

Sophomore Class Presents Assembly

The sophomore class of B.H.S. presented its talent assembly Monday in the high school gym. The show was the third in a series of productions put on by classes.

Consisting of 14 acts, the program was under the general chairmanship of Judy Collins. The master of ceremonies was Dave Dixon assisted by Beau Shimmin.

Acts were a group of dances of the old south; weight lifting by Roger Bell; told by Mary Lou Smith, and a jitter bug dance by four girls.

A duet by Betty Nyberg and Carol Negri, 16 girl can can number; Clara Jacobs with a humorous reading; and a boy's fashion show. Performing also were Jane Russell, with a piano solo; eight girls in a roller skating act; eight girls in a pantomime of Beautiful Doll, and a song by Nina Slavson; baton twirling by Paula Paris and Diana Ebbert.

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New Cafeteria Now Being Used At Barnum School

The cafeteria in Barnum's new addition was put in operation last week.

The cafeteria is the first room to be used in the new addition, which is not entirely completed yet.

Also in operation is the music sectional rehearsal room and the bandroom will soon be ready.

Finishing touches are being put on the shops.

The cafeteria has wooden chairs and plastic top tables. It includes a dairy bar where ice cream and milk are sold. The wall separating the kitchen from the cafeteria is dark. The rest of the walls in the cafeteria are light gray. The kitchen is yellow.

THE LINES ENTER the kitchen at a center door and split up. Each line does a separate way along the counter and there are exits at each side of the center door. This is more efficient and speeds than the former cafeteria.

Intramural baseball has started at Barnum.

Teams are being picked this week and games will start soon.

A musical program for parents will be held at Barnum April 17. The band, orchestra and choral groups will perform.

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Refreshment Breaks Break Up Rehearsals

By NOEL STOOKEY

The scene is set. The lights are low. Onto the dimly lit stage emerges a figure portrayed with grim reality. He beckons for the house lights. Swift sweeps of golden light stab the darkness as the figure's famous lines find their way to each and every heart.

"I got five eskimo pies, 17 chocolate sundaes, but who ordered dat raspberry popsicle?"

"I did!" claims a voice from the rear.

Angelo Angelecci dashes to the stage just before the cast of "The Man Who Came to Dinner" tramples him in the mad rush for refreshments.

Besides the play, ice cream has become the most important topic at Birmingham high school spring play rehearsals. On or off the stage, actors with the ice cream filled die are found.

ANYTIME, anywhere Angelecci can be spotted with his mouth wrapped around a raspberry popsicle, making ineligible comments to the cast as it runs through the play to be given May 13, 14, 20, 21.

But problems are fast catching up with the play.

Caught in a web of circumstances, Pat Ashbaugh with her new hair style, is backed against a wall trying to develop a soft but loud voice!

Latist worry is Tom Maund, who portrays lead White-side in the three-act play, Tom is the victim of a "bug". But several of the cast members insist Angelecci could easily take over the part of sarcastic Whiteside if Tom does catch cold.

PROFESSOR METZ, alias Tom Tabor, may be planning a surprise for future rehearsals. In one scene Tom introduces a box of crocktoons to one of the leading ladies.

Highlight of the recent rehearsals is George Stinett's interpretation of John, the negro role.



High School Band Concert Tonight

The Birmingham high school band will give its annual spring concert this evening at 8:15 p.m. in the gymnasium.

The band, which has received highest ratings at music festivals, will be under the direction of A. W. Berndt and will present a varied program.

Leading off will be "The Vanished Army March" by Alfred, to be followed by "The Fledermaus Overture" by Strauss-Califet.

Soloist Tom Masters will be featured in "Blue Bells of Scotland" by Pryor on the Trombone.

Next will be the "Impresario Overture" by Mozart, followed by "Minuetto" by Mozart. Langens played by a woodwind quartet composed of Joan Gassaway, oboe; Anne Harris, clarinet; John Boulton, flute; and Dorothy Schwimmer, bass clarinet.

Other offerings will be several marches by the band and selections from "Kiss Me Kate", "Mississippi Suite" and "Serenade".

The concert is sponsored by parents of band members.

Heading the committee is Mrs. Robert Owen with Mrs. Henry Gassaway, poster chairman; Mrs. Robert VanderPyl, decorations; and Mrs. Martin Masters, publicity.

Other featured musicians will be Pat Boose, John Kraft, Nan De Buigne, Lelia Barber, and Mary Jo Allright.

Birmingham Choir To Give Concert

The 83 voice choir of Birmingham high school presents its annual concert May 25 at 8:15 P.M. in the school gymnasium.

The choir will feature Brahms folk songs: "If I Enter Your Garden", "The Fiddler", "How Sad Flow the Streams" and "Awake, Awake!" and Robert Schumann's "I Look Into Your Eyes", "So Dear" and "I'll Not Complain."

The Madrigal group will also sing at the concert. Accompanists are Barbara Gowans and Dorothy Ojala. Victor Usher is director.

Tickets may be obtained from any choir member.

Maple Tennis Team Wins Warm-up Game

The Maple tennis team started the season on the right foot, defeating a weak Coney team 7-0 in a practice match last Tuesday at Stoppel park.

The locals copped all four singles matches with wins going to captain Luis Vela, Howard Johnson, John Van Alstyne, and Tony Wells. The three doubles teams of Jerry Keran and Pat Marshall, Jim Serkan and Ed Sisson, and Jim Johnson and Jay Simons also scored a clean sweep in their matches.

Parents View High School Facilities

Demonstrations of the facilities available in the different departments and of the work done in the high school were viewed by Birmingham parents and PTA members Tuesday night from 7:30 to 10:30.

Achievement night is sponsored by the PTA and faculty with H. Ross Springour as general chairman. After a PTA model meeting conducted by chairman Berrie C. Ketchum, in the gym, Ross A. Wagner, principal, gave a five-minute introduction to the evening's program.

Visitors toured the building in groups of 20 to 25, guided by members of Citizens Club.

INCLUDED in the 17 departments visited were the offices, the lobby and English department, library, speech department with a demonstration by Mrs. Monelle Clark, mathematics department with demonstrations by all mathematics teachers, music department where the band practiced a piece of "Mr. Peepers" which had not been played before.

Science, home economics and language departments, the gymnasium; auto mechanics with a demonstration by Maynard Mott; shops; commercial demonstrations; retailing with a demonstration by Mrs. Joan Marks; study hall and social studies; art; and journalism where the Highlander staff worked on the next issue of the paper.

The tours ended about 10:15 and visitors and teachers joined in the cafeteria where refreshments were served.

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Plans Progressing For Junior-Hop

Plans for the 1954 J-Hop to be presented in Birmingham high school gym June 4 are well underway under chairmanship of Charlene Sutfin.

The theme of the dance is a secret among committee members for the past six weeks and will still be one up to the day of the dance.

Working under Charlene are Linda Birch and Helen Black in charge of decorations; Pete Kasa tickets; Howard Leavenworth, chaparrans; The Jene Fullock, programs; Bill Dove, publicity; and Gordon Fide, band.

The dance is presented for the second time this year by the junior class in honor of the seniors and promises to be one of the outstanding dances of the year.

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Pierce School Spring Concert Is Friday Night

Pierce Elementary School will present its Spring Concert Friday night, May 7, 1954, at 8:00. First part of the program will feature the orchestra and ensembles, under the direction of Robert Kutscher.

There will be a clarinet quartet consisting of Paul Simmons, David Samanen, Michael Emery and Judy Wangberg. The violin duet consists of Jackie Meredith and Lorraine Schaeffer.

The second part of the program will consist of the Pierce Glee Club of 30 voices plus ensembles. Three part harmony will be heard throughout.

The Glee Club will sing "Somewhere a Child is Singing" by Peter Dykema, "Donna Nobis Pacem"—an old German hymn, "The Prayers from Hansel and Gretel," the Mexican Clap Hands Dance, "The Waltzing Cat" and "Synchronized Clock" both by Leroy Anderson.

"The Holy City" will be sung by Richard Benecke, Michael Bowers, Jack Coons, Delmar Gowing, Bill Henderson, Donald MacDougall, Robert McKenzie and James Kibby. James Posther will sing "Ave Marie" by Bach-Gounod.

The Emperor Waltz will be sung by a trio consisting of Jackie Meredith, Lynn Zerby and Jane Thompson.

"The Parade of The Wooden Soldiers" will be sung by the following boys: Charles Folis, Bill Featham, James Biundo, James Hanz, James Posther, Henry Lewandowski, Scotty Purvis, and Bob Salist.

Henry Lewandowski will have the solo in "The Waltzing Cat." Rendezvous by Alletier will be sung by Elaine Eichenberry, Beth Clark, Verna Flowers, Celeste Lorenzen, Sue McNeil, Merryly Hendren and Carol O'Toole.

The Glee Club and ensembles are under the direction of Miss Alma Fasshender.

The public is invited and there is no charge for admission.

Southfield School News

By ERIC LEIGHTON

The approaching big event at Southfield is the Student Council elections.

Candidates for the offices of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer have filed their petitions and started organizing their campaigns. Campaigning will continue throughout the week and next week until the voting day, May 12.

Candidates will be given an opportunity to make campaign promises at an assembly next Wednesday.

Bob Quirk will be trying for a second term as the Council president, and Dave Orter will be opposing him for this office. Ray Pilar and Maya Rittas are opponents for the office of vice president; Barbara Radenberg and Lou Wilson will run for secretary; and there are four candidates for treasurer: Bonnie MacDonald, Tom Spooner, Gary Evans and Julie Naylor.

The golf team has a record of 1 loss and 2 wins, one of which was in a triangular meet.

Southfield's track team participated in a triangular meet with Hamtramck and Berkley, our biggest rival, last Friday. They finished second to Hamtramck, but beat Berkley, which is more important. This brought the team's average to .500.

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