

Youngsters Follow Stage Tradition To Present Show

Birmingham youngsters followed the time-honored tradition of the theater, "The show must go on" in the presentation of "The Happy Days" last Saturday at the Birmingham Community House.

When members of the technical crew failed to appear, the first presentation of the Teen-Age Theater Workshop seemed doomed to an unhappy start.

Two boys, Jimmy Lewis, 12, and Jeff Ott, 14, were on the job at 7 a. m. to assist in setting up the stage, and volunteered to take over the job of the light crew.

information and cues and handled the job "like a couple of professionals."

Miss Sara Strenge, director of the Workshop, said the boys worked with only a few short breaks, until 1 a. m. Sunday morning, helping set up the stage, handling lighting for afternoon and evening performances and helping with the clean up after the final curtain was rung down.

SUE BROWN, off-stage and unseen by the audience, contributed her share to the success of the play with her work at the piano, according to Miss Strenge.

"I'm proud of these young people," she remarked. "Every one of them worked hard, and, I think, turned in a creditable performance."

Society deadline is 3 p. m. each Tuesday.

Southfield Pupil Distribution Is City PTA Subject

The distribution of Southfield township elementary school children living within the Birmingham district area, will be discussed at a meeting on Baldwin PTA on Feb. 15, at 8 p. m.

Arthur Roller, principal of Baldwin school and Malcolm Ferguson, who, next year will have charge of the new Beverly school, will discuss the plan which designated the geographical boundaries of Southfield areas to be covered by Baldwin, Pierce and Beverly schools.

THE PLAN is said to be based on a population count in various divisions of the Southfield area covered by the Birmingham school district. It has already been presented to the administrative council and members of the Birmingham school board.

Parents of the approximate 300 children residing in the area will be able, through this plan, to determine which of the three schools their children will attend next year. The new Beverly school, it was announced, will probably be completed in August, 1954, and be ready for occupancy with the beginning of the fall school term.

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MRS. HAROLD HOLDEN, MRS. JOHN CAULLEY (Seated) MRS. J. D. ERWIN MRS. G. C. GOODE, JR. Localities planning U-D Valentine Variety (Eccentric Staff Photo)

U-D Alumnae Project Lists Local Planners

Several Birmingham women are among those preparing for the Valentine Variety which the University of Detroit alumnae association will sponsor on Feb. 13.

The Saturday afternoon affair will be a combined bride party and festival at the University Memorial building from 1:30 to 5 p. m.

"Valentine Varieties" will include besides the bridge and "bargains," a buffet luncheon. The "bargains" will occupy three booths and will include hand made articles, baked goods and attic treasures.

HANDLING the over-all arrangements is Mrs. John C. Erwin with Mrs. Harold Holden assisting. Others on the general committee are Mrs. Charles DePuydt, Mrs. Stevenson Gifford, Mrs. John Caulley and Mrs. Gilbert Goode, Jr.

Flower Arranging Hints Offered Beverly Gardeners

Beverly Hills Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association held its first meeting after affiliating with the national organization, at the Beverly road home of Mrs. Kenneth G. Taylor. Assisting as co-hostess was Mrs. Jay Ball.

Program featured John Srouse, manager of "The Little Greenhouse," who gave an informative talk with hints on the care of potted plants, how to keep cut flowers and corsages and instructions on placing cut flowers in globe gardens. He demonstrated the art of flower arranging by creating several centerpieces.

AN EGYPTIAN, power vase supplied the base for one arrangement. Red gladioli were placed at varied heights with their beauty emphasized by the lower, spray-like placement of pink carnations. In the center, almost at the lip of the vase, a red carnation matching the color of the gladioli, formed a focal point. Enough sansevieria and huckleberry leaves to add contrast supplied the background. The color of the blooms and foliage complimented the dull gold of the power.

Another arrangement was to be used for a child's birthday party. It consisted of a branch of bleached manzanita wood on an oblong base of foamite. Wired to the branches were five cream cups filled with white, pink and red carnations, to which colorful ribbons were attached. Then, to fill in, heather, white snapdragons, colored carnations and adonis were fastened to the base. Colored randsy sticks formed a gay fence, and two whimsical china clowns played hide-and-seek among the blooms, adding the final touch to captivate the small fry.

DURING the program three new members were welcomed by the president, Mrs. Robert J. Studers. They are Mrs. Richard Wind, Mrs. James R. Beal and Mrs. Norman R. Bodin.

Following the business session, refreshments were served. Next scheduled meeting will be March 4 at 8 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Lawrence C. Byer with Mrs. Marvin R. Marsh acting as co-hostess.

Music Makers Discuss Plans for Annual Trip

Monthly meeting of the Merry Music Makers will be held Feb. 14 at the home of Kenolyn Cowan on Aspen road. Plans will be completed for the annual trip to the Masonic temple on Feb. 20 when 14 members plan to attend the Young People's Symphony Concert.

Members of the group are fifth and sixth grade music students under the sponsorship of the Birmingham Music, Counselor is Mrs. Walter Ruff.

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Southeast Residents In Variety of Events

The Richard Ernsts of Elmwood avenue enjoyed a full house last week when his wife, Mrs. Lamonte Hoagland, came from Blissfield to spend a few days, and his parents, the DeGay Ernsts, of Grand Rapids came for the weekend. Saturday night the Ernsts plan to attend the Valentine dance being given by the dance club at the Glen Oaks country club.

Before the dance they have been invited for cocktails by the Robert Jessups of Birmingham.

Andrew D. Merrell, superintendent of the Clover Hill Park cemetery on 14 Mile road, will represent the National Congress of Parent-Teacher associations at the meeting of the National association of secondary school principals to be held in Milwaukee on Feb. 22.

Merrell's talk, to be given at the afternoon session of the meeting will be titled, "What can the home and school do about juvenile delinquency?" Merrell is serving the last year of a three year term as chairman of high school service with the Michigan Congress of PTA.

Murray Douglas came home from Ohio State university for the weekend at his home on Olivia avenue.

Mrs. George O'Brien is opening her home on Elmwood avenue today for a dessert-card party to raise money for the new St. Columba's parish. She hopes to have six tables of card players.

Friday evening Mrs. Harry Fritzman of Elmwood avenue, with the help of Mrs. Donald Dierkes, was entertaining the neighborhood women

WCTU Has Potluck Feed

February meeting of the WCTU will be held Friday, Feb. 12, in the First Baptist church. The potluck luncheon at 1 p. m. will be followed by business meeting.

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