



GAZING AT PROGRAM, Crooner Frank Sinatra (left) sits with Gloria Vanderbilt at New York show after she told of separation from Symphony Conductor Leopold Stokowski. (International)

On The Side

By E. V. Durling

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What is the record for spinsters in one family? There were five girls in the Blackwell family of Geneva, N.Y. None ever married. One of these sisters was Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, first woman physician in the United States. Blackwell's Island is named in her honor.

Women of Paris
Andre Maurois, that tireless, conscientious and enthusiastic student of the characteristics of the female sex, has written a book about the women of Paris. In his "Monsieur Maurois" says, "The woman of Paris, feminine though she is, can reason like a man. She has a clearness of mind, decision, an astonishing aptitude for administration and the art of making herself respected. On all serious occasions, the men of Paris, from the member of the government to the cafe proprietor say, 'I shall have to consult my wife.'"

Asking
Queries from clients. Q. Discussing the current film titled "The Country Girl," I claimed there was once a legitimate stage hit of the same title. Right? A. I don't recall such a play. However, there was a stage hit titled "The Country Boy." Willette Kershaw was in it. Also Alexandra Carlisle and Eugene O'Brien. Q. In the "Language of Stamps," what does an upside down stamp mean? A. Seems to be a difference of opinion as to this. Some say it means a kiss, others that it conveys the message "I love you." Q. What is the bust measurement of the Venus of Milo? A. Thirty-seven inches.

Asides
Advance photographs of the film version of the play "The Seven Year Itch" reveal that in one scene Marilyn Monroe features a plunging neckline that takes a terrific plunge. It looks as if it may break the plunging neckline record which I believe is now held by Faye Emerson. What is the speediest and most effective cure for that morning

after feeling known as "a hangover?" Prince Gourielli considers it to be an oxygen machine treatment. In his elegant tony parlor in midtown Manhattan the prince has such treatment available for his patrons.

Among the Married
What's your wife's favorite hair-do? What, you don't know? Doesn't she ever ask you, "Do you like my hair better this way than I had it last time? Or was it more attractive the way I had it last spring?" According to experts on life among the married, if a wife never asks her husband how he likes her hair-do or her hat, he may be justified in suspecting her love for him has grown a little cold. Anyway, I hope your charming matrimonial mate never goes for that hairdo style called an "urchin fringe." I didn't know what it was until I saw a photograph of Jane Russell, the buxom film luminary, featuring a hair-do so described. It makes a woman look as if she is wearing a man's toupee and has put it on backward.

Passing By
Anita Loos. The pocket size brunette who wrote "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" and then followed it up with another book titled "But They Marry Brunettes." Anita is the logical candidate for president of that organization of petite females known as the "Little, But Oh My!" club. She is four feet ten and weighs eighty-seven pounds.

Sidelights
Irish whisky is a "purer" and more "natural" product than Scotch whisky. So claim the Irish. I am neutral on this subject. . . Am asked how to pronounce the surname of Bernard Baruch. Answer is: "Bah-rook". . . The card game known as gin rummy was originated in Beverly Hills. So I note it said. That's wrong. Gin rummy was invented in Brooklyn nearly fifty years ago by Elwood T. Baker.

Pickin' Pears

News and Notes
From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH
The "Old Faithful" domiciliary entertainers were on hand to assist in escorting the old year out at the party arranged in honor of the arrival of the year 1955.

The celebration was synchronized with the New York show by Bud Ash via radio, following two hours of impromptu performance by member musicians and a group of six of the Eve Penrice Accordionists. Frank Glonings set a fast pace for all with the distribution of noise makers, hats and drawing numbers for prizes, and the introduction of musical numbers.

The Camp White trio of Jim Rea at the piano, Guy Vinson, trumpet, and Ray Williams, making his debut as a drummer, started the program. Bill Hurn sang two numbers and a medley of songs, duets and solos were offered by the accordiniana girls Sharon Roberts, Karen Britton, Oveda Walden and Patsy Eckel augmented by Richard Cooper and Lynn Miller.

Doughnuts and coffee concluded the evening of fun.

Chaplain Anderson, Johnson and Eskey have been conferring over the week end with Chaplain Arnold A. Boeding, assistant to the director of the chaplaincy service at central office in Washington. He is making a periodic tour of VA installations, it was announced.

Medical Notes:
Dr. and Mrs. C. K. Todd have returned from their Christmas vacation spent in Portland.

Dr. and Mrs. William E. White are expected back this week from Los Angeles where they visited with their daughter and family in Westwood Village.

Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Schoenberg spent the Christmas holiday with their son, Richard, a graduate student at the American Institute for Foreign Trade at Thunderbird Field, Phoenix,

Ariz. Richard will graduate this semester.

Dr. Verne Wilson has left for Los Angeles to attend a brief course in Los Angeles.

Dr. Samuel D. Earhart will be at the Los Angeles VA center between Jan. 8 and 17, for a course of study in physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Mrs. Margaret Corcoran, secretary to the chief medical officer, was in Portland for the holidays.

Among changes scheduled for the new year is the transfer of the laboratory from the arts and crafts building to the medical building so that it will be more convenient for the medical staff. Plans are being made to establish a receiving ward in the building across from the infirmary.

Grange

Phoenix Grange

At a meeting of Phoenix Grange December 28 a joint installation of officers of Phoenix Bellview and Griffin Creek was held with 88 members present. Roy Bolz acted as installing officer assisted by Jake Arnold, Mabel Quackenbush and Margaret Bolz.

Chairmen of standing committees for the ensuing year appointed by Master Lattie included: Agriculture, Chas. Hockersmith; recreation, Mabel Quackenbush; drama, Ethel Hockersmith; Ways and Means, Olin Poe, tableau, Myrtle Ferns; finance, Florence Drake; publicity, Nona Ferns; relief, Al Schroeder; legislature, Al Floyd; resolution, Dee Hendrickson; music, Maude House; horticulture, Dee Hendrickson; poultry, Al Schroeder; reception, Edith Poe; education, Dollie Lattie; health, accident, Norman Nelson; H.E. Ethel Carr.

Hazel Fish is reported very ill and Ethel Carr, Leonard Lehman and Jessie Eckman are surgery patients.

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