

Local News Happenings

By MARY LONG, 474-3114

With the passing of Mrs. Mary McKim, of 2291 West 14th, after a four-year illness, goes a very generous and happy person; a person that will be remembered by her many friends and neighbors. Mary and Sam McKim moved here on Maple in 1932 from Highland Park. After living there for five years they moved to the present address on Wilmarth.

Mary's thoughtfulness and many kindnesses touched many of Farmington's old time residents. She was truly Mrs. Santa Claus to many and at Easter-time she would fix up 30 or 40 very large baskets and fill them and decorate them so beautifully and give them to friends as well as her little nieces and nephews. Mary loved children but never had a family of her own.

Mary and her husband were avid sportsmen; hunting and fishing together regularly. Many of their friends have had fresh fish to enjoy because of their generosity. Perhaps many of the old time residents of Farmington will best remember Mary and Sam as the owners of the old Farmington Shoe repair on Farmington Rd.

It will be a long time before her neighbors will forget the sound of Mary's laugh as friends would arrive; there will be a sad quiet now, but there will be the memories.

DR. AND MRS. JOHN OLIVER and sons, Eric and Steven, of Flint spent the weekend at his parents home, the Byron Olivers of 2856 Orchard Lake Rd. John is a 1958 graduate of Farmington High School. John is working in the Flint Osteopathic Hospital, specializing in pediatrics.

Gary Houghton who is stationed at Palm Beach, Poplar, Maine has been visiting his parents the Paul Houghtons of 1414 Wilmarth Ave. Gary will leave Nov. 17, after spending two weeks at home.

Welcome home to Sylvia and Noel Callett, owners of the Bahama Motel on Grand River. They have just returned from Florida but Mrs. Callett has been busy getting ready for the exhibition of the Scarab Club. Mrs. Callett is an expressionist painter.

Mrs. Howard Osmus of Oakland Ave. has been visiting her sister at Rhika, Mich. Mr. Osmus drove up on the weekend to visit and bring his wife home.

DAN AKIN who was flown out to a base at Great Lakes Training Center, Ill. is now located in San Diego, Calif., for his boot training. His mother reports, they received a short wave message last week from a ham-operator in Southfield that Danny had arrived safely. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Akin of Whitlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Peterson of Middle Belt Rd. are currently visiting their daughter and family in Huntsville, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean McGee, formerly of Rockwell St., are now residing at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. where Jean is serving his two years in the U.S. Army. He is now a Drill Sergeant and Corporal.



LINDA ACITELLI and Alan Barak are shown during a dress rehearsal for North Farmington High's production of "The Crucible." Presented by the North Farmington Players, the Arthur Miller classic will be presented at the school at 8 p.m. Nov. 16-18.

Educators, YGC People Attend Flint Workshop

In line with its continuing interest in a community school program for Farmington, members of the Youth Guidance Committee (YGC), accompanied by several Farmington educators attended a workshop on community schools in Flint Oct. 25-27.

Those who attended were: Mrs. Robert Smith, in charge of job placement for the committee, and committee member Mrs. Elaine Palmer; Joseph Nicita, director of secondary education; Donald Cowan, Woodville School principal; Frank Kasum, Gill School principal; Sean Whalen, Gill physical education teacher; Nicholas Abid, William Grace principal; Robert Anderson, counselor at Dunkel Junior High; and Mrs. Helen Jankowski, representative from Flanders PTA.

The YGC has conducted a recreational program at Gill School this past year and has hopes to expand the program to other schools.

If matching funds were obtained, money to run an expanded program might be available from Flint's Mott Foundation, which instituted the community school concept in that city.

Whenever a minimum of 12 persons request a class under Flint's program, it is provided. In operation in a school, a youngster may roller skate in the gym while adults learn how to make drapes, underprivileged mothers learn how to mend and very young children listen to a story.

Presence of Farmington school administrators on the trip to Flint indicates the interest of school personnel.

The Arthur Miller classic, "The Crucible," will open at North Farmington High School Thursday, Nov. 16.

Presented by the North Farmington Players, additional performances are set for Nov. 17 and 18. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Set in the days of the witchcraft trials in Salem, Mass., the play is directed by Michael Rasmussen, assisted by Lynne Chamberlain, the production has been termed an arduous deal for high school students.

FOR THIS reason casting began last May when a 20 member cast was chosen for the fall opening. Lines, as well as the characters, were studied during the summer and rehearsals began with the beginning of the school year.

Dr. Richard J. Burgwin, pro-

duction consultant at the University of Michigan, met with the students during the rehearsal periods for criticism and advice. Burgwin directed the Miller drama last year in Ann Arbor.

... WILLIAMS ABIGAIL WILLIAMS, as portrayed by Linda Acitelli, is responsible for starting the hysteria in Salem.

Gets Viet Post

Army Specialist Four Michael D. Barnum, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Barnum, 33658 Longwood, Farmington, has been assigned as a personnel specialist in the Adjutant General Company, Headquarters U. S. Army, Vietnam near Long Binh.

John Proctor, as played by Alan Barak, is charged with lechery. The Deputy Governor is played by Richard Harp, while J. Norman All is cast as the Rev. John Hale and Neil Steinman will appear as the Rev. Samuel Parris.

Included in the cast are: Janice Young, Diane Potoskey, Tammy Ralrigh, Dennis Paulson, Mark McLean, Cathy Miller, Kathy Gilson, Douglas Lam, Timothy P. Shaw, Ray Tamminga, Mary Kay Burr, Peg Schwartz, Vicki Chessin, Michele Collet and Ralph Hurd.

CONSTRUCTION of the 17th century setting has been with the aid of Art Consultant Richard Shilling. Stage Manager Louis Breni has been responsible for the technical parts of producing the drama.

Costuming and make up are under the direction of Anne Killeen and Elaine Meier. A souvenir program has been edited by Anne Killeen and will be on sale at the door. Kris

Kourtijan and Marsha MacDowell have assisted in the art work with the aid of Shilling. Tickets will be sold at the door.

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