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ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL TO PRESENT 'CADDIE WOODLAWN'

On Thursday and Friday evenings, May 20 and 21, the pupils of St. Paul's Lutheran School, Middlebelt and Eight Mile Roads, will present "Caddie Woodlawn" by Carl Ryrie Brink.
Because her Newberry Medal prize has increased in popularity with the boys and girls, Brink has taken the outstanding episodes from this story of a pioneer family in Wisconsin in Civil War days and woven them into this play. There is the arrival of Cousin Annabelle from Boston and her initiation into the ways of the west, the discovery of a lost family inheritance, and the threat of an Indian massacre as well as much other excitement.

The production of "Caddie Woodlawn" will be preceded by an Indian Prologue, in which the primary grades, with songs, dances and drums, will present activities common in an Indian village.
The role of Caddie will be played by Karen Sures and the role of Annabelle by Janet Miller. Other pupils in the play are Joanne McRoberts, Barbara Westlake, Mary Lou Seldin, Frank Maykovich, Leonard Bobler, Carol Renitt, Frederick Claiborn, Charles Bobler, Darrel Ashby, Herbert Gagnon, Donald Westlake, Donald Evelyn, Lois Garchow, Betty Garchow, Janet Claiborn, Richard Goette and Richard Johnson.

In charge of the costumes are Mrs. Carl Sarnes, Mrs. Fred Westlake, Mrs. Edwin Millard and Mrs. Dallas Hay.
The play, which will be given at St. Paul's School, will begin at 8:00 p.m.

LIVONIA CHURCH NOW OCCUPIES NEW EDIFICE

The Livonia Methodist Church is now holding services in the new building on West Seven Mile Road near Farmington Road, having discontinued use of the Livonia Township Hall on Sunday, May 9.
Dedication of the new edifice is tentatively scheduled for 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 6, when the residents and churches of neighboring communities will also be invited to attend. After the dedication there will be open house, and tea will be served.
In order to suit the convenience of those coming to the church by bus, the Methodist and Sunday School has been changed to 10:20 a.m., beginning this week Sunday, May 16.

Crimpy Rayon Staple
Viscose rayon staple with a permanent kink or crimp, which makes fabrics feel crisp or bulky, is the latest textile product placed on the market. It makes dress fabrics, such as blouses, warm without excess weight by keeping the fibers apart from matting. It also makes higher twist fabrics, such as gabardines, feel lively and crisp. Fabrics woven of the new crimped staple also resist raveling at the seams in laundering much more than fabrics made of regular staple, it is claimed.

Mining Industry Launched In Britain 300 Years Ago

Coal mining, which ranks as one of Great Britain's major postwar problems, has been one of the leading industries in that country for more than 300 years.
In this period the easily worked coal was developed rapidly in fairly small working units, and when it became necessary in comparatively recent years to open up large-scale operations and invest large sums of money for capital expenditure, the heterogeneity of the industry and its complexity prevented any planned development.

Geological conditions aggravate these problems, and help to explain the great difference in output per acre between the British and United States coal industries. Thick seams near the surface now having been largely worked out in Britain, the coal is much more difficult to get. On the average the British seams are approximately 950 feet below the surface, three times as deep as the U. S. average (320 feet). About 45 per cent of British output comes from seams less than four feet thick, as compared with 25 per cent of U. S. output.

British seams are faulted and, unlike the majority of those in the United States, are fairly steeply inclined. In general, U. S. coal gives off little gas, is worked under sound roof and floor conditions and is free from water-bearing strata; while British seams are gassier, require extensive roof support and are sub-ject to water accumulation. In some British mines, up to 10 tons water are pumped for each ton of coal output.

Average Family Insurance Soars to Peak of \$4,700

The American people added a record amount of new life insurance to their family protection during 1947, according to Institute of Life Insurance.
Total life insurance purchases in the United States during the year were 2.17 billion dollars, of which 14.5 billion was ordinary insurance, 4.2 billion industrial life insurance and 3 billion group life insurance. If averaged to all U. S. families, this would represent new insurance in the amount of \$309 per family.

During 1947, the average ownership of life insurance in this country increased to 67 per cent. If averaged to all families, reached a new peak of about \$4,700, an increase of 35 per cent in the past five years. In accomplishing this, the families of this country have increased the accumulated reserves back of their policies by 14 billion dollars in the five-year period. This is considered an effective demonstration of the thrift-mindedness of Americans and serves in two ways toward national economy. It represents a relatively large anti-inflationary savings of the people, and provides an increased reserve for any possible future emergency needs. This reserve now standing at an estimated 45 billion dollars, approximately 38.5 billion dollars greater than at the corresponding period following World War I.

Electricity Expansion.
Connections of farms and other rural establishments by REA-financed rural power systems and consumption of electricity by the people they served reached an all-time high in 1947, according to a report of Rural Electrification Administration. During 1947, REA borrowed about central station electricity to 246,000 farms and other rural establishments. This is 71,000 more consumers than they added to their systems in the previous peak year of 1946. Loans provided by REA during 1947 totaled \$233,991,000. REA loans are self-liquidating and bear a 2 per cent interest. REA borrowers include 41 public electric cooperatives, 41 public power districts, 20 other public bodies and 21 private power companies.

Cereal of the Indians
Quinoa has been grown by Indians of the mountainous regions of Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador and some other South American countries since time immemorial. It is indigenous to Andean America and is said to have originated in the vicinity of Lake Titicaca. Quinoa never may become an important cereal in the world at large, but for centuries it has been significant in the diet of the people living in the Andean Sierra. The seed is about the same in size as a grain of edible millet. Inca regarded quinoa as a sacred plant, cultivating it more generally than any other crop except potatoes. They are said to have used a golden implement to open the furrow to announce the beginning of the sowing season.

Lignin Recovery Plant
At Bellingham, Wash., a lignin recovery plant is to be operated that will have an initial capacity of about 10 tons per day. The lignin produced will be free of sugar content, making it highly desirable as a concrete additive, said to make a type of concrete requiring considerably less water to the mix capable of quicker setting. The company already is recovering ethyl alcohol from waste still liquor, once a major disposal problem. Production at this operation is at the rate of two million gallons a year. The lignin recovery plant will use a vast amount of waste tree material.

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BOWLING BANQUET ENDS SEASON FOR F.H.S. TEAMS

The girls and boys bowling leagues ended their first season with a banquet on April 27. The event was held at Gaelic Hall in Detroit.
A delicious dinner consisting of ham, whipped sweet potatoes, peas and carrots, relishes, pie ala mode and coffee was served to those attending.
In the short program following dinner, Mr. Victor Blakeslee emceed. A few numbers were sung and then the teams were introduced. Individual awards were given to Eileen Whitehead, Stanley Chavoy, Joe Lapham, and James Whitman. The winning teams, Pin Kings and Rolovays, were given honors also. Citations were presented to the secretaries and treasurers by the league. After the introductions, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Still sang a duet, "The Desert Song." A few words were spoken by Mr. George Mastala, Mr. G. V. Harrison, and Mr. O. E. Dunekel. Dancing concluded the evening. M.V.

Assembly Will Honor Outstanding Students
At an Honor Awards Assembly to be held on Thursday, May 13, students of Farmington High School will be recognized for outstanding work in various fields. Awards will be given in such subjects as Science, Mathematics, Foreign, etc. Citizenship honors will also be presented at this time. D. G.

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R. C. JOHNSONS HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY

Mrs. William Lindall and Mrs. Floyd Rogers were hostesses at a surprise party on Thursday evening, May 6, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Johnson of Orchard Lake Road, the occasion being the Johnson's thirtieth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Johnson was presented with a miniature tropical jungle arrangement in Roseville pottery, and Mr. Johnson with a fancy bottle of Puerto Rico's tribute to the U.S.A. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. EVER FAIL TO GET RESULTS WITH A CLASSIFIED AD?

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Virginia Slesinski To Be Married
Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Slesinski of 27421 West Eight Mile Road announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia, to Donald A. Gramer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gramer of 27635 Inkster Road.

Don't Overlook This Amazing Special!
The gym was gaily trimmed with artificial flowers by the decoration committee and its advisor, Miss Ann Metzger. Nancy Gamble presided as Mistress of Ceremonies. Vocal groups of boys and girls, a piano solo, an accordion solo, and readings comprised the entertainment.
Scott Places In Albion Meet
Lawrence Scott tied for second place in the high jump at the Albion Meet Saturday. There were 60 participants in the event. E.T.

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