

Williams Asks Hike in Tax on Intangibles to Cut State Deficit

LANSING (AP)—Gov. Williams last night urged an immediate 21 million dollar a year boost in the state tax on intangible property to close a widening gap between state spending and income.

As emergency legislation, his proposal would require bi-partisan support of proportions the Democratic governor seldom before has mustered for major programs.

The tax boost was the key part of a plan Williams unfolded to newsmen for meeting a state deficit he says likely will reach 33 million dollars by June 30, the end of the fiscal year.

He handed out copies of a letter explaining the situation and inviting members of both the Senate and House taxation committees to confer with him Tuesday afternoon.

The legislature, with comfortable Republican majorities in both chambers, convenes on Wednesday for its regular 1958 session.

The governor said he will recommend the increase without delay so that the higher rates can be reflected in tax collections due in March.

He proposed putting Michigan's tax on intangibles—like stocks, bonds, mortgages and bank deposits—on a par with Ohio rates, which are nearly double.

"It's the fairest solution I can think of," Williams said.

The governor proposed to close the remainder of the prospective deficit gap by "recapturing" 10 million dollars currently unused in various special funds.

If the Legislature goes along, he said, seven million dollars could be freed from the Hospital Bond Redemption Fund, \$600,000 from the World War II Bonus Fund, two million dollars from the Korean Bonus Fund and perhaps \$400,000 from escheats.

RELIEF ESSENTIAL
Williams said although he formerly believed the state could weather the fiscal pinch with the help of purely administrative measures, this no longer appeared possible.

He recently ordered the State Liquor Commission to reduce inventories by two or three million dollars, and state department heads to hold spending below legislative appropriations wherever feasible— "short of making drastic cuts in state services."

The state intangibles tax last year yielded \$23,700,000 with about 45 per cent of the total borne by 57,276 individuals, Williams included.

The remainder came from partnerships, corporations, building and loan associations, banks and fiduciaries.

Some tax experts questioned the legality of changing the rates of the intangibles tax after expiration of the period for which (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8)

Gales Lashing Florida

MIAMI (INS)—Winds of gale force lashed South Florida today as the area fought to right itself from one of the worst blows in recent years.

Autos to Draw Record Crowds in Chicago

\$20 Million Show Opening Saturday

By DAVID J. WILKIE
CHICAGO (AP)—The auto makers' biggest public presentation—the 20 million dollar Chicago Auto Show—will open a nine-day run at the International Amphitheatre tomorrow.

A record-smashing half million persons are expected to see the presentation of the industry's newest models, the offerings of some 30 foreign car manufacturers, a large array of parts and accessories and a series of old-time models dating back more than 30 years.

A non-automotive presentation expected to attract substantial interest will be Chrysler Corp.'s shell of a Jupiter missile. This is one of the largest of the nation's ballistic missiles.

Although the show, the golden anniversary presentation by its backers, is a dealer-sponsored affair, it has grown steadily in industry importance and has taken on the stature of a national presentation.

Every American car maker is supporting the show. Several of them will have wholly new models to present.

Among these newest models are



JUPITER ROCKET ON DISPLAY—Workers haul an Army Jupiter rocket into position at Chicago's International Amphitheatre today for public showing at the Chicago Automobile show opening Saturday. In contrast to the symbol of the rocket age are two antique cars waiting to go on display, a Stanley Steamer and a Brush.

Wilson Raps U.S. Complex

2 Auto Divisions Gain Top GM 1957 Production

Pontiac and Cadillac Surpass 1956 Figures in Year-End Report

Pontiac and Cadillac led General Motors Corporation's five auto divisions during 1957 by topping their 1956 production, a year-end report disclosed today.

Pontiac rolled 343,298 units off the lines in '57, compared to 332,268 during 1956. Cadillac made 153,236 cars in '57, and 140,873 in 1956.

Total GM passenger car production in the United States and Canada for the past year was 2,969,863. Some 3,210,603 autos were made during 1956.

Heading into the final month of 1957, Pontiac was only 3,592 units ahead of the previous year. But December production of 25,031 units, compared to 27,593 for the same month of 1956, made the difference.

Truck & Coach division assembled 6,373 units in December, to place the year's production at 72,783, compared to 84,397 in 1956.

Other GM auto divisions and their 1957 and 1956 production were: Chevrolet, 1,522,559 in '57, 1,621,018 in '56; Oldsmobile, 390,091 in '57, 432,903 in '56; and Buick, 407,217 in '57, and 535,364 in '56.

Total GM auto and truck production for the year was 3,422,935 in the U. S. and Canada, during the previous year, 3,699,141 units were produced.

Chapel to Be Dedicated

ANN ARBOR (AP)—The University of Michigan's new hospital chapel will be dedicated Sunday at a private ceremony.

The chapel is designed to serve patients of all faiths at University Hospital. It will accommodate 100 persons.

At Least Until Next Week

Old Man Winter Staying

Old Man Winter is back in town again and the U.S. Weather Bureau reports that Pontiac area residents can expect cold through next week.

Tonight will be mostly clear and colder with an expected low of 5-9 degrees.

Tomorrow will be partly cloudy and cold with a high of 20-24. The forecast for Sunday is partly cloudy and continued cold.

In a five-day forecast, the weather bureau says temperatures will average 5 or 6 degrees below the normal low of 20. Snow flurries are expected every day through Wednesday.

Pontiac State Hospital recorded a low of 5 last night. The mercury was still at 5 at 8 a.m. this morning. The lowest temperature recorded in downtown Pontiac preceding 8 a.m. was 8. The reading at 1 p.m. was 18.

Principals at Civic Luncheon Thursday



Pontiac Press Photo

PRE-SPEECH CHAT—Before former Defense Secretary C. E. Wilson (second from right) addressed 700 persons at the Elks Temple Thursday afternoon, he took time out to chat with (l-r) Harold A. Fitzgerald, Pontiac Press publisher, Maj. Gen. Robert E. L. Eaton, commander of 10th Air Force headquarters at Selfridge Field, and Charles W. Brown, chief of the Detroit FBI office.

Johnson Sees Defense Gains

Says Senate Committee 'Substituting Action for Tranquilizers'

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Tex.) said today the Senate Preparedness subcommittee is making progress toward "substituting action for tranquilizers" in the national defense field.

Johnson, the Senate Democratic leader, heads the subcommittee which will resume Monday its public inquiry into U.S. missile and satellite developments.

Secretary of Defense McElroy and his deputy Donald A. Quarles are expected to be among the first witnesses.

McElroy testified previously the greatest single stumbling block to getting missiles into production was the limitation on overtime work on development projects. He said he had removed the limitation.

"We got some quick action on this overtime matter," Johnson said in an interview. "We are making progress toward our primary goal, which is to substitute action in the Defense Department for the tranquilizers that have been handed the American people in a time of crisis."

Johnson said he will interrupt the hearings Tuesday to lay before a conference of all Democratic senators a summary of subcommittee testimony. He denied, however, that there would be any political implications in this move.

As the preparedness group got ready to resume its hearings, administration officials were putting the finishing touches on the budget which President Eisenhower will send to Congress Jan. 1.

Elmer Geyer Dies

SAGINAW (AP)—Elmer Charles Geyer, 65, commander of Michigan Knights Templar in 1946, collapsed and died of a heart attack at his Saginaw home yesterday after shoveling snow from sidewalks. Saginaw had seven inches of snow on the ground after a heavy overnight snow fall.

Siroky Visits Nehru

NEW DELHI (AP)—Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru greeted Sir Edmund Hillary, first man to conquer Mt. Everest, the highest point on earth, today reached the South Pole, at the bottom of the world.

He radioed the dramatic news to Scott base, the Ross Sea point from which he and his party set out Oct. 15.

After more than 1,200 miles across the antarctic continent, Hillary radioed that he and his tractor party, of four other New Zealanders had arrived at the pole with only one drum of gasoline to spare.

"We were cutting it rather fine due to the very soft snow," he reported.

Hazardous Trek Ends

Hillary Wins Race for Pole

AUCKLAND (AP)—Sir Edmund Hillary, conqueror of Mt. Everest, and four other New Zealanders are the third group of explorers in history to reach the pole overland and the first in 46 years. Other visitors to the bottom of the world have gone by air.

Hillary's party followed much of the 1,200-mile route of Capt. Robert F. Scott of the British navy, who raced Roald Amundsen of Norway for the pole in the antarctic summer of 1911-12.

Amundsen won by a month, becoming the discoverer of the South Pole. Scott's five-man party perished on the way back to the coast at McMurdo Sound.

Hillary set out Oct. 14 from Scott base, his camp near McMurdo Sound. His original destination was a point 700 miles inland in the direction of the pole.

Traveling by snow tractors, Hillary's expedition deposited caches of food and fuel for a British party led by Dr. Vivian Fuchs which is pushing toward the pole from the opposite side of Antarctica south of South America. Fuchs is trying to make the first overland transantarctic trip, hoping to end up at Scott base.

Hillary was to wait for Fuchs at the 700-mile point. But on Christmas Day he radioed that he was "hell-bent for the South Pole, God willing and crevasses permitting."

Fuchs was last reported about 300 miles from the pole. The New Zealand men's cold, (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

Rights Group Sworn In Today

Organizational Meeting to Follow Ceremony at White House

WASHINGTON (INS)—The non-political six-member Federal Civil Rights Commission begins business today with swearing in ceremonies at the White House.

With President Eisenhower on hand, the six members will take their oath of office, then hold their first organizational meeting.

The group, headed by Dr. John H. Hannah, president of Michigan State University, is empowered to conduct a two-year study of Civil Rights violations of all types and to submit recommendations to the President and Congress.

The commission was created by congressional enactment of the Civil Rights bill last August.

Dr. Hannah was flying to the initial meeting despite the fact that his mother died in Michigan yesterday. He will return for funeral service after the ceremonies.

Other commission members are: Former Virginia Gov. John S. Battle, Southern Methodist University Law School Dean Robert G. Storey, former Florida Gov. Doyle Elam Carlton, Assistant Secretary of Labor J. Ernest Wilkins, a Negro, and the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame University.

Battle, Storey and Carlton are Democrats; Hannah and Wilkins are Republicans, while the Rev. Mr. Hesburgh has no political affiliation.

The commission's operations were slated initially to get under way in December, but were postponed when retired Supreme Court Justice Stanley F. Reed withdrew as the appointed chairman.

Reed did so on grounds that inasmuch as he participated in the Supreme Court school integration decision, his service on the commission might reflect on the impartiality of the federal judiciary.

Eisenhower then elevated Hannah to the chairmanship and selected Carlton to be the sixth commissioner.

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Urges Citizens to Quit Selling Country Short

Former Defense Chief Says Russian Position Overestimated by Many

By GEORGE T. TRUMBULL
Former Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson proposed yesterday that the American people "quit selling America short" as their New Year's resolution.

The grey-haired former General Motors Corp. president declared before some 700 Pontiac area luncheon club members that he was "troubled over the complex" that the American people feel that they have to "beat the Russians in everything."

"I think many have overestimated Russia's place in the missile race," he said.

The 68-year-old Oakland County resident assured his audience that Americans will "feel a little better as times go on" that this country is not lagging in the missile development program as some critics say.

He prefaced his "off the cuff" talk by reviewing incidents in his four-year cabinet position which earned him the distinction of what his opponents called "foat in the mouth disease."

Preceding his talk, he was greeted with one of the longest standing ovations ever given a speaker in Pontiac.

OMITS SCAPEGOAT TALK

During his 40-minute speech he chose his words closely. He failed to comment on recent reports that he was being made the "scapegoat" by many for alleged delays in the country's missile program.

But he did say tremendous strides have been made in this field in the last two years, as the United States tried to catch up to the Russians who picked up missile development after the Germans relinquished it at the end of World War II.

Wilson further reminded the large gathering in the Elks Temple main ballroom that satellites are not military weapons, and hence not the responsibility of the Defense Dept.

Wilson criticized Americans for being "overly worried about Russian Sputniks . . . troubled about unemployment . . . worried about profits in the business world."

He gave his assurance that a solution, "other than war," would be found for several problems which he said the United States faced. He listed these as how to get along with the Russians, the collapse of colonialism and the rise of nationalism.

Cuts in the defense budget, Wilson said, resulted as President Eisenhower "sensed an economy move" brought on as Congressmen attempted to follow the wishes of the people back home.

CRITICS DON'T KNOW NEEDS

He said those people that are always demanding lower taxes and (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

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Radio Station WPON Sold

Bought by Chief Pontiac Broadcasting Company for Undisclosed Sum

Radio Station WPON was sold today for an undisclosed figure. James Gerity Jr., president of Gerity Broadcasting Co., announced.

Gerity, owner of Radio Station WABJ in Adrian, Flint and Saginaw, and WNEB-TV in Bay City, said the Pontiac station was sold to the Chief Pontiac Broadcasting Co., a Michigan corporation.

Stockholders in the new firm are its president, Edward E. Wilson, owner of Wilson Pontiac-Cadillac Co., Birmingham, and the Lansing Broadcasting Co., owner of Radio Station WLS, Lansing. John C. Pomeroy is president of the Lansing firm, and Edwin L. Byrd is secretary.

Upon approval of the sale by the Federal Communications Commission, Gerity said, Russell Gohring, general manager of WPON, will transfer his activities to WNEB-TV. His successor has not been chosen.

Hoffa Advises Unions to Ignore ICC Ruling

DETROIT (INS) — Teamsters President-elect James R. Hoffa said today he was advising local unions to ignore a recent Interstate Commerce Commission ruling which outlawed "hot cargo" agreements between the union and employers.

Hoffa said he was acting on advice of attorneys.

Under the contracts, employers are required to turn down any shipment the union designates as "hot" because it has been handled somewhere along the line by a non-union company.

The National Labor Relations Board recently held that "hot cargo" clauses are prima facie evidence of union encouragement of a secondary boycott in violation of the Taft-Hartley Act. The NLRB ruling also is subject to a court test.



By E. H. SIMS

Are New England's most famous fishing grounds (for codfish, as an example) due to a greater and greater loss of productivity? The warming of ocean water in the New England area has caused fish such as codfish to move north and this has adversely affected the fishing in this area.

The warming weather cycle (which has been in progress for several decades now) has also melted away the ice cap and glaciers, raising the water level in port cities.

However, recently the view that colder winters are on the way has begun to predominate, especially among those who study the sun for weather clues, and if this is accurate appraisal, the codfish can be expected to return, along with colder water and weather.

Sault Ste. Marie — 11 Below Zero

Cold Wave Clutches State

FROM OUR WIRE SERVICES

A severe cold wave gripped all of Michigan today.

Sault Ste. Marie reported a low of 11 degrees below zero this morning—the coldest spot in the state. It was five below at Pellston, four

The Weather

Full U.S. Weather Bureau Report. PONTIAC AND VICINITY — Mostly clear and cold tonight, low 5-10. Tomorrow partly cloudy and cold, high 10-14. West to northwest winds at 8-15 miles an hour today becoming light variable tonight.

Today in Pontiac
Lowest temperature preceding 8 a.m. 5
At 8 a.m. Wind Velocity 10 m.p.h.
Direction Northwest
Sun sets Friday at 5:12 p.m.
Sun rises Saturday at 8:01 a.m.
Moon sets Saturday at 6:37 a.m.
Moon rises Sunday at 3:31 p.m.

Downfall Temperatures
6 a.m. 10
7 a.m. 8
8 a.m. 5
9 a.m. 2
10 a.m. 0

Thursday in Pontiac (as recorded downtown)
Highest temperature 20
Lowest temperature 0
Mean temperature 10
Weather — Fairly cloudy—snow 02 in.

One Year Ago in Pontiac
Highest temperature 31
Lowest temperature 15
Mean temperature 23
Weather — Snow 01

Highest and Lowest Temperatures This Date in 56 Years
1902 — 31
1903 — 31
1904 — 31
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AT END OF FIRST ACT — Opera Star Maria Callas leaves stage after singing first act in title role of Bellini's "Norma" at opera house in Rome last night. Final acts of the opera were cancelled with the explanation she had lost her voice.

Callas Walks Out on Show

Rome Opera Season Opens With Fisticuffs

ROME (INS) — The glittering opening of Rome's opera season ended in fist fights last night when Lery soprano Maria Meneghini Callas called off her performance after the first act of Bellini's "Norma."

President Giovanni Gronchi, members of the diplomatic corps and the cream of society and government were on hand for the opening.

REFUSES TO CONTINUE

Miss Callas—the world's prime prima donna and almost as famed for her temper as her coloratura—refused to continue on the grounds she had suffered a "sudden lowering of her voice."

The intermission stretched to 50 minutes as frantic officials of the Rome Opera House passed notes under her locked dressing room door pleading with the New York-born star to come out. Their efforts were fruitless.

There were hints Miss Callas was disturbed by what she may have taken to be unappreciative reactions in a section of the audience.

'TILL AROUND

While the back-stage drama unfolded, the gala first night audience milled around the lobbies and corridors. In the upper galleries, restless fans started whistling and booing.

The management finally broke the suspense with a brief announcement to the audience that the opera could not continue because of Miss Callas' health.

This announcement touched off fist fights between embittered fans and foes of the temperamental soprano. Screaming women fled from the galleries during the battle.

HONOR TICKETS

Officials of the opera house announced that the opening night tickets would be honored for a repeat performance of "Norma" Saturday. They said Miss Callas would not take part in the performance.

Just five months ago, Miss Callas forced postponement of the opening program of the Athens Festival. She cancelled her appearance 30 minutes before the performance was to start, giving ill health as the reason for her inability to sing.

When she failed to appear as scheduled at New York's Metropolitan Opera House in December, 1956, the management was forced to call in the police to quiet indignant fans who stormed the box office demanding refunds.

3 Persons Injured as Auto Overturns

Three persons were injured early this morning when their car skidded on a curve of the Clarkston-Orion Rd. and overturned, according to State Police at the Pontiac Post.

The driver, Clifford Felver, 39, of 9881 Marmore St., Clarkston, and his wife, Ruth, 21, were treated for minor injuries at Pontiac General Hospital and released.

A companion, Vivian Hendrickson, 24, of 4414 Monroe St., Drayton Plains, was admitted with a broken shoulder and toes and is reported in satisfactory condition.

Stock in Fixed Assets

CHICAGO — Two thirds of the investment in railroad property is in fixed assets, such as land, tracks, buildings, yards, shops, and signal systems. The rolling stock costs the other third.

Wilson Tells Citizens Russia Overplayed

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trimmed budgets are unaware of the needs of the country. "They are just talking in the wind," Wilson said. "They give me a pain."

Looking at the road ahead for his successor, Neil H. McElroy, Wilson commented: "I hope McElroy will have easier sledding on (Capitol) Hill this spring than I had last spring."

"Apparently I didn't do a very good job of selling them a bill of goods last year," declared Wilson.

OPPOSES MILITARY CZAR

He warned against revamping the organization of the defense department, such as placing a military "czar" over all branches of the service to eliminate squabbling among them.

"The military people I have talked to subscribe to civilian management," Wilson added.

This management must see to it that United States' military power must be kept strong, even though Wilson declared that the "Russian people don't want war any more than our people do."

He voiced alarm at what he called a big hazard facing the world: "Scientific progress has so outstripped the means of working toward a peaceful situation in the world."

In what was only his second major speech since his retirement from the defense post last year, Wilson said he was "glad to be back home and to be relieved of the responsibilities and pressures."

He took a poke at politicians when he humorously said he didn't believe engineers, such as himself, are trained for politics because "they have too much respect for truth and the facts."

West Point Old School

WEST POINT, N.Y.—The oldest professional school in the field of technology in the nation is the United States Military Academy, founded in 1802.

To Be Erected by U. of M. at Peach Mountain

Telescope Will Receive Space Signals

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (UP)—The University of Michigan announced today it will start construction of a radio telescope that will trace the sun by day and receive signals from outer space by night.

The 100-foot tall telescope will be erected atop Peach Mountain, 16 miles northwest of here.

Astronomy Prof. Fred T. Haddock said the instrument will have a solid dish reflector 85 feet in diameter. He said it will be the second largest steerable radio telescope in the world.

The largest is 250 feet wide, located at the University of Manchester in England, Haddock said.

The Peach Mountain telescope, Haddock said, will receive radio waves only a few centimeters long and focus on only three per cent of the sun's surface at a time.

"This is fine detail and will put us far ahead in the field," he said.

He said the complete facility will cost \$300,000. Most of the money is being supplied by the Office of Naval Research.

Haddock said the telescope will hear the "faint whispers" from the moon, planets, galaxies millions of light years away, turbulent gas clouds, radio stars and other sources, some possibly beyond the range of the best optical telescopes.

Court Rules Against Dual Directorships

LANSING (UP)—A director of a life or accident insurance company cannot also be a director of a company which owns or operates a funeral or undertaking establishment, an attorney general's opinion held today.

The opinion, in answer to a query from Rep. Frederick Yates (D-Detroit), cited a 1956 law against the interlocking directorships.

Another opinion clarified state law on instruction ballots for election use and on instruction cards for voters used at polling places.

District Leads in Wine

WASHINGTON—The District of Columbia, for the ninth consecutive year, topped all the states in the per capita rate of wine consumption — 2.433 gallons per person. California was second with 2.080 gallons and Nevada third with 1.762 gallons.

Ike Will Consult Cabinet Today, Return to Farm

WASHINGTON (INS) — President Eisenhower consults his cabinet today on the budget and his State of the Union message, then returns to Gettysburg to continue his holiday work-vacation.

Chief topic up for discussion was the President's proposed new budget, which is expected to call for spending of about 74 billion dollars — the most ever in a peacetime year.

Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy reported after an hour's conference with Eisenhower yesterday that they had "almost settled" on a military budget of about 46 billion dollars emphasizing missiles, anti-submarine warfare and an attack warning system.

Also to be considered was Russia's latest bid for East-West peace talks, and Eisenhower's forthcoming reply, which Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said will be "some little time" in preparing.

Eisenhower will deliver the State of the Union address to Congress in person Thursday, two days after the legislators meet for the session. In this, the Chief executive will list a series of priority legislative demands he feels must be met to step up U. S. defense, scientific, educational and foreign policy achievements.

The President, still under medical supervision after sustaining a mild stroke Nov. 25, was to be accompanied to Gettysburg by Assistant White House Physician Dr. Walter Tkach, News Secretary James C. Hagerty and Eisenhower's personal secretary, Miss Ann Whitman.

Damage to Building Confined to Apartment

Early reports of damage in a fire at 4823 Dixie Highway, Drayton Plains were incorrect, and only an apartment in the rear of the building suffered extensive damage.

Offices of the State Barbers Assn. were only slightly damaged.

Tips on Buying Fish

BOSTON — When buying whole fish, you should allow one pound per person; if it is dressed, half a pound; and, for steaks, fillets, or sticks, a third of a pound.

Man Learns Bride Was Bank Robber

Marriage Lasts Half Day

DETROIT (UP) — James E. Christy's marriage to Opal Dixon lasted only a half day. In getting it annulled yesterday he testified his 45-year-old bride had failed to tell him she had served a prison term for bank robbery.

Christy, 55-year-old Somerset printer, said he courted the "charming, witty, white-haired woman" for a week before they were married Oct. 25 at Saline. The same day, he said, he learned from newspaper clippings that "she had attempted to rob an Iowa bank in 1947."

"I drove her to Detroit, dropped her off and haven't seen her since," Christy testified.

Circuit Judge Horace W. Gilmore granted the annulment.

Pontiac Fatality Record in 1957 Held to 4; Two Less Than '56

Pontiac completed 1957 with four traffic fatalities, two less than in 1956. Capt. Joseph Koren, head of the police traffic bureau disclosed today.

The reduction in fatalities, the captain said, is not as good a sign of traffic safety as might seem.

"While it is true the fatalities are down, we closed the year with a higher number of both injury accidents and property damage accidents than in 1956," he pointed out.

"It is only chance," he continued, "that we did not have more fatalities, because almost any serious accident could result in a fatality."

Pontiac's four traffic deaths involved one pedestrian, two motorists and a motor scooter passenger.

FIRST DEATH IN MAY

The first death occurred May 26, at 1:55 p.m. Benny Thomas Powell, 25 months old, of 74 Close St., dashed into the street and was struck down by a passing car near his home.

On Sept. 14, at 2:50 a.m., Anthony Betzing, 34, of 785 First Ave., was killed when he drove into the rear of a parked semi-

Hillary, Party Wins South Pole Race

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hazardous trip took them along the Ross ice shelf, over the Shelton glacier and over the treacherous, crevasse-riven polar plateau.

Among their stores they carried two New Zealand flags to plant at the pole, marking their country's efforts in antarctic exploration.

Already at the pole is a cardboard New Zealand flag dropped there when former Minister of Railways McAlpine flew over last October.

The New Zealanders also took a special caravan Hillary had designed to give them comfortable living quarters in the bitter cold and tearing blizzards on the polar plateau.

The tractors were fitted with little cabins and endless web tracks over their wheels.

The New Zealanders joined 17 Americans stationed at the International Geophysical Year base the United States has established there. Hillary's companions are Murray Ellis, Peter Mulgrew, Jim Bates and Derek Wright.

The British party under Fuchs, crossing from the other side of the continent, set out from Shackleton base on the Weddell Sea Oct. 10. But the Britons met appalling weather out. At the time of the planned rendezvous, it was still 600 miles from the pole.

The New Zealanders met mostly better weather and easier conditions.

In one of his last messages, Hillary reported he had only 45 miles to go. The party had dropped down to a lower altitude. Conditions got easier. In the denser atmosphere the tractors pulled better.

But to have reached the pole so soon, Hillary must have pushed on instead of taking the normal day-time rest.

The Day in Birmingham

Plan Area Fund Drive for 2 Catholic Schools

BIRMINGHAM—A fund drive for the construction of two Catholic high schools to serve five area parishes probably will be launched in this area next month, according to John P. O'Hara, Holy Name PTA president and fund chairman for his parish.

The school site, 35 acres at Lincoln and Lahser Rds., was purchased about a month ago. There will be separate schools for boys and girls. The completed program will cost approximately two million dollars, O'Hara said.

Serving with O'Hara on the fund drive will be John Bode, of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs parish; Ralph Conlin, St. Hugo of the Hills; W. Joseph Gallagher, St. Beade; and Robert E. Tamm, St. Columban.

Guardian Angel parish of Clavson has declined to participate, saying the distance from Clavson to the school is too great.

The five-man committee will head the drive to raise a million dollars over a two-year period.

The girls' school is planned to be ready by the fall of 1959, with completion of the boys' school scheduled for the following year. Each will be equipped to handle about 1,000 students.

First enrollees will be ninth graders only. A new class will be enrolled each fall as others are promoted until a complete four-year high school is in operation.

Catholic educators say the schools will fill a great need in an area where all parochial schools are now forced to turn students away.

Under the sponsorship of the City Recreation Board, a teenage skating party will be held at the Eton Park Rink tomorrow night from 10 to 12 o'clock.

Robert Giardin, recreation director, said that if this party proves successful, others will be scheduled.

A representative of the Merle Norman Studios will demonstrate makeup and its proper application when the North Suburban Alumnae

Williams Asks Hike in Tax on Intangibles

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It would apply (1957) but before declarations are made (March 31 deadline).

Williams shrugged off this reasoning.

"I see no insoluble legal problem here," he said. "It's a drafting problem."

GENERAL FUND DEFICIT

As Williams sees it, the prospective deficit will consist largely of 20 million shortage in the state general fund, the source of money to meet current state expenditures for general purposes.

To this, he said, will be added an eight million dollar shortage in funds to satisfy state school aid obligations and probably five millions more in shortage resulting from supplemental or deficiency appropriations to pay "inescapable obligations," mostly in the welfare field.

Williams blamed the Republican-dominated Legislature for the developing money jam, which he has said threatens to force delay in paying current bills and an impairment of state credit.

He said the Legislature voted 341 million dollars in general fund spending for this fiscal year on the basis of revenues estimated at the time to yield six million dollars less.

Actually, Rep. Rollo G. Conlin (R-Tipton), House taxation chairman, disputed the governor's revenue estimate of 335 million dollars, contending it was 10 million dollars high.

Williams recalled that the 1957 Legislature also borrowed \$4 million dollars in earmarked 1957-58 school revenues to slide past a threatened 1956-57 deficit in that amount.

This greatly tightened the state treasury's cash position, he said. Williams acknowledged that revenue collections were running behind his budget figures, and a report yesterday from the state revenue department underscored the point.

Clarence W. Lock, Deputy Revenue Commissioner, said that sales tax collections for the first six months of the 1957-58 fiscal year added up to 136 million dollars, pointing to a total for the entire year of 312 millions. This would be 36 millions under the governor's estimate, of which six millions would be chargeable to the state general fund prediction.

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Association of Chi Omega meets Jan. 9

Mrs. Leonard Pons, of Oak Park, will be hostess to the 12:30 p.m. luncheon.

Mrs. Frank J. Gillespie of Birmingham and Mrs. William B. Sisson, both of Huntington Woods, may be called for reservations.

Amos J. Bertram

The rosary will be recited at 8:30 tonight at the Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co., for Amos J. Bertram, 59, of 2166 Wycliffe Dr., Birmingham, who died Wednesday at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac.

Service will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow at Holy Name Church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Ziem, State Probing Sullenberger Case

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ing to determine whether Dr. Sullenberger's license should be revoked.

On the other hand, Dr. Schnorr added, the board may wait to see if any action is taken by the prosecutor.

Sweet said that his investigation was "momentarily complete." Yesterday the investigation discussed the case with Ziem, the hospital and Dr. John A. Monroe, president of the Oakland County Medical Society.

Dr. Monroe said that so far, the medical society was not directly involved in the case.

Dr. Schnorr believed that the county medical society should enter the case. "Until it is settled," he said, "the case is a reflection on the entire medical society."

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LEADER DOGS ARRIVE—Captain Herman Jacobs, left, skipper of the Hamburg-American line freighter M. V. Erlangen, and his first mate, Gustave Dietrich, right, watch over six German Shepherd leader dogs for the blind which arrived in Brooklyn Tuesday en route to Rochester. The dogs are a gift to Leader Dogs for the Blind, Inc., Rochester, from Walter Harnischfeger of Milwaukee, who is a member of the organization's advisory committee. He purchased them from Baroness Fannie von Gumpenberg, of Dienting, Bavaria.

Leader Dogs Coming

ROCHESTER — Any day now, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Inc., a training school in Rochester for leader dogs and their blind masters, will receive its second group of six German Shepherds from Germany.

They arrived in Brooklyn the day before New Year's aboard the German-American line freighter, M. V. Erlangen, and should be here within a few days, said Harold L. Pocklington, executive director of the organization.

The dogs were purchased from Baroness Fannie von Gumpenberg, of Dienting, Bavaria, by Walter Harnischfeger, of Milwaukee.

This makes 12 German Shepherds donated to Leader Dogs by Harnischfeger, who is a member of the organization's advisory committee.

Since its origination in 1939, Leader Dogs for the Blind has grown to where this past year it graduated 115 dogs and their masters. This is the greatest number in the school's history, Pocklington said.

The school, located at 1039 S. Rochester Rd., is the second largest of its type in the world. Only the original school, Seeing Eye Dogs, Inc., of New Jersey, provides more dogs for the blind.

Pocklington stresses that his school's dogs are referred to as "leader," not "seeing eye" dogs, the name used by the New Jersey School.

The blind, who come here from all parts of the world, pay only a token fee for their dogs and the course, which lasts a month. They are housed in a dormitory with facilities to accommodate 12 persons.

Two classes of six persons each usually are in session at a time, Pocklington said. They work with eight full-time trainers, under the direction of Fred Maynard, who has been at the school since it was begun.

Altogether, the school is staffed by 16 people, including clerical and kitchen help.

When the six German Shepherds arrive they will bring the school's total to 76. Besides Shepherds, the school trains Collies and Retrievers to lead the blind.

Walled Lake Calls Special School Vote

WALLED LAKE—A special election has been called by the Walled Lake Board of Education for Feb. 17 to seek approval by the electorate of a two million dollar bond issue for school construction.

The board authorized the election at a special meeting. The money would be used mainly for construction of buildings to house expanding elementary and junior high school enrollment.

Superintendent of Schools Clifford H. Smart said the funds would be earmarked over a three-year period to:

1. Build a new junior high school on the 36-acre Commerce road site owned by the Walled Lake School District.
2. Construct a 20-room elementary school building.
3. Make additions and remodel existing school buildings.
4. Provide for architects and attorneys fees.
5. Provide equipment for new buildings.

The bond issue would not increase the school tax rate, Smart said. The present rate of \$4.50 per \$1,000 of state qualified valuation will carry the proposed issue because of the increased valuation of property in the district, and because a considerably higher debt has been paid sooner than anticipated, he said.

The bonds would be sold by the Board of Education only as needed to pay construction costs, according to Smart.



MR. AND MRS. CLAUD BETTS

An open house will be held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Betts, 3255 Perry Lake Rd., Orionville, in honor of the couple's 50th wedding anniversary. Given by their married grandchildren, the reception will be from 2 to 5 p. m. The two were married Jan. 3, 1908, in Flint. They have 11 children, 53 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

End 2 Years of Half-Day Schedules

Milford Students Will Use New High School Monday

MILFORD—On Monday 710 Milford High School pupils will begin classes in their new two million dollar high school on a full day schedule for the first time in two years.

The usual opening school date immediately after New Year's day was postponed because workmen were putting the finishing touches to the ultra-modern school building located on N. Milford road.

For the past few weeks, the teenagers have been making scheduled tours of the new building, and in contrast to the usual antipathy towards returning to school after the Christmas vacation, the pupils now are looking forward to the event.

Covering more than five of the 66 acres of school grounds, the building has one of the best equipped science lab units in the nation, along with 34 other modern classrooms.

Designed to be a community center as well as a school, residents in the area will soon be able to take advantage of the school's facilities. Adult education evening classes will be scheduled, according to Supt. Harold Hansen.

The auditorium has a seating capacity of more than 300 persons and the portable bleachers in the gymnasium will seat some 1,700 spectators.

Every unit in the school, including shop, homemaking, music and athletic facilities, is of the most advanced design. Seven different color schemes were used throughout the building.

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Clarkston Methodists Honor Students

Set Annual Youth Banquet

CLARKSTON—Clarkston Methodist Church will celebrate its annual youth weekend by entertaining area college students and servicemen at the second annual youth banquet to be held tonight at the church on Buffalo street.

Morley Fraser, head football and baseball coach at Albion College, will be the guest speaker.

Coach Fraser was voted "Coach of the Year" in the Upper Peninsula when he coached at Newberry High School. His football team had a 24-6 record and was picked state class B champion in 1931.

Fraser is now in his fourth year as coach at Albion, where his teams always have finished near top of their leagues.

Several Clarkston High School students and former students of the school now attending college are handling the program.

Cheri Littleton, a Michigan State University student, will act as toastmistress. Judy Inman, Clarkston High School student, will give the invocation. Sue Ellen Odell, a student at Central Michigan College, and Clyde Kaiser, Eastern Michigan College student, will present brief sketches of their colleges.

Diane and Kathy Taylor will present several novelty vocal duets. Beverly Bell, youth sponsor, will direct singing.

The youth group also will conduct Sunday morning worship services at the church.

Sheldon Smith, University of Michigan student, will speak Sunday on New Year's resolutions. He will be assisted by Miss Inman and Judy Weaver, also a Clarkston High School student.

Kaiser and Ira Pence, a student at the University of Michigan, will assist Smith.

Miss Odell will be soloist and Joseph Jennings, Clarkston High

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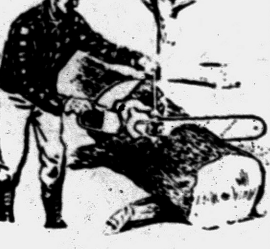
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Voting for 2 in Lake Orion

LAKE ORION—Only two offices will be contested in the annual primary election on Feb. 17.

Waldo C. Leipprandt, incumbent president, will be seeking reelection against Clarence Birdwood, former village police chief.

Six men, including the three incumbents, have filed petitions to run for three council posts which will become vacant this year. They are incumbent councilmen William Soup, Hugh Galloway Sr., and Gordon Hazelton.

Seeking to unseat them will be Grover Shimmens and William

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Exchange assemblies among the Avondale, Clawson, Fitzgerald, Troy High Schools will be discussed. Also on the agenda is a discussion concerning the forming of a state student council organization.

Lapeer Supervisors

Slate Jan. 14 Meeting

LAPEER—The Lapeer County Board of Supervisors will meet Jan. 14 for what is expected to be a three-day session.

The business will include the annual reports of the county officers and departments.

A tentative budget will be presented by Supervisor Clare Barrett's Ways and Means Committee, and the problem of a site for the new jail will be discussed.

Marlette Parents Tell of Daughter's Engagement

MARLETTE—Mr. and Mrs. Emory Montgomery of Marlette have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lina, to Emerson J. Stilwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stilwell, of Beaverton.

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Death Notices

GEORGE STOICA
IMLAY CITY—Requiem mass for George Stoica, 75, of 6191 Hunter Creek Rd., will be said at 9 a. m. Friday at Sacred Heart Church, Imlay City, with burial in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Imlay City. He died Tuesday.

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