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## Birmingham Girls Prepare for Camp 'Open House'

At the YWCA's Camp Cavell on Lake Huron, last minute preparations are being made for the traditional "highlight" of each year's camping season—the open house for parents and friends which is scheduled for August 9. Among the 150 school girls excitedly preparing for this event are two girls from Birmingham: Kathryn Browner, 15 Manor road, and Judy Tuttle, 1092 Ridgeland.

Young riders are proudly putting their horses through their paces, for the horse show is one of the favorite specialties. Campers will also present demonstrations of fencing, archery, swimming, tennis, and life-saving. And each of these 150 girls has at least one piece of her own handwork going into the exhibit of metalwork, ceramics, jewelry, leather or block printing.

The fun of homecoming isn't limited to campers. Many of their mothers will go down the bluff to Cavell's white sandy beach, or return to the big stone fireplace in the Lodge with fond memories of happy summers spent at this camp when they were school girls. This is the 54th season that the YWCA of Detroit has operated Camp Cavell on Lake Huron, 90 miles north of Detroit.

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## Walks After Wheelchair Pilgrimage



Walking unaided after a lifetime in steel braces, 12-year-old Sally Ann O'Leary of Pittsburgh, Pa., steps from a chartered plane at New York on returning from a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes shrine in France. Two weeks earlier she was put aboard in a wheelchair. Thirty people made the trip in a plane chartered by a priest. Said Sally Ann: "I just asked God and the Blessed Mother to help me, and gradually I started to walk."

## Mary Gardner On Stage for 7 Minutes During Current Detroit Stage Play

By Barbara Fox  
 Mary Gardner of Birmingham is really progressing in the theater world of today. It was just four weeks ago that Mary got a bit part in the Detroit Stage production of "Dream Girl" with a walk-on part that took about one minute.

Now our local talented lady has another bit part with the same company and this time she is on the stage for almost seven minutes and even has something to say.

Mary laughs when she speaks about her part in the play "Good-Bye Again," starring Joe Ferrer and Claire Trevor, which opened last night at the Music Hall. Her part is a Stalter Hotel maid and she really has to take it seriously.

In her purse she is carrying around a handbook, put out by the Stalter Hotels, on how to be a Stalter maid. She has been diligently reading that book, and Monday Mary went down to the Stalter Hotel in Detroit and was taught how a Stalter maid makes a bed.

Meets Several Stars  
 Mary is more than grateful for this little experience which to her is a great help towards her future career. The opportunity has presented itself for her to meet and befriend big name stars, and at the same time she has been "learning the ropes" in the theater business.

She has been working with Bill Merrill, co-producer and director of the Detroit Stage, since the mid of June. Mary is called an apprentice, along with several other girls from the Detroit area.

The duties of an apprentice, she relates, consists of things that one will neglect to think of as going on behind the scenes. She typed scripts, invitations, looked for props, cues, actresses, and watched the procedure that goes with making a production.

Musical Comedies Her Goal  
 All this experience, Mary says will help her when she really starts on a stage career. Her ultimate goal is to play in musical comedies. Birmingham will always remember Mary for her singing. She started in high school and college musicals but outside of that Detroit Stage work is her only legitimate stage experience.

One needs to be in three professional plays in order to join the actors' union, and this experience puts Mary well on her way to allow to join.

This fall Mary is planning to go to New York to continue with her voice studies for some day, and not in the too distant future, Mary is going to realize her ambition.

Mary is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gardner, 172 Aspen road.

## Dominic Caputo Opens Own Store On 14 Mile Road

Saturday morning, August 9, will mark the opening of the new Birmingham Community Market at 130 West 14 Mile at Pierce. The new food store is owned and will be operated by Dominic S. Caputo who has been operating in the same type of business in Birmingham since 1929. It is to be a complete food service, according to Caputo, and will handle full line of sundry and fancy groceries as well as meats, dairy products and fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables.

The new building is of colonial architecture and will have a landscaped front. It is 30 by 80 feet over-all and a basement has been included under the rear half of the structure. The inside front decorations are of knotty pine and the rest of the walls are white, lending a very bright interior appearance. The store is lighted fluorescently.

The fixtures of the new market are laid out to lend the most effective arrangement for a semi-self-service store. The counters are constructed of knotty pine and there are two large island displays built of plywood with natural birch finish.

Open House Friday  
 The meat display case and the dairy and frozen food cabinets as well as the open case for fresh produce are of white porcelain with black trim. These are all refrigerated and of the most modern design.

Caputo stated that open house will be held at the store on Friday evening and the public is invited to make an inspection at this time. Nothing will be sold until Saturday morning, but favors will be given to all who inspect.

He also announced that Bates Miller, who has been engaged in the meat business in Birmingham for the past 20 years, will be associated with the meat department of the Birmingham Community Market.

Another feature of the store will be its delivery service. Self-forgetfulness, purity, and love are treasures untold—constant prayers, wishes, and anointings.  
 —Mary Eddy Baker

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