

Mark Leach Furniture Opens Here

Mark Leach Furniture, 26, 128 W. Maple, is the newest merchant to join the long list of Birmingham merchandisers. Sales Manager Raymond Burke is in charge of the first local outlet that has distributors across the country. Panama, Mexico and South America.

Leach previously owned one of the largest automobile dealerships in Detroit before manufacturing his vibrating couches and chairs of his own design.

THE HEALTH furniture is designed to reduce, stimulate and be used as an aid to rheumatism and arthritis.

Leach designed the couch to ease his own arthritic pain and started manufacturing them on a semi-production basis in a plant at Milford.

Much of the work on the couches must be done by hand since few of the assembly operations can be done on a production basis.

Expectant Parent Classes Offered By Health Dept.

Expectant parent classes are again being offered at the Birmingham office of the Oakland County Health department, 161 W. Martin. Registration for classes will be held Jan. 5 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the office.

Attendance is limited to a maximum of 26 persons, to provide ample opportunity for discussion. Classes begin at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

6-A THE BIRMINGHAM (MICH.) ECCENTRIC Dec. 30, 1958

ponsored by the Oakland County Health and various adult education departments.

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One hundred-fifty employees presented owner Nick Takis (extreme left) and his wife, Amy, with more than 20 years of fond remembrances as a Christmas present—painting of the first Kingsley Inn. The

LEND AN EAR 'Campobello' Is Moving Theater

Regardless of one's politics, Franklin Delano Roosevelt must be remembered as a great man for no other reason than in his personal life he achieved a striking victory over a crippling disease. All this and much more is the subject of the very moving "Sunrise at Campobello" at the Shubert theater.

It must be said at the outset that Lief Erickson in portraying those early trying years of Roosevelt's political life has achieved a truly great characterization. The maneuvering about in his struggling mobile wheelchair or his walking awkwardly about in heavy braces is a technical feat for any actor.

His lifting by hand of his own crippled legs forcefully brought home the pain and frustration that must have been felt by this indomitable spirit. Erickson is vocally a fine Roosevelt—dramatically—a forceful Roosevelt who went on to glory and greatness.

MICHAEL MYERS who plays his wife, seemed a little weak for the "Eleanor" as we know her—perhaps we must accept her portrayal as that of the young martyr unprepared for life's adversities. Miss Myers was striking, however, in the second act when she is reduced through worry and fatigue to an hysterical breakdown while reading to two of her children—only to declare that "this will never happen again." It never does.

Russell Collins is superb as Louis Howe, advisor and loyal friend to FDR—always ready with a biting quip, loathing sentiment, sensing destiny and Roosevelt's part in it.

Ann Shoemaker is suitably sharp as FDR's mother and others such as Lanna Saunders, Raymond McHugh, Dale Curtis, Philip Vandeventer and Luke Haines are fine as FDR's engaging children.

IF ANY criticism he leveled at "Sunrise," we might say that both actors and audience must have gained through a great deal of family chit-chat before enjoying the important moments of the play. Perhaps because it is the chronicle of FDR's personal life, as lived at home, this is so.

More voicing of Roosevelt's personal philosophy on many things other than politics and even on politics might have helped round out the picture of the man whose unbounded courage overcame insurmountable odds—who had such a strong influence on the history of the Democratic party—even of the nation as a whole.

But without such inclusions, "Sunrise at Campobello" is a rare accomplishment—real life drama

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Mrs. Susan Decker, 73, wife of Dr. Harry G. Decker, died Thursday in her home at 1805 Bedford, Birmingham.

Services were yesterday from St. Albert's Episcopal Church in Highland Park. Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Harriet Decker and three sons, Richard, Forrest and Warren.

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