

Crab Racing Among Latest Diversions for Relief of Bridge Playing Monotony

Shell-Armored Haters of Water Make Their Indianapolis Debut as Protégés of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Taylor.

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If you're weary of figuring "possible tricks" and being "dummy," why not devise or buy some new after-dinner game? New York and Chicago society frequently turns its back on bridge for its at-home diversions.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Taylor, 3541 North Meridian street, have been entertaining their friends with one of the latest games, which is intriguing New York pastimes. It is called *Fortuna crab race*.

You can't play it unless you send to New York for a family of sand crabs. The idea is to infuriate the crabs by placing them in water, at the foot of a five-alley track, which is designed uphill. The Puerto Rican crabs are natives of sand; when the barrier is lifted in front of the water troughs, they immediately start in search of sand.

The cone-shaped shells are painted in various colors, so you can choose your favorite according to color. When the barrier is lifted, the crabs start "tearing" up the gangway. Sometimes they become so furious, they simply draw up into their shell and refuse to move; that makes you the loser if you've bet on the bally crab.

Occasionally, Mrs. Taylor says, one will race to the top and start down again before the others decide what they will do. The best sport, of course, is provided when they all start together.

The gallery remarks sound something like this: "Pinky, you aren't going back on me?" "Get along there, green crab." "Hurry up there, you heavy-footed redhead." "Pleadings and coaxings are unavailing." Mrs. Taylor explains, "unless the crabs have the mind to hurry."

It's New 'Shell Game'

The crabs are tricky. The red crab, who won for you last night, will race under false colors tomorrow. Overnight he swaps shells with one of his fellow crabs, and the next day you won't know one from the other.

Mrs. Taylor keeps the crabs in a tin box filled with sand, where they burrow and eat bits of apple. Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Steeg and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hurst frequently join the Taylors in playing the game.

Game which taxes the ingenuity of the hostess is popular in Chicago. It is called "impressions," and the idea is to devise a set of "impressions" so that the guests may guess what the impression is of."

For instance, the hostess might say, "furs—red roses—runs—hoarse." But that is too obvious—a football game, of course. Or again, "yip, yip, horn, dust, red, crash." The answer to that is the Traders Point hunt.

Bac-rac Popular

Bac-rac won popularity last season, and is being revived now that winter calls for indoor recreations. A group played the game the other night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Garstang.

Mrs. Kurt Pantzer describes bac-rac as a combination of poker and "Michigan." An extra hand is dealt as in "Michigan," and the dealer has the privilege of selling it or exchanging his own for it. Players first bid on their hands according to poker rules; after the bidding is completed the players declare their hands without exposing them to the board.

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BETH-EL GROUPS ANNOUNCE PARTY

Members of Beth-El Temple, Sisterhood and Mens' club will sponsor a "Night in PUArts" party in the Indiana ballroom on Thanksgiving night. The ballroom will be decorated as a Parisian night club, and entertainment will include dance music and a floor show.

Captains in charge of arrangements are: Mrs. Ben Shalansky, Mrs. Arthur C. Rose, Mrs. Philip Greifwald, Mrs. William F. Sobe and Misses, Phil Greenwald, Norton Fishbein, Jerome Wachter, Julius Withoff, Herman Chaifne, Archie Landy, Jack Klappner and David Herman.

CHEER GUILD TO HOLD SILVER TEA

Riley Hospital Cheer Guild will entertain with a silver tea at 2:30 Monday at the home of Miss Alice Vesley, 1421 North Delaware street. Mrs. Hugh H. Hanna will give a book review.

Mrs. Carl R. Semans, president, and past presidents will preside at the tea table.

Y. W. C. A. WILL HOLD OPEN HOUSE

One-act play, musical program and talks will feature the November open house to be held at the Y. W. C. A. Friday night. The program will be presented by Senora Lux Castillo. Albert Stump will talk on current events and Dr. Frances Brown will talk on health. Games will be played from 9:30 to 10 with music by the Hoosier Melody Pirates.

CLUB MEMBERS TO HEAR REVIEW

Mrs. Margaret Combs will talk on "International House" at the meeting of the Inter-Arts Club at the home of Miss Ethel Malloch, 4022 Rockelle street, Monday night.

Other speakers will include Miss Miriam King, who will review "The Contemporary and His Soul," and Miss Barbara King, who will discuss social case work.

Mrs. Cummins Entertains With Party for Miss Quinn

Shower gifts for Miss Mary Margaret Quinn, bride-elect, were concealed in the folds of a dress worn by a miniature bride in the decorations at a luncheon bridge party given today by Mrs. L. G. Cummins, 4165 Washington boulevard. Miss Quinn's marriage to John B. Griffin will take place at SS. Peter and Paul cathedral Thanksgiving day.

Covers were laid for guests at small tables, centered with silver candle holders with blue tapers, encircled with frills of rust colored cellophane. Other appointments were in blue and rust, bridal colors.

The hostess was assisted by her

Two November Brides; Party and Art Show Leaders

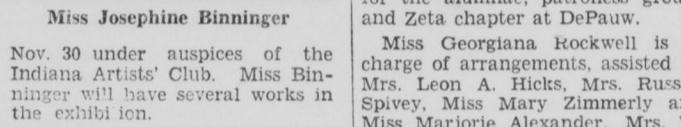


Mrs. Clarence W. Deitsch

Miss Vera Snodgrass



Mrs. Carl H. Ernsting



Miss Josephine Binninger

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Miss Krull Becomes Bride of R. W. Behrman at Church

In a setting of greenery, lighted with cathedral candles, a charming wedding ceremony was read last night at the First Congregational church by the Rev. Ellis W. Hay.

Miss Mary Jane Krull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Grady, Newcastle, Mr. and Mrs. Ernsting will live at 1142 North Pennsylvania street.

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Miss Jeanne Smith wore gowns of golden poppy shade and Miss Harriet McGaughay and Miss Marian Power wore honeysuckle.

Virginia Spiegel and Susan Murray, flower girls, wore yellow taffeta dresses fashioned like the maid of honor's, and they carried baskets of rose petals.

Mrs. Krull was gowned in American Beauty crepe with silver trim; Mrs. Behrman appeared in a black crepe dress with bugle bead trim.

Richard Behrman was his brother's best man. Ushers included Fred Kithian, Harry Sorenson, Paul Woody and Glenn Ward Lee.

Richard Behrman, Indianapoli

s, Mansur B. Oakes, chairman, and Mesdames Reta Morgan, Frank Wooling and William Krieg.

The program will include a talk by Miss Marie Clymer of the Mary Gavins School of Rhythm, with dance illustrations. Her accompanist will be Mrs. E. R. Schoenmaker. The Kappa quartet, composed of Misses Betty Humphries, Lois Gerds, Betty Kalleen and Jean Boyd, will sing. Tea will follow.

The Alumnae will entertain 176 children at the Marion County Children's Guardian's home on Dec. 16, with Mrs. L. H. Millikan as chairman.

Charitable activities of the sorority include contributions to the Needwork Guild, Red Cross, Central High School lunch funds and the national sorority projects, including student aid, the Rose McGill and 16th.

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