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FOR AND ABOUT TODAY'S YOUTH

DENI SCANLON, Youth Editor

BHS to Present Third Performance Of Eugene O'Neill's 'Ah, Wilderness'

By TONY HAMMER

Climaxing weeks of hard work, Birmingham high school students will present the final two performances of their winter play, "Ah, Wilderness," tonight and Friday at the Baldwin auditorium.

This is the first time in many years that Proscenium has presented a play on four nights. Success now will determine the club's activities in the future. Tickets for the 8 p.m. performance are being sold by the sophomores as a class project.

THE PLAY is directed by Miss Barbara Birge, who has worked locally with the Village Players. A graduate of the University of Indiana school of Drama, she is assisted by Mary Hawley, student director, and Sue Reutter, president of Proscenium, the school drama club.

RUNNING down the cast: Robin Odle plays 11-year-old Tommy Miller, Mildred, his sister, is portrayed by Elma Grison; another brother, Arthur, is played by Bill Ellis.

Jane McKinley is Mrs. Miller; Neil Hull takes the part of Nat Miller, the father.

His sister, Lily, is portrayed by Julie Borgman; Charles Darling is Mrs. Miller's brother, Sid.

Tom Kershner plays the Miller's 17-year-old son Richard; and the part of David McComber, a local

merchant, is portrayed by Eric Nitochke.

Other members of the cast are Sue Reutter, Bob Tigelaar, Lynn Reese, Grant Engard, Terry Charbonneau and Whitney Walker. Dave Taylor and Bill Brown

In Royal Ballet

Realizing a dream of her life, Nancy Carnegie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnegie of 18805 Glenwood, will dance with the Royal Ballet Company in a production of "Coppelia" at Covent Gardens on March 21.

A fifth year student at the Royal Ballet School in England, Nancy will complete her training there in July. Because of a rule that permits only British subjects to dance in the Royal Ballet, Nancy had not expected the opportunity to tread the boards of the famous old theater.

When school opens in the fall, Nancy will enter Southfield high school as a senior. She will continue her ballet training locally.



NANCY CARNEGIE

In the Tropical Chamber on the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, Md., technicians recreate a climate comparable to weather on South Pacific islands. Their purpose is to test airplane equipment under tropical conditions.

Barnum JHS

Barnum Presents Two Plays

By PATSY GORDON

The eighth grade production, directed by Miss McCormick, will be presented Thursday, Mar. 5 in the Barnum auditorium. The two plays to be presented are "Rasperry Red" and "Be a Little Cuckoo."

The cast for "Rasperry Red" will be: father, Don Spencer; mother, Bonnie Bender; Jane, Sue Hicks; Red, John McCullough; Bobby, Bob Bailey; Letty, Judy Poole; Carol, Sheryl Baker; Hilda, Brooke Hinkley; Mrs. Dunn, Alice Patton; Mrs. Clark, Audrey McMin; Philip Briggs, Gary Ihas; Jack Adams, Mary Carlson, and Rev. Dunn, Pete Bartholomew. Student directing this play is Meril Penn.

Characters in "Be a Little Cuckoo" are: Lizzie, played by Erin Newhouse; Mrs. Parker, played by Claudia Kessler; and girls—played by Valerie Moore, Rosemary Collins, Pat Flaherty, Erin Newhouse, and Claudia Kessler. Pat Roach is the student director of this play.

Other committees which have been hard at work to make this production a success include stage, theatrical face make-up, properties, ushers, tickets, lights and posters.

The Barnum Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Kutscher, will play selections before the play and between acts.

On Friday, Feb. 27, Barnum students held a pep rally. The cheer leaders led cheers to arouse enthusiasm for the All-Star basketball games which were held in the Birmingham high school gymnasium that night.

Barnum's eighth grade All-Stars, coached by Mr. Stoll, played a great game against Derby's All-Stars. The game was very exciting, and with a one point victory for Derby.

Barnum's ninth grade All-Stars, fired with enthusiasm, could not let Derby win a second game, played for all they were worth, and won. This team was coached by Mr. Gibson.

Both schools had large rooting sections of students, parents and teachers.

In the band festival, held in Bir-

Six Area Students In Competition For Scholarships

Six Birmingham area students are among some 250 outstanding high school seniors selected to participate in the final competition for the top scholarships offered by Michigan State university.

They are Carol Houghton, 6850 Inkster; Anne E. Hughes, 411 Coolidge and Merrie-Roxie Rundle, 17132 Buckingham, all of Birmingham.

PHILLENORE A. Drummond, 240 Joyce court, Bloomfield Hills; Linda R. Brethen, 19090 Midway, Southfield; and Linore W. Hobbs, 27665 E. California, Lathrup.

mingham Feb. 21, Barnum's band, directed by Mr. Bronson, received one ratings, giving them a first division among the class A junior high bands in the festival. This is the highest rating possible and the band members were very happy.

The band and orchestra parents club operated a concession stand at the Birmingham high school for the band members playing there. Many parents work long and hard to operate this stand. The profits are to be used for the benefit of the Barnum band and orchestra.

Last week a special assembly was held for honor students. Included were students with perfect attendance and no tardiness, honor roll students, those with commendable citizenship, student council and presidents club members, and members of other service groups.

Mr. Stirling presented a program of magic and puppetry for those attending the assembly.

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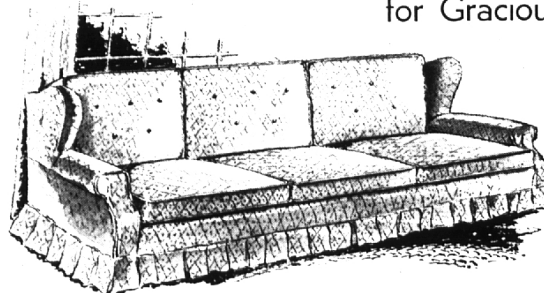
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