

# Spotlight on Women

## m. m. memos

During the Christmas rush, when a home-installed zipper failed to function properly, I vowed to make a New Year's resolution that henceforth I would follow directions on the package and put 'em in right.

Then I started thinking of a few more resolutions I ought to make.

There's a great assortment of high-minded ones that would be good for my soul, but why tackle the impossible?

Instead, maybe a few to make life easier would be in order.

So I hereby resolve that next year I will:

- Listen more carefully when family members tell me of plans -- so I don't get the "I TOLD you that" treatment.

- Read the directions before opening those intricately cellophane-sealed boxes our packagers dream up -- before I break many more fingernails or gash more thumbs.

Check the supply of apples before I buy more -- so I can quit taking soggy ones out of the bottom of the drawer.

- Glance down occasionally when moving around the house -- in the interest of hearing fewer squawks from the cat.

- Enforce our lights-out-before-you-leave-the-room rule -- so friends who drive by our house don't ALL inquire about our electricity bill.

And then hope that, should I succeed in all these endeavors, life won't get too dull in 1971.

Margaret Miller



ASSEMBLY LINE—Lots of long-wearing garments for the Plymouth State Home are



produced when members of the Kenwood Women's Club got together to sew once a month. In the photo at the left, Mrs. Amelia Anderson of Southfield and Mrs. Eleanor Turk of Redford Township preside at the cutting board. Busy at the sewing machines are Mrs. Ada Wood (above), of Livonia, and, in the photo at the right, Mrs. Pauline Olm, club president,



and Mrs. Marjorie Markland, both of Redford Township. (Observer photos by Bob Woodring)

# Service Comes On Production Line

You might not expect a group of club women to know much about production line methods.

But that system is the one the Kenwood Women's Club has found best for turning out quantities of durable and attractive garments for young residents of the Plymouth State Home and Training School.

Stop on the third Thursday of any month at the Redford Township home of Mrs. Elmer Fiedler, who has been hostess to most of the sewing

sessions that have been going on about four years.

YOU'LL SEE about 20 Kenwood members gathered. A few will be at a large table, cutting dresses or pajamas or playsuits from sturdy seersucker.

Others will be at several whirring sewing machines, running up double-stitched seams.

And then there'll be the hand sewers, securely fastening on buttons and snaps and tapes.

USUALLY on hand too is the lady who organized all this activity, former Kenwood president Mrs. Arthur Wolf of Redford Township.

"We started just before I went out of office about four years ago," she said. "We heard that the youngsters in the Mulloy hall at the Plymouth Home needed clothes that wouldn't go to pieces so quickly."

"So we've sort of adopted the hall."

Since the adoption, several hundred garments have made their way out to the institution.

"I don't sew," explained Mrs. Wolf, "but I get the supplies and deliver the clothes we make. The club gives me a certain amount of money each year, and I really shop around to get the best bargains in material."

"One day I found 200 yards

of seersucker at a fantastically low price, so we've made lots of seersucker pajamas."

THE WOMEN who work every month on the production line are not the only Kenwood members who participate in the service project.

"Some sew at home," Mrs. Wolf said. "People give me finished projects, and several of our women use this to see what they can make for the kids."

At first pajamas that could double as playsuits were the main projects. Then Mrs. Wolf delivered a stack last February and noticed that the closets where little dresses are kept looked pretty bare.

So, at Easter time, the Kenwood Women's Club sent

139 dresses in assorted sizes to fit the 50 to 60 residents of Mulloy Hall.

SINCE THEN several hundred more items have been packed into Mrs. Wolf's car for the trip to Plymouth. The last delivery before Christmas included 66 little hobby-horse heads, fashioned of felt by Dorothy McCuskey, Audrey Smithers and Eleanor Lawrence and placed on candy canes.

The Kenwood stitchers are careful to make every garment especially strong.

"The clothes we make get hard wear," Mrs. Wolf said. "The attendants have told us that they use only the clothes we send for some of the extra-active children."

BESIDES SEWING, the club collects good used clothing in assorted sizes--

sometimes by haunting

rummage sales--and does any refurbishing necessary to make it useful for all ages of residents of the home.

This fall the club got a little closer to its project when Peter Schreiber, public relations representative at the home, addressed the ladies and then a number of them toured the institution.

Meeting the young recipients of the production line sewing was a memorable experience, all agreed.

### Winter Hike

Winter is a good time to take a "self-guided" hike along the nature trails at Stony Creek Metropolitan Park near Utica, Kensington Metropolitan Park near Mill-Rod, Hudson Mills Metropolitan Park near Ann Arbor and Lower Huron Metropolitan Park near Belleville.

## Secretarial Review Course Is Planned

The Detroit Chapter of the National Secretaries Association (International) will again sponsor a secretarial review course beginning Jan. 23.

Held at Detroit College of Business in Dearborn, the course is designed for the working secretary or stenographer interested in keeping abreast of current business methods and practices. It is an excellent means of acquiring

in a short time a better understanding of our fast-changing business world.

The course is also helpful to those who are planning to take the Certified Professional Secretary examination.

SUBJECTS include business English, secretarial accounting, economics and business administration, business writing, business law, and office procedures.

Certificates will be issued upon completion of the course which will be taught by professors from Wayne State University, University of Detroit, Detroit College of Business, and Eastern Michigan University.

The first session will be held Saturday, Jan. 23, from 9:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Sessions will follow on alternate Saturdays through April 17.

TUITION for the entire course is \$25. The deadline for reservations is Jan. 15.

For further information call Alice Richards at TU 4-0271 (after 6 p.m.) or Marcia Ann Finnigan at 371-0288 (after 6 p.m.).

## 4 In Family Wed Over 50 Years

When Robert and Louise Prieskorn, now of Willis, Mich., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Nov. 24, it marked the fourth such occasion among the members of a big family that grew up in western Wayne County.

There were 50th wedding anniversary festivities in the Prieskorn family on Feb. 28, 1964; on June 28, 1967, and on June 29 of this year.

And recently the four couples who have seen golden

years in their marriages got together to have a picture taken. Several of them still live in this area.

JOHN PRIESKORN and his wife, Gottliebe, came to this country from Germany about the turn of the century and settled first in Detroit.

About 60 years ago they moved to the Wayne area. Nine children were born to the couple.

The Robert Prieskorns were married in Wayne and

have three children and six grandchildren. Mrs. Prieskorn is the former Louise Shotka.

OTHER MEMBERS of the family who have celebrated the golden anniversaries are: Louise Prieskorn and Louis Buehler, married in Wayne Feb. 28, 1914. They live in Plymouth and have three daughters and two grandchildren.

Fred Prieskorn and Georgia Smith, married in Wayne

June 28, 1917. Parents of four and grandparents of seven, they live in Westland.

Olga Prieskorn and Henry Golm, married in Wayne June 29, 1920. They recently moved from Westland to Houghton Lake and have four children and 18 grandchildren.

Other members of the family still living include Paul Prieskorn of Plymouth, Ernst Prieskorn of Ann Arbor and Conrad Prieskorn of Westland.



GOLDEN YEARS — More than 200 years of married life in one family are represented in this picture of two brothers and two sisters with their spouses. All four couples have been married more

than 50 years. From left are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Prieskorn, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Prieskorn, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Buehler and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Golm.

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