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CONCERT CHOIR will leave early next Thursday morning (8th) for a five week tour taking "America's Singing Boys" through eighteen states and two western Canadian provinces. The choir will return East for the taping of the Firestone Christmas program in New York on December 5th. After a day's rest at School, they will spend the rest of that week in New England.

Mrs. Henry, housemother in the Main House, has been busy seeing that concert wardrobes are in order, overcoats, overshoes (lots of snow where these boys are going!) and etc. are on hand and packed in suitcases. Many school mothers have been busy these past several weeks mending, repairing, and hemming vestments. All of this activity, combined with the special rehearsals, has kept us all busy and excited!

Traveling with the 26 boys will be: Mr. Donald Bryant, Musical Director; two teachers - Mr. & Mrs. Donald Wolfe; bus operator of our "Schoolhouse on Wheels"; and the five adult singers. The "Three Kings" this year are: Mr. Allan Olsen (Mr. Olsen traveled with the choir last Fall); Mr. David Foster; and Mr. Ralph Wade. All three men are from New York. Amahl's "mother" this year is not new to the Columbus Boychoir School, Miss Elaine Johnson of New York City, played this role during the choir's tour of South and Central America in 1957.

Mr. Bryant feels that this year's concert choir should be an excellent one. With so many experienced and trained boys returning to School this year, Mr. Bryant said it made the selection of the choir an exceedingly difficult task. Now comes the test of those many hard hours of rehearsal - with all this behind and a wonderful experience ahead - we wish them a happy and successful concert tour.

LETTERS home are governed by certain School rules and regulations. The letter enclosed in the "Newsletter" each week is corrected by the classroom teachers. It is considered an exercise in writing personal letters. Boys are to re-write the letter and enclose it in the "Newsletter" and it is usually mailed first class on Thursday. Boys remaining at School for the weekend are to write a letter home in Study Hall on Sunday evening. They put this letter in an envelope and seal it before placing it in the mail in the School office.

BANANA SPLITS were the order of the day for four lucky boys who were inspection winners in the Cottage. Section Captain Kenneth Wilson urged his bunkmates Joe Zimmerman, Ross Ferwerda, and Chris Kent to "cleaner living" this past inspection period. Congratulations boys!

PICTURES - Individual photos of the boys were returned to School this week. Boys going home for the weekend will bring the package with them, those remaining for the weekend will have the pictures sent home with complete instructions.

ELECTIONS will be held this Thursday for Student PX Managers and Student Bank Officials. Blue candidates are: PX - Ken Wilson, Nat Wordell, and David Hollander; Bank - Jim Walker and Allan Tucker. Gold candidates are: PX - John Rice, Larry Baldwin, Jim DeLoach; Bank - Rick Funk and David Carter.

SCIENCE - On Monday afternoon Mr. Wolfe took his science class to the creek to get some moss, ferns, and other plants for their terrarium. We were there for the entire gym period. We found all different kinds of mosses. Some of them I have never seen before. Now we have a whole terrarium full of plants and mosses. - Philip Currie

FOOTBALL - The School football team has played two scrimmage games, one with the Hun School in Princeton and one with the Princeton Country Day School. Scrimmage games are games where both teams run the ball for a certain length of time and the other team plays