

Philosopher-Mountaineer Will Turn To Sailing

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Women's Editor

New adventure can be always had around the corner for a man like Woodrow Wilson Sayre. The philosophy professor who led a party of four almost to the summit of mighty Mt. Everest now has a new aim—he'd like to enter a yacht race in a tiny vessel known as a sailfish.

Dr. Sayre mentioned this plan during his appearance at the

Livonia Town Hall last week. He said he probably wouldn't try a repeat of his Himalaya ascent of early 1962 because he figured he's now too old for the all-out physical effort needed.

"BUT I STILL can enjoy new expeditions, and I have several other plans in mind," Dr. Sayre said. "Now in racing to Bermuda in a sailfish, we probably couldn't enter

officially, because they have a minimum boat size rule.

"But if we finished at all, we'd have to win in corrected time. And it would be great fun."

Dr. Sayre gave an exciting report on his near-conquest of Everest, illustrated by the only color movies ever taken on the treacherous north slope, now closed to all climbing by the Chinese Communists.

He said climbing the slope—by the route that British expeditions had attempted—had been a lifelong dream he just couldn't give up.

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But Dr. Sayre, making the final day's climb alone, did manage to get about 25,000 feet up the 29,028 slope before

turning back. Questioned about the descent, he admitted it was pretty difficult because they ran short of food and found the Nepal base camp deserted when they arrived there. They learned later that they had been reported missing because they were 10 days overdue.

ONE TOWN HALL listener asked Dr. Sayre how his wife felt about the whole thing.

"Edith told me later," he said, "that she could have tried to stop me and might have succeeded. But she felt that if she had done so I'd have wondered about the rest of my life. "And she probably is right."



THE VERSATILE DR. SAYRE -- Dr. Woodrow Wilson Sayre is a pianist as well as mountain climber and professor of philosophy, so he tickled the ivories a bit for Mrs. Jerry Joyner at the Livonia Town Hall luncheon. Mrs. Joyner, new president of the Town Hall, introduced the lecturer.

Village Woman's Club Announces New Classes

"Themes and Issues in Contemporary Literature" and "Creative Crafts" are among the varied classes offered in the Village Woman's Club winter class program.

Registration will be Monday, Jan. 22, from 10 a.m. to noon in the organization clubhouse, 190 East Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

SEYMOUR RIKLIN, coordinator of special projects for the University, center for adult education, will teach the literature course beginning at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31.

It will deal with philosophical themes and issues of the last 200 years and relate them to literature.

Professor Riklin has taught philosophy and English in several major Universities in

Michigan, and the center he now heads represents three universities, Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Wayne State.

THE CRAFT COURSE will be directed by Mrs. P.N. Askew, and the emphasis will be work with paper-mache, an old craft now having a popular revival. Mrs. Askew has taught several courses for the club, including flower arranging and other handworks.

Also on the winter class schedule is "History in the Making," a series of lectures and discussions on Africa by various lecturers of Michigan State University, "Bede's Flowers" with Mrs. Robert Boeke-muel, "Advanced Bridge," "International Cuisine," and courses in French, Spanish and dancing.

Members of the Farmington Musicales will entertain their husbands on Jan. 24 in Nardin Park Church.

The meeting, an annual occasion, will begin with a buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. The program will feature Mrs. Margaret Savelly, soprano and musicale president; Mrs. Fern Barber, clarinetist, and Mrs. Florence Kaston, pianist, in Schubert's trio, "Shepherd on the Rock." Program chairman will be Mrs. George Rickey and Mrs. Frank Szymanski will serve as hostess chairman.

An affiliate of the National and Michigan Federations of Music Clubs, the Farmington Musicales invites devotees of good music to call Mrs. Edwin Savelly at 826-0908 for information about the club and its activities.

Musicales To Fete Husbands

The farthest horizons of current art are explored in the Bloomfield Art Association's Exhibition Intermedia, on display at 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, until Feb. 4.

Selected by artists Jeanne Gardner, Lillian Hoppin and Rosemary Allen, the exhibition puts on display works which represent a mixture of two and three dimensional media.

From the stainless steel by Pistoleto, whose work received acclaim in a recent Time magazine article, to the structuralist reliefs of David Barr, the show will include the best works from local artists and galleries in this art medium which falls somewhere between painting and sculpture -- as traditionally accepted.

Mixed Art Media To Be Shown

OCC Course On Women

A six-session short course on "The Total Woman" will be offered by Oakland Community College on consecutive Mondays, Jan. 22-Feb. 26, at Birmingham Seaholm High School.

The sessions will consist of the following:

JAN. 22 -- "Best Foot Forward" with Maxine Sheldon, instructor in charge in the Birmingham area, who will offer tips on the elusive elements of feminine charm, stressing naturalness and poise, grooming and personality development.

JAN. 29 -- "Woman's Relation to Man" by Gary Brown, Merrill-Palmer Institute, is a provocative study of the relationship between men and women from a man's point of view.

FEB. 5 -- "Woman in the Home, Executive Housewife" with Mrs. Marguerite Hague, home economist, and Mrs. Dorothy Thomson, interior decorator, will be a discussion of the many-faceted roles of a

woman in the home and suggestions for imaginative solutions to problems.

FEB. 12 -- "Profitable Use of Leisure" will be discussed by members of the American Association of University Women: Mrs. Mayford Roark, volunteer services; Mrs. Charles Hinton, music; Mrs. Anthony Witt, artist; Mrs. Henry Climo, writer; Mrs. George Mosher, Jr., politics; and Mrs. Peter B. Loomis, church.

FEB. 19 -- "Keeping Up With the Times" by Dr. Owen Morgan, psychologist - Merrill-Palmer Institute, Dr. Morgan, a leading marriage counselor, will analyze the changing values in our society and their impact on women.

FEB. 26 -- "The Revolving Stage" will feature women representative of different life and stage (single, woman, young married, middle life, divorcee and widow) who will, through their own experience, discuss the challenges and resources demanded by each stage.

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