

'Happy Breed' Scheduled for Groves Stage

By PAM CARPENTER
Special Writer

Sarcasm, wit, drama, philosophy and a touch of the Communist Manifesto are combined into a formula which Dramaticus calls, "This Happy Breed," a play in three acts by Noel Coward which will be presented March 19 and 20 at Groves.

A rather fun loving, easy going, eccentric Britian and his practical but opinionated wife dominate the play with their strange but wonderful family of five, including a mother-in-law who supports in them through the 20-year span in which the play progresses.

Janie Upward and Paul Grandeur portray Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons and Tom Tashen, Beth Mowry, Craig Carpenter, Janie Easterbrook, Dick Orton, Linda Martin, Mary Gidley, Jim Dashiell, Karen Hilde and Camille Brunk play their family and neighbors. Miss Katie Bigge, aided by her assistant student director, Patricia Pittard and Linda Moakes, is directing this romantic, eye-opening and provocative play.

Three weeks and three Saturday workshops ago toll began on "This Happy Breed" and the result will be its presentation in the Little Theatre on March 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00.

"Twenty Years of Costumes in 20,000 Stitches" is the Dramaticus costume committee's theme song since 65 costumes have been ordered for the play. Thirty-five female and 25 male costumes must be completed by March 13.

The play begins in 1919 and ends in 1949 and as the costume committee knows, styles do change. Camille Brunk and Beth Mowry, who are co-chairmen of the committee, are doing the costumes by adapting a 1926 Vogue book of sewing patterns.

Groves Girls' Ensemble competed in the solo-ensemble final held at Wallied Lake High School. The ensemble sang a capella and without a director and were given a second division rating. Two soloists, Pat Dierkes and Pam Crews both received first division ratings.

Next year a new course, Russian I, will be offered at Groves. This course, which will be taught by Mr. Andrew Samosuk, will consist of a basic understanding of the oral and written Russian language.

One of the various aspects which will be covered in this course is Russian culture. It can be studied in the original writings of Chekhov and Tolstoy.

Berkshire English Pupils Work on 'Hall of Fame'

By MARGARET BROWNING
Special Writer

Berkshire English classes study a variety of subjects beyond reading and writing. Miss Lois Hurst, an eighth grade English teacher, has her students making nominating speeches for a miniature "Hall of Fame."

The students are working on a literature unit entitled "Titans of Our Times," a series of biographical selections devoted to men and women of the modern world. These people have distinguished themselves by achievements in their particular fields.

THE CANDIDATES must be living or people who have lived in the past 10 years. Their achievement fields range from politics, religion and science to literature and the arts.

Berkshire's girl basketball games against Barnum were somewhat triumphant. The Berkshires won one game, 16 to 5 and lost another by a score of only 4-3.

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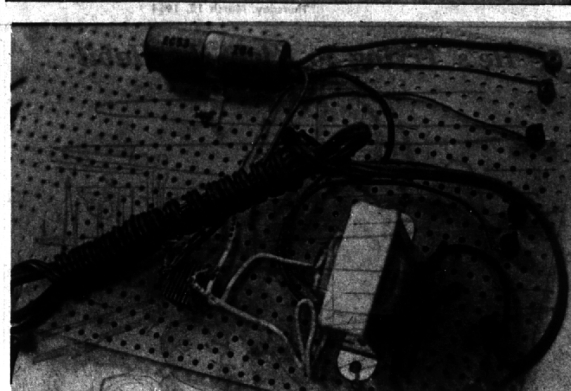
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NEWS OF THE SCHOOLS



A Teacher Turns Ham—Operator

Tall, red-haired, Barnum science teacher, Daly Macgrayne, has his day filled with his subject. In the morning before school opens from 7:20 to 7:50 he teaches Morse code to a group of boys. During school hours, he teaches several classes, heads the Science Department and supervises two lunch hour activities. After school on Tuesdays he sponsors the Electronics Club. All these activities

and the constant questions of students have caused Macgrayne to start buying science equipment at home where he now has his own ham radio set (pictured above) and other types of electronic equipment. In fact, Macgrayne bought his equipment and learned to be a ham radio operator solely to further the interests of his students. (Submitted by Mark Stewart, special writer.)

B'field Junior Cagers Win All 10 Games

By MARCIA MOYER
Special Writer

For the first time in the history of the school, the Lancer basketball team had an undefeated season, winning all 10 games. Bruce Hall set a new high scoring record for a single game with 51 points.

A team scoring record also was set. Other high scorers were Ken Black, Dave Emery, Scott Kohlruat and Bob Calhoun. Other members of the team were Kerry Hiedes, John Mersky, Al Reuther, Tom Anderson, Brian Carrier, John Lloyd, Brent McLeese and Jeff Nebel.

The student-faculty basketball game was played March 6. The faculty consisted of Mr. Eberly, Mr. Dell, Mr. Bernotaki, Mr. Hoxie, Mr. Goodrich, Mr. Brown, Mr. Lahti, Mr. Gaven, Miss Sekles and Miss Siterlit.

MISS BORGON, Miss Stewart and Miss Mack, the three student teachers, were cheerleaders.

An exchange music assembly with East Hills will be held March 18. The East Hills band and Bloomfield band will perform first hour at our school.

The production staff for the 9th grade play "Fog Island" has been chosen. Chairmen are Diane Dickerson, make-up; Mary Pew, properties; Kathy Mauck, costumes; and Chuck White, stage.

Bad Bay and Tom Kuzma will handle lighting and Kent Wilberham and Dave Gouzie will be in charge of sound effects.

Cranbrook Players Set Dates for 'Lil' Abner'

By DOUG LIEBERMAN
Special Writer

Last Friday and Saturday night a new play was premiered in the Cranbrook Assembly Hall. The work, a full length play, was written last year by senior Charles Bigelow, who won top honors in the Detroit Scholastic Writing Award.

Entitled "The House," it is a surrealistic satire, and it featured Steve Senter in the principal role. "The House" was presented as a dramatic reading, with the characters reading their parts from stands rather than moving about.

ANOTHER production, "Lil' Abner," will be given next Friday and Saturday night, March 20 and 21, at 8:15 p.m. in the small gym.

With the combined choruses of Cranbrook and Kingswood school performing under the direction of Mr. Read and Mrs. Hill, this slapstick comedy tells of the misadventures of the famous cartoon characters when they try to tangle with science and politics. Tickets will be on sale at the door.

Last Friday, Headmaster Harry D. Hoy presented six George G. Booth Citations. Given to boys who have distinguished themselves in other fields than their standard work, the Booth Citations, named after the founder of Cranbrook School, are designed to promote activity in all fields, rather than in any particular job.

B-Bops Set Talent Show At Barnum

The B-Bops (band and orchestra) parents of Barnum Junior High School are sponsoring a talent program entitled "The Best of Barnum" to be presented at the Barnum gym on Wednesday at 8 p.m. Profits from the affair will be put into the "Uniform Fund" being accumulated for the purchase of navy blue blazers for the band. Tickets are 75c and may be purchased from any member of the band or orchestra or at the door on the night of the performance.

Talent is being assembled from the students at Barnum, as well as the faculty. Eugene Hanson, Birmingham instrumental instructor, will be on hand with his "Jerry Fenby five-piece combo." This well-known professional group will donate their services to provide music for part of the program.

OTHER "ACTS" lined up include a seven-member instrumental group who will render "Java" with Ed Kvet and Jeff Copeland on cornets; Andy Burligh and Fritz Ruffer on trombones; Stan Kumpf and Tom Feintheil on drums and Casey Potts on bass. There will also be a cello duet with Jane Hunter and Steve Doase. Performing will be a vocal trio known as the "Wheeters," made up of Bill Whitty, Al Waters and Bill Canning. Cady Slusner will contribute a pantomime. The orchestra itself will be heard from at the overtures.

Among the committee working to make the affair a success are Mrs. A. C. Bursleigh, Mrs. B. J. James Theodoroff, Mrs. Henry Kraetzer, Dr. Arnold Hook and Birmingham music instructors, Messrs. Eugene Hanson and Jack Gerard.

The B-Bop also underwrites two \$50 scholarships to winners of a ninth-grade band and orchestra competition in May. Money for these scholarships has been raised by a series of bake sales directed by Mrs. Robert Salton.

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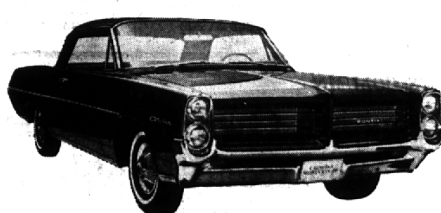
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