Cranbrook Summer School Theatre Begins Season

Featuring its first Thursday evening student show, the Cranbrook Summer School of the Theatre presented a series of nine short plays and cuttings headed by a cutting from Maxwell Anderson's "Mary of Scotland". Jo Laucomer was Mary and Sally Howard took the part of Elizabeth. An excerpt from Frank Vosper's "Love From a Stranger", a mystery thriller starred Marian Brownlee and Tim Adams.

Featured also on the program was a repeat performance of Randy Garrison's new melodrama "The Death of Erica Zien", "Once in a Bright Blue Moon," "Three's a Crowd", "General Manager", "Tag Day", "The Gloomy Ones" and "I Remember Mama".

For the second Friday morning student performance, the Theatre School offered 12 plays, "Faint Heart" directed by Dana Elcar with Joe Kubacka, Winifred Roensch and Peggy Reed; "Berkeley" with Louise Kelley, Mary Moore and John Rakoski; "The Women" with Mary Rose Raider, Norma Lee Kass and Judy Kallet; "The Frog" with the entire junior group (choric speaking).

Still others were "The Ugly Duckling" directed by Jeanne Helgeson; "The Little Witch" directed by Jeanne Moore with Judy Basch, Joyce Kerley, Sylvia Trythall, Nancy Hamill and Geraldine Barnes in the cast; "He Who Laughs Last" with Peggy Perkins, Marilyn Mooney, and Bruce Hamill; "The Echo" directed by Wanda Lennox and Nancy Alice Wonnberger, Gwen Luce, Rima Nickell, Jane McDaniels and Sue Harley; "Elmer" with John Hawley Dianne Creighton, Pammy Scolero, Elissa Beigler, Barbara Beach, Alice Mohler, Byron Hestevold, and Barbara Updegraff; "George" directed by Kit Scheffele with Tally Card, Davida Robinson, Bill Bailey and Roger Pryor.

Springdale Park Scene of Picnic

On June 30, 116 residents and members of the Birmingham Villas Property Owners and Improvement Association of the Villa Estated subdivision went out to Springdale park for a group picnic. A highlight was the traditional mixed softball game.

Mrs. Donald Joy, 1408 Villa, was general chairman. Assisting her were Mrs. Douglas Giles, Mrs. Thomas Soddy, Charles Holmes, Paul Kurth, Louis Carrier, Douglas. Giles, Wade Griffith, George Shave, Mrs. Alfred Hellstrom, Kenneth Gorton and Mrs. Robert Chissus.

Deadline for CLUB NEWS remains at noon Mondays.

Announce Troth of Mary Lou Dunn to Jack M. Deetz

Mrs. Lewis Clark Dunn of Goldengate drive, Birmingham, will entertain 200 of her friends tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock to announce her daughter Mary Lou's engagement to Jack Melvin Deetz of Saginaw, Mich.

Receiving with Mrs. Dunn and her daughter will be Mrs. William Deetz of Saginaw, mother of the bridegroom-to-be.

Tea will be served in the home and gardens. The table will be covered with a white venetian lace cloth over coral satin centered with a large silver bowl of yellow and coral snapdragons.

The bride-elect has asked her two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Lewis Edgar Dunn and Mrs. J. Whitney Dunn, to pour.

Miss Dunn has chosen a pink flowered print gown with a ballerina length skirt fashioned with a bustle effect in back. Both mothers will wear just above the ankle length dresses. Mrs. Dunn has selected a black flowered net and Mrs. Deetz a blue flowered print. They will wear orchids and Miss Dunn will have gardenias in her hair.

Miss Dunn and Mr. Deetz are both seniors at Michigan State College. She is affiliated with the Beta Theta chapter of Alpha Xi Delta and is a member of the junior group of Louisa St. Clair chapter, DAR, and the Detroit Colony of New England Women.

Mr. Deetz is majoring in floriculture. He served as a staff sergeant with the 965th Combat Engineers for three and a half years during World War II.

Many prenuptial parties have already been held feting the bride-to-be by her college friends.

Mary Lou Dunn

Mrs. David Cole of Bad Axe has honored Miss Dunn at a miscellaneous shower. A personal shower was given by Miss Barbara Ronkema of Grand Rapids. A kitchen utensil shower was given by the girls on the second floor of her dormitory, North Campbell Hall. Members of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority presented each of the eight sorority sisters planning marriage this summer and fall, of which Miss Dunn was one, with a silver gift at a party in their honor.

Mrs. Deetz will introduce her future daughter-in-law at a party for 100 guests in Saginaw on August 13.

The young couple plan to be married on August 28 in the Dunn's home with dinner to be served to 100 guests in the home and garden following the ceremony.

Bridal attendants and the date of the rehearsal dinner will be announced later.

MR. and MRS. RAY POINTER, 2350 Yorkshire, have just returned from a four-year residence in Hendersonville, North Carolina. They formerly lived at 420 Suffield. Their son, Shan, is now stationed with the United States Navy in Washington, D. C.

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Mr. and Mrs. Milo K. Winter of Providence, R. I., are spending their vacation with their parents, MR. and MRS. FRANK L. KLINGENSMITH, 815 Southfield. They arrived Monday with their two year old son, Mike.

Virginia Gilmore to Appear Next at Will-O-Way

Virginia Gilmore will star in the second Will-O-Way production. It will be the comedy, "Dear Ruth" by Norman Krasna, opening July 12 at the Playhouse in Bloomfield Hills and running every night except Monday through July 25 with Saturday matinees.

Virginia Gilmore created the original role of Ruth in the successful Broadway run of the 1944-45 season and Will-O-Way is fortunate in having the lovely and talented Miss Gilmore for their Strawhat production.

"Dear Ruth" was written by Norman Krasna in a planned attempt to entertain by comedy farce and makes perfect summer fare for audiences who wish to relax and be amused at the air-conditioned apple barn.

"Dear Ruth" will be directed by William W. Merrill with scenery designed by Harold W. Meinert.

"Years Ago" with Nancy Carroll and Norman MacKay will play this week end with a Saturday matinee. Sunday night July 11 will be the closing performance.

MR. and MRS. R. B. APPELL, 380 Elm, left for a month's visit in Oakland, Calif., last week.

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MRS. RALPH L. POLK, Jr., of Cranbrook Court was hostess to membgrs of her bridge club at a luncheon Wednesday.

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MR. and MRS. BARNUM COOLIDGE of Frank street were hosts to 40 guests at an out-of-doors breakfast last Sunday.

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