

Traffic Claims 14 Lives in Michigan

And They Came Bringing Gifts



ADORATION OF THE MAGI — This ancient woodcut, taken from a book published nearly five centuries ago, shows how the "Kings of the Orient" appeared to medieval imaginations. Modern research shows the visitors from the East were

Magi's Search Rewarded: Find Christ in Peasant Hut

By GEORGE W. CORNELL
AP Religious Writer

THE HOUSE stood against a hillside. It was small, made of sun-hardened mud bricks. It had no windows. A narrow path led to the doorway, hung with a heavy wool cloth. Beside it leaned a woodman's axe.

As the wayfarers approached, the only sound was the crunching of camel hooves on the red gravel. It seemed quite loud. Melchior's lined face tensed. Neither he nor his two companions spoke. They stared ahead fixedly.

This was the place. This was their goal. This was the star-touched habitation.

In front of the house, smoke curled from an earthen oven. A waterjar sat nearby, and a millstone. Off to one side of the house was a vegetable patch, and on the other, a little shed built against a cypress tree.

Wood shavings littered the ground beneath the open shelter, and on a work table lay knives, wedges, bow-drill, adze, mallet and other carpenter's tools, along with some partly carved yokes and axles.

END OF THE ODYSSEY

Travel-spent old Melchior held himself

erect, his senses on edge. So here the long odyssey ended—in Bethlehem.

He and the other Magi, who had dedicated their minds, passions and physical endurance to the dream of welcoming God's Premier to mankind, stopped at last — outside a peasant's hut.

Its occupants were not in sight. The three stately callers slid to the ground. Servants, who had quit their burros, took the reins of the camels, tapped their necks and pulled down on the halters, signalling them to kneel.

Hastily, the magi straightened their mantles. Melchior smoothed his long, white beard.

Then he stepped to the doorpost. He caught his breath, and knocked.

What answer lay within? What was its compelling power, its strange appeal.

It seemed odd, indeed, that the great eastern scholars should be there. They had wealth, prestige, acclaim. Yet there they stood, with pent-up solicitude, at the doorstep of an obscure Jewish family.

What had engrossed them through the years, and driven them, and brought them across half a continent from Persia to this unlikely place?

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Like's Budget Draws Reaction of Both Parties

Dems Say \$77 Billion Unrealistic but GOP Well Pleased

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower's plan for a 77-billion-dollar balanced budget next year was described by Democrats as unrealistic today, but Republicans called it a welcome Christmas present to the taxpayers.

Eisenhower's announcement of his budget plans, unprecedented in advance of the opening of Congress, said defense spending would be higher and other expenditures "consistent with the public interest" without any general increase in taxes.

His approximate 77-billion-dollar spending figure would be two billions below this year's estimated \$79,200,000,000 total. At that level, a 12-billion-dollar deficit is expected this year, partly because the recession cut expected federal revenues.

Eisenhower originally had forecast a 500-million-dollar surplus for this year (based on lower spending), higher revenues and

a postal rate increase higher than that Congress later provided.

Without giving details, Eisenhower said "reductions in total spending will be achieved in part by reason of the ending of temporary programs in agriculture, unemployment insurance and housing."

Due to expire next year are part of the soil bank program and a recession-born program of extended unemployment compensation benefits.

Although no general tax increase is to be asked, Eisenhower said — again without giving details — that his budget will request higher postal rates and gasoline taxes, and some new user charges for government services.

Snow and Colder Is Area Forecast

Mostly cloudy and colder with scattered snow flurries is the forecast for the area tomorrow by the U. S. Weather Bureau. The high will reach around 33 degrees. Tonight's low will be near 30.

With the arrival of winter yesterday morning, the shortest day of the year, Pontiac residents can expect two minutes more of daylight each succeeding day.

This morning's westerly winds at 10-20 miles an hour will shift to northerly tonight and become northeasterly tomorrow.

The lowest recording in downtown Pontiac preceding 8 a.m. was 36 degrees. The mercury rose to 32 at 1 p.m.

'It's a Lie,' Says Mrs. Duncan

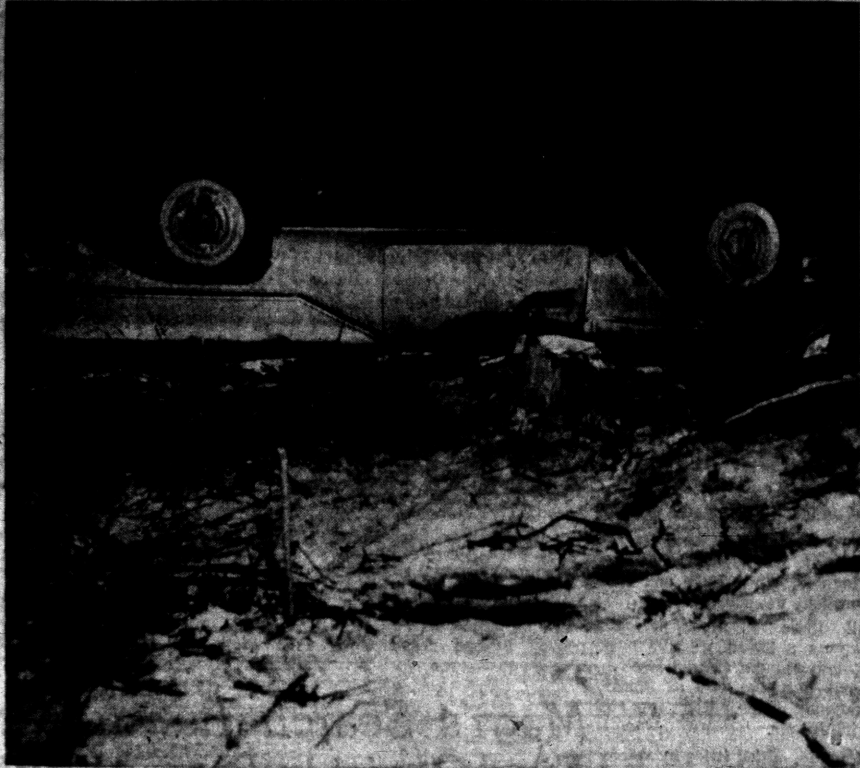
Grim Murder Plot Denied

VENTURA, Calif. (AP)—"It's a lie, of course," says Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan of the charge that she



VICTIM AND MOTHER-IN-LAW — The body of Olga Duncan was found buried in a shallow grave beside a lonely road near Ventura, Calif., and a laborer has told authorities that her mother-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan, hired him to kill the young surgical nurse.

A Grim Holiday Warning



TWO LIVES SNUFFED OUT — This should serve as a grim warning to holiday motorists. This overturned convertible overshot a curve in Commerce Township last night, killing two of its occupants and injuring the other three. The driver is being held for investigation of manslaughter.

Lawyers to Rate 2 Die, 3 Hurt as Car Fails to Make Curve

County Bar Association May Present Listings for April Election

Oakland County Circuit and Probate Court judge candidates in the future will be rated as to their qualifications by their fellow lawyer members of the County Bar Association.

The association yesterday approved the rating system after many years debating its pros and cons.

More than 50 lawyers, meeting in Circuit Judge Clark J. Adams' courtroom, in a voice vote decided it would be in the best interest of placing the best qualified persons on both county court benches by rating both candidates for election and appointment.

William B. Hartman, association president, who offered the resolution suggested after study by a special committee, said candidates in next year's April judicial balloting might be the first to be rated.

Under the proposal, the more than 250 lawyers of the Oakland association will be asked by secret ballot to rate candidates preferred, qualified, or not commented on. Totals of the vote, showing how (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8)

Red Budget Highest Ever

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Soviet parliament today adopted an all-time high budget for 1959 that included an eight per cent boost in national income and a huge science appropriation to keep abreast of the space age.

Over 100 Hurt Watching Blaze

Gas Truck Blast Kills 4

BROWNFIELD, Tex. (AP) — A burning bottled gas truck blew up with a terrific blast Monday night, killing four men and injuring more than 100 persons, mostly spectators.

The fire followed a collision of a small pickup truck and a large gas transport truck on a stretch of highway at the southwest edge of this small West Texas city.

The accident started a fire in the overturned cab of the transport truck. About 20 firemen were at the scene, surrounded by a small group of spectators. Several hundred other spectators lined the other side of the highway.

Phillip Thompson, a volunteer fireman, said "There was a terrific explosion. The blast knocked me out but I came to right away. There was a terrible roar and the whole sky seemed to be on fire."

"Pieces of steel from the exploding tank ripped through the crowd," Thompson said. "Flames from the burning transport set a number of people on fire."

I put out the fire on several people. I had to rip some of their clothes off to put out the flames."

A service station near the scene was set afire, but was quickly extinguished.

Thompson said debris from the exploding truck was hurled 250 to 300 yards away.

The blast shook the town of about 1,000. Windows were broken a mile away. Flames leaped an estimated 400 to 500 feet into the air.

The Terry County Hospital said it had admitted 63 victims of which a dozen were seriously burned or injured.

About 115 or 120 persons were injured, the hospital estimated. Some of the victims were driven to nearby Lubbock, Tex., for treatment.

Charlie Maples, Brownfield newsman, said that in addition to the three dead, a torso was found near the blast scene.

Sidney Hester, police dispatcher, said four men were confirmed dead. He identified them as Ruben Johnson, about 50, of Lubbock, driver of the big truck; Jim Cousineau, fire marshal here; Wayland Parker, Brownfield fireman, and James Ray, of Brownfield.

Crawford Taylor of KTFY said a number of wires were blown down and both the police and fire departments lost power. He said businessmen went back to their stores to clean up broken glass and to protect from looting.

The bottled gas is a treated natural gas used for heating and cooking in homes as well as for industrial heating purposes.

One Day's Toll Doubles Deaths From Weekend

Childs Issues Special Plea to Motorists for Safe Holiday Driving

From Our News Wires

Traffic accidents and injuries claimed 14 lives in Michigan Monday, doubling the State's entire weekend highway death toll of seven.

State Police Commissioner Joseph A. Childs issued a special plea for safe holiday driving today, but the approach of Christmas was already spelling tragedy for many Michigan motorists.

Although the holiday period hadn't yet started, the traffic toll was mounting rapidly. The grim figure was 11 dead in highway accidents last night and yesterday afternoon.

There was one triple fatality accident yesterday and three others in which two persons were killed.

Moreover, three persons died of injuries suffered in previous accidents and two Caro residents were asphyxiated when their car backed into a snowbank.

Childs told Michigan motorists that police "need your cooperation" to keep down the highway toll over the Christmas holiday.

"If you're going on a trip, leave early, take your time and drive slowly," Childs said. "If you plan to drink, we would appreciate it if you wouldn't drive."

He said State Troopers would work 10 hour patrols during the Christmas holiday, beginning 6 p.m. tomorrow and lasting until Monday morning.

Donna A. Thompson, 18, of Midland, and Raymond Murphy, 40, and Gerald Lee Moldenhauer, 28, both of Bay City, were killed when their car collided with a truck on M115 about nine miles west of Clare in Clare County.

The three were mental patients on Christmas leave from the Traverse City State Hospital.

Jeff Stratton, 78, and Charles Curry, 67, both of Crossville, were killed in a two-car collision on (Continued on Page 2, Col. 6)

U.S. Oks \$339,600 to Plan Oakland Sewage System

A early Christmas present was received by Oakland County today when it was learned that a federal grant of \$339,600 has been approved for the initial planning of a proposed sewage disposal system and plant to take care of some 13 municipalities feeding into the Clinton River.

Oakland County Congressman William S. Broomfield said he had received a memorandum from Washington from John Hazeltine, commissioner of the Community Facilities Administration, that the advance had been made.

It thus permits the county's Department of Public Works, which will design and operate the system, to proceed with planning the \$16,500,000 project.

Ideas for the project were born a year ago when supervisors of Avon, Pontiac, Waterford, Independence, and Orion townships met with DFW officials to see what could be done to handle sewer needs for this rapidly-expanding section of the county.

Harold K. Schone, department director, said the project will now be expanded to serve all of Oakland County.

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Talking Atlas Pulls Some New Tricks

LOS ANGELES (AP)—America's talking satellite is up to some new tricks.

As it flashed over Southern California Monday it punched out a teletype tape in a Signal Corps listening station near Los Angeles that was used by The Associated Press on its nationwide news wires.

The tape carried President Eisenhower's Christmas greeting to the world.

Here is the paragraph just as it was received by the Signal Corps and transmitted by the AP:

"Pt of the United States speaking. Through the marvels of scientific advance my voice is coming to you from a satellite circling in outer space. My message is a simple one. Through this unique means I convey to you and to all mankind America's wish for peace on earth and good will toward men everywhere."

18 Trapped in Cave-In

SAINT TROID, Belgium (AP)—Several caves collapsed near here today and the Belgian radio reported several hours later that 18 persons still were trapped underground.

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Williams Stumped in Money Crisis

Eyes Vet Fund for Quick Cash

\$50 Million Trust Seen as Only 'Out' in State's Financial Breakdown

LANSING, Mich. — Gov. Williams says he's stumped as to the next move in Michigan's financial crisis — unless it is to wring the cash out of the \$50-million-dollar Veterans Trust Fund.

He acknowledged there has been talk of liquidating the big cache of bonds reserved since 1946 for help of indigent veterans, "but I want to take a long look at that before any decision is made."

"Certainly the fund should not be taken without adequate assurance to veterans that they will continue to receive comparable benefits," he added. These amounts to about \$1,500,000 annually.

In a first broad survey of the state's slide toward a 100-million-dollar deficit since he returned from a Florida vacation, Williams yesterday mentioned no other possible remedies.

"At the moment, I am not sure what would be the best move," the Democratic governor said. "All available cash reserves were drained off a year ago."

"Even the state's liquor supplies have been sold off and we are operating the liquor control commission largely on credit."

Increasingly, speculation on the way out of the state's tightening cash squeeze has centered on the Veterans Trust Fund.

TOUCHY SUBJECT
But it is a touchy subject politically, and no forthright advocacy of this course yet has come from any elective public official. Veterans' organization leaders have spoken out strongly against liquidation.

It has been estimated that conversion under present market conditions would produce about \$44,000,000 in cash — for a loss in the transaction of more than \$5 million dollars.

Williams reluctantly agreed in his statement that the state would have to withhold monthly installments of appropriated funds for the three major state universities, now holding the bag for \$11,200,000, until a way is found of giving the state treasury a transfusion.

The step was recommended last week by James W. Miller, state controller. It was a foregone conclusion at the time that it had the governor's approval.

"There appears to be no other way to save the state from default on welfare payments, constitutional obligations and payrolls," he said.

"How soon we can resume paying the university appropriations of \$5,600,000 a month and pick up the backlog of suspended payments depends entirely upon how soon the Legislature acts to get some more cash into the treasury," he said.

If withholding continues until March 1, the state's arrearage to the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State University will grow to about \$28 million.



NEW COUNTY LAWYERS — These men yesterday gathered in Oakland County Circuit Judge Frank L. Doty's courtroom in the courthouse to be sworn in as new members of the Oakland County Bar Assn. The association, and some of its current members, proposed admitting the group, and Judges Doty, William J. Beer and

H. Russel Holland accepted the new members. Included in the group were Emery E. Jacques Jr., Patrick D. O'Connor, Ashley Gorman, Max Isley, Lawrence H. Best, Earl M. Remer, Gerald R. Hershberger, John R. Sterling, David P. Huthwaite, Jerome E. Mulligan and Jeremy V. Taylor, the latter three from Pontiac.

OKs Fund to Plan Area Sewer System

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land and Addison townships and parts of Brandon, Groveland, Springfield, White Lake and West Bloomfield townships.

All these 13 areas presently make up a 225-square-mile basin draining into the Clinton River.

What part the city of Pontiac might play in the project was still up in the air.

Pontiac, stilled twice by voters rejecting bond issues to build an auxiliary sewage treatment plant, "has not closed its mind" to participating in an area-wide sewer project of this kind, according to Walter K. Willman, city manager.

But Willman was cool to the idea when informed the DPW plans to make two designs of the system—one to include Pontiac, and the other to omit it.

Willman said "a lot of water will have to go over the dam" before the city would participate in such a project, after having gone this far in planning its own expanded system.

He said city officials would have to know a great deal more about the proposal—such as the proposed location of the treatment plant—before a definite answer could be arrived at.

Such information will be some time in coming, Schone said when informed of the approval of the grant, applied for in February.

"It will be about eight months before we can even jell a proposed method of financing the system," he said.

With the grant being made, department planners now can move into the field and into the air to make aerial studies for the layout of the mammoth system.

Schone said "A lot depends on what Pontiac wants to do," as the city lies almost in the heart of the district to be served.

"Not only would it be of a great assistance to us, but I feel it also would be most economical and feasible, for the city to join in," he said.

American, Eastern Still Grounded

Airlines Peace Doubtful

By The Associated Press

A pre-Christmas settlement of paralyzing strikes against American and Eastern Airlines appeared beyond reach today.

normally one of the busiest days of the year for the grounded lines.

Efforts of National mediation Board officials in Washington Monday brought no immediate

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The reason was plain to them, although few shared their values then, or ever.

"They saw, above all man's ambitions, attainments and empires, the overarching, infinite logic of God. They believed He spoke a constant word, in every evolving atom of the universe, to man."

And now, in this time and place, they sensed His most eloquent affirmation.

TRUTH WAS FLESH

He had sent His Envoy, Truth had become flesh. The divine vocabulary was rendered in man's terms. God had bent down to man, and His voice rang out on earth.

The King had come! That was why the wise ones were there. That is why they had sat their saddles for months, why they had traversed rugged miles, why they had questioned and persevered, why they stood now at the abode of Joseph, the carpenter.

As they waited, though only for a moment, they could hear as if far off the camels dropping to their knees, then settling in a series of hitches to their bellies with legs folded tightly beneath them.

What would the Child be like? An old Persian maxim said "His body resembles light, as His Spirit resembles truth." But the Magi had no preconceptions; they had come, not pronouncing, but inquiring.

The door covering was drawn aside, and the mild, steady gaze of Joseph met theirs. "What seek ye?"

"We seek One in whom God has visited in the person of a child."

Joseph surveyed the strangers fully, then bade them enter. "He is here."

The Magians filed through the doorway, Melchior hobbling in advance, followed by the grave, dark-skinned Balthasar, and then by Gaspar, young and beardless.

The floor was beaten clay, with a sheepskin mat in the center, and some low benches and utensils against the wall. In a corner, a shirt-clad infant played in a wooden crib.

MARY TOOK CHILD

The quiet, young mother, Mary, picked Him up, smiled faintly and sat down on a bench, displaying Him on her knee. He was a year and some months of age. He looked up with wide-eyed interest at the visitors.

Melchior's lips parted wordlessly. Tears welled in his eyes. Then he and the others knelt on the dirt floor in reverence and worship. They had found their King. They had entered the presence of God's Son.

There, in the ordinary beauty and innocence of a healthy toddler, Providence had provided its ultimate message to man. How often the greatest truth is clothed in simplest array.

To recognize it required humility, the knowledge that knows its lack of knowledge. And this was the character of the Magi.

While exalted scientists sought a world in space, they sought a world in time. They aspired, not to mere appearances, but to meanings. Through faith, they saw intuitively what others never see. Many see the stars. But who could see what the Magi saw? They saw the star of Bethlehem.

The Child had been given the name "Yeshua," or as the Greeks say, "Jesus," which means "the salvation of Jehovah."

Presently, with joyous animation, the Magi hurried outside the house and from their parcels, brought forth gifts and laid them before Him.

Melchior presented gold, red gold, symbolizing a king's power. Gaspar brought myrrh, the resin of burial and death, offering it with tears. Balthasar gave incense, the rich gum of frankincense, signifying Divine immortality.

Mary sat with bowed head, murmuring over each gift. "Thanks be to God."



Tradition says the royal Magi had brought huge coffers of pearls, silk hangings and other luxuries as intended presents, but so as not to offend the dignity of the poor, gave only what they first touched as they reached in their chests.

After their departure, their misgivings about King Herod were intensified by ominous dreams. So they spurned his request to return to him and identify the Child.

Instead of taking the usual route home, northward through Jerusalem to Damascus, they went another way. Some accounts suggest they circled south toward Petra, crossing the copper-colored mountains of Moab.

Other reports say they slipped northward along the coast, departing by ship from the port of Tarsus in Cilicia, where Herod's troops in vengeful pursuit, later wrecked the whole harbor.

HEROD ACTS
Meanwhile, Herod also wielded his worldly power and cunning to overcome a child. He sent legions to slay all Bethlehem children under 2, "according to the time" of the star learned earlier from the wise men.

But the outcome of that clash, shakes history. The seemingly helpless Child won. Joseph and Mary fled with Him to Egypt.

The Magi also escaped back toward the rising sun, back to the elevated plateau of Persia, to the vineyards of Shiraz, back to the land of hornless cattle and poetry.

Tradition says the Magi later built a chapel on Mt. Vaus, where they had first seen the star, and that they met there each year thereafter. They are said to have become bishops, ordained by the Apostle Thomas.

It is recounted that their bodies, after they died, were removed from Persia to Constantinople, then to Milan, and in 1163, to Cologne, where they rest now at the Cathedral of Cologne.

The Middle Ages claim that the Magi were kings, and they were, in a sense. They were sovereigns in the realm of wisdom, a royal heritage, beholden to its Divine Author.

They were far away when Jesus was born, when Christ came to renew life, but God gave the sign. And as is always the case, they could stay, or journey.

To average minds, their decision was folly. They acted with utter abandon. But despite the risks, the imponderables and the distance, those who sought, found.

(The End)

Ike Will Deliver Yule Message, Light Tree Today

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Eisenhower today delivers his annual Christmas message of peace to the world and throws a switch lighting the nation's Christmas tree.

The tree lighting ceremonies in the "President's Park" immediately behind the White House grounds were part of the fifth annual Pageant of Peace.

White House employees from garage mechanics to protocol experts were entertained yesterday at a coffee and cake Christmas party hosted by the President and Mrs. Eisenhower.

The nearly 1,000 members of the staff received their annual Christmas gift—a print of an Eisenhower painting of a weathered red barn. Christmas carols were piped by loudspeaker through the elaborately decorated rooms where 12 Christmas trees glistened.

Monday Accidents Take Eleven Lives

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M30 about seven miles east of Peck in Sanilac County. Straffen was the driver of one of the cars and Curry a passenger in the other.

Raymond Wilhelm, 44, of Alma, and his wife, Jeannette, 38, were killed Monday night when their car struck the rear end of a parked truck on U.S. 27 about three miles south of Ithaca. Three other persons in the car were injured.

Frederick E. Cadorette, 22, of Tawas City, was killed Monday night southwest of Pontiac.

Philip Welsh, 17, of St. Johns, was killed Monday night when he lost control of his car while driving in St. Johns and struck a tree.

Elmer W. Kintner, 54, of Appleton, died Monday night when his car hit the rear of a Sanilac County road grader on M51 a mile and a half south of Carletonville.

Frank Bialczak, 34, of Detroit, and John Roberts, 24, of Dearborn, both died Monday of injuries suffered in earlier accidents.

Bialczak was injured Nov. 26 when his car struck a guard rail on the Edsel Ford Expressway in Detroit. Roberts was injured Friday in a two-truck collision on the Detroit-Toledo Expressway, seven miles south of Monroe.

Adding to yesterday's grief, Philip Welsh, a St. Johns high school student, died early this morning, about three hours after his car smashed into three trees on M21 at the West city limits.

Police said Welsh, 18, had just taken a girl home from a Christmas party at an area school and that he lost control, hitting the trees. Parts of the car flew 200 feet from the crash scene.

The Day in Birmingham Need More Study Time on Mental Health Plan

BIRMINGHAM — No action was taken by city commissioners last night on the request to support the Oakland County Chapter of the Michigan Society for Mental Health. The society is trying to have the now unused contagion hospital on Telegraph road made available for mental patients.

Commissioners said they wanted time to study the proposal and asked City Manager L. R. Gare to make a later report to them.

A complete study on the use of frame buildings in the business district was presented by Building Inspector Andrew F. Butt. The report was requested several weeks ago when a permit was denied to operate a retail business in this type building.

Butt said there are 56 frame buildings in the area, with nine operating on a nonconforming basis. His inspections, made jointly with the fire department found only one owner doing retail business in violation of the ordinance. He said that the owner has agreed to discontinue sales and operate as a beauty parlor instead.

A formal observance of Christmas will start at 5:30 p.m. tomorrow with the Community Carol Sing in Shain Park.

Christmas Eve service at the First Presbyterian Church will include carol singing at 10:30 p.m. with the general worship at 11 p.m.

The Congregational Church of Birmingham will hold a candlelight service at 9 p.m.

Orchard Lake Man Injured in Crash

An Orchard Lake man was injured early this morning in a three-car crash on Orchard Lake road, about a half-mile south of W. Maple road in West Bloomfield Township.

Willard Murphy, 56, of 8065 Eldora St., was listed in fair condition today at William Beaumont Hospital.

According to Pontiac State Police, Murphy was driving north when his auto collided head-on with a southbound car driven by Hans Garner, 27, of Highland Park.

Another northbound auto driven by Sterling Coleman, 38, of 6433 Hermans Rd., West Bloomfield Township, then struck Murphy's car.

Both Coleman and Garner were uninjured, troopers said.

Later Than He Thinks

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — If the mysteriously motivated thief who stole a clock and a parachute from the Von Behren Manufacturing Co. plant decides it's time to jump, he may find it's later than he thinks. Owner Allen Von Behren said the chute is very old and worn and probably will split if it is used.

Mayor Issues Proclamation

Teen Traffic Safety Day Set

Pontiac Mayor Philip E. Rowston, in a proclamation signed yesterday afternoon, designated Tuesday, Jan. 13, as Teen-age Traffic Safety Day.

On that day at Pontiac Northern High School, the first teen-age traffic safety conference in the Pontiac area will be held.

In his proclamation, Rowston pledged the "fullest cooperation" of the city and its citizens, and added: "It is desirable that the

young people in our area play a positive role in our efforts to make our community a safe place in which to live and drive."

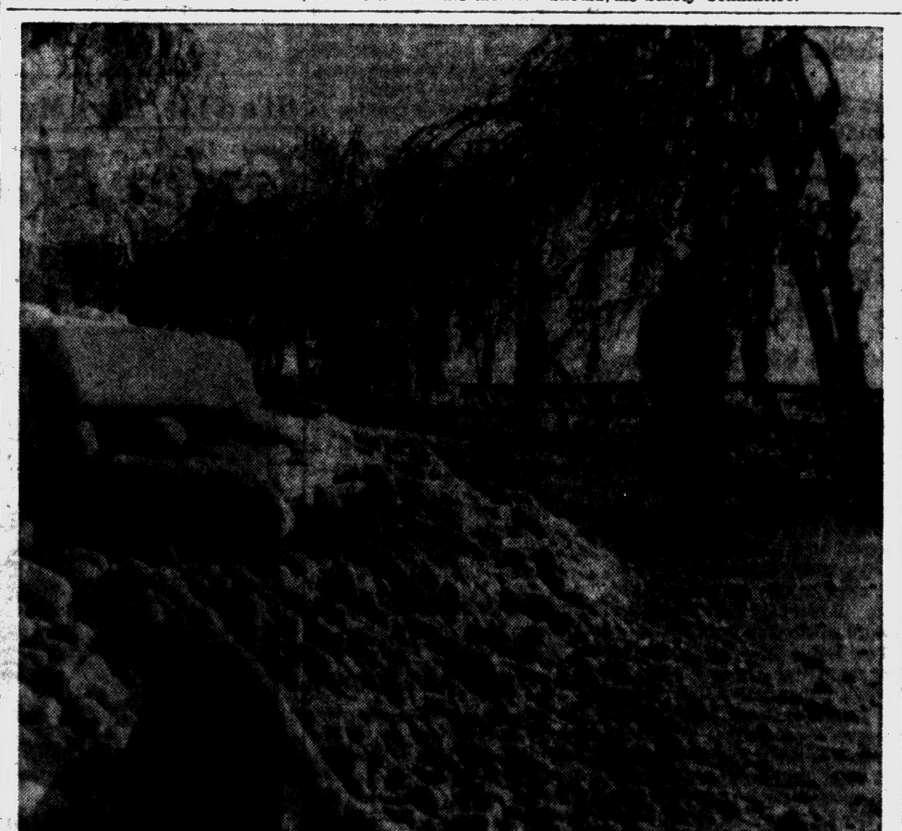
The mayor called upon all schools in the city to cooperate by emphasizing the importance of safe driving practices to their teenage students during that day.

Sponsored by the Safety Committee of the Pontiac Area Chamber of Commerce, the conference will revolve around the theme: "Should

Teenager's Be Treated as Adults?" The conference, which will last from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., will be attended by more than 200 students.

Chairman of the event will be Michael Flynn, a senior at St. Michael High School.

Assisting the teenagers in preparing the conference are George S. Stewart, who heads the Pontiac school system's driver training program, and Robert T. Flynn of the Safety Committee.



BEAUTIFUL BUT COLD — Niagara Falls, Canada, is a scene of frozen splendor. A lone stroller walks near the famed cataract. Dipping temperatures and spray from the falls combine to coat the surrounding area with heavy ice.

Services are scheduled for 8 and 11 p.m. at the First Methodist Church.

A special music program by the three choirs will be held at Embury Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Christmas Eve.

In the absence of a pastor, the board of deacons of the First Baptist Church will lead a Christmas Eve candlelight service at 8 p.m. Catholic churches in the area have all scheduled midnight Masses, and on Christmas Day will hold Masses at regular Sunday hours.

A Royal Oak man was ticketed last night after he struck a parked car on Brown street near Henrietta street.

Police said that Fred R. Northway, 29, of 17277 Redwood street was thrown through the windshield of his car after smashing into the empty car of William E. McElhane of 370 Townsend St.

Murder Plot Denied by Mother-in-Law

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Olga's Santa Barbara apartment late at night on Nov. 17 and told the nurse a friend of his was sick in a car outside. The nurse, clad in a bathrobe, went to the car.

"I was lying on the floor in the back," said Baldonado. "When she opened the door, I grabbed her, and Moya hit her with the gun."

The nurse put up a fierce struggle as they drove toward a lonely mountain pass near the coast. Baldonado said, and he and Moya beat her with their fists and the gun, and choked her repeatedly. They scooped out a grave with their bare hands and put her in it.

Coroner Virgil L. Payton said she died of asphyxia "either through strangulation or by being buried alive." The pretty nurse was five months pregnant.

Mrs. Duncan branded Baldonado's story a complete lie.

"She threatened to hurt me and Frank," said Mrs. Duncan. "Those two men were just collecting for her. That's why I paid them the money."

Authorities said the men were paid a few hundred dollars by Mrs. Duncan after the nurse was killed.

Mrs. Duncan, Baldonado and Moya are booked in Ventura County jail on suspicion of murder. Moya has also denied Baldonado's story.

Dist. Atty. Roy Gustafson termed the nurse's death a "brutal, calculated, revolting killing for hire." He said he would ask the death penalty for Mrs. Duncan and the two men.

Mrs. Duncan was arrested 10 days ago for masquerading as her daughter-in-law last August and obtaining an annulment of her son's marriage on the grounds it had never been consummated. Ventura authorities said she paid a man \$50 to pose as her son in the staged courtroom proceeding.

Duncan said he was unaware of the annulment until his mother was arrested. He has not been to see his mother since the slaying was uncovered and has not been available for comment.

Lawyers to Rate Judge Candidates

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many of the three classifications each candidate received, will then be released for publication.

Such action brought disapproval from Robert Hodge of Pontiac, who felt that the association by its rating system "was walking straight into politics."

But David C. Pence, also of Pontiac, said he had learned from a neighborhood poll he took that the public is very unfamiliar with candidates and members of the bench, and that association rating might help the public decide who are the best qualified.

The only candidate for the coming election to speak out on the plan, Maurice A. Merritt of Royal Oak, suggested, but to no avail, that the category of "not commented on" be replaced by one "less injurious" to candidates.

Probably the stronger support for the rating system came from Gilbert H. Davis of Royal Oak, who said the association in the past, by not taking such action, had "adopted a cowardly attitude of sticking its head in the sand" by not aiding the voters in deciding on the best judicial candidates.

As to appointees, members decided they would rate by the same method those reportedly in line for vacancies on the bench, and pass their suggested candidate or candidates on to Gov. Williams, who makes judicial appointments.

Yule Calendar DEC. 23

Check up on table linens, glassware, silver, etc. for Christmas dinner.

Eases Winter Freeze

Warm Trend Crosses U.S.

By The Associated Press

Temperatures moderated in the cold-plagued Northeast today as mild winter weather dominated most of the nation.

It was a little chilly in some sections of the Northeast but not like Monday morning's below zero weather. The warming trend also

The Weather

Full U. S. Weather Bureau Report
PONTIAC AND VICINITY — Mostly cloudy and warmer today, high near 44. Westerly winds 10-20 miles today, light and tomorrow. Cloudy tonight, low near 30. Tomorrow cloudy and colder with scattered snow flurries. High near 32. Winds shifting to northwesterly late tonight and becoming northeasterly tomorrow.

Today in Pontiac
Lowest temperature preceding 8 a.m. 27
At 8 a.m.: Wind velocity 10 m.p.h.
Direction: West
Sun sets Tuesday at 5:04 p.m.
Sun rises Wednesday at 7:59 a.m.
Moon rises Tuesday at 3:34 p.m.
Moon sets Wednesday at 6:19 a.m.

Downtown Temperatures
6 a.m. 27 11 a.m. 35
7 a.m. 34 12 m. 34
8 a.m. 36 1 p.m. 35
9 a.m. 38
10 a.m. 36

Monday in Pontiac
(as recorded downtown)
Highest temperature 41
Lowest temperature 27
Mean temperature 34
Weather—Fair

One Year Ago in Pontiac
Highest temperature 53
Lowest temperature 38
Mean temperature 45
Weather—Fair

Highest and Lowest Temperatures This Date in 50 Years

in 1907	in 1958
Albany 37	29
Baltimore 37	29
Bismarck 37	29
Brownsville 37	29
Buffalo 42	29
Chicago 42	29
Cincinnati 42	29
Cleveland 42	29
Denver 42	29
Detroit 42	29
El Paso 42	29
Fort Worth 42	29
Houston 42	29
Kansas City 42	29
Los Angeles 42	29

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Triplets for Teen Couple

REDLANDS, Calif. (AP)—When the stork blesses two teen-agers with three bouncing sons, all in one swoop, how's it go?

"Fine," says David, the 19-year-old husband.

And the triplet boys? Well, three can't bawl any louder than one, say their dad and mom. Not much, anyway.

There's no sleeping, David admits, through a three-alarm clamor at 2 a.m. So he gets up, when he can't avoid it, to supply the third hand which Linda sometimes can use.

In the three months since Johnnie, David and Stevie arrived, things have gone well. No major illnesses, no family crises.

But the young parents have made some changes.

David left college and is working for a dairy. Linda is studying at home, between household chores, so she can graduate from Redlands High next June.

The mother has her hands full. But they're good babies. "They sleep most of the time," she says. It's no breeze to take on a full-blown family on \$300 a month.

The couple got a big boost, though from a television program on which Linda appeared. She won a year's supply of baby food; clothing for the boys and a number of other useful items, including a year's diaper service.

Linda feels her role isn't much different from that of most young mothers.

"Three or one," she shrugs, "it's all the same."

The boys look just alike to all but the parents.

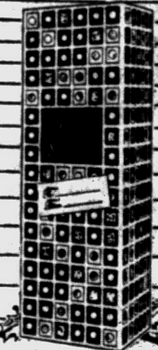
"I can easily tell the difference, but nobody else could," says the dad.

Linda and David give folks a lift by habitually referring to "the biggest one," "the middle one," or "the smallest one."

Will this be their family? "It doesn't matter," Linda says. "But I'd really like a girl."

Allergy Causes Illness

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Actress Given Divorce; Has TV Daughter Role

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Superior Court granted her custody of the child and \$50 monthly for his support.

Goldfine Plans to File Appeal

Tycoon, Secretary Will Fight Jail Sentences Due to Start Jan. 7

★ ★ ★
Miss Mildred Paperman, 43, his blonde secretary, was sentenced to 10 days in jail for failure to give tax agents some of the records of Goldfine's Northfield, Vt., mill and Strathmore Woolen Co. of Boston.
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Ask Her for Your Money

By EMILY POST

"Dear Mrs. Post: While shopping about a month and a half ago, a friend of mine borrowed five dollars, saying she would return it soon. I know she had every intention of returning it, but has forgotten all about it. I see her often but she has not spoken of it. Would it be all right for me to remind her of it, and how?"

Answer: This situation would be awkward were the borrower merely an acquaintance. But since you say she is a very intimate friend, you should be able to say frankly, "By the way, Mary, do you remember you borrowed five dollars at such and such a time?"

"Dear Mrs. Post: Recently my niece went to a high school dance. This was her first dance and she went with a boy. Many of the girls bought boutonnières for their boy friends. I told my niece I didn't think it was correct to do this; so she didn't.

"Later she told me she was embarrassed because so many of the girls had given the boys boutonnières. Is this some new fad? I've never known girls to buy flowers for boys, except at a 'Turn-about Dance.' Maybe I'm behind the times."

Answer: Ordinarily she would certainly not be expected to give the boy a boutonniere, but if it is the local custom of her school for the girls to do so, she should follow their example.

"Dear Mrs. Post: The invitations to my wedding were sent out several weeks ago, but at the last minute the wedding had to be postponed. Several of the guests had sent replies before the invitations were recalled. I would like to know if those who sent regrets the first time should be sent a second invitation?"

Answer: If they were friends whom you feel would have wanted to come had they been able to, then yes. If they were only acquaintances, no.

Sylvanites Gather

Twenty-seven members attended the annual Christmas party of New Sylvanites Club of Sylvan Lake held Thursday at the home of Mrs. E. V. Geizer of Island Court. Mrs. J. E. Filippi of Woodland avenue was party chairman.

Navy Moms Meet

The annual Christmas party for the Pontiac Navy Mothers Club No. 355 was held Saturday night at the Naval Training Center.

Dear Abby ...

How Can Child Learn Peace When TV Films Play Up War?

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

"DEAR ABBY: I think something should be done about the cowboy programs on television with 100 lynchings a day and 50 shootings in five minutes. Is this the way to entertain children? The monster pictures showing the earth being destroyed and people dying by the millions should also be outlawed.

"Life has become very complicated for a mother these days, Abby. We try to teach our children to strive toward a peaceful world full of love and respect for our fellow man but the competition from TV shows is stronger than we are. Isn't there something we can do about it?"

OMEGA: DEAR OMEGA: If enough people protest, some action could result, but all one mother can do is turn off her own television set.

"DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are separated and we are getting a divorce. I am expecting a baby in about two months. My husband wants me to give my engagement and wedding rings back to him. I think that as long as I am going to have a baby I should be allowed to keep the rings so people will know that I have been married and the baby is legitimate.



Feather Photo

Adults go to great lengths to decorate their homes for the Christmas season. But a child is mostly interested in finding his stocking hung carefully on the fireplace. Little Barbara

Fisher is just 2 years old, so this is her first really exciting Christmas. Her mother, Mrs. Duane Fisher, got a big stocking knitted in plenty of time for Santa's visit.

Women's Section

But Duck Soup for Railway Express

Hippo Is Hard Gift to Package

NEW YORK (UPI) — You think you have Christmas package problems. What if you had to ship a hippo or a giraffe?

Yet these and other rather hard-to-wrap gifts are among those handled during Yule season by Railway Express men who, like the postmen, seem to get the job done despite the odds. A visit to Railway Express general headquarters here to see what people are shipping leaves one agape.

1,200-POUND SURPLUS
Now the man who gave the hippo had an express purpose — it was surplus at the Central Park Zoo in New York, and the children of Denver were without one. So A. E. Johnson, a Denver oil executive, bought "Bertie," a mere infant of 28 months although he already weighs 1,200 pounds.

Bertie, in wooden crate with identifying photograph on the outside, made the trip to his new habitat in 42 hours, coddled all the way because the New York shippers warned that "He has never been away from home before and is bound to be lonesome. He won't need any food; just a drink of water."

"We handle thousands of ani-

mals each year," said E. Boykin Hartley, vice president in charge of traffic. "The heaviest load is in December." He said the company has shipped dozens of types of animals from giraffes to flying squirrels, but burros and deodorized skunks are favorites for Christmas giving.

Burros used to be a problem — they chew up their destination tags. But a savvy expressman thought of putting the tags in small tin cans.

In December, Hartley said, the company handles some 16 million packages or 69 per cent more than the volume in any other month. It ships diamond bracelets as casually as rhinestones. This Christmas it shipped a \$15,000 mink coat to an Iranian princess.

GIFT-WRAPPED COAL
Once it handled a basket of anthracite coal lumps — with each lump individually gift wrapped — from a grandmother in Carbondale, Pa., to her grand-kiddies in Cleveland. The children were lonesome for a touch of home as they knew it at grandma's.

Last year the company got a call to pick up a package at a New York address. The

truck driver arrived to find the customer lived in a third floor walkup. He lumbered up the stairs, and the woman asked immediately: "Did you bring a helper?" She pointed to a foot locker-size carton on the floor.

"Lady, I can handle that," said the expressman. But when he tried to lift the package, he called his assistant.

"Ma'am," he said, "I don't know what's in there, but it feels like rocks."

"That is just what it is," she said. "It's a special collection I'm shipping my daughter for her rock garden."

Lutheran Women Hold Yule Party

Pontiac Northern Choral Belles sang at the Christmas party held by Ladies Aid and Women's Missionary Societies of St. John Lutheran Church, held in the church parlors Thursday.

Gifts were exchanged and a cooperative dinner served by hostesses Mrs. Carolyn Williamson, Mrs. Thomas Casey, Mrs. Clarence Vidlund and Mrs. Myrtle Schluter.

Holiday Visits Spark Yuletide Preparations

Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Marsh of Lorraine court left Sunday with their daughter, Jeanette, and son, Donald, for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lawman and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eaton. They will stay until Jan. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. McClure held a holiday open house at their home on Illinois avenue Monday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Hackett of Owego drive will have a family dinner on Christmas day. Their son, John, will be home from Notre Dame—he'll be married Saturday, and Mrs. Hackett's sister, Laurie Mertenn will be with them from Chicago.

Mrs. Wilma Thomas Dickinson, her daughter Mrs. George F. Heine Jr. and her mother Mrs. William D. Thomas will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. William D. Thomas Jr. on Shore View drive.

With their two daughters, Kristine and Lynde, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Hartman of Watkins Lake will spend Christmas with Mrs. Hartman's mother, Mrs. W. O. Moll of Woodbine drive. Also on hand for the family celebration will be Mrs. Hartman's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Nye of Sylvan Shores and children Jim, Carol and Susan.

Sandra Clemence is home from Bennington College, Bennington, Vt., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Clemence of Silverhill road.

On Jan. 3, Sandy will attend the deb party of Polly Patchen Lauterbach in Rochester, N.Y., at the Genesee Valley Country Club.

Also among returning collegians is Rebecca Ann Odell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Odell of Oxbow Lake road. "Becky" is attending Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Home from Washington and Lee High School, Arling-

ton, Va., for the holidays is Brock Read, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin B. Read of East Hammond Lake road.

James Jolley has been promoted from second lieutenant to first lieutenant in the Central Michigan College ROTC Cadet Corps.

Two Pontiac students at Anderson (Ind.) College have been elected to social clubs. Ruth Ann Hargett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Hargett, Orchard Lake, has been chosen by the Fide et Amore Club. A sophomore, she is majoring in mathematics.

Benny Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert W. Williams, Emerson avenue, was elected to the Triad Club. He is majoring in history.

Mr. and Mrs. William Northrup McHattie (nee Marcia McLintock) of Birmingham announce the birth of a daughter, Margo Lynn, Dec. 5.

Grandparents are Mrs. Josephine McLintock of Cherokee road, Milo D. McLintock of Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. William A. McHattie of Bloomfield Hills.

Judy Wood, daughter of Mrs. John Graham Wood of Bloomfield Hills and the late Mr. Wood, made her debut at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club Monday evening. She is the only deb from the Bloomfield area this season, and the first in many years to have her party in Bloomfield Hills.

Judy's escort for the affair was Thomas Little. Also among the 500 guests was Ann Emery of Woodstock, Ill., Judy's houseguest and classmate at Bennett Junior College.

Announcing the birth of a daughter, Valerie Lynn, born Dec. 16 at Middletown Hospital, Middletown, Ohio, are Mr. and Mrs. John R. Main (nee Maxine Hurt) of Middletown, Ohio.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John S. Main of Bloomfield Hills and Mrs. Myrtle Hurt of Auburn avenue.

Exchange Students Feted at Yule Party

The American Field Service Student Committee held a Christmas party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Fink Sunday evening.

Attending the party were AFS students from Turkey, Switzerland, France, Japan, Sweden, Argentina, Uruguay, New Zealand, Italy and Germany.

Also attending was Renate Walterskirchen of Vienna who is staying with her grandparents and attending high school here.

Students who have been to Europe on the Americans Abroad program also were present.

The foreign students, with their American "sisters" or "brothers" from Birmingham, Milford, Royal Oak, Oak Park, Berkeley, Auburn Heights, Bloomfield Hills, Warren, Fenton and Holly completed the guest list.

Sherry Fink was chairman of the party committee. Assisting her were Barbara Shadley, John Roush, Sue Smith, Judy Dearing, Sue Koprinco, Barbara Strang and Wendy Maueck.

Dem Clubs Join to Cheer Vets

World War I veterans in hospitals in Dearborn and Ann Arbor will be remembered on Christmas day.

The Oakland County Federation of Democratic Women has participated in a program in which gifts of clothing, packages of cigarettes, food, toilet articles, books and games were collected and gift wrapped for the veterans.

Participating clubs were Waterford Township, Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak, Southfield, Novi, Hazel Park, Keego Harbor, Oak Park, Venice Spragg Ladies Club and the Ferndale Democratic Club.

Other clubs assisting with the project include the Farmington Club, Clawson, Royal Oak, Troy, Madison Heights and the Young Democrats of Oakland County.

President Mrs. Robert P. Scott was assisted by Mrs. Clayton Johnson, Mrs. Isabelle Selden, Mrs. Clark J. Adams and Mrs. William John Beer.

Other officers of the Oakland County club are Mrs. Zigmund Niparko, vice chairman; Mrs. Lucy Alt, vice chairman; Mrs. Ralph Dalton, secretary, and Mrs. Ernest Felice, treasurer.



SHELBY J. DEXTER

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce E. Dexter of Cherrylawn avenue announce the engagement of their daughter, Shelby Jean, to Orville Lee Baker. He is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Baker of Cherrylawn avenue. No wedding date has been set.

Girl Scouts of 2 Schools Hold Party

Girl Scout troops from Baldwin and St. Michael schools held a joint Christmas party Saturday at St. Michael Hall. Mrs. Cyril Davis was mistress of ceremonies.

A puppet show, "The Spirit of Christmas," was given by Mrs. Albert Kocis and Mrs. Pat Kretschmar.

Mrs. Lloyd Porter, regent of the General Richardson Chapter of DAR, presented flags to St. Michael troops.

Receiving flags for their troops were Dianne Campbell, Becky Slahla, Katherine Gagle, Evelyn Daugherty and Marie Birchmier.

Mrs. Robert Schmude was general chairman. Assisting her were Mrs. Ruth Kennedy, Mrs. Robert Bunce and Mrs. Leo Halpenny. Mrs. Hazel Gaches was accompanist.

Laura Bamta, George Jenko Speak Vows

Laura E. Bamta and George Jenko were married Friday evening at First Presbyterian Church.

Parents of the couple are Mrs. Wilma Allen of South Anderson street and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Jenko of Mapleleaf Avenue.

The bride wore a pink satin and lace sheath dress and carried a pink bouquet of carnations and sweetheart roses.

Attending the bride were Maureen Brandlaw and Eleanor Brandlaw. They wore light blue dresses and carried bouquets of pink rosebuds and white carnations.

Ushers were Merle Molme and Jean Jenko.

After a reception in the church parlors, the bride changed to a beige suit with brown accessories and the couple left for a honeymoon to North Carolina. They will live on South Edith street.



Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schmidt marked their 30th year of playing and singing Christmas carols for students at Wilson School Monday. Parents also were present for the program,

which featured several special numbers offered by the afternoon kindergartners. Since 1928 the Schmidts have entertained the children throughout the entire Christmas week.

Margaret Couldn't Stay in Key Says Traubel

NEW YORK (AP) — Soprano Helen Traubel says she could never keep Margaret Truman on key when acting as singing adviser to the former President's daughter.

Miss Traubel says she quit after three years.

"I think her great fault was that she could not hear herself sing," Miss Traubel comments. "She never knew what a real amateur she was — an honorable designation in any way of life."

"She failed because she had no gift for self-criticism."

In a prepublication condensation of her memoirs appearing in the January issue of the Ladies' Home Journal, the former Metropolitan Opera star says her three years as Miss Truman's adviser cost her stature "in the eyes of the musical world for ever having my name connected with such a musical aspirant."

Miss Traubel wrote that she consented to the adviser role in 1948 when Miss Truman asked for help. Her voice then was "inexperienced and rather bad," Miss Traubel says, adding:

"My first, greatest and unquarable difficulty with Margaret's voice was simply keeping her on key."

"There simply was not enough of everything — or of anything — to make her really a concert or light-opera singer."

Miss Truman is now the wife of Clifton Daniel, a New York newspaperman. She said she had not read the article, did not plan to, and would have no comment.

No comment was forthcoming either from Truman. He had been given a copy of Miss Traubel's statements with a request for comment.

Talmadge Backs Russell's Plans

Both Georgia Senators to Push Bill to Shift Negro Population

ATLANTA (AP) — A plan to spread the Negro population equally among all the states will be pushed in the new Congress by Georgia's two Democratic senators, Richard Russell and Herman Talmadge.

Russell emphasized that his bill would provide federal money for relocation of Negroes and whites on a purely voluntary basis.

Talmadge, pledging his support to Russell's proposal, said the plan "will demonstrate conclusively the hypocrisy of many members of Congress who desire to force integration at the point of a bayonet and are unwilling to accept the same proposals themselves."

Russell issued a statement from his office in Windsor, Ga., explaining provisions of his bill. He said the program would be designed primarily to assist Negroes living in the south who desire to move to the north, middle west and west and to assist whites in those areas to move to the south.

"It would, for example," Russell said, "offer assistance to a Georgia Negro family who might desire to relocate in Colorado and for a white family in Colorado to relocate in Georgia. It would not provide assistance to a Georgia white family to move to Colorado or to a Colorado colored family to move to Georgia."

Russell first introduced the plan in the Senate in 1949. He said opposition was so strong at that time that it never got out of committee.

Liz Taylor Waits as Eddie Fisher Rehearses Show

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor came early and stayed late to watch Eddie Fisher rehearse his television show.

The actress arrived at the National Broadcasting Co. studio at 6 o'clock Monday night. It was after 3 a.m. when she and Fisher and others in the show went home.

Miss Taylor, widow of Mike Todd, formed an enthusiastic audience for the singer as he ran through routines with several guest stars for his television show.

She and Fisher have been seen together frequently since the breakup of his marriage to actress Debbie Reynolds. A divorce action filed by Miss Reynolds is pending.

Procedure Reversed

MONTVILLE, Conn. (UPI) — Former inmate Richard Johnson was arrested outside the county jail, accused of trying to break his way back in.

Reds Take Over Rites of Church

Drive Against Religion Imparts New Meaning to Marriage, Baptism

BERLIN (UPI) — German Communists no longer promise to love, honor and obey. Instead, they vow in their marriage ceremonies to work for the victory of Communism and to raise their children as the Party prescribes.

The girls are getting married in white bridal gowns at "Socialist weddings" on which photographs of Lenin and other Communist heroes look down.

The new Communist marriage ceremony is part of the East German Communists' anti-religious campaign which includes attacks on baptism, confirmation and church weddings as "old fashioned."

The Reds have substituted for these what they call "Socialist" observances.

They hope to wean still faithful East Germans away from religion by maintaining the shell of traditional religious ceremonies and giving them an atheistic content.

Flower girls, music from "Lohengrin" and bridal veils are part of the Socialist wedding ceremony. But there is no clergyman or religious reading.

One girl who got married the Red way recommended it to others as "solemn but without humbug."

Similar to the wedding is the Communist "christening" ceremony. The Communists call it "nemensweine" — literally "name dedication."

At a ceremony in Dresden, Mayor Walter Weidauer told the parents of babes in arms, "These children will have the responsibility of seeing to it that the fight to build Socialism, to build a classless society, is completed."

"We expect from you parents that you educate your children that we can trust them to continue our work."

"Youth dedication" (Jugendweine) services are a substitute for confirmation and the Communists place great pressure on parents to make their children attend. The children raise their hands and solemnly swear to be "faithful sons and daughters of our workers and farmers state."

They pledge to fight for the "noble cause" of Communism, maintain friendship with the Soviet Union and other "peace-loving nations."

The marriage and christening ceremonies are quite new and the Communists are trying to popularize them.

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Yule Message Issued by Pope

World Unity and Peace Theme of Prelate's 1st Christmas Utterance

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John XXIII in his first Christmas message today urged the world to unity and peace.

These, he said, were the major themes of the many speeches and writings of his predecessor Pope Pius XII, who in his reign as supreme leader of the Roman Catholic Church gave 19 Christmas messages to the world.

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Drive Against Religion Imparts New Meaning to Marriage, Baptism

BERLIN (UPI) — German Communists no longer promise to love, honor and obey. Instead, they vow in their marriage ceremonies to work for the victory of Communism and to raise their children as the Party prescribes.

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The new Communist marriage ceremony is part of the East German Communists' anti-religious campaign which includes attacks on baptism, confirmation and church weddings as "old fashioned."

The Reds have substituted for these what they call "Socialist" observances.

They hope to wean still faithful East Germans away from religion by maintaining the shell of traditional religious ceremonies and giving them an atheistic content.

Flower girls, music from "Lohengrin" and bridal veils are part of the Socialist wedding ceremony. But there is no clergyman or religious reading.

One girl who got married the Red way recommended it to others as "solemn but without humbug."

Similar to the wedding is the Communist "christening" ceremony. The Communists call it "nemensweine" — literally "name dedication."

At a ceremony in Dresden, Mayor Walter Weidauer told the parents of babes in arms, "These children will have the responsibility of seeing to it that the fight to build Socialism, to build a classless society, is completed."

"We expect from you parents that you educate your children that we can trust them to continue our work."

"Youth dedication" (Jugendweine) services are a substitute for confirmation and the Communists place great pressure on parents to make their children attend. The children raise their hands and solemnly swear to be "faithful sons and daughters of our workers and farmers state."

They pledge to fight for the "noble cause" of Communism, maintain friendship with the Soviet Union and other "peace-loving nations."

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And Joseph also went up from Galilee... unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem... to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife...

And so it was, that, while they were there... she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country, shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone 'round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, "Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great

joy, which shall be to all people.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

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And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

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—From the Gospel according to St. Luke.



MAKE OVER PAGES

City Employees Get Big Gift

Granted Cost-of-Living Raises, Longer Vacation to Come Under MUSA

City employees of Pontiac received a big Christmas present from the City Commission last evening when it was decided that employees for the first time should come under the Michigan Unemployment Security Act.

Another present was handed employees when commissioners granted cost-of-living wage increases and longer vacation periods.

Employees earning up to \$5,200 annually were given a wage boost of \$78 a year, while employees earning more than \$5,200 were granted a 1 1/2 per cent cost-of-living wage increase.

The vacations of two weeks were granted all employees through the first five years of continuous service, and that the usual custom of adding a third week for the fifth year only be continued, commissioners agreed.

Also, one day vacation per added year from six to ten years shall be approved so that an employee serving continuously for ten years will be entitled to three weeks vacation.

It was also approved that injury compensation be based on sixty working days instead of 60 calendar days.

The Joint Council of Municipal Employees had asked the city for the unemployment coverage and also the added wage and fringe benefits.

Sam Baker, president of Local 100, AFL-CIO, of municipal employees, rose to thank commissioners after they took this action last night.

Robert A. Stierer, assistant city manager, said the city's request to the Michigan Employment Security Commission would ask that 681 employees come under the act retroactive to July 1.

Not affected will be elected or appointed officials.

Commissioners passed an emergency ordinance placing the employees under the state act for at least two years, and held out that the contract may be terminated at the end of this time.

Snow Flurries Kindle Hopes for White Yule

Falling temperatures and light snow flurries, enough to keep alive the hope of a White Christmas despite official forecasts, Wednesday dominated the northernmost and central portions of the nation's weather map.

The U.S. Weather Bureau reported a fresh movement of Canadian air into the Dakotas and Minnesota and its influence was felt as far south as Oklahoma early Wednesday.

There were drifting snow flurries from Minnesota across the Great Lakes and into New York state and northern New England, but appreciable amounts were rare. Some locally heavy snows fell on the southern shore of Lake Superior, and five inches fell at Houghton, Mich. Tuesday night.

While the trend was to somewhat cooler in the central part of the country, southerly breezes caused warming throughout much of the southeast.

Temperatures in the 60s ranged along the Gulf Coast; dropping only slightly as the moisture-laden air moved through the Carolinas and eastern Virginia. There also were frequent reports of rain and drizzle from the Gulf northeastward to southern Pennsylvania.

The Weather

Full U.S. Weather Bureau Report
PONTIAC AND VICINITY—Mostly cloudy and a little colder with scattered snow flurries today and tonight. Thursday cloudy with occasional light snow flurries and a slight temperature drop.
High today 54-58, low tonight 15-24, High Thursday 24-30.

Today in Pontiac
Lowest temperature preceding 8 a.m. 24.
At 8 a.m.: Wind velocity 8 m.p.h.
Direction—North.
Sun sets Wednesday at 5:04 p.m.
Sun rises Thursday at 8 a.m.
Moon sets Thursday at 7:11 a.m.
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Downtown Temperatures
6 a.m. 25 11 a.m. 22
7 a.m. 24 12 m. 23
8 a.m. 23 1 p.m. 24
10 a.m. 23

Tuesday in Pontiac
(As recorded downtown)
Highest temperature 41
Lowest temperature 22
Mean temperature 30
Weather—Mild.

One Year Ago in Pontiac
Highest temperature 50
Lowest temperature 22
Mean temperature 35.5
Weather—Fair.

Highest and Lowest Temperature This Date in 10 Years

City	High	Low
Alpena	27	10
Baltimore	37	24
Bismarck	29	4
Brownsville	79	62
Butte	42	22
Charleston	79	62
Chicago	41	26
Cincinnati	47	32
Cleveland	43	28
Dallas	67	38
Dayton	39	26
Denver	35	18
Des Moines	37	24
Detroit	37	24
El Paso	57	38
Fort Worth	57	38
Houston	57	38
Jacksonville	79	62
Kansas City	51	27
Los Angeles	68	49
Marquette	34	16
Memphis	44	26
Minneapolis	34	21
Missoula	34	21
New Orleans	73	62
New York	49	34
Omaha	47	32
Palm Springs	57	38
Pasadena	57	38
Pittsburgh	42	28
Portland	37	24
Portland, Me.	37	24
San Antonio	57	38
San Diego	57	38
Seattle	42	28
St. Louis	42	28
Tampa	57	38



SANTA'S HELPERS — Members of the Pontiac Naval Reserve Training Center have been quietly working as Santa's helpers for the past month and are now really playing the part. They began collecting defective toys from area merchants and families in the middle of November, and worked day and night to repair them. Now, with enough toys for 300 underprivileged

children in the Pontiac area, the Navy men are busy packing and distributing the gifts through cooperation with the Pontiac St. Vincent De Paul Church charity organization. Here, Hospital Corpsman First Class Gerald W. Perry of 383 1/2 N. Perry St., packs some of the toys for distribution.

Slain Woman's Father on Way to Coast

Seek Husband in 'Hired' Killing

VENTURA, Calif. (UPI) — Attorney Frank Duncan, 29, whose mother is accused of masterminding a plot to kill his pregnant wife, was sought today by authorities and a grieving father who will spend his Christmas this year arranging burial for his slain daughter.

Elias Kupczyk, 61, a railroad worker from Benito, Manitoba, Canada, and father of Olga Duncan, 30, who was brutally murdered in a for-hire killing, is on his way here, according to Coroner Virgil Payton.

Kupczyk, whose wife, Jennie, collapsed Sunday of a heart attack and shock when she was informed that Olga's body was uncovered in a shallow grave near here, is expected to arrive tomorrow on Christmas Day.

The grieving father must find Duncan, a Santa Barbara attorney, in order to obtain a release of his daughter's body from the coroner's custody.

Coroner Payton said that even though Duncan had separated from his wife two weeks after their June 20 marriage, he was still legally the next of kin and had first say as to what should be done with the body.

Duncan has been missing since Sunday when Augustine Baldonado, 25, confessed to authorities that he and Louis Moya, 22, had kidnapped Olga Nov. 17 and killed her. Both men were laborers and have long police records for petty crimes.

Baldonado told police Duncan's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan, 54, promised to pay them \$6,000 if they killed her daughter-in-law, whom police say she resented and had threatened because she was afraid of losing her son's affections.

The senior Mrs. Duncan already has admitted carrying out a bold scheme in which she obtained an

annulment of her son's marriage to the Canadian-born nurse.

Duncan was sought by authorities so he can be served with a subpoena to a grand jury hearing Friday in which the district attorney will seek murder indictments against Mrs. Duncan, Moya and Baldonado.

Moya, who has spent the past

eight Christmases in jail and tomorrow will spend his ninth Christmas behind bars, has denied he had anything to do with the bludgeon-strangulation of Olga.

Mrs. Duncan also has denied any part in the macabre plot. She charged that Baldonado and Moya were extorting money from her and killed Olga to "spite" her.

Liz, Brigitte Make Top 10; Beat Cowboys to Draw

By JAMES BACON

AP Motion Picture Writer

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor and Brigitte Bardot today gave shapely proof that sex appeal is outgunning cowboys at movie boxoffices.

The two international beauties made the coveted top 10 list of movie mongers in the annual exhibitors' poll conducted by Motion Picture Herald.

Actor Glenn Ford was named the No. 1 boxoffice star of 1958. A spokesman for the trade magazine said that Ford's comedy roles in such pictures as "Teahouse of the August Moon" and "Don't Go Near the Water" earned him the title more than his Western roles.

John Wayne and Gary Cooper, perennial Western heroes, were missing from the list. It was Wayne's first time out of the top 10 in 10 years.

The list in order of popularity: 1. Ford, 2. Miss Taylor, 3. Jerry Lewis, 4. Marlon Brando, 5. Rock Hudson, 6. William Holden, 7. Miss Bardot, 8. Yul Brynner, 9. James Stewart, 10. Frank Sinatra.

Highland Park Man Shot Attacking Thug

HIGHLAND PARK (AP) — Kenneth McCloud, 50, was shot in the stomach today by a bandit he

bombarded with empty beer bottles.

The Highland Park man was reported in serious condition. The bandit escaped with \$115.

Police said McCloud was in the washroom of a Highland Park bar when the bandit entered and ordered the bartender and three patrons to turn over their cash.

He got \$83 from the bartender and \$32 from the patrons.

As the gunman turned to leave, McCloud emerged and began throwing beer bottles. One struck the robber in the head and felled him. The man then fired twice from the floor. One bullet struck McCloud.

Death Notices

WALTER FULKS

ROCHESTER—Service for Walter Fulks, 63, of 5207 Melvin St., will be held at 3 p.m. Friday at the Rochester Church of God. Burial will be in Mt. Avon Cemetery.

The body is at the Pixley Funeral Home until 1 p.m. Friday.

Mr. Fulks died Tuesday night at his home following a heart attack.

He was a member of the Church of God.

Surviving are his wife, Eliza; three sons, Albert, Mancil, and Samuel, all of Utica; five daughters, Mrs. Edgar (Pauline) Deaton of Utica, Mrs. Louis (Dorothy) Wall, Mrs. Dewana (Ersa) Hall, and Mrs. Manuel (Shirley) Kelley, all of Rochester; Mrs. Joseph (Doris) Ghish of Rochester, Ind.; two brothers; a sister and 16 grandchildren.

Revise Policy on Local Arrests

Setup to Allow Persons Taken on Weekends to Arrange for Bond

Some changes were made last night in a new city policy which permits persons arrested by Pontiac police before or on weekends to post bonds to assure their appearance in court Monday.

A substitute provision was added, upon the recommendation of City Attorney William A. Ewart, whereby the final decision on whether the person should be released will rest with the municipal judges.

Ewart had opposed a plan under the original resolution, adopted in August, whereby prisoners could appeal to a deputy coroner for a medical examination to determine his condition.

It was Ewart's argument that coroners "wouldn't enter into this setup" for fear damage suits might result should prisoners they certified as fit later prove to have been injured.

Another new provision of what is actually a City Commission directive to the Police Department, and not a city ordinance, is that police must give prisoners the opportunity to call an attorney, wife or friend if they so request upon their arrest for a misdemeanor, such as drunk driving.

Complaints had been made that local law officials were not granting this constitutional right, Ewart said.

The policy states that the arrested person can post a security bond with the desk sergeant when arrested. This money is turned over to the Municipal Court when it opens on the following Monday.

Major advantage of the policy is that it permits persons to stay out of jail during a weekend, Ewart pointed out.

Not in Here, Bub

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI) — A uniformed Salvation Army worker ducked into a drug store yesterday to buy a cup of coffee to take out. While he was waiting in the pay line with his cup, a myopic customer plopped a quarter into the java.

Six Killed as Plane Crashes in England

CHRISTCHURCH, England (AP) — A four-engine Britannia on a training flight reared out of the fog and crashed near an inn outside this South Coast city today.

At least 6 of the 11 persons believed to be aboard were killed. Four survivors were taken to hospitals by firemen who struggled through thick mud to reach the crash scene. A dense fog hampered rescue operations.

The plane was on a training flight from London. It was reported to be one of the long-range Britannias ordered by British Overseas Airways Corp.

Yule Calendar

DEC. 24

Read the Christmas story from the Bible to children. Hang stockings, trim tree and sing carols. Plan on attending midnight church service, unless you plan on attending Christmas day.

7,500 Watch Yule Ceremony

President to Celebrate Holiday With Family at White House

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower used the occasion of lighting the national Christmas tree Tuesday night to pledge again that the United States wants peace, not war.

"The people of the United States do not wish to enslave or control any other nation or any other people," Eisenhower said in a brief address.

"The United States will never use its strength to break the peace."

Eisenhower made no reference to his earlier Christmas wish of "peace on earth and good will to men everywhere" as recorded and broadcast from the Atlas satellite last week. But he said that Christmas message, not limited to this nation or the free world, "is a universal, divine spark that lights the soul of mankind."

A crowd of 7,500 persons watched as he spoke and then pushed a button to set aglow the 7,000 lights on a giant spruce tree erected in a park near the White House. A gentle rain fell during the half-hour ceremony.

The President, like millions of other Americans, plans to spend Christmas at home surrounded by his family.

Joining the President and his wife for a big Christmas dinner at the White House will be their son and daughter-in-law, Maj. and Mrs. John Eisenhower and their four youngsters.

The presidential grandchildren are David, 10, Barbara Anne, 9, Susan, who will be 7 a week from today and Mary Jean, who celebrated her third birthday Sunday.

The president got official Christmas duties out of the way in advance. He and Mrs. Eisenhower sent out formal seasonal greeting cards to hundreds of dignitaries all over the world. On Monday they held their yearly yuletide party for members of the White House staff.

On Friday President and Mrs. Eisenhower will go to their Gettysburg, Pa., farm, where Eisenhower will work on messages to be sent to Congress early in the new session. They will stay through New Year's Day.

Banker Wins Medal

VIENNA (UPI) — Austrian President Adolf Schuster has awarded the Great Golden Medal of Honor to Andrew Louis Gomory, vice president of the Manufacturers Trust Company, New York, for distinguished service to the Austrian republic.

Service for Mrs. Hurd will be held at 8 p.m. Friday from the J. H. Spiller Funeral Home, 835 N. Main St., Royal Oak, with interment in White Chapel Cemetery at her request.

Weather Bureau Gives Odds

White Christmas Here?

NEW YORK (UPI) — What are the chances of a White Christmas? They range anywhere from 100 per cent in Caribou, Maine, to zero in Ft. Worth, Tex.

That report comes from the U.S. Weather Bureau on the basis of snow occurrences on Christmas Day at various stations during a 10-year period.

Chances of a White Christmas at their points include: Red Bluff, Calif., 10 per cent; Denver, 40; Washington, D.C., 10; Atlanta, Ga., 10; Chicago, 70; Indianapolis, 40; Wichita, Kan., 40; Boston, 50; Detroit, 60; Minneapolis, 100; Omaha, Neb., 40; Albuquerque, N.Mex., 30; Buffalo, N.Y., 70; New York City, 10; Raleigh, N.C., 20; Columbus, Ohio, 20; Oklahoma City, 20; Philadelphia, 20; Pittsburgh, 40; Salt Lake City, 40; Milwaukee, 90.

The Day in Birmingham

Teen Club Committees Seek Building for Center

BIRMINGHAM — During the holidays, Teen Club committees will concentrate their efforts on trying to find a suitable building as a proposed center. Two sites have been rejected, and an appeal is made to the public for information on possibly suitable buildings.

Community organizations, such as the YMCA, Council of Churches and the United Church Women, are being asked to appoint representatives to the Teen Club Senior Board. They also will be asked to assist, either financially or through services, with the organization of the center.

All committees are being made up of an equal number of teens and adults. The plan is to have the young people residing in the Birmingham School District help

in building the organization they want.

Teen committees have far out-classed adult groups in setting up organizational plans, according to Mrs. Robert Girardin, a member of the Junior Women's Club which is spearheading the drive.

The boys and girls have drawn up their rules and regulations on membership and conduct, and already have held several committee sessions on their own.

They are carrying the Teen Club message and plans to adults by speaking at service clubs. The young speakers are available to any organization which would like to learn more about the center.

The next meeting has been set for 8 p.m. Jan. 15 at the Community House. It is hoped that a suitable home may be announced at that time.

John W. McGill, president of the Sheffield Estates subdivision, has announced that judging of home Christmas decorations will be done Dec. 26.

He said the idea is spreading through the southeast section of the city and much improvement is noted this year. Interior decorations visible from the street at night will be included for judging.

The regular Friday meeting of the Birmingham Senior Men's Club will not be held this week. The Community House is closing "as early as possible this afternoon" to open again Saturday morning.

Baldwin Public Library closed at noon today and will open again Friday morning, according to Miss Jeanne Loyd, head librarian.

Poetess, 68, Dies in Royal Oak

Mrs. Hurd Known to Thousands Under Pen Name 'Earl Hayden'

Mrs. Muriel Jeffries Hurd, 68, a poetess known to thousands under the pen name "Earl Hayden" died Monday evening at her home at 3209 Benjamin Rd., Royal Oak.

Mrs. Hurd, who was also author of many news and magazine articles and a noted speaker, started writing the poetry which brought her most acclaim at the age of 45. She had over 2,000 poems and a book of poetry titled "Wild Barley" published.

Mrs. Hurd participated in many civic endeavors. She was past state president of the National League of American Pen Women and of the Poetry Society and past state poetry chairman of the Michigan State Federation of Women's Club.

She was presented with the China Legionnaire Award of Merit for her work in the Detroit China Relief Organization which she headed during World War II.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Margaret DeCost of Madison Heights; Mrs. Carolyn Sherwood, Sacramento, Calif., and Mrs. Barbara Barhydt of Hollywood, Fla.; and eight grandchildren.

Service for Mrs. Hurd will be held at 8 p.m. Friday from the J. H. Spiller Funeral Home, 835 N. Main St., Royal Oak, with interment in White Chapel Cemetery at her request.

3 Small Children Die in Flaming Home

LONG BEACH, Calif. (UPI) — A fire flashed through a two-story frame house early today, killing three small children trapped in an upstairs bedroom.

A passing cab driver spotted the fire in the six-room home and relayed a fire call to his dispatcher before attempting to enter the blazing home.

Mrs. Catherine Sanders, 25, had gone to a store briefly after watching a late television show and returned to find her home enveloped in flames and her children, aged 4 to 8, trapped in the pre-Christmas tragedy.

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