

Kingswood Opera Set For February

The premiere performance in Michigan of Benjamin Britten's "Let's Make An Opera" will take place in late February at Kingswood School Cranbrook.

Having been previously produced in the United States in Cleveland and Boston only, the opera will be sung by the 11th and 12th grade glee club at Kingswood. The work, set in an English nursery, is intended for even younger voices.

Born in 1913, Britten is considered one of the outstanding composers of the century. In addition to "Let's Make An Opera", he has written music for films, stage and radio plays, and several songs in collaboration with the noted poet W. H. Auden.



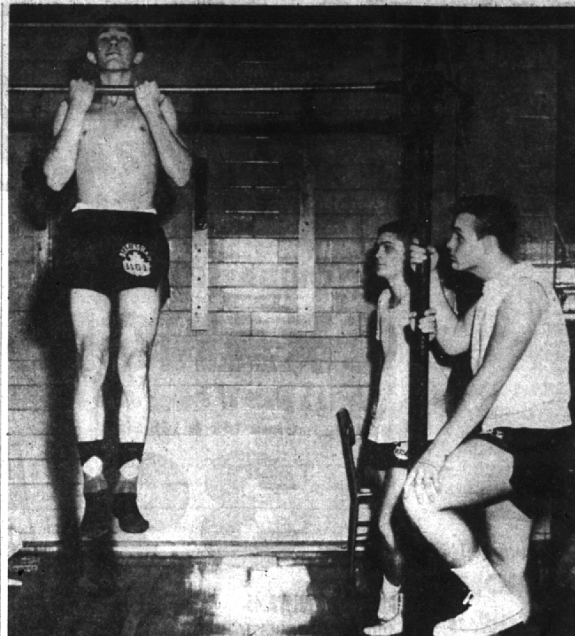
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THE LITTLE GYM at Birmingham High school is the scene of a great deal of activity since the high school's intramural program has been underway. Here students can develop timing, control and muscles under the direction of trained physical education instructors. Facilities include wrestling mats, trampoline, rope ladders, exercise bars, punching bags and other conditioning apparatus. Here Jerry Doan goes to work on a bar while Bob Lavery (center) and Ernie Teichman watch his efforts. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

Schools Choose Operetta Cast

The cast has been chosen for the joint production of Gilbert & Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore" by Bloomfield Hills school and Cranbrook school, according to an announcement by Clarence Lichtman and Tempin Licklider, directors from the two schools.

Principal female roles will be played by students of Bloomfield Hills school. Mary Lou Fuller, Birmingham, will sing the part of Josephine, daughter of the captain of the "Pinafore"; Mimi Coulter, Bloomfield Hills, will be "Little Buttercup"; and Glenna Miller, Birmingham, will be Cousin Hebe, one of the "sisters and cousins and nauts" of the operetta.

Male leads, sung by boys from Cranbrook School, include: Robert Reed, as Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.R.; Robert Griswold, as the Captain of the "Pinafore"; Charles Lawson, as the romantic Ralph Rackstraw, who marries the captain's daughter; and Dwight Davis, Bloomfield Hills, as the villain Dick Deadeye.

The operetta will be presented February 26, 27 and 28 at Cranbrook School auditorium.

BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE SCHOOL NEWS

First grade, Mrs. Ayer—Peggy Brier and Danny Newman are the two students chosen for the Good Citizenship honor roll. The Butterflies started "Our New Friends". We are going to finger paint for our art lesson this week.

Second grade, Mrs. Gregory—We're working on a Health Unit. In our daily health chart our winners were Bill Streby, Steven Bartholomew, and Patty Provenzano. Patty is our newest addition.

Third grade, Mrs. Fike—Our room is decorated this week with many nice drawings and designs. One type drawing was done by coloring first with crayon and then painting over with black paint. Many are out this week with colds. We hope they are back soon. Jen Wiley still has a very nice tan—a little something she brought back from Florida.

Fourth grade, Mrs. Egner—Good citizens this week were Kent Rakas and Kitty Stark. New officers of the Bloomfield Busy Bees are—President Cindy Higgins, vice president Nancy Brown, secretary Sally Kelly. We are glad to have John Nylund who entered this week from Grosse Pointe Woods.

FIFTH GRADE, Miss Alcorn—The best citizens of the week were Linda Hawkins and Jamie Egbert. The best patrol were Dale Kostere and Robbie Maxwell. In art we have been painting and chalk coloring some desert scenes. Today we made little covered wagons. This art work goes with our study of the West.

Sixth grade, Mr. Crandall—Officers this week are president Mary Ann Provenzano, room chairman Fritzie Harris and Larry Beck, chairman Judy Knowles and John Finn, secretary Sara Bartholomew, reporter Anne Bauer.

Through error Bob Ebbert's name was misspelled during the last two weeks in this column.

HONOR SIXTH grade citizens are Mary Ann Provenzano and Danny Higgins. Honor Safety patrol boy and Service Squad girl are Jim and John Broadwell and Francie Von Mauer.

We are doing leather work in Art.

Last Friday night's trip to the Cranbrook observatory turned out very well although it was cloudy. Mr. Schultz, the Instructor at Cranbrook, let us raise the telescope. Since we could not see any stars we saw the light on top of the Birmingham Water Tower. He also made stars that looked like the sky at night. The stars were shown on the top of the dome. Then he pointed out the names of the stars. Later, we saw a movie on the planets.

Audio-Visual Club Founded to Teach Equipment Handling

An audio visual club was started recently by Mrs. Monroe Clark and H. Ross Scrimgeour for the purpose of learning how to operate equipment such as projectors, tape recorders, and the public address system.

Anyone may join who has a free period, but no student will be excused from classes.

Equipment will not be sent out without a member along to run it. Each member must pass a test on the equipment before it can be sent out.

Meetings are every other Wednesday alternating with Proseminar Club meetings.

Junior Firms Show Products

Products of the Junior Achievement companies of southeastern Michigan will be on display at the Detroit Historical Museum tomorrow through February 7.

Companies and products from this area include Panda Products, pant hanger; Jamco, spot remover; Jun-ach, nest of tables; Aqua-lamp, table lamp.

J. A. Producers Inc., bird feeders; J. A. Company, advertising and television; J. A. Enterprises, snack table; Compact-table, folding table.

The products are on display mainly to show the public how teenagers can run a business and sell their product or service. All this is good experience and preparation for later life.

Maple Swimmers Seek Eighth Win

By BRUCE TERRY

The Maples will be out for their eighth straight victory of the season when they swim against Hazel Park here next Friday.

The Vikings have a season record of five wins against four losses, a good record considering some of the teams they have met.

Hazel Park's main threat is back-stroker Charles Clakings who has posted excellent times so far this season. The Vikings' ace diver Richard Jedicki graduated at mid-year.

The meet will be at Barnum pool at 7:30.

Maple Reserves Whip Port Huron By Wide Margin

By PETE KASS

A 21 point second period surge brought the Birmingham reserves a 36-15 victory over the Port Huron seconds here last Friday night.

Captain Bill Swangy added 22 points to his team-leading total to spark the locals to their seventh victory in eight starts. The game was hotly contested throughout except the disastrous second session in which the visitors were outscored by 15 points.

The Maples' attack was bolstered by the return of freshman forward Bob Isbell who controlled the backboards until fouling out near the end of the first half.

DICK TURNER called 11 points to lead the Big Red in the unsuccessful attempt to topple the Maples from their league-leading perch.

Coach Lewis Pary's charges played one of their finest games of the season and if they continue to play as well might easily finish out the year without another loss.

The Maple seconds travel to East Detroit tomorrow to take on the Shamrocks. East Detroit is always hard to beat on its home floor.

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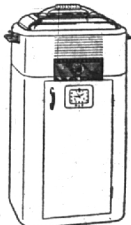
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