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Metropolitan Club Spurs 'Ralphie' Drive

Club are slowly, but surely, beginning to grind.

Ralphie, the 21-month-old son of the Ralph Hedmans, 888 Chapin, Birmingham, is the young man who faces a life-saving operation at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., in order to correct a heart defect that he has lived with since birth.

THE BABY will be leaving Birmingham within a few days for the operation in which no guarantee of success has been given by doctors, and a four-week stay at the clinic. His parents will accompany him, leaving their six other children to be cared for at home.

Following a story in The Birmingham Eccentric, neighbors have set up a loosely-organized fund which now amounts to \$60, but the

Hedmans need more than \$2,000, even with the help of social agencies in the country.

This is where the Metropolitan Club—this means many of our policemen, firemen and postal employees—come in.

"So far, no definite plans for a fund-raising event have been made," said Birmingham Detective Richard Chambers, past president of the club and newly-appointed "Help Ralphie" chairman.

"WE'RE JUST organizing our forces now, but a dance in the not-too-distant future seems likely," said Chambers.

"But anyone who would like to 'jump the gun' and help Ralphie now—well, we wouldn't really mind," said Chambers.

Chambers may be reached at the Birmingham Police Dept., and James Coward, club president, can be contacted at the Post Office.

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2. The Venetian Affair
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4. The Shoes of The Fisherman
5. Corvax
6. The Living Road
7. The Spy Who Came in From the Cold
8. The Whodket Scandal
9. The Last Majesty's Secret Service
10. The Battalion of The Villa Florida

GENERAL

1. Profiles In Courage
2. The White House Years
3. J.F.K. The Man and The Myth
4. Rascal
5. The American Way of Death
6. Confessions of An Advertising Man
7. Denny
8. William Shakespeare: A Biography
9. I Own Russia \$12.00
10. The Quiet Crisis

Source: New York Times Book Section, Jan. 12

SPECIAL ORDERS

We will be pleased to special order hard bound book not available from our stock.

ORDER BY PHONE

For your shopping convenience, charge customers may order books by phone. If you'd like to open an account, just give us a call. Local delivery service available.

New Store Hours: Thursday & Friday 'til 9 P.M.

LaBelles
137 West Maple
Birmingham
644-3030

New Teacher Joins Staff at B'ham YMCA

Martha Fairchild, an art major who received her B.A. from Rollins College, Winter Park, Fla., in 1961, has begun teaching art classes at the Birmingham YMCA. She also attended the Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, and the Corcoran School of Art, Washington, D. C., and studied painting and graphics at the Fontainebleau School of Fine Arts, Fontainebleau, France, and the Academy of Notre Dames des Champs, Paris.

In France she entered two exhibitions, and on her return to the United States has shown her works twice in Washington, D. C., and held a one-man show of paintings, drawings and graphics at Arlington, Va.

Raven Art Gallery, Birmingham, and also in the summer show at the Cranbrook Galleries and taught part-time at the Young People's Art Center which is affiliated with Cranbrook.

While a student at Rollins College, she wrote an art column for the college newspaper and received an art scholarship and a painting purchase award.

Some of her works are found in private collections in 14 states and as far abroad as France and Iran. Miss Fairchild is working with elementary grade children three afternoons a week and teaches a junior and senior high art class Tuesday evenings.

Primer Prepares Your Paint Project

Always use the undercoat or primer recommended by the manufacturer of the topcoat you plan to apply.

Occasionally, one producer's primer will not be compatible with another company's topcoat, or vice-versa. For a satisfactory job, stick to the same brand.

LAST YEAR SHE exhibited at

Abstract Artists Seek Spontaneity

"My child can do better than that!" People announce this with surprising regularity concerning abstract art.

"Looks like my kid painted that," viewers complain of the flamboyant splashes and distorted shapes of abstract paintings.

By chance they have put their fingers on a truth in the matter. Artists have learned to appreciate the spontaneous way children create. There is much similarity between young children and abstract painters who slosh right in with unvoiced freedom.

Painters have discovered that the line often reflects the emotion with which it is applied. The abstract expressionists believe that the emotion of the painter, young or older, can be transmitted through the brush, unmodified by stylized intellectual control for the clearest expression.

stage of painted expression. Our son Randy as a preschooler painted the attic as a large black triangle mysteriously inhabited with squiggles of red, blue and purple.

He can now state easily that the attic is a dark and mysterious place and draw it pretty accurately architecturally, but neither of these more grown-up versions has the excitement of his first response.

ADULT ARTISTS have taken a lesson from this. They select only the essential shape. (Abstract means to simplify or distill the essence from.) Viewers call selection what the artist calls distortion.

As a three-year-old, Randy drew me with a large round head (eyes nose and mouth) and long legs directly attached. Those were the essentials: a face to express my feelings to him and long legs to "reach the pedals to drive the car."

Artists, in like manner, eliminate the unessentials. Viewers can assume they are there to forget them. Too many details obscure the main theme.

"WELL, ANY IDIOT can do that," you might be thinking. But try it. If ever you wish to feel the weight of all your adult learning and repressions try to paint as a child does.

What in the child is a simple clarity of expression is often self-conscious or angry paint puddling with the adult.

That beautiful illusive quality that children have is lost to most of them by the sixth grade. Adults in learning the nuances of expression have forgotten how to state the bold simplifications.

This is the tragedy of the statement "My child can do better than that." The adult cannot. This vision is lost to him. Only through hard work and rediscovery can the adult relinquit what the child knows instinctively.

ONE REASON this form of expression is lost to the "aging" child is because he learns to use a vocabulary of words for expression. He learns to read, write and communicate verbally.

Young children are better at expressing their feelings in paint. Language is a very complex and difficult medium of expression.

Art-conscious parents can watch their children grow through this

Movie Guide

Parenteen Committee
Birmingham P.T.A. Council

MOVIE	Green Sheet	National Legion of Decency
The Prize	A-MY	A-3
Passover in Courage	GA	A-1
Sword and the Stone		A-1
Goliath and the Dragon		A-2
Children of the Damned		A-2

* recommended as superior entertainment especially for children

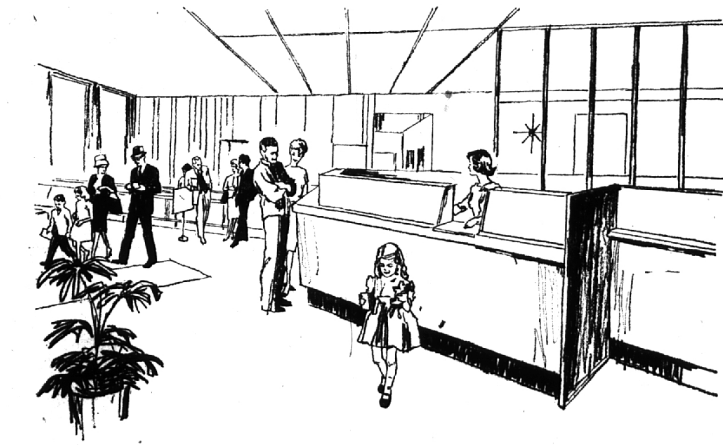
GREEN SHEET

These audience symbols are intended as broad guides to selection, and do not indicate either recommendation or non-recommendation of the films to which they are applied.

- A Adults
- MY Mature Young People
- Y Young People (12 years to 16 years)
- C Children (unaccompanied by adults)
- GA General Audience

NATIONAL LEGION OF DECENCY

- A-1 Morally Unobjectionable for General Patronage
- A-2 Morally Unobjectionable for Adults and Adolescents
- B Morally/Objectionable in Part for All
- C Condemned
- SC A separate classification is given to certain films which, while not morally offensive in themselves, require some analysis and explanation as a protection to the uninformed against wrong interpretations and false conclusions.



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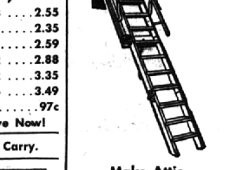


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