#### School News

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Dramatic Art Class To Present Play

(By Pauline Goforth) The Dramatic Art Class, directed by Miss Sara Hambright, will present the dramatic version of The Birds Christmas Carol, Thursday ev vening, Dec. 17, at eight o'clock, at the school auditorium. The play is adapted from the well known story

by Kate Douglas Wiggin. The kind hearted little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bird was born on Christmas day, She was named Car ol because her mother heard some children singing the Christmas hymn, Carol, Children Carol, though crippled, she is perfectly con tenter to sit by the window of her Fairy-Story room, and imagine that she is romping with the little Rug-Vesses, whose front yard is the alley behind the Birds Nest.

Mrs. Ruggles, one of the famous mothers of story land, cares for her brood as best she can.

The characters are as follows: Carol Bird: Betty Lee Neisler. Mrs. Bird: Carolyn Hord Mr. Bird: E. W. Neal. Uncle Jack: Richard Baker Elfrida Clifford, Carol's nurse, Pau-

line Goforth. Mrs. Ruggles: Mary H. Hambright. The seven little Ruggleses: Eoline Keeter, Ed Henry Smith, Doris Hop per, Florence Rhea, Charles, Henry and Bud Neisler.

The tickets may be purchased from tre members of the senior class. The admission is ten and 25

### A House Built Christmas Day

... by ...

Frances Grinstead

HOME that was built on a Christmas day stood for a long time on the old Santa Fe trail where it passed near Arrow Rock, Mo., on the Missouri river. Though not quite completed in a single day, with the help of his neighbors on that "holiday" about a hundred years ago, Henry Nave got his cabin ready for his family and the day after Christmas took them into his shelter.

Of course the house was built of undressed lumber, felled right on his farm. When he had selected the location this pioneer cut down round poles for the walls, rafters and joists-the framework.

Mr. Nave had found some large, flat stones, and in the afternoon they dragged these into place for the hearth. Then of other suitable rocks, by much puffing and pulling they built a fireplace-one of those great practical ones which served to heat the home and to cook venison, buffalo meat, corn pone and other "victuals." The exterior of this fireplace was wood, the stones providing a fireproof lining.

The mortar to bind the stones was chiefly mud; to obtain even this simple ingredient it was necessary to build a are in the middle



While the Little Nave Children Wished for Things.

of the half-constructed cabin and

thaw the ground. But, writes this hardy woodsman,

"It was not many days until we were living snugly in our cabin and in good health and with fine appetites."

Holidays among our ancestors

were made occasions for such celebrations as this, but they never witnessed the cessation from la-bor ours afford. There was always need for immediate shelter, crop harvesting, or game killing. Hence log-raisings, corn-huskings, and gun-shoots were made social occasions. But do you suppose we ever have more fun than Henry Nave's family and friends had building a house on Christmas day?

• Weatern Newspaper Union. Progress of Kings Mountain Band

(By Melva Settlemyre) The Kings Mountain High School Band has made quite a showing in the last few months and expects to do more before long, but not before we show the citizens of Kings Moun tain what we are capable of doing, We are planning to give a concer-Friday night, December 11, in the High School Auditorium. The band will give about a 45 minute concert. The school glee clubs will sing an tre beginners will play a special number. I would like to word for the beginners, and let the people kniw that had it not been for the strict attention and perfect cooperation of the children and hard

earned efforts of Mr. Hendricks, and a few others, these eighteen small boys and girls would not be able to play one of the difficult num bers often played by the seniorband as a marching number, "Activity." We are proud of them and can see the making of a fine band and we feel sure that you will think the same after you once hear them and see what they are doing. I would also like to say that we appreciate the help and interest that has beer. shown the band by our Supt., Mr. B. N. Barnes.

The Girls' Basketball Team (By Buren Neill)

What promises to be one of the most colorful and hard fought sea sons is the on-coming girls' basket ball season. Although we have only two or three girls left from our team last year we feel sure we can accom plish as much and more with our

comores combined. The majority of the 1936-37 basketball season has he girls out for basketball have ta not been made out, but will be print ken a great interest the game and ed in this space after December 17, are really working. We know this is as that is the date that the coaches all due to the fact that we have one from different teams will meet in of the best coaches in the state - Hickory to make the schedules. Miss Bertie Pasour.

The boys' basketball team has begun its practice. Since there are about five boys from last years' team | Masters of North Carolina will hold and a large group of freshmen, son- their annual convention here Dec. mores and juniors, there should be 28 through 30,

25 freshmen and the juniors and sop a very good team. The schedule for

High Point, Dec. 9 .- The Dancing

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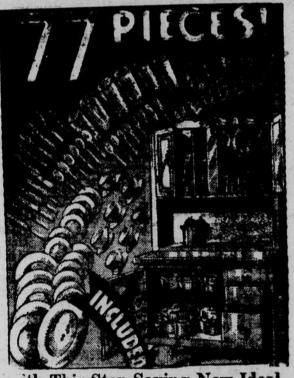
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