, Jewell Bowman, and Joseph Bowman.

Other members of St. Philip's Players have included: Virginia Newby Creal, Otto Rutherford, Belton Hamilton, John Hamilton, Charles Woods, Roselyn Leverett, James Butler, William Long, James Williams, William Rutherford, Thea Rupp Hannibal, Joy Brock and Ellen Fouthier.

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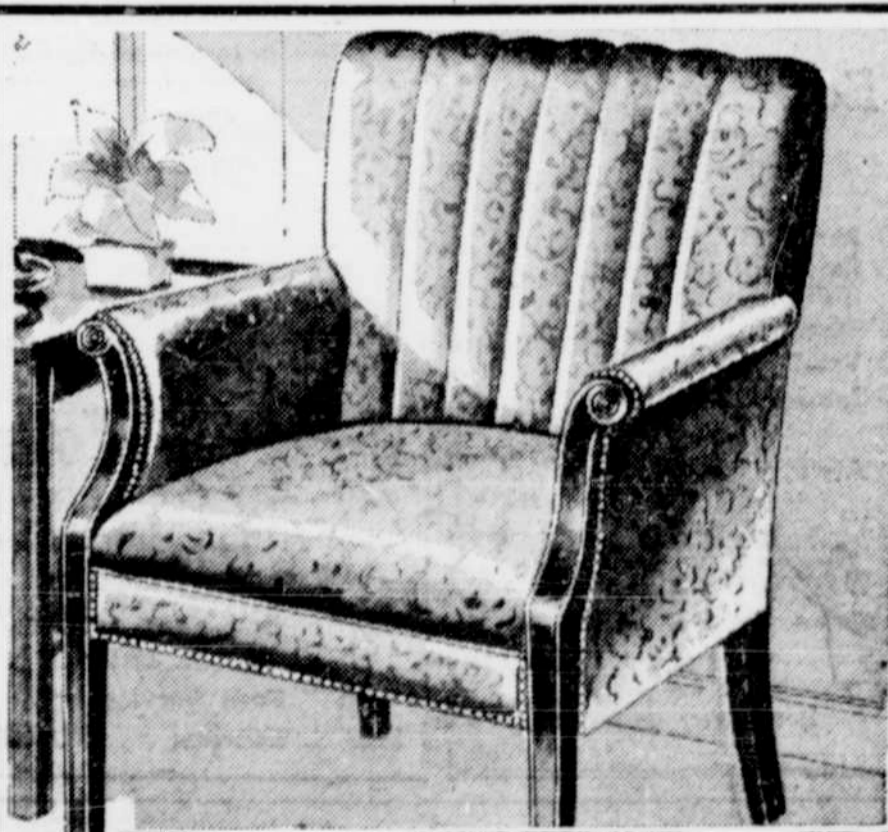
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