

THEATERS

KUNSKY-BIRMINGHAM
Friday and Saturday
Manager Krueger of the Kunsy-Birmingham announces the coming tomorrow of the latest Warner Bros. Vitaphone picture, "The Little Wildcat." The story is that of a fiery southern juvener, his Civil War pal, his two incorrigible granddaughters, and their astonishing lovers. Aviation plays an exciting part—an airplane being the wedding coach at the whirlwind finish. The all-star cast includes Audrey Ferris and James Murray.

Sunday - Monday - Tuesday
"The Singing Fool" acclaimed the greatest Al Jolson vehicle which the world famous entertainer has had in his spectacular career, commencing a three day engagement at the Kunsy Birmingham at the Sunday Matinee. "The Singing Fool" is the part of a writer in a Broadway cabaret—a song writer who

helps the woman he loves to a place as a revue star and marries her only to be left with a small son, when the faithless woman deserts him for a rich man. "The Singing Fool" is a heart story providing many opportunities for Jolson to display his genius for moving us all to tears or laughter. Betty Bronson and Davey Lee are with him in this picture, which is Al Jolson at his glorious best. It is all talking and singing.

Wednesday and Thursday
Portraying a character that is not unknown to the American audience, Emil Jennings scores a triumph in "Sins of the Fathers." As a German-American, Jennings is ideally cast for the part he portrays. He made this statement when the crank of the camera turned for the last time on "Sins of the Fathers": "I think the American audiences will like me in this better than any picture they have seen me in."

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With its mingled fun and heart throbs and its brilliant cast, "The Royal Family" will continue at the Cass Theatre this week. The comedy of actor aristocrats has come as a worthy climax to the waning season and will probably reap the richest box office harvest of any dramatic attraction that Detroit has seen since "Broadway." The organization is headed by Halide Wright, Otto Kruger, Ann Andrews, Jefferson De Angelis and Marjorie Wood.
Produced by Jed Harris, "The Royal Family" is as thoroughly modern as "Broadway" and "The Front Page," which have familiar-

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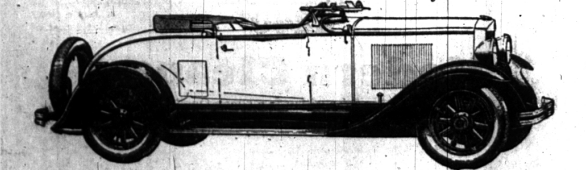
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Detroit theatergoers with the Harris label, but it bears no similarity either in character and dignity it is to be compared with other Harris hit, "Coquette," in which Helen Hayes appeared at the Cass recently. Taking their subjects a family of successful American actors, George S. Kaufman and M. P. Shubert have sketched in gay colors a cross-section of home life on Park avenue, New York where ambition and temperament reign as gods of the household.
Ruling the family of mad Cavendishes with her sharp tongue and indomitable will, is Fanny Cavendish, a veteran actress whose name has attracted packed houses in one-night stands from Maine to California. Her children, Tony and Julie, have been crowned by audiences of the present. Tony as a "great lover" of the screen and Julie as a leading woman who seldom leaves Broadway. A daughter of the latter, just budding into leading ingenue roles represents the family's third generation and her marriage to a wealthy young society man makes Fanny Cavendish a great grandmother before the final curtain. It is said that the authors found their inspiration in the Barrymore family and while they have never answered leading ingenue roles represent Tony Cavendish to John Barrymore is unmistakable. This role is splendidly played by Mr. Kruger.

CIVIC
"Skidding" is a thoroughly human and highly amusing comedy of family life by Aurania Civioli, comes to the Detroit Civic Theatre Monday night, May 13, for its first appearance in Detroit. This play has had a run in New York, where it was produced in May, 1928, at the Bijou Theatre, of all summer.
"Skidding" is the sort of story that is enacted every week in some American home, with all the home from college and political ambitions; her young fiancé, who is looking for a wife, not a leg-lazy; her father and mother, who have been together a year; Andy, the kid brother, with his first sweetheart and a brand new motor; and the rest of the family with their various troubles and joys. Love and politics being the chief interests of the play, there is excitement and a bit of youthful liveliness that shows the young American boy and girl still find romance around the corner if they turn the right way.
During the second week, Monday, May 20, and Tuesday matinee and night, May 21, there will be three special performances of Ibsen's "A Doll's House," with Miriam Sears, who was so successful in "The Master Builder," in the leading role. This is the story of the awakening of a modern woman, and is one of Ibsen's most modern dramas, as well as one of his best-known plays.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Birmingham, Michigan
April 8, 1929.
The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held in the office at 8 p. m.
Present: R. J. Coryell, Ray A. Palmer and Fred V. Quorton.
The minutes of the last meeting since the last regular year approved.
Moved by Palmer, supported by Quorton, that the request of the Detroit and Security Trust Company to change "Co-executors" to "Co-trustees" in the Edward G. Wasey estate resolution passed January 7, 1929, be granted. Such change be made in the minutes of the meeting of that date.
Carried.
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Carried.

LAFAYETTE
For a score of years Thurston, who opens his third and final week at the Shubert-Lafayette Theatre, Detroit, Sunday afternoon, May 12, has been mystifying and entertaining children of all ages—from 4 to 94. In this time thousands of rabbits have been drawn out of hats, and thousands of geese

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The following contracts were authorized:
Sarah Bobo, Adams, Art, \$1.75.
Dorothy Allen, Baldwin, Junior High English, \$1,000.
Marian Smith, Barnum, Grade 1A-2B, \$1,250.
Arthur R. Stratton, Baldwin, History, \$2,000.
Jane Hendry, Adams, Grade 3B-3A, \$1,300.
Moved and seconded that the bills be allowed.
Carried.
City of Royal Oak, taxes and improvement, \$56.46; Detroit & Security Trust Co., coupons, \$3,881.25; Ruth Moody, supply coupons, \$5.00; First National Bank, coupons, \$616.25; L. M. Randall, Petty Cash, \$11.65; Mills Magazine, library fund, \$18.08; Wheeler Publishing Co., supplies, \$2.50; Doubleday, Dyan & Co., text books, \$49.64; The Hays Co., printing, laboratory supplies, \$64.35; First National Bank, pay roll, \$1,861.75; Maroon & White, printing dept., \$4.00; Wagnwood & Co., library, \$5.90; D. M. Perry & Co., taxes and improvement, \$40.00; Bruce Publishing Co., supplies, \$21.24; West Disinfecting Co., miscellaneous, \$13.86; Garden City Education, library supplies, \$1.75; BIRD Electrical Co., physical training, \$13.48; Barnhart Brothers & Spence, printing, \$8.00; United Saw Tool Co., manual training, \$2.31; Melvin C. Hart, basketball party, \$18.31; Martin C. Hart, school, \$145.00; Michigan Bell Telephone Co., \$76.81; D. B. Wilkinson, building repair, \$10.29; Clarence F. Hart, petty cash, \$35.83; B'hann Eccentric, printing, \$69.30; Troquois Publishing Co., books, \$5.28; National Regulator Co., building repair, \$32.31; School Executives Magazine, library, \$3.90; Charles A. Strelinger Co., night school, \$28.51; Robert E. Allen & Co., insurance, \$106.88; The George L. Williams Co., janitor supplies, \$49.13; Grinnell Brothers, supplies, \$39.00; G. F. Johnson, Washington trip, \$287.61; Rand McNally & Co., library supplies, \$1.90; Harry Levy, physical training, \$5.40; Webster Publishing Co., supplies, \$2.85; Birmingham Transfer Co., \$36.65; H. Earle Corvett, debate expenses, \$5.50; First National Bank, pay roll, \$9,511.00; Hallock Grocery, domestic science, \$27.65; Birmingham Supply Co., Quorton school, \$7.25; McMillan Book Co., supplies, \$8.12; Educational Music Bureau, band instruments, \$21.92; I. Bailey, automobiles, \$2.30; Palace Model Laundry Co., \$20.33; C. H. Hanson Co., supplies, \$7.19; Birmingham Hardware Co., supplies, \$15.05; F. J. Mulholland Co., supplies, \$4.63; E. W. Osborne, automobiles, \$4.98; Alconia Panel Co., manual training, \$2.69; Hawthorne Electrical Co., furniture, \$292.39; Detroit Drapery Shops, Quorton bldg., \$375.23; Love & Campbell, physical training, \$14.67; Consumers Power Co., gas, \$31.81; Birmingham Waldbaer Co., supplies, \$5.08; Lawson-Krb Lumber Co., supplies, \$12.74; Carl Fischer, Inc., band instruments, \$14.98; Scott, Foresman & Co., text books, \$9.45; McClellan & Sons, supplies, \$6.00; McBride Hardware Co., boiler repair, \$8.70; Royal Oak-Birmingham Express, \$2.81; Hallock Grocery, domestic science, \$24.85.
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Michigan's blossom queen, Miss Lillian Shepherd, of Battle Creek, has invited Governor Fred Green to attend the annual Blossom Festival at Benton Harbor the week of May 5. Miss Shepherd is shown here snapped with the capitol in front of the state capitol at Lansing.
and ducks have been discovered in retirement. Many have wondered at the mysterious appearance of white dogs and guinea pigs and at the vanishment of white horses, ponies, lions, and various other animals.
This year Thurston announces new illusions and sleight of hand tricks. The most startling of the new effects are "The Million Dollar Mystery," "Jack and the Mystery of the Whippit."
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Mr. Randall reported bids had been received for cement tennis courts at a cost of \$1500 each complete, with fence and drainage. Laid on table for consideration at the next meeting.
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The WORLD and All
By CHARLES B. DRISCOLL

COMEDY IN TRAGEDY
In the school history of the United States of our times, years before I was old enough for the history class, I used to admire the lurid battle scenes. Some of those pictures, which I am sure were not at all true to life, have stuck in my memory, and have furnished pinpoints which have served me well in remembering interesting episodes of American history.
There was one of the capture of Tecumseh by Colonel Ethan Allen on May 10, 1779. As I remember it, everyone was in full dress uniform, and Allen was swinging a long sword majestically before the chagrined Captain De La Place, and demanding surrender of the fort "in the name of the Great Jehovah and the Continental Congress."
That was an inspiring picture. However, I get much amusement out of an explanation of the incident that I find in "One Thousand Sayings of History," a valuable reference book by Walter Fogg, published by the Beacon Press, of Boston.
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