

Poetic Tale Is Staged

"The Golden Blackbird" by Carl G. Wonnberger, head of Cranbrook's English department, is being enacted July 27 and 28 in the Greek theatre on Cranbrook estate.

The three-act fantasy for children is being produced, for the first time, under direction of Sara Strengell, former Broadway and international star who directs the intermediate school at Cranbrook and has the Theatre Workshop in Detroit.

SPECIAL DANCE numbers will be done by the cast of 59 in the two evening performances under direction of Patricia Philipp, director of dancing at Cranbrook and formerly with the School of American Ballet, choreographer's workshop, Ira Mabry's dance company, Ballet American of Paris and Sadler's Wells Ballet company.

The fairy tale, written in blank and rhymed verse, and is being shown in its premiere by the Intermediate and Junior divisions.

AIDING MISS Strengell are Nancy Alice Wonnberger, Jo Ann Wheaton, Barbara Aikens, Marcia Melnick, Lou Ann Lowry and Carolyn Hartman.

Annette Wonnberger is associate producer, George Rancouer is in charge of scenery and design, Eleanor Palazzi, costume director, and Tom Kegel, assistant stage manager. Annette Mackinnon will do make-up.

Free public performances in the Greek theatre will continue on Monday nights at 7:25.



PATRICIA PHILIPP



SARA STRENGELL

Suburban Scene

Cable, Travels, Open Houses Take Lead in Summer Events

By FRAN MAIER

Daughter Born in Finland

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Kurtz of Brown street received a cable July 5 announcing the birth of a son to their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henrik G. Langhjem of Helsingfors, Finland.

Mrs. Langhjem is the former Helen Kurtz. She is a jeweler, and her husband a designer of modern furniture.

Both former Cranbrook students, the Langhjem family plan to return to America this fall to make their permanent home.

They have been living in Helsingfors for the past two years.

Summer at Ranch

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Pew, Jr., and two of their sons, Stephen and David, left Monday for Cody, Wyo., where they will stay at the "Sunlight Ranch" until August.

Mrs. Pew just returned from visiting in the East where she attended her class reunion at Vassar and her niece's wedding in Worcester.

The family spent the fourth of July fishing in the Au Sable.

New Zealand Exchange Student

Mrs. Lawton Tabors will leave August 1 for San Francisco with her son, Tom, and daughter, Susan. There they will meet Margaret Jennifer Davis, New Zealand exchange student, who will make her home with the Tabors this winter.

Susan is currently in summer-streak at the "Red Barn" in Saugatuck, Conn.

Florida Vacationers

Residents of 1832 Yosemite, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Ritchie, have been vacationing at the Jolly Roger hotel in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

A Silver Event

A buffet and open house Saturday afternoon feted Mr. and Mrs. Russell Nordman of Bird street on their 25th wedding anniversary. Hosts for the celebration were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stuart of Madison Heights.

A tiered wedding cake topped with a silver bell and a silver dollar tree decked the party table.

Among the 50 guests who gathered for the silver anniversary were the Nordman's other daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Raester and their son, Russell Nordman, Jr.

July Bridge Luncheon Features Teen Models

A fashion show, "Fashion Tune-Up for Teens and Up", sponsored by the Village Store, featuring teen-age members Hills country club, will highlight the July bridge luncheon at Oakland Hills country club. The event is scheduled for Wednesday, July 20.

Entertainment at intermission time will include music of "The King's Combo" from Cranbrook, young Jim Ewing of the Applegate Sisters, Barbara and Jim Lynch, a vocal trio, and a tiny pianist "dick", Michael Quatro.

The senior committee in charge of the party is composed of Mrs. Frank W. Lynch, chairman, Mrs. Louise Bauer, Mrs. Joseph Baldes, Mrs. Edward Murray and Mrs. Carl Sandberg. Mrs. William Cooper is social chairman.

ARRANGEMENTS are also being made by a junior committee composed of Patti Palmer, chairman, Jeanne Pedder, Pat O'Connell, Maureen McGinnis and Janie McKenzie.

Teen-age models are Jane Mengel,

The best way for someone you don't like to win your regard, even affection, is for that one to think well of you and do kindly things for you. For Love is this earth's universal solvent of trouble.

Foreign Students Visit Birmingham

Spend Three Days In Local Homes

By JAN ELKINS

Birmingham was host city for three days last week to 35 scholarship students, representatives of 14 countries, who have been studying in American high schools for the past year under the American Field Service program.

At the conclusion of their trip through the United States, the youngsters will leave for their homelands.

THE BUS DISORGED the 35 young visitors, ranging in age from 16 to 18, on the lawn of the Fairfax home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sumner last Wednesday afternoon.

First to alight from the bus was their mascot, a tiny calico kitten given to them by a family in Maryland, their last stop.

One red-faced boy got quite a ribbing from his companions about the "F.S." that his girl had written on the outside of the envelope.

ALL BARRIERS collapsed, however, when their hostess offered them punch and cookies. Hot and tired, the thirsty youngsters clustered around the punch table, waiting their turn and chattering like magpies with the Birminghamites who were on hand to welcome them.

Afais, obviously happy to get out of the confining bus and run through the hot grass, amused himself by climbing trees and getting underfoot. Exhausted by his efforts, he found a cool spot next to a paper bag of ice where he remained as an interested observer of all the activities.

Confusion reigned on both sides temporarily as each youngster searched for the particular family that he was to stay with during his Birmingham visit. The host families had a difficult time, too, for they were able to recognize their youngsters only by their name tags.

THE FOREIGN TEENAGERS were in appearance and manners almost impossible to distinguish from the Birmingham youngsters who were there to meet them. The group seemed very lively and interested in just about everything.

Although looking forward to the activities that had been planned for them, most of the boys and girls seemed happy that nothing specific was scheduled for that evening and confessed that they would love nothing more than lots of sleep.

ONE YOUNG GERMAN girl, Helga Schaefer, said that she was thrilled with the opportunity to tour the facilities of the Hoega plant because she had always heard a great deal about American manufacturing and was anxious to see how the system worked.

Helga was also very curious about the Detroit Art museum and expressed the hope that she could go there, too.

MAIL CALL COMPLETELY dispelled the crowd around the punch bowl as the group gathered around one of the boys who, in

AS ONE OF the boys who had that experience said, "You just can't tell the difference!"

While in Birmingham, the teenagers from abroad acquired another mascot, not, however, one that will likely get along well with Afais. Their new traveling companion is a small turtle.

He joined the group in spite of protests from some of the girls who had some complications about traveling with a "reptile." Afais was not available for comment on how he felt about the newcomer.



TIRED, THIRSTY YOUNGSTERS FROM ABROAD FLOCK TO PUNCH BOWL.
A most welcome treat, a cold drink, after long bus trip (Eccentric Photos)

Open House—Anniversary

An open house recently honored the Raymond Roberts of 1773 Villa on their 28th wedding anniversary.

Family members gathered at the Roberts home and presented the couple with a lace tablecloth and a floral centerpiece. Flowers were also sent by neighbors, the William McKernans and the John Williams.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Richard McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Richardson, Miss Margaret McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Watson, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Morien, Mr. and Mrs. William VanDusen and daughter, Judy, Mr. and Mrs. George Kenny and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burhop.

Forest Lake Has Birthday Buffet

Forest Lake Country club will be the scene of an extensive birthday luncheon celebration July 29 at 12:30 p.m.

Clubwomen will have punch in the lounge at that hour, and later a buffet luncheon, at a table centered with a chef's special birthday cake. It will honor birthdays of all members of the women's unit that occur in 1955.

RESERVATIONS ARE being asked, since hostesses are having presents for each woman, according to Mrs. Wayne E. White, of Royal Oak, chairman for the party. Committee includes Mrs. Robert W. Holmes, who did posters, Mrs. Roger Cudini, of Southfield, Mrs. J. Edwin Charbonnet, Mrs. Duane E. Fresse of Ferndale, Mrs. Ernest Meizinger of Orchard Lake, Mrs. Milo D. McLintock, Mrs. Tracy J. Underdown and Mrs. Elroy L. Sandberg.

Orchard Lake Bridge Party Is July 27

A midsummer bridge party is being planned by Orchard Lake Country club women, some of whom met yesterday morning with Mrs. Robert H. Pease, at her home, 812 Pilgrim.

Mrs. Pease is chairman for the July 27 event, a luncheon and bridge party at the clubhouse.

It is the second such event of the season, the June bridge party being called a success by its chairman, Mrs. A. P. Wilkins, 128 attended.

NEW RULES FOR this time do not require entire tables formed when reservations are made, Mrs. Pease says. She says members may come with guests and play in tables of players formed right at the party.

Mrs. Pease's committee includes Mrs. George A. Jacoby, Mrs. Cassius Miller, Mrs. William B. Beckman, Jr., and Mrs. Warren S. Sumner.

Following this midsummer event, next bridge party is slated for early fall, when children are back in their schools.

Showers Fete September Bride

Sandra Jean Tischer has chosen Friday, Sept. 2, as the date for her marriage to William S. Bonham, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bonham of Cambridge, Ohio. Sandra's parents are the George William Tischer of Westwood drive.

The first of a list of pre-nuptial parties was held last Thursday on Westwood drive. Mrs. A. C. Childs was hostess for the bathroom shower.

Today Mrs. A. L. Hopkins and Mrs. James E. Goodson will celebrate on a personal shower at the former's Herwyn road home.

Mrs. Fred G. Hicks has planned a table-top shower for Tuesday and others will follow in August.

Young Houseguest Not Homesick

Mrs. John Brennan's home at 1525 Yorkshire was the site of an experiment recently when she was hostess to a tiny houseguest, her two-and-one-half-year-old niece.

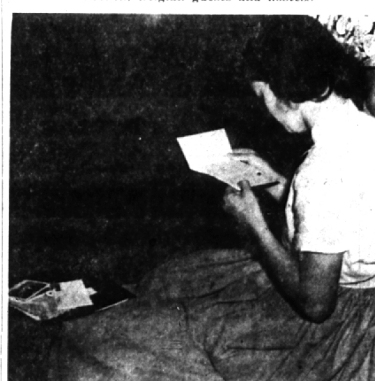
Her visitor, Brooke Julliff, is the daughter of Mrs. Brennan's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Julliff of Grosse Pointe Woods.

This visit was Brooke's first away from home, and her parents were uncertain as to how she would react to strange surroundings.

However, Mrs. Brennan reports that her little niece enjoyed herself immensely, and called the test visit a complete success.



EDWARD MARTIN **FREDDY VANDRIESSCH**
MRS. ALBERT REIBLING
French, Belgian guests and hostess



WELCOME MAIL FROM HOME
All things forgotten when letters come

Pair Honeycomb In Northern Mich.

Nancy Joan Hallett, daughter of Mrs. Fred C. Hallett of West Maple road, and the late Mr. Hallett, became the bride of Thomas Bath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bath, of Detroit, on June 25.

The afternoon ceremony was held in the Community Baptist church of West Bloomfield, with the Rev. Race of Pontiac officiating.

Following the ceremony the bride, party and immediate families drove to Devon Gables for the wedding dinner. An evening reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, after which the couple left on a honeymoon to northern Michigan.



TITTEN HORNNAES AND AFSIS
Kitten is tour mascot