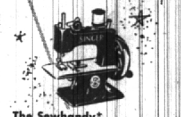


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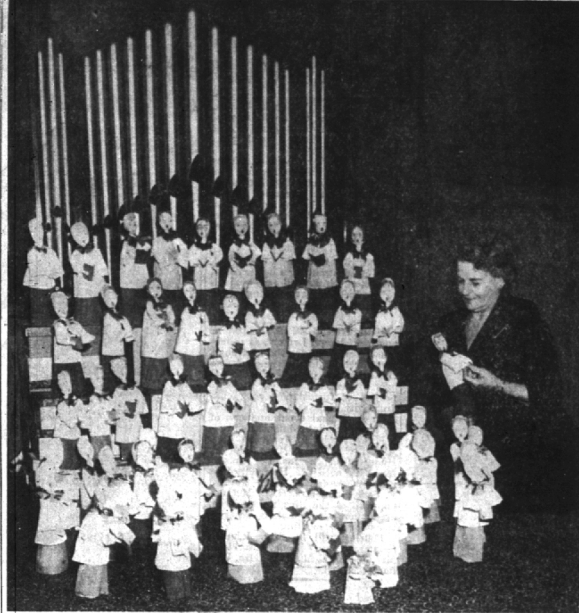
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PEGGY M. GLAVE REVIEWS SPECIAL CHRISTMAS CHOIR SHE CREATED
Crepe paper choirsters are annual holiday project (Eccentric Staff Photo)

'Make Believe' Cruise For Hills
Pi Phi Alumnae
Bloomfield Hills Alumnae of Beta Phi will usher in the holiday season with a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. P. H. McKinney on Puritan. Members of the committee for the meeting at 7:45 p.m., Dec. 8, will be Mrs. Philip Detjmer, Mrs. Noel Haberlust and Mrs. Mark A. Richards.

Members and guests will be taken on a "Mediterranean Cruise" by Mrs. A. J. Daley, who will show slides of a recent trip.
Two Pi Phi bridge groups met for bridge and dessert on Wednesday. Mrs. A. J. Daley was hostess to the afternoon group, while the evening club met at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Conn.
Any members interested in monthly bridge, either afternoon or evening, may contact Mrs. Edwin L. Karpick of Johnny Cake Lane, Southfield.

Mrs. Westlake To Lead BJWC Christmas Carols
Carol singing directed by Mrs. Merle Westlake will be the highlight of the Birmingham Junior Woman's club meeting Dec. 8. Mrs. John F. Stiff, 1452 Henrietta street will be hostess at 8 p.m. Assisting her will be Mrs. James P. Lowman and Mrs. Arthur P. King.
Mrs. Westlake formerly sang with the Cranbrook choir while attending the Cranbrook Art academy.

Woman Makes Own 'Christmas Choir'

By ALICE E. MORGAN
We are all familiar with the special choirs which highlight Christmas services in churches throughout the land, but few of us have a choir all our own.
Mrs. Peggy M. Glave, receptionist at the Manley Bailey funeral home, not only has her own 60-voice choir, she makes it.
Each year she assembles a group of the red and white robed "boys and girls" and, as the Christmas season approaches, places them along the stairs leading up from the main hall. The display has gained wide attention in Birmingham and every year more and more people drop by to admire the little figures.
Mrs. Glave said the idea came to her one night as she lay in bed, unable to sleep. The details were so clear to her that she immediately made one of the figures before the idea could escape her.

SHORTLY AFTER this she saw the same suggestion for holiday decorations written and pictured in a magazine article.
"It was nearly ten years ago that this happened," she said. "The idea must have been 'in the air' and I just happened to 'receive it'."
"Since that time I have made well over two hundred of these little boys and girls."
Mrs. Glave gives many of them away, mostly to hospitals and other institutions where they can bring a ray of Christmas joy to the unfortunate. This year, she estimates, about 25 have been given to members of her family and friends.
The gowns consist of a red skirt, white apron and tiny green bow tie, all mounted on the cone which forms the central part of the figure. Heads, arms and hands are made separately, with the arms and hands thrust through small sleeves and clasping miniature song sheets.
THE MOST outstanding thing about Mrs. Glave's choir is the expressions written on the singers' faces. No two are alike.
Some of the singers wear glasses, some look down at the books, others apparently know the pieces well enough that they can look upward, and even sing with their eyes closed, letting the music carry them to their own private world of sound.
Hair tones are as varied as those of any choral group—dark brown,

and as a group I think they look quite nice. They wear really smart close examination, but their little red and white robes and earnest little faces do have a certain charm."
Manley Bailey indicated the green-carpeted stairs. "When Christmas comes we have them standing on the steps," he said, "and with the white background of the woodwork they look pretty nice."
"A LOT OF people see them, tell their friends, and the first thing we know folks are dropping in just to see Mrs. Glave's choir."
"I think it's wonderful that Mrs. Glave does this and am proud that so many in Birmingham are interested enough to stop and see them."
"During the early part of the holiday season we have them in an upstairs room, placed against the background of some pipes from a small organ we used to have."
"People come in to see them there and later to see the display on the stair case. This year we want to have it even more attractive with two larger figures outside by the lawn light."

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