

## Amusements

### Dance-Drama Play To Open Is On Pollution In Birmingham

Pollution's effect on wind, rain, sun and snow is the "now" subject of "Weather or Not" performed by New York's Merry-Grounders Saturday, Oct. 10, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., at the Detroit Institute of Arts. It is also the grand finale for Detroit Youth Theatre Week (Oct. 5-10) as proclaimed by Mayor Roman Gribbs.

A Neil Simon comedy, "Come Blow Your Horn" will be presented by the Birmingham Village Players.

The play will be staged at 475 S. Hunter Blvd., Chester at Hunter, Birmingham, Saturday, Oct. 10 and 17, Sunday, Oct. 11 and Friday, Oct. 16. All performances are at 8 p.m., except the Sunday one which will open at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$2.75 (75 cents for groups of 20 or more) at the Art Institute ticket office and all J. L. Hudson ticket centers.

## Aladdin To Be On Stage

How do you costume a villainous, black-bearded African magician who is two feet tall and appears in an Arabian setting?

It's a problem the average person is not likely to be bothered with, but one that Edith Reed has been called upon to solve along with many others just as strange.

Children, and adults, will have the opportunity to find out how she met this problem Saturday, Oct. 10. The story of "Aladdin and His Lamp" will be presented on the stage of Bentley High School auditorium, 1510 Hubbard, Livonia, at 1 and 3 p.m.

THE PERFORMANCES are part of the program of the Livonia Children's Entertainment Guild and the Livonia Public Libraries. Tickets, 50 cents for all, may be purchased at the libraries, from any guild member or by calling Mrs. Howard Lang at 425-1842 or Mrs. Rudy MacLean at 427-0620.

Edith Reed is tailor for the Reed Marionettes, and her handwork on the magician — a sumner velvet robe and a flaming red turban — will reveal his sinister character the moment he appears on stage.

Costuming is just one part of the work required to get a show on the road from the Reed's studio in Wales, Wis., and the story of Aladdin took a year to produce.

The work began with research on Arabian dress, making sketches everywhere from the Chicago Oriental



MEET "ALADDIN" — Aladdin is shown meeting the genie of the lamp. Both will be "on stage" Saturday, Oct. 10, in Bentley High School, Livonia.

Institute for the Children's Room of the Milwaukee public library. Says Mrs. Reed, "As our designs take shape, the costumes tell us about the character. The Beggar is a sprightly fellow and wears colorful rags and patches and a bouncy feather. The Sultan is fond of riches and proudly displays glitter across his ample middle.

"Aladdin has wealth, but better taste, and wears a well-tailored satin and velvet outfit. The costumes can tell us who

they are, what they are, and sometimes, even how they got that way."

### 12 Art Films To Premiere

Twelve critically acclaimed art films never before seen in the Art Institute beginning Oct. 7.

The series is co-sponsored by the Museum's Theatre Arts Department, Wayne Cinema Guild and the University Center for Adult Education, and will run (with two exceptions) on Wednesday and Thursday evenings through January.

Films of internationally renowned directors Truffaut, Orson Welles, Bergman, O'Rand, Widerberg will be shown Wednesdays at 8 p.m., and Thursdays at 7 and 9 p.m., in the Art Institute auditorium (John R.). All films are 35 mm, original format, with English subtitles where necessary.

Tickets for "Detroit Premieres" are \$1.75 (\$1 for students with current ID) and will be sold in advance at the Art Institute ticket office (832-2730) only.

### Singletons To Tee Off

The Dearborn-Livonia Singletons will hold this month's dinner social Saturday, Oct. 10, at Pontiac Country Club, Elizabeth Lake Rd., Pontiac.

The meeting is a combination golf outing and dinner, with tee-off time set for 3 p.m.

Any single person between

the ages of 25 and 45 who is interested in attending should write to P.O. Box 2175, Fort Dearborn Station, Dearborn, 48124.

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