

FESTIVAL AT ANN ARBOR USHERS IN "M" CELEBRATION

Brilliant opera stars and soloists will appear May 12-15. The Philadelphia Orchestra of one hundred players under two pianissimo conductors, Eugene Ormandy and Jose Turis, will participate in all six concerts...

der Juva Higbee, will participate in selections at the Friday afternoon concert, including Wagner's "Spring Rapture". The general schedule of participants is as follows: Wednesday Evening, May 12: Kristin Flagstad, soloist. The Philadelphia Orchestra, Eugene Ormandy, conductor.

PLAYLETS TO AID ADAMS MILK FUND

Benefit Comedy, Operetta Will Be Staged at School Friday. Rehearsals are under way for the special entertainment to be staged at Adams School Friday evening, April 30, for the benefit of the Milk Fund.

Birmingham before today

By Missie Hunt Salter. The Lyman Peabody home stood at the south west corner of Willis and Chester streets. It formerly belonged to A. E. Hastings. Mr. Peabody was a brother of James Peabody, Mrs. Peabody was a sister of Wilson Foster...



Mrs. Salter

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attractive and knowing this to be a fact the class of '94 set aside a certain amount of money with which to purchase a picture to be hung on a wall of the "high room". For several years this custom was continued. The class of '96 whose membership numbered eight, (four girls and four boys) and of which I was the only resident pupil, left a bust of Venus and one of Apollo instead of a picture.

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DAVIDSON'S 129 S. WOODWARD—IN THE HEART OF BIRMINGHAM

Baptist Minister, Wife Return From Trip To Southwest

Dr. A. F. Johnson, local Baptist minister, accompanied by his wife, returned to Birmingham early this week following a visit to Mrs. Johnson's mother in San Augustine, Texas. Rev. and Mrs. Johnson, away three weeks, covered some 4000 miles on their trip.

The children are Mrs. Hattie Perry, of Los Angeles, California, mother of the late Mrs. Grace McBride Jenks; J. Bert Ford, son of E. Maple, father of Ford, Cora and Clyde, and husband of Mrs. Alta Ford Peabody; Mrs. Blanche Peabody Hanna, widow of the late John Hanna and mother of Foster, Mark, Ted and Donald; Florence Peabody Evans, widow of the late Elmer Evans and mother of Elma Evans, had a son who died a number of years ago. I have previously written about the white owl which was shot by Mr. Peabody while it was wrecked on the weather vane of the M. E. church. Bert tells me that he and Ben Converse stood beside Mr. Peabody and witnessed the shooting and that it is now in his possession and that it stands on a desk in the den.

There were very few houses facing on Chester street in earlier days. In fact there were but three. Some time after the death of Jas. R. Corson, Jr., in Portland, Oregon in the late 90's, Mrs. Helen Corson and her son Harold built a house on the lot south of the Goodwin home. The house which stood on the north east corner of Martin and Chester at the rear of the Episcopal Church was formerly the residence of the late Mrs. E. F. Waldo. The first occupant of this house, whom I recall, were Mr. and Mrs. Fredericks and their daughter Frances and son Charles. Mrs. Sturman and her daughter Cora (Mrs. Robert J. Allison) also lived in this house. The late Robert J. Allison was a government employee for sixteen years. He came to Birmingham in 1895 and died at Clawson, Oct. 16, 1936. The Allison children are Kenneth H. of Troy, E. Clark of Westland, V. and Robert J. Jr. all of Clawson, Mich. From 1894 to about 1902 the Ester property was the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Waldo and their three children, Lulu, Harold and Lucile. Mrs. Waldo's mother made her home with them. Mr. Waldo had a brother Fred who was often a guest at the Waldo home.

The Hill school was then the High School and Mr. Waldo was the superintendent. He and his wife and mother were earnest workers in the Methodist church. Mrs. Waldo, Sr. and Mrs. E. F. Waldo were active members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and sincere admirers of Miss Francis Willard. Both Mr. and Mrs. Waldo were members of the Episcopal League and both served as Presidents of the League. Mr. Waldo was the prime factor in the enlarging of the old Hill school. Later he accepted the position of superintendent of Ovid High School, where he remained a number of years. He suffered from asthma and decided to try a different climate and he and his family moved to Auburn, Calif., where he is still teaching and, as always, he enjoying his work among the young folks.

His son Harold is a successful writer and has been termed one of Michigan's famous sons. He is author of "Stash of the Marsh County" which is dedicated to his friend Rupert Hughes. This book was copyrighted by the George H. Doran Co. in 1921. His second book is "The Magic Midland" and was copyrighted in 1923 by the same company. This book is dedicated to Howard G. Carter, one of Harold's old pals. Lulu and Lucile are both married and about a year ago Lulu and her husband made a trip through Canada and Eastern United States and took movie pictures of the interesting places. And on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo entertained the family group and the pictures were shown at that time and greatly enjoyed.

IMPOSSIBLE. Judge: "What possible excuse could you have for acquitting the prisoner?" Foreman: "Insanity, sir." Judge: "What, all twelve of you?"

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