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YMCA Opens Registrations For Camps

Children eight to 12 years of age who are YMCA members, may now register for 1959 day camps.

They may register for more than one period. There are three one-week and three two-week periods.

The YMCA day camp aims at teaching skills, archery, boating handicraft, nature lore—and character — consideration, fair play, honesty and a healthy attitude toward their Creator.

The Day Camp sites are. Monday—Saltwater Pool and Bloomer State Park; Tuesday — Livernois Stable and swimming area yet to be named; Wednesday and Thursday—Kensington Park; Friday—Educational trips, field day and second day of an overnight.

There are three overnight trips occurring during the summer. During the first period (June 22-26) the day campers are at Camp Ohiyesa, Thursday and Friday. During the fourth period (July 29-31) the day campers stay at Edison Institute. The boys camp out at Kensington Park during the sixth period (August 17-21). The girls stay at Orchard Lodge. The "overnights" are planned to offer each boy and girl an experience in living away from home for a two day period.

A bus pick-up service is available at Adams, Bloomfield Village, Pembroke, Quarton and Holy Name schools, between 8:40 and 9:05 a.m. They are returned to the school between 3:30 and 4:00 p.m. Pick-up service is available at other schools on request.

Medical insurance is carried on each child registered for each period. Further information can be obtained by calling the Birmingham YMCA office.

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"I give up; what is it?" asks seventh-grader Jim Feeney, of Northbrook school. Terry Peterson (left) and Julie Austin, also Northbrook students, show him what is obviously part of a 1959 Mercury grille. The grille is one of the products exhibited at the "Industry on Parade" exposition, May 18 through 22, at the school.

Industry Parade Moves At Northbrook School

There are days when everything seems to "click." The social studies department of Northbrook school, Lathrup Village has had one long day like that since September.

"That's when we first started on our 'Industry on Parade' exhibit," said teacher Robert Riggs. Since then the project has drawn energy, interest, industrial products to itself like a magnet.

The project goes on public exhibition May 18, and runs through May 22, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. It will be held in the gymnasium, "and may spill over into a few classrooms," Riggs said.

"IT HAS SNOWBALLED—but it's growing in the right direction," Riggs went on. The project started in an attempt to supplement text books and teach the students about diversity of American industry, as first-hand as possible.

An idea put forth in class caught and grew. The teacher and students had visions of industry sending product samples.

They wrote the chambers of commerce in the then 49 states, got directories of industries. They split up into groups of three students each. Each group wrote to 150 industries.

STUDENTS PLANNED activities to pay for stamps— a huge expense when you mail out 4500 letters. A talent show and a few socials covered the costs.

Parents responded—they donated envelopes and stationary. "Even at the school's cut rates, we couldn't have afforded to buy it," Riggs said.

The response of students who are donating much free time and imagination, is being matched by industry.

"IT'S BEEN AMAZING," the young teacher said excitedly.

"We've received everything from cowboy boots to dresses." Products have poured in—A Cleveland bakery sent a cake emblemed with the project's crest. A 1959 Mercury grille, voltage regulator, samples of refined and crude oil, cotton in various stages of preparation, a four-pound box of cookies—"we still have the box, anyway," he smiled sheepishly—a model of the Titan rocket, and cases of soft-drinks have been mailed to the school.

The representative of one local business was so intrigued with the exhibition that he flew to his regional office in Ohio to get company support for the project.

"WE'VE BEEN DRIVING the post office wild," Riggs grinned. "We have been getting from 25 to 125 letters per day. And once we picked up 120 boxes addressed to 'Industry on Parade.'"

The project has involved the talents and interests of 132 students—the whole seventh grade social studies class. PTA mothers are scheduled to serve as hostesses for the five-day exposition.

Refreshments and industrial films are scheduled.

Riggs has been planning the project for several years. "I waited for a talented group; I now have it, he said, "and we have 'clicked'."

Curtain Goes up Tonight on 'Man'

By TONY HAMMER

Tonight at eight o'clock the curtain goes up on Birmingham high school's production of "The Man Who Came To Dinner" by Moss Hart aond George S. Kaufman. General admission tickets ($1) will be available at the door.

The annual all school spring play is sponsored by Proscenium, the high school drama club. Miss Roberta Arnold, who has worked with the Village Players and has taught at the Cranbrook drama workshop, is the director. Judy Boyer is student director.

Chuck Coffin, Jane McKinley and Marty Allgire are cast in leading roles. "The Man" will be played in theater-in-the-round style.

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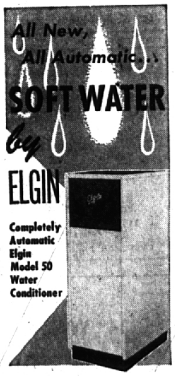

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