

Kingswood Presents Annual Junior Play, 'Cradle Song,' Friday

Fifteen girls at Kingswood School are busy this week with final rehearsals for "Cradle Song," which is to be given Friday evening at 8:15 in the auditorium of the school as the annual junior class play.

Assisting the girls are three boys from Cranbrook School who will portray the male characters in

this play, which was received so enthusiastically when first presented by Eva LaGalliene's Repertory Theatre several seasons ago. Included in the cast are Madeleine Pease, Barbara Finsterwald, Maxine Appel, Ada Ward, Martha Fell, Jean McCombs, Roberta Cole, Pat Johnson, Jean Alice Potter, Maria Kralj, Peggy and Madeline McNam, Mary Maynard, Conco John, Muriel Wilson, Don Fine, Merrill Hunter and Leo Geraman.

The play is being directed by Mrs. M. W. Cochran, instructor at the school.

First Test Well Fails to Produce

A nearly "dry hole" was the result of the first test shaft sunk 170 feet last week on the West Lincoln avenue site, where the City is seeking a new source of supply to replace an older well which has failed.

It is planned to have the new well in operation before the heavy summer peak demand. Last year, Manager Donald C. Egbert told the Commission Monday, all the wells could not supply the demand at times, and the level in the tank was lowered.

Missed the Vein
The first test well sunk last week missed the vein, Egbert reported. A new test shaft, was started immediately 65 feet west of the abandoned site and is now about 70 feet down. Hardpan exists at 170 feet.

Egbert said that the contractor, the Ohio Drilling Company, is perturbed about the prospects. The company may quit the job if it chooses but gets no money until the well delivers as stipulated, he said. (The Commission voted to engage the company to sink two test wells on the 65-acre tract needed for the sewage treatment plant, and also a test well at the corner of Redding and Lakeview, where the "Ward" well once existed.

\$2.50 a Foot
The price paid will be \$2.50 per foot for the first 500 feet and \$2 per foot thereafter.

Commissioner Wilmer E. Moody asked about the feasibility of connecting with Royal Oak mains and using Detroit water.

He was informed that a study was made in 1929 and that it was discovered the cost would be too great.

Egbert said that when Royal Oak changed to Detroit water, it cost \$100 a day more than the local expense. Royal Oak now uses both well and Detroit water, it was said.

If You Were Missed in the Census, Communicate With Pontiac Office

Persons who believe they have been overlooked by Census Enumerators are requested by F. J. McElhenny, District Supervisor, 17th District, Bureau of the Census, to notify him at the Bureau, 18 East At McElhenny's request, The Birmingham Eccentric prints the following form to be filled out and returned to him by such persons:

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have not been included in the sixteenth decennial Census of Population which has just been taken in this community. In addition to myself there are also _____ members of my family who have been omitted.

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GLEE CLUB

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"By Your Window," the "Heidelberg" and "Dear Land of Home," a vocal setting of Schubert's "Finlandia."

His honor sales Mr. Scott has chosen "The Hills of Home," a musical setting of John Macfie's "Ever," and "Thoughts of You."

Gordon Eick, accompanist for the organization, has chosen Paderewski's "Variations in A Major" and Charles Sauer's will present "A Duet of 'Indian Summer,' 'Deep Purple' and 'Turkey in the Straw,' his own composition entitled 'Dusk' and 'Chopin's' 'Valse in E Flat.'"

The personnel for this glee club is as follows: First tenors, Robert H. Whitlatch, Arthur W. Rowan, W. Carleton Scott, Russell McEwen; second tenors, Karl B. Gatz, Frederick P. Smith, Matthew Cammareri, Ernest C. Mansfield, Roy C. Hanson, Charles M. Savage, Kenneth W. Kenett; baritone, Dr. N. Weir Burkman; basses, Arthur L. Rose, Charles C. Meever, Emerson C. Brown, Merrill W. Olson, Dr. Carlton Fox, Lawrence Matthew, Donald D. James and George Turpin.

Plan Better Lighting For Intersection

The State Highway Department plans better illumination at night for the Woodward-Hunter intersection at the north limits of Birmingham. City Manager Donald C. Egbert told the Commission Monday night. Several Commissioners have complained of drivers' confusion there. Signs which have been erected are too small for night visibility, it was said.

Attempting to Turn, Collision is Result

Barbara Johnson, 19 years old, of 772 East Lincoln, was endeavoring to make a right turn off Lincoln last Friday when her machine collided with one driven by John C. Wheaton, of 187 North Adams road. Damage was slight.

April Busy Month For Fire Dept.

April was a rush month for the fire department; in fact it exceeded by 20 runs March of 1939, which was the busiest month last year.

A plentiful of grass fires was given yesterday by Chief Wern Griffith as the reason of the increased "business." Many fire departments still resort to the old broom-beating method to quench a grass fire, but Birmingham's trucks carrying tanks of water make the work much easier. The total Monday was 77 runs. Last year, the total for March was 97.

Last Saturday, the roof of a house at 175 North Adams blazed extensively before the fire was put out. Total damage was estimated at \$200. Cause was ascribed to burning papers in the furnace on a windy day. The house, occupied by Robert Koserman, is owned by the George Edwards Estate.

There were seven grass fires Saturday and six on Sunday.

Community House Total Now \$10,250

The Community House Roll Call drive had reached \$10,250 by Wednesday of this week when a count was made to determine how much of the \$12,000 goal remained uncollected. Although the drive officially closed last week, all pledges and promises are still being checked for payment.

Asks About Progress of Maple Sidewalk

Shelton Wright, 243 Aspen road, appeared at the City Commission Monday evening and asked when the sidewalk is to be finished on West Maple avenue in front of the Cuyell property. He said the sooner it is completed, the less hazard there will be to the children living south of Maple, who it is planned, are to walk to the light at Chesterfield on their way to Quanton School.

The contractor, Perry Grimshaw, who started last fall, has been receiving treatment in a city hospital, City Manager Donald C. Egbert reported. He promised early action.

Schools Holding Vocal Concerts

Annual spring vocal music concerts, held during National Music Week, have been started in Birmingham. A program was held at

Quanton last night. Three programs set for 2:30 p. m. have been set as follows: Adams, Tuesday, May 7; Barnum, Wednesday, May 8; and Pierce, Thursday, May 9. Try an Eccentric Classified Ad for quick results.



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The sample fair, an unusual feature last year, is to be repeated again, and children will be given great quantities of samples from advertisers. That the parents won't be forgotten, it is being arranged to serve tea to them.

The Personnel
Mrs. W. G. Moritz, president of St. Girard's Guild, is general chairman of the fair and is being assisted by Mrs. George D. Clark who is in charge of the parade.

Other workers are Mrs. William H. Jackson, Mrs. R. W. LeMoyné, Mrs. John T. Spencer, Jr., Mrs. Edwin H. Strunk, Mrs. Richard H. Fleming, Mrs. C. A. Sanft, Mrs. J. W. Shimefield, Mrs. Charles A. Kreidler, Mrs. J. R. Wagner, Mrs. E. E. Hammonds, Mrs. Russell B. Stephens, Mrs. John B. Kendall, Mrs. Henry W. Thiede, Mrs. O. M. Berde, Mrs. Allen and Mrs. O. M. Berde.

FIRE

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"No one has lived in the old place for 30 years, and during that time I've had things stored in it," he related this week. Forty-two years ago, my grandfather, Thomas W. Gilchrist, bought the house and the roof was still in fairly good condition. The basement walls were made of stone and laid with-out mortar, yet they were as sound as the day they were built."

Deplored by Vandala
He related that years ago, the place could be kept closed safely, but that in recent times, vandals were safe from antique hounds and vandals. They pried open the doors, broke windows and tore off door hinges and locks.

Few descendants of the Drake's still live here. However, among them are Ethel and Myra Bassett, and Kenneth and Carson Bassett of Birmingham. The Bingham brothers are great grand-children.

THIS AND THAT

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travel examination in the Heaven. And, finally, Good Folks, please remember this incontrovertible fact: the major cause of W.A.I.R. is not international hatred, difference in language, creed or color; it is the mal-distribution of the nations, and within nations, of the natural resources and wealth produced from these resources by W.A.I.R. is the problem; its solution is a seed that holds within it the imminence of the flower called PEACE. There is no other enduring way.

Will Attend National P.-T. A. Convention

Mrs. Roy B. McCutcheon, president of the Baldwin High School Parent-Teacher association, will leave Saturday for Omaha, Neb., to attend the national P.-T. A. convention there. Mrs. McCutcheon is attending this convention as a delegate of the Birmingham P.-T. A. Council. She will return on May 10.

Takes Eye Off Road, Rams Car Ahead

A driver who took his eye off the road was responsible for a crash Sunday on Hunter boulevard at the Oakland avenue light. Eugene E. Harrison, 22, of 14561 Mettetal, when Maurice J. Fornay, of 21 Church street, Highland Park, came up from behind and rammed the first machine. In his report at the police station, Fornay said he would pay for all damage.



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