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SCHOOLS GIVE FINE PINAFORE

Capacity Audiences Applaud Cranbrook Singers in Gilbert-Sullivan Play

By ALLEN TENNY

Two thoroughly pleasing performances of "H. M. S. Pinafore" were accorded capacity audiences which laughed and listened in Cranbrook School Auditorium Friday and Saturday evenings to the production of this Gilbert and Sullivan favorite as presented by the combined musical clubs of Kingswood and Cranbrook Schools.

The term "thoroughly pleasing," indeed, an understatement, because it does not imply the full truth, either as to the quality of the performance or the quantity of enjoyment it imparted to its listeners.

Saturday night's audience, as usual, referred to the play as the final curtain until it had demonstrated its pleasure with a resounding ovation, and until the principals had been literally showered with floral tributes from the audience.

The play, which is a comedy, is a satirical sketch of the naval service in the days of the late Queen Victoria. It is a play of the type which is so popular with the young people of today.

The plot of "Pinafore" is typically that, and probably already known to most Birminghamites. It concerns the affection of Ralph Rackstraw, an able but common sailor, for Josephine, the daughter of the captain of the ship. The captain, of course, opposes any match between Josephine and an ordinary sailor, and the dutiful daughter agrees at first to marry the son of the captain. But when she learns of her father's desire to marry her off to the son of the captain, she is so angry that she decides to marry the sailor. The captain, of course, is so angry that he decides to marry her off to the son of the captain.

There is considerable fun and some merry satire on the British admiralty and artificial social propriety in the play. The play is a very serious, dramatic, and touching story. It is a play of the type which is so popular with the young people of today.

Everything was so splendid by that point on with Ralph free to take his Josephine, the captain, now a common sailor, pairing off with Ralph Rackstraw, and Sir Josephine being content with her first choice.

As Josephine, Miss Helen Hosp, of Kingswood School, gave a performance that would have won a credit to any stage. In addition to a voice of unusually fine texture and clarity, she has a strong, confident, and carried the role for all it was worth.

Laurence P. Smith, Bloomfield High resident enlisted to take the role of Ralph Rackstraw, also did a first-rate job. His voice, not heavy, is extraordinarily sweet, and his solos and duets with Josephine were among the most noticeable features of the performance.

Vernon B. Kellett was Captain Corcoran, and undoubtedly took first honors as a player, extracting every possible comic effect from his role, besides displaying an entirely competent singing voice. Double merrie go to Miss Hosp and Mr. Kellett, for they were responsible for the skillful execution with which the operetta was favored, as well as singing two of the principal roles.

D. Webster McKinley was a properly absurd Sir Joseph, and Evelyn Stonehouse, who played the role of the captain's daughter, was a most successful impersonation of the part. The other members of the cast—R. E. Olds, Anderson, the jester, and a demoniacal Dick Deadeye, John Gilray as the boatswain, Robert Hart as the lieutenant's mate, and Peggy Lighter as the very attractive Helene—likewise demonstrated they were adequate and well trained for jobs in the performance. They all appeared to take as much delight as they gave their audience across the footlights.

Both principals and chorus showed a fine regard for the clever Gilbert lyrics, which for the most part were well elucidated and easily understandable even to a far corner of the auditorium. Mention should also be made of the delightful costumes which adorned the members of the glee-chorus, composed of Sir Joseph's dozens of sisters, cousins, and aunts, and of the orchestra which provided sympathetic accompaniment under the direction of Robert E. Carson.

All around it was a fine performance which it is difficult to imagine could have been improved upon.

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Alumni Service For U. of M. Graduates To Be Described

Historian Shaw Will Outline Plans For 'Continuing Education'

Since the plans for alumni service and "continuing education" which the University of Michigan is establishing for its graduates, will be described by Wilfred B. Shaw, director of Alumni Affairs, when he addresses Birmingham Alumni and Guests Monday evening at the Community House.

In October, 1929, Mr. Shaw left the post of general secretary of the University Alumni Association, which he had held since his graduation in 1901, to become the first official appointed by the institution to lead exclusively with service to the great body of Michigan graduates. Mr. Shaw has been in the University since 1901, and has been in charge of the alumni affairs of the University since 1901.

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PARENTS WARNED AGAINST MEASLES

Dr. Kemp Predicts High Incidence Of Disease Here Within Two Months

A warning to Birmingham parents to be prepared for an increase in measles within the next two months was sounded yesterday by Dr. William Kemp, city health officer.

"Although the situation in Birmingham is good at the present time," Dr. Kemp said, "there are an unusually large number of cases of measles in Detroit, as well as in portions of Oakland County outside Birmingham. There are already five cases in the next six weeks, or two months. Parents should be on the alert for the disease."

Dr. Kemp warned parents not to minimize the importance of measles. "The disease is not a simple cold," he said, "but a serious disease which every child should be vaccinated against. It is a very serious disease, and it is a disease which every child should be vaccinated against."

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Masons Plan Dinner, Program And Dance

State Police Traffic Safety Head To Address Banquet At Community House

A banquet, entertainment program and dinner were planned by the Birmingham Lodge No. 11, F. and A. M., to be held in the Community House Friday evening.

The banquet, to be served at 6:30 P. M., will be followed by a program at which the speaker will be Sergeant Wright G. Needham, in charge of the traffic safety department of the Michigan State Police. The program will be given by the members of the lodge, and will include a dance.

The banquet will be held in the Community House, 1111 1/2 First street, and will be open to all members of the lodge and their guests.

Auxiliary To Help Needy Youngsters Prepare For Play

If Johnny needs a baseball glove this spring to insure his chances of making the team, and his parents can't afford to buy him one, he still won't have to give up hope.

For the community service auxiliary of the American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring a movement designed to help just such folks as Johnny out of their predicament.

The committee, through its chairman, Mrs. Harold H. Carson, is setting out to make a collection of used and abandoned athletic equipment—baseballs, gloves, bats, protectors, golf sticks, bags, and in fact that a boy or girl needs for spring and summer sport—to be redistributed among the needy children of Birmingham.

Officials of the public schools and of Holy Name Parochial School have agreed to cooperate in the movement, Mrs. Carson said. The articles will be received by the principals of the various schools and transferred to a central location for distribution. Teachers will assist the committee in the selection of needy and deserving children to receive the donations.

Since the repair work is contemplated in the project, only articles still in usable condition will be collected, Mrs. Carson said.

"We believe there are a number of homes in Birmingham in which living castoff equipment that could be used and enjoyed by the children of indigent families," she explained. "This equipment is absolutely necessary to the child for his protection as well as his pleasure, and the committee feels it can be of valuable service to the community in arranging for the redistribution."

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Lawrence Hulbert, city commissioner, said that a course in literature would be of a lot of value to public school students today.

Royalty Film-Bound

Prince Sigvard of Sweden, grandson of King Gustav, is shown above with his bride, the former Erica Patzon, German beauty, they headed for Hollywood after their hopes in this country. A noted film director, already Prince Sigvard hopes to enter movie work here.

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