



A CHARMING family portrait of the Gay '90 era is struck by members of the Gifford Hampton family in the coming Farmington Players production "Strange Bedfellows." Jane Marboher, left, plays the part of the Hamptons' daughter, Lillian. Seated is Mr. Hampton, played by Charles Hannan, with his wife, Abbie, standing at his right, played by Nina Orr. The play will be presented May 11, 12 and again on May 18, 19 at the Farmington Junior High School gymnasium.

**Costumes, Comedy To Keynote Play**

Rehearsals for the forthcoming Farmington Players presentation of "Strange Bedfellows" are now in full swing at the Charles Hannan studio where a temporary stage has been set up, complete with stairs and props. Beautiful but strange costumes that were popular at the turn of the century, accompanied by high comedy, keynote the coming production, written by Florence Ryerson and Colin Clements. Mrs. Marie Harrison, assisted by Mrs. Pearl Briggs, has reached far into the past for some of the costumes to be worn. Gowns have been made from the Detroit Historical Society, Dearborn Historical Museum, Dearborn Players, and private collectors. Highly interesting is a gown to be worn by Jane Marboher, playing Lillian Hampton. She will wear the light blue gown which was designed for and worn in the Ford Anniversary Show on television. Bessie Hannan, playing the part of Mrs. Gamble, will wear a 120-year-old lace shawl originally from Ireland. Men will wear the formal attire typical of the period. Cutting a dapper figure in his Prince Albert and top hat will be Howard Richards as Senator Cromwell. Lead roles in the play will be taken by the husband and wife team of Dorothy and Max Miller. Mrs. Miller has had considerable experience in summer theaters in singing and acting. Directing the play is Edward Moseman. Moseman has broad knowledge of the theater, having many years of experience in both acting and directing. He directed the local players' first presentation, "The Late Christopher Bean." The production will be presented on Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, and again the following week end, May 18 and 19, starting at 8:30 p.m. Ticket reservations may be obtained by calling GR. 4-1412 or Northville 584-R11.

**REPORT RECENT SURGE OF FOREST FIRES IN DISTRICT**

The first severe fire losses of Michigan's critical spring forest fire season were reported two weeks ago as 69 fires damaged 928 acres of public and private forests and grasslands. Prior to last week's fires, only 127 acres had been burned this year. Hardest hit was District 12, which includes the extreme southeastern part of Michigan and the thumb area. Eleven fires in the district damaged 458 acres. More than 765,000 persons were injured in week end traffic accidents last year.

**Bits Of News From Franklin Knolls**

EARL TEEPLES MA. 6-6533

At a Fair Committee meeting last Thursday, suggestions as to how best to spend the money received from the recent Eagle School PTA Fair were made and recorded for presentation to the general PTA group at a future meeting. Suggestions included: sun shades for rooms, lights for the parking and walk area, hull waste cans, shrubbery, a baseball back stop and use of the money for road dust laying work.

Also recorded were ways to make the next fair an even more successful event. The Fair grossed over \$1400.

Pat and Chuck Rice of Fourteen Mile Road announced the arrival on April 10 of Vicki Ann. She weighed eight pounds two ounces at birth.

Thanks to the untiring efforts of Charlotte Rubin of Tareyton Road, the roads in the Knolls will soon be given an oil treatment to lay the dust. Mileage checks were conducted this past week and as soon as the roads are graded, the oil can be applied. There are two miles of road in Franklin Knolls Subdivisions No. 1 and 2 to be treated.

George Schreiber and associates announce the opening of one of the largest drive-in restaurants in the country. Located on Telegraph near Plymouth Road and known as Frisco's Drive In, it opened on Tuesday, April 28. George and Sally Schreiber live on Tareyton Road.

Taking a big part in the Cancer Drive in the Franklin Knolls this year and making it a big success were Charlotte Steinberger, Mrs. Raymond Morrison, chairman, Mrs. Carl Monje, Mrs. William Tilder, Mrs. Chase Matthews, Mrs. Kern Menas Gorgeson, Mrs. John Laurer, Mrs. Lee Saperstein, Mrs. Eugene Kornfield, Mrs. Sid Berkowitz, Mrs. Ed Kessler, Mrs. Irving Smith, Mrs. Charles Bowles, Mrs. Sheldon Kavief, Mrs. Herschel Levine, Mrs. J. Nikolets, and Mrs. Roy Lawrence.

Residents are reminded that permits are needed to burn off fields in the township. Persons in this area may obtain a permit from Roy Bell, fire chief, at the Bell Garage on Northwestern Highway.

Fond farewells were extended this week to the Brestoffs of Lechmoor. Better known as "Phil Brestoff and his WXYZ Studio Orchestra" and Auntie Dee of television fame, they are the parents of Nicky and Ricky and valued members of our community.

Phil has served on the Knolls Board of Directors and Mrs. Brestoff appeared at our children's Harlowe'en party last fall. Phil and Dee are moving to Beverly Hills, California, where both are expected to have contracts waiting for them.

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**FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM SET UP**

Michigan forest fire prevention program has been stepped up. Some 75 seasonal employees were added to the Conservation Department staff as forest fire lookouts. The state's 137 fire towers are manned from mid-March to mid-November. Some of the lookouts are new employees, but many of the seasonal employees are re-employed each year.

Don McLeod motored to Peoria, Illinois, last week end. Residents are reminded that permits are needed to burn off fields in the township. Persons in this area may obtain a permit from Roy Bell, fire chief, at the Bell Garage on Northwestern Highway.

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**In And Around The Springland Area**

MRS. RALPH EVERT Phone GR. 4-0278

A freak fire on a utility pole Saturday afternoon in the vicinity of Eleven Mile Road and LeMura Drive caused considerable concern to people in the area. Fire on the top part of the utility pole was caused by friction set up by near-by electrical wires rubbing against the pole, due to the high wind velocity that day.

The Springland Civic Association will hold a business meeting on Thursday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hill Drive, Pasadena Subdivision. Ralph Martin, 26471 Springland Drive.

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