



Among the Big Brass . . .

There's music in the campus air in many parts of the country, some of it stirred up by Birmingham area students. In with the big brass at Wayne State university (picture at left) are Roy Ernst, 980 Vanderpool, Troy and Diane Barber, 2588 Yorkshire, Birmingham. They flank Dr. Angelo M. Cucci, WSU Marching band director.

Ernst is president of Phi Mu Alpha, professional musical honorary. Philip R. Brown, (right), son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Brown, Birmingham, is a clarinetist in Cornell university's Big Red band. Brown is a freshman in the College of arts and science.



Honor Means Here 'n There, Work for 19 DG Gets 5 More

ANN ARBOR — Nineteen area students are in the College Honors program of the College of Literature, Science and the Arts at the University of Michigan this fall. The program is designed to give challenging educational opportunities to superior students.

Local names include: Thomas A. Brown, 4239 Far Hill drive; Mary E. Carroll, 3978 Lincoln; William F. Cartwright, 581 Overhill; Louie R. Cataldo, 18296 Birchwood; Carolyn E. Chappell, 925 Larchie; Sally J. Hanson, 5643 Putnam; Marshall D. Hestenes, 4477 Chantrelle; Howard C. Kutchal, 900 E. Long Lake; Nancy R. McCortney, 215 Vorn lane; Janet E. Miller, 811 Tottenham; Arthur N. Plaxton, 929 Southdown road; Judith G. Schmidt, 22519 Bellwood; Klaus K. Schmiegel, 812 Kennewas; Laura A. Szymak, 6000 Westmore; Steven M. Taylor, 566 Pilgrim; Mariann Ulrich, 559 Southfield road; John M. Markley, 655 Ridge road; Marcella M. Michaels, 5 Woodberry drive; and William C. Mair, 18764 Dolores, Lathrup Village.

Delta Gamma social sorority has pledged five Birmingham area girls across the country. They are: Mary B. Hawley, now of Grossville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kootman, a graduate of Birmingham high school, and Patricia Ann Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip O. Johnson, 3526 Charnwood—both at Albion college.

SUSAN SUTHERLAND, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sutherland, Orchard Lake, at Northwestern university; Mary Ann Verblow, 7415 Jackson drive, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee H. Verblow at Wittenberg college; Peggy Mayne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Mayne, 232 Lone Pine road, Bloomfield Hills, at the University of Colorado.

At Commons Club Annual Convention

William M. Holdsworth, Jr., of 831 Ivy lane Bloomfield township, was a delegate to the recent 54th annual convention of the American Association of Commons clubs, at Adrian college, Adrian, Mich. He is an active member of the Commons club chapter at Adrian.

Engineer Makes It

Merrill A. Hayden, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill A. Hayden, 6926 Valley Spring drive, has been elected to membership in Tau Beta Pi, honorary fraternity at Rensselaer Polytechnic institute, Troy. N. Hayden is a senior in aeronautical engineering at the institute.

Makes 'Who's'

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Among the 36 students selected for listing in "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, 1960" is Richard C. Sneed, 848 Madison, Birmingham. Sneed was also a member of the selected fraternities, most of eight students and five faculty members.

Safety Experts 'Look at Record'; It's Distressing

Highway and home are your prime holiday danger spots, the National safety council emphasized today. With just a few weeks remaining until the holiday season gets in full swing, the council took a look at the record:

- 1) Thousands of persons injured in traffic and home accidents during the year-end holiday.
- 2) More accidental deaths in December than in any other month.
- 3) HOLIDAY SPIRITS — the kind found in a bottle—emerging as one of the big accident causes, especially on the highways.

The council pointed out that drivers have a moral responsibility to keep themselves and others safe from accidents. When they cause an accident because of drink, it said, they are guilty of violating a commandment.

Major holiday home hazards were listed by the Council as:

- 1) Slips and falls.
- 2) Fires.
- 3) The hustle-bustle of the season.

Falls, the council said, are caused in a variety of ways—tools scattered around the floor, climbing too high to hang decorations, using a chair instead of a step-ladder; for climbing, ice on steps and sidewalks.

THE FIRE DANGER said the council, can be reduced if holiday decorations are fireproof or fire-resistant.

The decoration that deserves the most attention, it said, is the Christmas tree itself. It suggested:

- 1) Don't buy your tree too early. When you do get it, keep it in a cold spot till ready to use.
- 2) Before setting up the tree, saw off about an inch of the trunk.
- 3) Keep the tree away from sources of heat (radiators, for example), and put its base in a water-containing holder.

Hot Time on Hearth Cools Fevered Nerves

Three score and a few years ago, in this tiny town of 3,000 folks where a full childhood was spent, only a half dozen roofs sported a fireplace chimney.

Now? Not many homes have one. (In childhood dreams the thought used to persist: Wouldn't it be the most wonderful thing if we had one?)

BECAUSE those early 'dreams' have a tendency to remain solidly in the back of the brain, the fireplace dominating the front room is still looked upon as a valuable and most cherished thing. Because of this it is used, over and over. Sure, ashes and dust erupt. So does a bit of smoke at times. And sometimes a second application of furniture polish must be squibbed about on the tables after it's been used for hours on end the day before.

Yet! What's a little extra elbow grease or scrubbing of the tile stones in front as compared to the "greater things" enjoyed?

NO DOCTOR could tell a tired patient, he'd take his nerves and nerves to some other wiser man. "Go home and light a fire. Pull up a chair for the doctor. Take off your shoes. Unfasten any tight belt. Stretch out and let the mind go blank." "That's the way," the doctor can distinguish coming from the flames. If you do that quite often I won't see you again! (The patient, hugging his aches and pains would surely feel that it was the doctor who needed help, not him!) Regardless of how simple this treatment sounds, (and so very inexpensive except for a cord or two of wood) it works. It works in a very subtle way. Like: "Look at that fire catching." And the eyes? They look. Before they become weary wiser man. They become another jump out. Perhaps when a couple stray logs unite and sizzle up high.

"Hm, that's interesting," the stretched out viewer observes as he counts the different flames coming towards the flue. And if he really concentrates on just the fire — and how it came about — strange things occur to the aches and nerves' he has been so worried about.

THEY SUBSIDE. Gradually. Like, is it the heat? The crackling? Or just the peace which creeps in as a person sits. In front of an alive fireplace? Not thinking about anything except what's in front of his eyes?

Without borrowing any poetic license from a poet, can't it be seen what might happen if his wife or a child might be passing by at the moment the flames shot high? "Come and see this," he might insist. And without a second invitation, his wife or child or children would.

It has been declared that some fans become such addicts that the fireplace is used, not just a couple times a week, but sometimes daily when the cold creeps in. And there is little time left for one tiny argument to arise.

Keep that for another time, eh?

8:14M ECCENTRIC Thursday, December 10, 1969 7-D
here is too lovely to spoil with different points of view.
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Local Voices Sing Christmas In at Albion

ALBION — The Albion College Choral society is presenting the music of Handel and Purcell in its annual pre-Christmas concert at 8 p.m. Dec. 13, Handel-Purcell year. E. Yaki of 22590 W. 11 Mile road, Southfield, who will sing alto; George Henry Ransford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard George Ransford of 1711 Cedar Hill drive, who will sing bass; Miss Carol Susan Peck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor L. Peck of 1135 Maryland, who will sing soprano; and Mrs. Roderick Menoch of 2196 Wycliffe, who will sing soprano. Miss Julie Ann Pond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn

S. Schoenhals of 27075 Lahser, Southfield, who will sing alto. Playing with the orchestra will be Miss Dawn Ellen Janke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman E. Janke of 2970 Middlebury lane, who will play viola; and Miss Susan Lucille Bitzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Bitzer of 2660 Comfort drive, who will play second violin.

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All Wet, But They ARE Synchronized

ALTON, Ill. — Two Birmingham misses have been elected to membership in the Marlin club, Monticello college figure swimming organization.

The local swimmers are Sue Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Clark, 1204 Foxchase; and Anne Graham, 471 Overhill.

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