

# 'He Was Not There' At the Little Theater

What would you do if a relative escaped from East Germany and unexpectedly landed in your home in the midst of the Christmas rush? ... And if on Christmas Day a wayward son suddenly arrived with his movie star wife and proceeded to turn the family upside down—or was it right side up?

This is the situation in the lively play "He Was Not There" which comes to the Little Theater of Birmingham high school this week, Wednesday through Saturday, Dec. 17-20. The play is presented by Moral Re-Armament and sponsored by Birmingham citizens.

The role of the movie star wife is played by Ann Black who has featured in such Broadway hits as "Pajama Game" and numerous TV dramas.

In "HE WAS NOT THERE" she is rocketed with her husband into modern American family with all the modern problems. The delinquent son, the tantrum throwing mother, the divorced daughter and her embittered widower father, and the well-heeled father full of ineffective good will.

When she and her husband apologize for their own fault in the family situation, she is shocked to find the root of the trouble. They discover Christmas is more than "just a pagan bingle." Even the long-lost cousin from behind the Iron Curtain finds "hope for the millions."

who have lost their way."

MISS BUCKLES, like each of the other company, gives her talents without salary.

"Instead of dumping the problem on the audience's lap," she says of the plays of MRA, "they dramatize the cure."

In first year, "He Was Not There" has already circled the globe. It has been translated into foreign languages and casts have been created on four continents. Leaders of nations have invited it to their countries.

WHEN IT RAN in Washington another MRA play last year, the theater manager said, "These plays have brought the biggest record-breaking crowds in the 123-year history of the National theater."

## Concert at Cranbrook Monday Evening

Planning social events in connection with the Corneli Music Club "Holiday Harmony" concert at Cranbrook Monday evening are, clockwise from center, Mrs. Richard Carlson, Mrs. Howard Bold, Jr., Mrs. C. H. Fletcher, Jr., Mrs. Lanson Murray Boyer, Mrs. George R. McMullen, and Mrs. John

## Random Notes About Town

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**MUSIC**  
The Berkyzka Folk Ballet on Thursday, 8:30 p.m., in Masonic auditorium; other performances on Friday and Saturday, Matinee Saturday, 2:30 p.m.

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra under Paul Paray has Leonard Pennario, pianist in the Khatchaturian Concerto, Thursday, 8:30 p.m., Ford auditorium.

The Chamber Opera Theater presents a concert, Thursday, 8:30 p.m., Detroit Institute of Arts lecture hall.

**BIRMINGHAM:** The Barbarian and the Geisha, starring John Wayne and Eiko Ando; the Peasants with Dana Andrews and Mel Tormé.

**BLOOMFIELD:** The Defiant Ones—Unusual treatment of important material with Tony Curtis and Sidney Poitier; also Desire Under the Elms with Sophia Loren, Anthony Perkins and Burl Ives.

**TRANS-LUX KIM:** Alice Guineas stars in The Horse's Mouth from the novel by Joyce Cary.

**PALMS:** Yul Brynner plays the pirate Lafitte in The Buccaneer.

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PERSON TO PERSON has Edward E. Murrow interviewing Gene Kelly and Ivy Baker Priest; Friday, 10:30, channel 9.

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WATCH MR. WIZARD has a discussion of Paper; Sunday, 2:30, channel 4.

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## Troy News Briefs

### Food Gets Cold As Barn Gets Hot

The fire alarm beat the dinner bell Saturday night and 30 Troy businessmen, firefighters left their food on the table while they battled a barn and garage fire.

The 30, along with policemen, postmen and their wives were at the Metropolitan club's annual PALMS: Yul Brynner plays the pirate Lafitte in The Buccaneer.

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City Commissioners Considering Library

The possibility of a city library in Troy will be considered by commissioners in the spring when they hold budget talks.

The Troy school board has offered the city rent-free space in a school building, with no costs to a library. A daytime librarian cataloging and a share-the-cost plan for heat and lighting would be included in the offer.

A Troy church offered the volumes in its library last spring if the city was willing to rent space, but commissioners declined. They said they were worried that residents might demand yearly improvements beyond the city's financial ability.

The city would have to support operations, including the hire of a part-time librarian under the school plan.

School Board Gets Loan on 2nd Try

Troy school district will borrow \$150,000 in anticipation of state aid from Detroit Bank and Trust Co. at 1.50 per cent interest.

Detroit Bank was the only bidder at the Dec. 9 school board meeting. Similar arrangements were made a month ago but technicalities forced re-advertising for the loan.

Troy to Consider New Water Mains

A water main construction program that might cost the city \$22,000 and property owners \$62,000 is being considered by the Troy city commission for 1960.

The largest projects proposed are two lines on Dequindre: one between Seventeen Mile and Nineteen Mile; and one between Sixteen Mile and Seventeen Mile.

The city may have to borrow if the whole program is approved. City Manager C. E. Laing said, "We couldn't get close to \$60,000 in the water department surplus, but I think we can find enough in revenue to allow us to float a small bond issue."

Birkholz Completes MSU Course

Birmingham police officer Arthur Birkholz completed a week-long traffic course at Michigan State University, Dec. 12.

Police officers attending the course were provided training in traffic laws and ordinances, maneuvers, needs in traffic control techniques, the police attitudes concerning the violator, the latest changes in regulations and procedures in traffic court.

The course is one of a special traffic series sponsored by the MSU. School of Police Administration and Public Safety of the College of Business and Public Service, the Highway Traffic Safety Center, and Continuing Education Service.

## Helping Hands

"To have a happy heart, give a helping hand." Keeping this as their theme, Marygrove college students are busily volunteering time and energy for their 27th annual Christmas drive for 50 needy families in the area. Checking some of the final details for their drive are (standing) Denise Guilmet of Riverside drive and Judith Soma of Kinkaid drive. During their free hours and after classes, the girls solicit items, mend, sort, press, polish, paint and repair donations which will fill the four large gift cartons which each family receives. Students will deliver the gift-filled boxes tomorrow. They will then begin their own holidays, happy in the knowledge that they have added a little joy in homes where little or none is otherwise known.

## Chief Is Toastmaster At Graduation Lunch

Birmingham Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley was toastmaster at the Basic Police Training Program's graduation luncheon for the fifth graduating class, Dec. 11, at Devon Gables.

Five Birmingham officers were among the 210 men in the graduating class. They were: Barry Gorman, James J. Cochran, Edmund Long, Keith Thompson, Donald W. Rolf and Millard D. Squire.

George R. Crisman, Carl K. Hall and Creighton Kerr, of the Bloomfield Hills police department, also graduated.

The luncheon invocation was given by Rev. Stephen, pastor of Holy Name church, Birmingham.

THOMAS J. GEARTY, special agent in charge of the Detroit office of the FBI, talked on "Public Relations in Law Enforcement," and Chief Herbert W. Straley, president of the Southeastern Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.

Presented the certificates. The Basic Police Training Program is sponsored by the Police Association and the FBI. Moxley is chairman of the training committee.

Over 600 police officers have graduated from the school since it was started in 1951. Moxley said the school has been such a success that it is being copied all over the state.

THE 90-HOUR SCHOOL is broken into three terms: spring, fall and spring. Officers learn about things as traffic control, court procedure, and the handling of emergency maternity cases.

Police officers, doctors, lawyers and judges give up much of their free time, and receive no pay for instructing the classes.

Now Is Not Time To Open Fairway Drive, City Feels

Fairway drive will not be opened between Pleasant and Ardian lane at least for some time to come. Birmingham city commissioners at an informal hearing, Monday night, decided to hold the drive open until the next year.

But they will give two property owners access to their landlocked parcels by opening the drive at the city's Lincoln avenue well property.

D. H. MACADAMS precipitated the driveway installations by requesting the city to install a 50-foot easement agreement.

Property owners were pretty dubious about the project at first. They feared the city would be a street would provide the access as well as easement for needed sewer.

The city also will attempt to obtain the easements for sewer and water.

## Information--

### On Those Amazing Birmingham Eccentric Classified Ads!

DEADLINE: TUESDAY, 5 P.M.

CASH RATE: 6¢ per word. \$1.20 minimum.

CHARGE RATE: 30¢ additional if not paid by Saturday. Noat following insertion.

Repeat Ads: 20% discount if run consecutively, \$1.20 minimum.

Eccentric Box Numbers: 30¢ additional.

Out-of-town ads payable in advance of deadline time, 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Cancellations may not be made after 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Claims for errors must be made within 10 days following insertion.

PHONE Midwest 4-1100

## 1 Lost and Found

LOST: HAMMONT WATCH with chain, last seen, vicinity Quarters Lane, Birmingham, Dec. 11, 1958. Reward \$10.00. Call 4-1100.

## 2 Announcements--Notices

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PEPPER SHOW, for children, parties, birthday, holiday, Christmas and classic stories, by professional, experienced, ten years old. Performer, \$10 for complete half-hour show, professional for your child. Carol Gurney, MI 4-0881 for reservations.

## OPEN

Strenuous Nursing Home for your vacation. Clean, comfortable, ground floor, furnished by Superior. \$10.00 per week. Includes, value, semi-private and 4 bed rooms. Also, private, 2 bed rooms. Call 4-1100.

## 3 Business Partners

"BIRMINGHAM" FOR HEALTH, for children, parties, birthday, holiday, Christmas and classic stories, by professional, experienced, ten years old. Performer, \$10 for complete half-hour show, professional for your child. Carol Gurney, MI 4-0881 for reservations.

## 4 Catering

SUPPER, DINNER, TEA, WEDDING, receptions, all types of catering. Hot and cold, buffet, or plated. Call 4-1100.

## 5 Cemetery Lots--Monuments

FIVE GRAVE PLOT IN WHITE CHAP. of \$50.00. Will sell all or part. Also, monuments, headstones, etc. Call 4-1100.

## 6 Instructions

PIANO INSTRUCTION, YOUR HOME or mine. Bachelor of music degree. University of Michigan. Call 4-1100.

## 7 Organ--Lessons

JACK PRANE IS NOW ACCEPTING appointments for instruction in organ. Also, piano, and other instruments. Call 4-1100.

## 8 Female Help Wanted

WOMEN  
WE HAVE IMMEDIATE OPENINGS in our Female office for part time work. Salary \$10.00 per week. Call 4-1100.

## 9 Employment Agencies

Brady, McCrillis and Associates  
205 E. Brown (Loose) Service  
MI 4-4444

## 10 Rooms to Rent

ATTRACTIVE LARGO FURNISHED bedroom, private bath, separate entrance, parking. Pleasant surroundings. Call 4-1100.

## 11 Rooms and Board

WILL GIVE PERSONAL ATTENTION to your loved one in lovely large private home. West of Birmingham. Call 4-1100.

## 12 Houses and Apartments

COMFORTABLE UNFURNISHED 4 room house, private bath, separate entrance. Call 4-1100.

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Charmwood Hills

ADAMS ROAD AREA, 3 BEDROOMS, 1 1/2 baths. Lovely wooded lot. Newly decorated throughout. Available for only \$115.00 per month. Call for appointment. MI 4-1100.

NEW 1-BEDROOM ADAMS COURT APTS.

105-110 North Adams, Birmingham. Soundproof, spacious, modern. Heat furnished. Free parking. Call 4-1100.

ATTRACTIVE 3-ROOM UPPER ELEC. tri-plex, refrigerator, plenty of heat and hot water. \$155.00. Midwest 4-1100.

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