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Visits to Cranbrook Thrill School Groups



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plar.

Commander Old will be installed
April 21 at an 8 p.m. ceremony in
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Letters from a group of sixth graders from Baldwin ele-
mentary school members of the American Association of
University Women educational committee that
they made no error in sponsoring the part-time employment
of a special teacher at Cranbrook Institute of Science.

Several months ago the organi-
zation sponsored the employment
of Mrs. Doris McMillan to conduct
classes and tours for children of
all ages through the insti-
tute. It was done to promote the
excellent facilities there and to of-
fer children a better understand-
ing of science and nature working
together.

The group from Baldwin pre-
sented its ideas of the tour, the
instructor and the Institute in com-
positions as a part of regular class-
work.

CONSIDERING them typical of
many children who have been
to the Institute under the guidance
plan, Mrs. Freer Thringstad, a
member of the educational commit-
tee has offered the compositions to
show what is being done with the
AAUW resources.

"I thought the dinosaur tracks
were very interesting. I wish we
could have stayed longer," was the
reaction of one.

"I thought the whole thing was
very interesting but the thing I
liked best was the small glass plani-
torium. I thought the display on
there the ocean bottom had been
to stone was very interesting too.
I thought Mrs. McMillan's explana-
tion on the rock cycle was very
good. I was sorry we had to leave
before we got to see more," was
the comment of Tommy Pritchett.

EDWARD W. HUSCH said, "I
wish we had more time to see the
exhibits. The one I liked best was
the one with rocks and what they
could be changed to."

Linda Heisterman liked the ex-
hibit on flowers, also the rock cy-
cle.

Bill Acorn, a budding scientist
himself, showed remarkably keen
interest, saying, "Some of the
things I liked about the trip were
the exhibits. They were very nice
and I got a lot of information
from them. I like the fossils most
of all because my hobby is collect-
ing them. I have 60 and 17 rocks.
I learned a lot."

Margaret Bird expressed the
same appreciation of what she
saw, but had one regret—there

were not enough displays of vol-
canoes to suit her.

"I THOUGHT the lady that took
us around Cranbrook was doing
very clever and gave us help on
any questions we asked, so now
we can tell what kind most of the
rocks are," came from James Lou-
don.

Wallace Ross commented, "The
first thing we saw was a big glass
ball inside it showed the earth
going around the sun and other
planets too."

Spending time was happy to
find that at the Institute he was
able to learn more about the parts
of Oakland county which had once
been covered with water.

"I think it was worth every min-
ute we were there. I have never
been there before. Just looking
around I got a lot of interesting
information about what life and a
lot about rocks and how they are
formed," Nancy Brandage wrote.

SIMILAR COMMENTS were
made by each of the 25 Baldwin
children who made the trip.

In commenting on the letters,
Mrs. Thringstad said the same at-
titude had been expressed by each
group visiting the Institute under
the new plan.

"The children have always had
Cranbrook's facilities at their dis-
posal," she said; "but this is the
first time they have been able to
have a regular class session there.
The committee feels that the ben-
efits these youngsters are getting
from it is great enough to make
any expense worth while."

"THIS WHOLE area is fortunate
to have such a place as Cran-
brook available. However, to young
minds it is a little to just look
at exhibits and not be able to get
on-the-spot answers to their many
questions."

"Mrs. McMillan enjoys working
with children and knows her sub-
ject. It is a most fortunate com-
bination for all concerned. The
University Women are proud to have
a part in it."

Detroit Priest Speaks At Holy Name Society

The Rev. Walter Markowicz, Ph.
D., professor of Latin and Greek
at Sacred Heart seminary, Detroit,
spoke at the evening meeting of
Holy Name Altar society Monday
evening.

This was the first time in sev-
eral years that an evening meet-
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the program and social hour. St.
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