

## Cranbrook Drama, 'Petrified Forest,' Ready for Curtain

Cranbrook School's dramatic club, known as Ergastorium, will present its eleventh annual show in the school auditorium on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9, at 8 p. m. This year's production is Robert Sherwood's "The Petrified Forest."

The part of Alan Squier, the fatalistic hero, will be played by Ergastorium's president, Frank Rowland of Toledo. Rowland is a senior, and in the past he has played important roles in "Room Service," "Great Expectations," "Washington Jitters" and other plays. Miss Pat Lewis, a student at Kingswood School Cranbrook will play opposite Rowland in the part of Gabby.

"The Petrified Forest" is a swift moving play which involves the meeting of a world-wanderer with a pert little barbeque queen at Black Mesa filling station in the American Southwest. To this station also come Duke Mantee and his desperadoes, who have just escaped from prison. Alan Squier, the wanderer, in order to fulfill the ambitions and dreams of the girl, signs over her insurance to her, and he then induces Mantee to shoot him. The play ends in an exciting gun battle.

### Miss Anderson

Marian Anderson, famed Negro contralto, who has been called "the greatest living singer," by no less an authority than Arturo Toscanini, will be presented as guest artist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at 8:30 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 14, and at 2:30 p. m. Friday, Dec. 15, in Masonic Temple. The concert, made up of the same program, will mark the debut of the rightfully famous vocalist with the orchestra.

Victor Kolar will conduct the concert, and in addition to directing the accompaniment to Miss Anderson's five selections, the aria, "O Don Pate!," "O, Fatal Night," from Verdi's Opera, "Don Carlos," two Brahms songs, "Immer leiser wird mein Schimmer," "Ever Lighter Grows My Slumber" and "Von ewiger Liebe," (Love Eternal); and two spirituals, "Sometimes I feel like a Motherless Child" and "Honor, Honor," will lead the symphony in five varied and interesting orchestral works. Among the five works will be a performance in Detroit of the currently popular "Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree," a series of variations and fugues on an old English tune by Janine Weinberger, of "Schwanda's" fame. The other numbers will be the Classical Symphony, Op. 25, of Serge

In charge of costumes—Robert Currie, Midland; in charge of lighting—Larry Neumann, Birmingham; in charge of stage sets—Courtney Burlingame, St. Louis, Mo.; Walker Gehrk, Pleasant Ridge; Merrill Hunter, Pt. Huron; Mary McNeal, Detroit and Charles McNeal, Lansing. Business Manager—Charles Brethen, Wyandotte; Publicity Manager—David Sencer, Grand Rapids.

## Mistake Over Turn Causes Auto Crash

The automobile of Wesley H. Carson, 22, Detroit, and Leon Greenlee, 19 years old, of Rochester, collided Sunday afternoon at Lincoln avenue and Adams. Greenlee told police that when he saw Carson pulling to the right side of Adams, he thought the car was going to make a right turn. Instead, it turned left, it was reported, and the collision resulted.

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## Exchange Hears Baldwin Choir

The A Capella Choir of Baldwin High School made its second outside appearance of the year, Tuesday afternoon when it sang before the Exchange Club at the Community House.

The singing was divided into three groups. The first included, "The Children's Prayer," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," "Song of Love," and "Bluebirds."

The second group was made up of three college songs sung by the same 11 boys who sang these songs in the Swing Minstrel. The boys sang "Hail to the Victors" and "Ohio."

The concluding numbers were three Christmas songs sung by the entire choir. These numbers were "Oh, Joyous Christmas Song," "Shepherds in the Hush of Night," and "Lo, What a Branch of Beauty."

The 41 members of the choir who participated in the singing were Richard Andrade, Jean Atkinson, Bob Bell, Alex Bronson, June Burnette, Margaret Carnahan, Richard Darval, Herbert Flemington, Jo Anne Ford, Gloria Gruber, Gene Hadjisky, Loretta Hall, Virginia Hammes, Beverly Hayward, Harold Holden, Marion Hoover, Barbara Houghton, Betty Jensen, James Juhl, Winifred Keogh, Theodore Marcotte, Margaret McBride, Marvel McGirr, Constance Midebrandt, Elizabeth Moore, Bettie Moran, Winifred Mutch, Virginia Nicholson, Joe Parkyn, Robert Peck, Ed Platt, Betty Price, Bernice Richardson, Jack Ripke, Elaine Seelye, Harry Sevin, Barbara Underwood and Dick Williams.

Victor F. Ulrich is the director; Leah Davidson, accompanist. Next Tuesday, the Exchange Club will hold its election of officers, and on next Tuesday evening, a party at the home of the retiring president, Dr. J. J. Reilly, Jr.

A delegation was present from the Farmington Club and it invited Birmingham Exchanges to attend a joint meeting on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 13. There will be a talk by Rep. George L. Dondero, followed by a social meeting.

Prokofiev: Debussy's Nocturnes, Nagues and Fetes; "The Swan of Tuonela," by Jean Sibelius, from one of the Kalevala legends; and Coleridge - Taylor's Rhapsodic Dance, "Bamboula."

## More Santa Letters

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I want a bicycle. TOMMY THIRDS.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I want a big folding buggy. GERALDINE HOUSE.

DEAR SANTA, I want a doll buggy. May I have some more and a powder puff. Thank you, PEGGY ANN REED.

DEAR SANTA, I want a doll buggy. Thank you very much. With love, MARY RICHARDS.

DEAR SANTA, I want a wind-up train and an Indian suit. Thank you very much. NEIL EGE.

DEAR SANTA, I want a Santa Henie doll and a typewriter. Thank you, ELLEN-ANN ADAMS.

DEAR SANTA, I would like a Snow White doll and two doll clothes. Thank you very much. JOANNA TAIT.

DEAR SANTA, I want an electric train and a pony. I would like a reward. Thank you, JIMMIE MORRISON.

DEAR SANTA, I want a big rubber baby doll. I want a blue snowsuit. Thank you very much. With love, JOANNA KENNY.

DEAR SANTA, I want two soldiers and a David Rados. Thank you very much. DAVID RADOS.

DEAR SANTA, I want a ditty-doll. May I have some more and a powder puff. Thank you, ANN NEWPORT.

DEAR SANTA, I want a tool box and a screwdriver. Thank you. BRANDT KERHOE.

DEAR SANTA, I want a Santa Henie doll. I would like two dresses, a pink one and a blue one. Thank you Mrs. COROLLE HALL.

DEAR SANTA, I want an electric train. Please. Thank you, JIMMIE CRAIG.

DEAR SANTA, I want a ditty-doll. I would like a desk and a typewriter. Thank you ANN REPFER.

DEAR SANTA, I want a snow suit for my sister and a typewriter. Thank you. Please don't forget the poor children. MORRIS HALL.

DEAR SANTA, I want a Santa Henie doll. Thank you with love ROBIN RIN-REW.

DEAR SANTA, I want a doll buggy. I would like a car and two dresses. Thank you. LOIS WILLIAMS.

DEAR SANTA, I want a ditty-doll. I would like a desk and a typewriter. Thank you MARY LOU GREGORY.

DEAR SANTA, I want a ditty-doll. I want a little red and blue. Thank you with love CAROLYN SYNDER.

DEAR SANTA, I want a Princess Elizabeth doll and a bicycle. Thank you BARBARA HOELLTEL.

DEAR SANTA, I want an electric train. May I have a big truck. THANK YOU. PETER BOLL.

DEAR SANTA, I want a new book some dishes and a high chair. Thank you. Thank you. JOE FROULE.

DEAR SANTA, I want a bicycle and a big teddy bear. Thank you ROBERT LEROUX.

DEAR SANTA, I want an electric train. May I have a tool chest. Thank you PETER WENTWORTH.

DEAR SANTA, I want a bicycle. Thank you very much KENNETH DEAN.

DEAR SANTA, I want a big rubber baby doll and a bathskin. Thank you GAIL DEVERE.

DEAR SANTA, I want a princess Elizabeth doll and a doll buggy. Thank you MARYA MORGAN.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I wish you would bring me some high tops JAMES HICKS.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I wish you would bring me a typewriter and a desk. I want to be a doctor. Thank you BOBBY MILLER.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I wish you would bring me a wagon. From EDDIE LEROUX.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Please give me a electric train and a typewriter and a sled. From BILLY LITTLE.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Will you give me a two wheeler bike. Please give me a wagon. I wish I could have a mounted policeman electric train JIMMY BLAKLEY.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Please give me an electric set. Please give me some skates. 6 years old. From BILLY LOEWEN.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Please give me a typewriter. Please give me a typewriter. Please give me a typewriter. Thank you From KARI THURMAN.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, May I have an electric train and ice skates? From JOSEPH MORGAN.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, Please bring me an electric train. That is all. Thank you. Good bye. From GAIL BOWE.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS, I would like a big doll, a desk, a typewriter, some daily clothes. From GAIL BOWE. Thank you How old, 6 years old.

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