

Highland Father, Son Shot to Death

3 Outside Police Heads Take Stand at Hearing

By MAX E. SIMON
Three outside police commanders were in the spotlight last night as the removal hearing of suspended Pontiac Police Chief Herbert W. Straley moved into its final stages.

On the stand in Straley's behalf were State Police Commissioner Joseph A. Childs, Flint Police Chief George Paul and Lansing Police Chief Paul Taylor.

Cross-examination of Straley was interrupted in the middle

Return Straley, Ask Petitioners

Commission Presented With 4,000 Signatures, Delays Action

Petitions calling for Herbert W. Straley's reinstatement as Pontiac police chief were accepted by the City Commission last night.

Winford E. Bottom, president of the Pontiac Police Officers Reserve Assn., turned the petitions in, saying they bore close to 4,000 signatures.

Mayor Philip E. Rowston said the Commission was powerless to act on Straley at present.

"Our hands are tied. Until the Civil Service Commission's hearing is concluded, we can do nothing about it."

"We will be happy to accept these petitions, though," the Mayor added, "just as we accepted Police Department petitions in behalf of Mr. (George E.) Eastman recently."

Commissioner Milton R. Henry interpreted the petitions as "a direct mandate for this Commission to throw Eastman out."

He promised that if Civil Service is repealed by voters Monday, he would ask again for Eastman's ouster on Thursday, when the Commission is to canvass the election results.

Commissioner Robert A. Landry promised to support Henry's move. He and Henry are the pro-Straley members on the Commission, having tried five times already to oust Eastman.

The petitions contained a brief, pointed message, affirming "full faith and confidence in the integrity and ability of Herbert W. Straley."

SHARP COMPLAINTS

Bottom had some sharp complaints, which he laid at the doorstep of Eastman, the public safety director, who brought the charges that led to Straley's suspension. Bottom alleged that some of the pro-Straley petitions disappeared while they were being distributed. "Eastman's men picked them up and destroyed them," Bottom told the Commission.

Later, after the Commission meeting, Bottom said he had learned that on at least three occasions late last week, uniformed policemen had removed the petitions from places of business where they were being displayed for signatures.

He said that one of the places was a gas station and that he had learned the name of the officer. But Bottom declined to divulge the officer's name. "I don't want to pinpoint anybody," he said.

He said that a complaint had been made to the Police Department about the gas station incident and that Officer Robert Hel-

Temperature to Take Slight Slide Down

A little cooler with a low of 38 is tonight's forecast for the Pontiac area.

Tomorrow's high will be near 48.

For the next five days high temperatures will be in the 50s with the low remaining in the 30s, the U. S. Weather Bureau predicts.

Friday is expected to be somewhat warmer with little day to day change thereafter.

Precipitation will average around one-half an inch in showers Friday night or Saturday and again Monday.

In downtown Pontiac, the lowest temperature preceding 8 a. m. was 27 degrees. The mercury rose to 48 at 1 p. m.

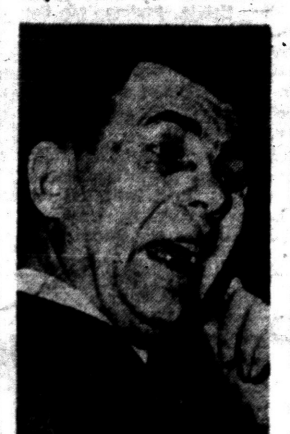
of last night's Civil Service Commission session to let the trio of police heads testify.

Under the Civil Service Act, they told the Commission, a local police chief has little or no authority.

NO CLOSE KNOWLEDGE

None would comment on the Pontiac police situation, however, disclaiming any close knowledge of Straley's troubles with the city and the Pontiac Police Officers Assn.

Taylor told the Commission



LANSING CHIEF TAYLOR



FLINT CHIEF PAUL



COMMISSIONER CHILDS

that in Pontiac, responsibility for running the Police Department rested on the shoulders of City Manager Walter K. Williams.

Cross-examined by City Attorney William A. Ewart, the Lansing police chief said the Fraternal Order of Police was barred in his city.

Lansing, Taylor explained, participated jointly in a suit with Detroit to prohibit the formation of FOP lodges in both cities.

Since then, Taylor said, Lansing has passed an ordinance which prevents Lansing police from joining any exclusively police group.

Pontiac's FOP lodge is one of two factions in the local police department. The Pontiac Police Officers Assn. has been feuding with Straley for two years while the FOP is pro-Straley.

Flint's Chief Paul agreed with the Taylor's evaluation of the Civil Service Act.

In his city, Paul said, a police commander who refuses to forward complaints of subordinates to higher authority is guilty of violating rules and regulations.

DOESN'T KNOW RULES

"Whether Chief Straley didn't meet with officers or take up their complaints with the city manager is something I can't comment on," Paul said. "I'm not familiar with the police rulebook here."

Commissioner Childs was the last of the three to testify.

His estimation of the Civil Service Act was the same as that of the two city chiefs.

Childs acknowledged, in reply to Ewart's question, that no law prohibited the mingling of criminal and civil case fingerprints in one file in cities.

A state law prohibits such mingling in State Police records, Childs told the Commission.

Defense witnesses have protested against Public Safety Director George D. Eastman's mixing in criminal and civil case fingerprints in the same file.

The State Police commissioner also told the Commission that State Police operated one-man patrol cars during daylight hours, but switched to two-man cars nights.

Childs was also questioned about the Berkeley (Calif.) police department.

"I understand Berkeley has a fine police force," Childs said.

Eastman has been criticized by Straley's defense for switching the police records system of the local department to the centralized records system used in the California city.

Earlier in the evening prosecution attorney A. Floyd Blakeslee continued his cross-examination of Straley.

The suspended chief denied he had ever called police officers "crooks."

"I never said that as such," Straley said. "I did say that some were not fitted for promotion and (Continued on Page 2, Col. 6)

Allies Have Package on Germany

Readying Deal for Russia

WASHINGTON (AP) — Allied foreign ministers were reported working steadily toward agreement today on a package deal to propose to the Soviet Union for sweeping settlements of the Berlin crisis and the future of Germany.

Their primary purpose is to probe the Soviet Union's willingness, if any, to negotiate at Geneva next month on German unification and European arms control measures.

They were reported pessimistic about the possibility of a favorable Soviet response but were described as agreeing that the effort must be made.

The foreign ministers of Britain, France, West Germany and Acting Secretary of State Christian Herter were scheduled to hold the second round of their Washington talks in a State Department conference room.

NEW WARNING

The initial session Tuesday, held by Herter with Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd of Britain and French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville produced a new warning to the Soviets against taking a summit conference this summer for granted.

The May meeting of foreign ministers "must make some progress" toward solving the Berlin and German problem in order to justify a meeting at the summit.

They welcomed Monday's note from the Soviet Union agreeing to the May 11 Big Four conference at Geneva.

But the Western statement Tuesday night specified once more that the Germans should be included in the foreign ministers meeting as "advisers" because the Soviet note had referred merely to representation from East and West Germany.

Strange Things Are Happening



WHAT'S THIS? — Pontiac motorists, already quite accustomed to dodging chuckholes after a long hard winter, couldn't believe their eyes this morning. Coming smack out of the middle of W.

Huron street in front of the Pontiac Press Building was the Pontiac Creek. This was just one of many strange happenings occurring in the city today — April Fool's Day.

Savage Storms Rip Southwest

At Least 6 Killed, 59 Injured in Oklahoma, Texas Tornadoes

By The Associated Press

Violent spring storms which struck devastating blows across sections of Texas and Oklahoma abated today, leaving a toll of dead and injured and extensive property damage.

Tornadoes killed at least six persons in two small communities in north central Texas. More than a half dozen twisters which raked the two states also injured 59 persons, including 51 in Texas.

Tornado winds which pounded the north central Texas area and sections of northeast Oklahoma flattened and damaged scores of homes, damaged gasoline plants and toppled 20 derricks in one of the largest oil fields in north central Texas.

The storms were part of a general pattern of severe weather from Texas into parts of eastern Oklahoma, western Arkansas, southeastern Kansas and western Missouri. Heavy rain, hail and strong winds lashed the region.

HARDEST HIT

The tornadoes in Texas hit hardest at the small towns of Vaughan and Bynum, 10 miles east. Three persons died and 20 others were injured in the wreckage of their homes in Vaughan.

Two persons were killed and 11 injured at Bynum. Seventeen persons suffered injuries when a twister hammered three small towns northeast of Gainesville.

The small community of Silver City, 30 miles west of Tulsa, suffered heaviest damage in the tornadoes which struck northeast Oklahoma. Police estimated three-fourths of the farm community was damaged. The second twister in Oklahoma skipped across a tourist court near Kingston on Lake Texoma, demolishing two cabins and a home.

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Today's April Fools Have No Imagination

By PHYLLIS BATTELLE

NEW YORK—Everybody agrees that April Fool's day isn't what it used to be, but nobody can get together on the reason.

Some folks say it's because kids have lost their imagination and know-how.

They've slumped in front of the TV so long that their behinds have spread and their heads have shrunk.

They are consequently no longer capable even of dreaming up such April

Fool's delicacies as toothpaste-and-jelly sandwiches, and milkshakes laced with caster oil.

Others claim that life is too easy, and nobody wants to lift a finger, even to surprise his parents. Like, remember the good old days when a kid spent all day March 31 sneaking around the house putting sugar in the salt cellars and tabasco in the gargle?

Now they're lazy. I mean, if you can't add liniment to the orange juice without opening the can and adding cold water and shaking it up—well, really.

Another theory is that adults have gotten so serious and sensitive lately, they don't like to be fooled. Not by anyone over five. Now that father is a thinking man, pulling a chair out from under him is a touchy business.

And mother—well, mother has been reading the propaganda about how she is now the dominating force in society, and she doesn't see life as very funny anymore.

Of course, some police hold the theory that a lot of juvenile funsters, who might in the old days have been out shooting cap pistols at lovers on park benches, have turned to sterner adventures.

More State Funds for Welfare Okayed

LANSING (AP) — Gov. Williams has signed a bill to enable the state to meet its welfare obligations until June 30.

The bill provides a 15-million-dollar deficiency appropriation for the ailing welfare treasury. Neither the Governor nor the Legislature, however, know yet where the money will come from. It merely boosts the state's growing deficit.

Most of the appropriation—\$9,247,000—will go for direct relief payments. Another \$2,850,000 will supplement old age assistance programs; \$2,554,000, aid to dependent children; \$260,000, aid to the disabled; and \$89,000, aid to the blind.

Legislators Talk of Adjournment

Few State Bills Passed, but House OKs May 29 Closing Date

LANSING (AP) — With only a few bills passed, most of them minor, the Legislature already is talking about adjournment.

With no sign of dissension, the House yesterday adopted a resolution which will set adjournment machinery in action when the Senate okayes it.

If it's adopted this week, the 1959 session would close May 29.

Democrat-Republican squabbling today threatened to slow action on the bill to extend unemployment compensation benefits for 28,700 of Michigan's jobless workers.

President Eisenhower signed the bill yesterday, extending the temporary federal jobless pay program through July 1. It covers workers whose benefits otherwise expire today.

The GOP-controlled State Senate passed a bill Monday which would enable the state to take advantage of the federal program. Democrats, however, complained it was full of "fishhooks" restricting coverage of eligible claimants.

Wary Republicans, before committing themselves on veterans trust fund mortgaging, planned today to hear from the University of Michigan and Michigan State University.

Cary Joins Staff

Dr. Cary Middlecott writes for The Pontiac Press: Yes, the famous golf pro will be the Pontiac Press "staffer" at Augusta, Ga., where the 23rd Master's Golf Tournament starts tomorrow.

Middlecott's stories will appear on the Press sports pages all during the tournament.

Starting April 13th, his annual series "Doctoring Your Golf" will also be a daily feature of the Press sports pages.

Judge Tosses 3 Reversals

Jolts Thompson Defense

By GEORGE T. TRUMBULL JR.

FLINT — The trial of Jack D. Thompson, Flint Teamster accused in the Frank H. Kierdorf arson mystery, took a new direction today after a motion for a directed verdict of innocent was turned down.

Thompson's two crack lawyers, James E. Haggerty Sr. and Joseph R. Joseph, both of whom have defended many big-time Teamsters before, were reversed yesterday three times by Genesee Circuit Judge Stephen J. Roth.

Judge Roth ruled:

1. A jury of 11 women and 3 men will decide Thompson's innocence or guilt and not him.
2. Defense probing on whether Kierdorf gave a dying declaration to his uncle about two men setting him afire was not permissible as it constituted hearsay evidence.
3. Law authorities could not be compelled to testify about statements given newsmen during the course of last summer's investigation that "Herman Kierdorf was definitely linked with the blaze."

Upset with these three major



HERMAN KIERDORF

Murder-Suicide Listed by Police in Dual Fatality

Believe Man Shot His Sleeping Son, Turned Gun on Self

A Highland Township father and his 15-year-old son were found shot to death this morning in their home in what police believed was an apparent murder-suicide.

The bodies of Joel M. Beckman, 59, an unemployed electrician, and his son Daniel, were discovered in their small home, 3321 Woodland Dr., on the west side of White Lake, by a neighbor boy at 7:30 a.m. today.

Sheriff's Det. Harry Mauer said he believed Beckman shot his sleeping son and then turned the shotgun on himself.

The boy's body was found in bed, his father was sprawled on the floor nearby. The boy had been shot in the back of the head and Beckman in the mouth.

The gun lay on the floor near Beckman, but no suicide note was found, Mauer said.

The father and son had lived alone in the cottage since the death of Beckman's wife, Emma, about three years ago, neighbors said.

The neighbor boy, Albert Carlson, 14, of 3324 Highland Ct., said Beckman regularly drove him and Daniel to school in Milford six miles away.

Albert said he knocked, as usual, on the Beckman front door this morning, got no answer, and became worried.

He said the door was unlocked so he entered and saw the bodies in the bedroom. Albert ran to a neighbor, who telephoned authorities.

Clarence Carlson, Albert's father, said he was acquainted with Beckman and expressed dismay over the shootings.

"Beckman and his boy got along very well together. They went hunting and fishing together often, an ideal pair," he said.

Beckman had been despondent since suffering an injury at work about 18 months ago, according to a neighbor, Mrs. Liith Biller, 3307 Lakeview Dr.

A falling pipe hurt his back and neck, apparently preventing him from going back to work, she said.

News Flash

NEW YORK (UPI) — The Cunard liner Queen Elizabeth docked here 13 hours behind schedule because of the wild winter storms which have disrupted Atlantic shipping and killed four persons at sea.

Commodore George H. G. Morris, captain of the Elizabeth, sent word to newsmen meeting the ship that he was too exhausted from the "very, very rough" crossing to speak with them.

setbacks. Haggerty surprised a packed courtroom and reporters by openly criticizing Judge Roth for not allowing Thompson "a fair and impartial trial, as guaranteed under the constitution, by allowing me to pursue my cross-examination of these witnesses."

Visibly shaken by the judge's three rulings, Haggerty and Joseph left for a downtown Flint hotel late yesterday to "rechart" what their future defense might be.

"Do you plan to have Herman Kierdorf called as a witness?" a reporter asked.

"How can I after what the judge has ruled," Haggerty snapped back.

He and Joseph learned little yesterday from Atty. Gen. Paul L. Adams and Chief Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor George F. Taylor, who were forced to appear on the stand for cross-examination over the objections of Jerome F. O'Rourke, Genesee County prosecutor.

O'Rourke objected when Haggerty asked that "Herman Kierdorf

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Teacher Pay Up 94 Per Cent

Also Request Townsite

59ers Off in June Seek to Reserve Land

DETROIT (U) — Leaders of a local group soon to seek new homes in Alaska waited hopefully today in Washington for a decision on their request for temporary reservation of a large block of land on the Kenai Peninsula.

Harry Tacina and Frank Milazzo, co-leaders of the "59ers" group, and Rep. William S. Broomfield (R-Mich.) met yesterday in the Capital with Edward Woolley, Bureau of Land Management director. They said Woolley gave them a "sympathetic ear" but planned to look further into the matter.

Tacina and Milazzo said they represent some 600 persons who plan to leave Detroit June 22 to homestead on the Kenai. A group of 39 from Detroit arrived in Anchorage last week. An additional 200 will follow later this summer or fall.

The two men said they hope to have the department reserve a block of approximately 55,000 acres on the peninsula as well as a townsite area so that all members of the group may be on adjacent homesteads.

They said they hoped to avoid having the group separated by speculators who might move into the homestead area and profit from the group's work.

The 35,000-acre area, within which families would stake 160-acre homesteads, would not be set aside permanently for the group. The reservation would be effective for possibly 60 days only to accommodate members whose arrival in Alaska was delayed.

Reservation of the townsite also would qualify the group to receive surplus government equipment such as hospital and fire-fighting supplies, bulldozers and the like, Broomfield said.

The importance of such assistance was indicated by an \$18,000 estimate the group recently received for air transportation of a bulldozer into the area.

Each of the 200-plus families to make up the June caravan is required to demonstrate availability of a minimum of \$3,000 cash. While this is well under government recommended levels, the group hopes to offset this by its cooperative efforts.

None of the group is going to Alaska with the idea of finding a job. Members plan to function as a cooperative until all have received title to their land under the homestead laws.

While in Washington, Tacina and Milazzo presented Broomfield with an honorary membership card in the "59er" organization.

The Michigan Congressman is pressing the Agriculture Department to permit distribution of surplus food stocks to groups such as the 59ers as a means of encouraging settlement in Alaska, as well as seeking more flexibility for group migrations under the homestead laws.

Chicago Offers GOP \$500,000 for Convention

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago has raised its cash bid for the 1960 Republican national convention to \$500,000.

Chicago's previous bid was \$300,000 cash plus fringe benefits totaling \$126,500. These benefits, including payment of hall rental, janitor and usher service and building of the speakers platform, were dropped in the new offer.

The two other cities in the running for the convention, New York City and Philadelphia, have bid \$500,000 and \$475,000 in cash, respectively.

The GOP National Committee will pick the site next week.

In announcing the new offer Tuesday Mayor Richard J. Daley said, "I am confident that Chicago will be selected for the convention."

Research Group Reveals Study

School Revenue Rises 270 Pct. in 10 Years, but Enrollment Only 52

DETROIT (U) — The Citizens Research Council of Michigan reported today that Michigan's annual school revenues increased 270 per cent between 1947 and 1957 while school enrollment rose only 52 per cent.

In the same period, it said, the average salary of teachers has risen 94 per cent, from \$2,609 to \$5,067 a year, and that the number of pupils per teacher has declined from 29.5 to 27.3.

The report covers the state's public elementary and high schools. It does not go into the rising costs of higher education. On a per capita basis, the U.S. Census Bureau shows Michigan ranks 11th in local school expenditures; 1st in higher education expenditures; 5th over-all.

The Council reported the average yearly teacher's salary in the largest school districts was \$3,947 in 1947 and \$5,067 in 1957. In the smaller districts the average was \$3,643 and \$3,368. The over-all average was \$2,609 in 1947 and \$5,067 in 1957.

EX-GM TREASURER

The Council is headed by Meyer L. Prentiss, retired treasurer of General Motors Corp. Its directors largely are industrialists, bankers and lawyers.

The Council says in a booklet, entitled "Exploding Some Michigan Myths," that annual state-wide expenditures for school operation rose 364 million dollars and yearly expenditures for construction by 151 million dollars in 1947-57 period.

Referring to what it termed a myth that school enrollments have increased more rapidly than school revenues, the Council said:

"For every 100 pupils in 1947, the schools had 152 pupils in 1957; while for every \$100 available in 1947, the schools had \$307 in 1957. Revenues have consistently increased faster than enrollments."

Robert E. Pickup, the Council's executive director, conceded in questioning that so-called "suburbia" likely is finding the going rougher than long-established communities.

He said this probably would be especially true of communities mushrooming in districts without major industries.

While schools increased debts from 42 millions to 477 millions through bond issues, the Council said that represented only 2.5 per cent of the state's equalized valuation as of 1957. It was 5 per cent in 1947.

State law permits a school district to have bonded debt of 15 per cent of its property valuation. If it levies 13 mills for debt retirement and gets state OK it can exceed 15 per cent.



The Day in Birmingham

Home, 2 Filling Stations Burglarized Recently

BIRMINGHAM — Government bonds, stocks, cash, merchandise and tools were stolen from a house and two filling stations in the Birmingham-Bloomfield Township area, Birmingham Police reported today.

Detective Robert Chambers said he believed the burglary at the Elmer Kepke home at 1263 Brookwood Lane took place Monday night. It was discovered when Beverly Hills Police found a demolished safe on Edgewood street, south of 14-Mile road yesterday.

Kepke, contacted by phone in Milwaukee where he is visiting relatives, said the safe had contained \$9,000 in government bonds, some Sps Oil Co. stocks and personal papers.

Police said the 500-lb. safe had been rolled out of the house and down the walk to a waiting car or truck. Area neighbors said they noticed no unusual activity around the burglarized home.

Bloomfield Township officer Jerry Weaver discovered the two gas station robberies about 5 a.m. today while making his rounds.

He said a small amount of merchandise was taken from the Lisk Filling Station at the southeast corner of Telegraph and Long Lake roads.

The Mobile Station at the northeast corner of the same intersection was broken into and \$260 in cash, trading stamps, a tire and wheel and a number of tools were taken, according to Weaver's report.

The officer said both stations were entered by kicking in the front doors. He placed the time at between 3 and 5 a.m. when the area was heavily shrouded in fog.

UN-ENDING JOB — Seemingly confronted with an endless chore, window cleaner John Max works on the 39-story United Nations building in New York. It has 5,400 windows, and Max is just one of ten full-time cleaners.

UPI Photo

The annual bowling party for the Community House-sponsored Newcomers Club members and their husbands will be held April 11 at the Birmingham Lanes.

Mrs. Clarence Benedict, chairman, said that following the bowling party, a dinner will be held at the Northwood Inn.

The Senior Mens Club will meet Friday at the Community House to see a movie titled "Modern Champions," filmed in Ontario.

Following the luncheon, Sam Fish will lead the discussion on "The Importance of Feeling Inferior."

The Westminster Guild of the Presbyterian Church will meet at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Fireside Room at the church, Virginia Seger will report on "News From Foreign Missionaries."

The United Church Women of Birmingham will meet at 9:30 a.m. Friday in the Presbyterian chapel. Following the 10 a.m. prayer service, Wilda Rush, nursing teacher at Harper Hospital in Detroit, will speak on her work with migrants in Michigan.

Mrs. Louis Weil

Service for Mrs. Louis (Louise) Weil, 75, of 5961 E. Millerway Lane will be at 1 p.m. tomorrow from the Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Mrs. Weil died in her home Monday after a brief illness.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Gerald K. Johnson of Birmingham and Mrs. Bernard Granadier of Sherman Oaks, Calif.; a brother and four grandchildren.

Reversals by Judge Jolt Flint Trial

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partly questioned Taylor whether he overheard Frank Kierdorf, near death at Pontiac's St. Joseph Mercy Hospital with head-to-toe burns, give a death-bed confession to his 60-year-old uncle.

Taylor, although he said he heard no such dying declaration, admitted he told Herman to tell his nephew he was about to die in hopes he would tell his story.

The younger Kierdorf, who like his uncle had balked at questions of the Senate Labor Rackets Committee in Washington, is said to have told his uncle that two men, supposedly wanting to talk union business, had abducted him from his Flint home Aug. 3, doused him with gasoline and set him afire in a field northwest of Pontiac.

Herman still persists his nephew's story is true. Police believe it was false, given in an apparent attempt to cover up the real but still motiveless burning of the La-Treille Dry Cleaners, in which Frank supposedly was burned.

With Taylor not permitted to pursue the story of the two strange men deeper, Hagerty turned his attention to Adams, who directed the two-county Kierdorf investigation.

The Detroit attorney produced two clippings from a Flint newspaper in which Adams was quoted as saying:

"Herman Kierdorf was definitely linked with the blaze and we have enough evidence to link him to the arson" and "Herman Kierdorf is a key, and there is every indication he is involved."

O'Rourke strenuously objected to Hagerty's questions whether Adams had made these statements. O'Rourke said what was said outside the courtroom to persons (reporters) not involved in the case was not admissible evidence.

Judge Roth agreed. Hagerty then said he had no further questions of the attorney general.

O'Rourke, too, had a near setback himself earlier in the day when Judge Roth told him he had not linked Thompson closely enough to the arson for him to rule on Joseph's request for a directed verdict of innocent. Joseph made the motion as O'Rourke closed out his case after eight days of testimony from 42 witnesses.

The Genesee prosecutor returned after a noon recess and weaved together more in detail a web of circumstantial evidence which he says he must rely on if the jury is to bring in a verdict of guilty.

Man in Street Poll Finds 50-50 Split on Waterford Library

By REBA HEINTZELMAN

When Waterford Township voters go to the polls in the annual spring election Monday they will decide on a 1½ mill tax increase for the construction and operation of a \$300,000 library.

It would be located on a 17-acre site at Highland and Pontiac Lake roads, which was donated to the township by Frank Streer.

He stipulated, however, that "proof of plans for a \$250,000 library must be presented within one year's time and that the building must be completed within a five-year period."

To get a sampling of opinion of township residents on the proposed library project, The Pontiac Press has taken a "man in the street" poll. In it, the Press reporter found about half of those interviewed in favor of the library, and the other 50 per cent opposed.

An amazing number of registered voters did not know that there will be three separate proposals, and that all three must be approved in order for the project to become a reality.

The first proposal asks permission to float \$300,000 in bonds to pay for the library. The second asks for a 1 mill tax increase to pay for the bond issue, and the third proposal asks for ½ mill for maintenance and operation of the library.

A Waterford grandfather and school maintenance worker, Forest Gibson of 3445 Curwood Ave., thinks residents should take advantage of acquiring this choice piece of property in the township because there is a possibility that part of it can be used for a future hospital. He said:

"It's a long way to the Pontiac Library. Although we have some scenic spots here, nothing compares to this proposed center. We shouldn't let this land donation slip by."

Sixty-eight-year-old retired Grover Kite and his wife Kate, who lived on his five-acres on Scott Lake for the last 12 years, wonder "if there is going to be any end to this taxation." Although they voted wholeheartedly for the recently approved \$5 million school bond issue, Kite said:

"If our taxes have to be raised again, I suggest the \$300,000 be used to purchase the County's Contagious Hospital. It's in Waterford Township and we need a hospital more than we do a library."

A mother of two school children, Mrs. Geraldine Miner of 4986 Highland Rd. says "anything that will benefit the education of children is a good thing for everyone."

"A library in Waterford Township would be a wonderful asset, both as a source of education and pride to the community," she added.

Truck driver Raymond Eaton, of 1420 Hospital Rd., who has three children in school, believes the libraries in the schools are adequate for those that care to use them.

"I think we are paying enough taxes at this time. We just got through voting for the additional schools—with good library facilities—and until this recession is over I feel we should not load up with more taxation."

Housewife Mrs. Adolph Stoll of 1209 LaForest St., thinks a "library would eventually 'grow on people' and once they get used to using such an accommodation they would appreciate it more."

MRS. STOLL as important to a community as a drug, grocery or hardware store. Not only does it provide good reading material and reference books, but wonderful colored movies and recorded music," she said.

Telephone lineman Frankie Kimble of 5824 Jerome St., who has two children, says if there is to be any improvements it should be in the Waterford Township Police Department.

"A library is just fine but by the looks of the number of calls our eight policemen make every month I think we need more men in that department. A library can come after a few more essentials have been taken care of."

A Waterford Township High School student, Ron Goins 17, of 3396 Forest Ave., Watkins Lake, believes that many high school pupils would take full advantage of a township library, particularly for outside reference work.

"A school library is okay but we are only allowed to use it one hour a day unless special permission is given. We have to do a lot of research on our term papers, and with Pontiac library so far away, it makes it hard."

Many people interviewed refused to be quoted either way. However, one man said, "I'm against building a library at this time. But to say I'm against culture would be as bad as saying I'm against motherhood."

If approved, the increased millage would be extended over a 10-year period, but would probably be paid off much sooner because of the anticipated increase in population, according to chairman of the Library Study Committee, the Rev. Walter Teeuwissen.

Robbin Hood Rides Again

NOTTINGHAM, England (UPI) — The Sheriff of Nottingham is looking for the fellow who stole Robin Hood's arrow — from a bronze statue of the sheriff's ancient adversary.

4,000 Petitioners Say Return Straley

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ner had been assigned to investigate it.

Heiner said that he never received such an assignment, but had heard rumors about the incident and had visited the gas station once on his own out of curiosity.

JUST A RUMOR

Initial questioning at the gas station showed that no one there had heard of the incident, Heiner said.

"As far as I'm concerned, it was just a rumor," Eastman said that to his knowledge no complaint was made to the Police Department.

"If there had been, it would have been investigated at once."

Informed of Bottom's allegation, Eastman denied any knowledge of the incident, although conceded readily that he knew the petition movement was under way.

"There are lots of rumors flying around right now," he observed.

Eastman expressed regrets at the possibility that the Police Officers Reserve was against him.

"I consider the reserve an important adjunct to the Police Department, one that helps us immeasurably in our work."

For the past three months, reserve officers have not been called on as often as they were while Straley had full command of the police force.

They've been used mostly as guards at such activities as basketball games, rather than walking regular beats on weekends or manning police cars for night traffic work.

Whether the reserve will be assigned the more important duties again "is a policy decision that will be made after the Straley hearing is over," said Eastman.

Bottom said that many of those who helped him obtain the signatures were members of the reserve, but stressed that the petition movement reflected the interest of "interested citizens, not the Police Officers Reserve."

Most of the 30 men that were with him before the Commission were members of the reserve, he said.

Bottom said the petitions had been in circulation about two weeks, "spotted throughout the city," not concentrated in any one area.

The Police Officers Reserve numbers about 70 men, who serve without pay. Bottom is a reserve lieutenant.

German Consul Speaks Here

Berlin Is Showcase of Democracy vs. Reds, Kiwanis Club Told

A West German official in Pontiac yesterday called for a firm stand in Berlin, and called for no retreat, but instead, fighting Bolshevism as it advances.

This was the theme of Dr. Ferdinand R. H. Friedensburg IV, West German Consul in Detroit, who spoke before the Downtown Pontiac Kiwanis Club meeting at the Waldron Hotel.

"Berlin is the showcase of democracy in the world," he said. "West Berlin is an island of democracy in a sea of communism and its people are ready and willing to stand against communism, to take up all hardships imaginable to retain their freedom."

Friedensburg said that at the end of World War II the German people felt themselves to be the "outcasts of modern civilization."

"No one dreamed 14 years ago that Germans and Americans could become allies in such a short time. But today West Germany is your surest ally, your greatest friend," he told Kiwanians.

Friedensburg named foreign aid to Germany as possibly the best investment this country has made since the war.

"We Germans will always think you Americans are crazy for chewing gum when you should be chewing sauerkraut," he said, bringing a laugh from his listeners.

"But in our hearts we know that without the aid and help of America in the past 14 years, our country wouldn't be free and once again looking ahead today."

America must move ahead and strive for the uniting of Germany," he warned. "You must not be satisfied with letting things stand as they are now."

3 Outside Police Heads Testify

(Continued From Page One)

had done things I considered questionable."

Straley denied he ever upbraided officers in a loud tone of voice which could be overheard by the public.

"I talked to my men in the same tone of voice I'm using now," Straley said, "and more than 100 people can hear what I'm saying." (Last night's hearing was held in one of the city's two municipal courtrooms in the Public Safety Building.)

Straley said he had never been critical of the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office but was sometimes at odds with Pontiac's two municipal judges.

"They were not as cooperative as they should have been to effect proper law enforcement," Straley declared.

Asked what advantage he gained by berating Samuel G. Chapman, author of the PAS report which was highly critical of Straley's reign as chief, Straley said:

"I wished to explain his recommendations didn't mean much and that he lacked experience. I certainly don't feel he was trained in one of the better police departments, necessarily. That's a matter of opinion."

(Chapman for four years was a patrolman in the Berkeley (Calif.) Police Department.)

The chief refused to comment on a police officer he allegedly hired although the applicant had a prior arrest record.

The officer was later dismissed after being involved in a shooting incident, Blakeslee declared.

Straley admitted vaguely remembering the case but said he'd have to review the record before making any comment.

"I'm not certain about whether he had been arrested once before being hired as a police officer," Straley declared.

The chief conceded that on two occasions he hired officers with arrest records. "A check showed that the charges were dismissed by the courts," Straley explained.

Straley, who wished to bring charges against Sgt. Herbert C. Cooley for not mentioning an arrest on his employment and promotion applications, was asked:

"Weren't you aware that the charge against this man was dismissed in court?"

"No, I was not," the chief replied sharply.

Straley was also questioned about alleged acts of misconduct on the part of certain officers.

He admitted he put a report in the file of Lt. William K. Hanger about "misconduct." The report was that Hanger testified in a promotion suit brought by four officers against the city of Pontiac, in Oakland County Circuit Court.

"I wanted that for reference and information," Straley said. "It was wrong of him to do that."

The officers were promoted later under a writ ordered by Circuit Judge Clark J. Adams.

An act-of-misconduct report inserted into the file of Lt. Fred Goines said that Goines matched coins with fellow officers behind the front desk of the station to decide who'd buy coffee.

"That would have a bad impression with the public."

A report on Capt. Oliver Lemeaux said that Lemeaux had been seen talking to "trouble-makers."

He agreed with recommendations of the PAS report and was striving for favor with the rebels, Straley said.

The chief said that any commanding officers who disagreed with his opinion of the PAS report should have "turned in their badges."

Straley said such men "were opposing the chief of police and his policies."

Asked to name the department "trouble-makers," Straley listed eight names.

They were Lt. Hanger, Capt. Lemeaux, Lt. Raymond Meggitt, Lt. Fred Goines, Det. James LaPonzie, Det. Richard Evans, Lt. Donnie Ashley and Sgt. Cooley.

"Perhaps there were a few others," Straley said.

"Just what specific acts of misconduct were these men guilty of?" Straley was asked by Blakeslee.

"They allied themselves against the chief of police and his policies, demanded he be fired, accused him of being incompetent, and made other ridiculous and false accusations," the chief said grimly.

Straley also renewed his complaint that he failed to receive proper support from the city manager.

"On seven or eight occasions I asked Mr. Willman to file charges against these men. I told him they were insubordinate, insolent, and disrespectful, but he wouldn't do it," Straley said.

The hearing will resume at 4 p.m. today in the City Commission chambers with Straley again on the stand for cross-examination.

Commissioners are hopeful of winding up the hearing, now in its eighth week, tonight.

M. S. Hayden Named Detroit News Editor

DETROIT (UPI) — Martin S. Hayden today was appointed editor of the Detroit News, succeeding Harry V. Wade.

Warren S. Booth, president and publisher of the News, said Hayden will assume his new duties immediately. Wade, who requested retirement as editor, will remain at the News as adviser to the publisher on special problems.

Hayden, 46, is the son of Jay G. Hayden, a News employee for 52 years and the paper's Washington correspondent since 1915.

The new editor joined the News' staff in 1930. During his career in journalism, he has been a general reporter, a sports writer, a city hall reporter and a Washington correspondent.

He left Washington 16 months ago to become associate editor of the News.

Wade, who served as editor of the News for more than six years, reached the age of 65 last week.

The Weather

Full U. S. Weather Service Report

PONTIAC AND VICINITY — Showers, change of clouds, a little cooler today and tonight. Tomorrow partly cloudy and cooler. Northwesterly winds increasing 12-16 miles today, becoming westerly tomorrow. High today 54. Low tonight 32. High tomorrow 54.

Weather Summary

Today in Pontiac

Lowest temperature preceding 6 a.m. 37.

At 9 a.m.: Wind velocity 5 m.p.h. Direction: Northwest.

Sun sets Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. Sun rises Thursday at 6:57 a.m. Moon sets Wednesday at 12:47 p.m. Moon rises Thursday at 8:12 p.m.

Downtown Temperatures

6 a.m. 37 7 a.m. 37 8 a.m. 37 9 a.m. 37 10 a.m. 37 11 a.m. 37 12 p.m. 37 1 p.m. 37 2 p.m. 37 3 p.m. 37 4 p.m. 37 5 p.m. 37 6 p.m. 37 7 p.m. 37 8 p.m. 37 9 p.m. 37 10 p.m. 37 11 p.m. 37

Today in Pontiac (as recorded downtown)

Highest temperature 37

Lowest temperature 37

Mean temperature 37

Weather-Partly cloudy

One Year Ago in Pontiac

Highest temperature 37

Lowest temperature 34

Mean temperature 35.5

Weather-Partly cloudy

Highest and Lowest Temperatures This Date in 97 Years

79 in 1946 14 in 1874

Tuesday's Temperature Chart

Albany 66 34 Memphis 81 62

Baltimore 66 34 Miami Beach 82 73

Birmingham 66 34 Milwaukee 84 76

Boston 66 34 Minneapolis 84 76

Buffalo 66 34 New Orleans 84 76

Chicago 66 34 New York 84 76

Cincinnati 66 34 Omaha 84 76

Cleveland 66 34 Philadelphia 84 76

Columbus 66 34 Pittsburgh 84 76

Detroit 66 34 St. Louis 84 76

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SAVE 13c

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California Police Await Return of Diana Varsi

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Manhattan Beach police are a patient lot, and even if actress Diana Varsi has exiled herself in Vermont, they expect her back here.

She was given a traffic citation March 6 and ordered to post \$31 bail. She left without paying the fine or making a court appearance, so a warrant was issued for her arrest Tuesday.

The warrant has been placed in the future file and the police will watch the newspapers. If the star of "Peyton Place" comes back as many expect, they'll be waiting for her.

Says Reds Hit Nehru 'Integrity'

India Deputy Minister Assails Embassy for Tibet Statement

NEW DELHI (AP)—India's deputy foreign minister today accused the Communist Chinese embassy in New Delhi of challenging Prime Minister Nehru's "integrity and honesty" in the Tibetan revolt.

The government speaker in Parliament, Mrs. Lakshmi Menon, said it was "highly improper" for the embassy to distribute a statement that the trading town of Kalimpong in northeast India was the "command center of the Tibetan revolt" after Nehru had denied the allegation.

Her sharp reprimand touched off an uproar in Parliament. The Communist minority sought to shout her down, but they were drowned out by cheers of other members.

Nehru is returning to New Delhi Thursday with relations between India and Red China approaching a delicate pitch.

The Communist New China News Agency last Friday carried the original statement describing Kalimpong as a center for Tibetan refugees—as the headquarters of the rebellion, Nehru denied the charge in Parliament on Monday.

The Chinese embassy, despite Nehru's repudiation of the charge, distributed the same statement Tuesday—this time from the official Peiping People's Daily.

Home Minister Govind Ballabh Pant said it was deplorable that the Peiping newspaper should "seem to repudiate Nehru's authoritative statement."

Approves Wayne Status

DETROIT (AP)—The State Board of Agriculture, which governs Michigan State University, has endorsed a proposal to give constitutional status to the Board of Governors of Wayne University. The proposal will be submitted to voters at the April 6 election.

Deaths Elsewhere

WASHINGTON (AP)—Byron Quinby Jones, 70, a pioneer Army flier and World War I chief of Army aviation training, died Monday of a heart ailment. Jones, a retired colonel, was on the staff of Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Australia in World War II. He was born in Henrietta, N.Y.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Dr. John H. Collins, 46, veterinary medical director of the Food and Drug Administration, died Monday of a heart attack. Collins, a government employee for 23 years, was born in Columbus, Ohio.

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Thomas F. Mooney, 61, a postal inspector in charge of the St. Louis division embracing Missouri, Arkansas and Iowa, died Monday of a heart attack. He was born in Erie, Pa.

Deaths in Pontiac and Nearby Areas

MRS. JOHN MURPHY
Mrs. John (Anna H.) Murphy, 69, of 228 Whittemore St., died at her home this morning after an illness of five weeks.

She was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Church, the League of Catholic Women and the Altar Society.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Kathleen Smith, Mrs. Mary Bliley and Mrs. Ann Kirkneir, all of Pontiac; four sons, Robert, Thomas, William and Jack, all of Pontiac; and a brother, George Grogan of Pontiac.

The Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Melvin A. Schutt Funeral Home. Service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Vincent de Paul Church with burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

LEONARD K. CURTIS

WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP — Leonard K. Curtis, 60, of 9196 Little Farms, died yesterday in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, following an eight-day illness.

Funeral arrangements are being made by the C. J. Godhardt Funeral Home, Keego Harbor.

Mr. Curtis was employed as an electrician at the General Motors Truck and Coach Division.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret; four sons, Keith, Floyd and Larry, all at home and George of the U. S. Navy and a brother, Samuel of Pontiac.

ROBERT C. HESSLER

LAKE ORION—Service for Robert C. Hessler, 73, of 452 E. Shadbolt St., will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Church. Burial will follow in the St. Joseph section of East Lawn Cemetery.

The Rosary will be recited at 9 p.m. Thursday at the Allen's Funeral Home. Mr. Hessler died Tuesday at his home. He was a

member of St. Joseph Church and the Holy Name Society there.

Before retirement he was a well driller and had also operated Hessler's Cider Mill in Lake Orion.

Surviving are his wife, Lela; stepmother, Mrs. Katherine Hessler of Detroit; a son, the Rev. Donald L. Hessler of Bacalar, Mexico; three daughters, Sister Marie Arthur of St. Charles Parish, Detroit; Mrs. Mary Hennig of Clarkston, and Mrs. Rita Fairbanks of Boston, Mass.; 15 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Edith Byers of Pontiac and Mrs. Tillie Janisse of Detroit and four brothers, William and John, both of Lake Orion, George of Meadville, Pa., and Leo of Washington, D. C.

JAMES HUTCHINSON

PONTIAC TOWNSHIP — Service for James Hutchinson, 77, of St. Petersburg, Fla., a former resident at 2001 Knollwood St., Pontiac Township, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Moore Chapel of the Sparks-Griffin Funeral Home, Auburn Heights. Burial will follow in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

The body will be at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Thursday.

Mr. Hutchinson died Monday in Mound Park Hospital, St. Petersburg, Fla., following a three-month illness. He was a member of the Auburn Heights United Presbyterian Church and a retired master mechanic at the General Motors Truck and Coach Division in Pontiac.

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Seem Tireless at Week-Long Chores

Red China People Work Like Ants

(The few non-Communists permitted to travel in Red China recently have returned with generally uniform reactions to the vast and almost unbelievable extent to which the Chinese people are regimented. This dispatch, the first of three, shows that even a Communist-Yugoslav variety—was shocked at what he found behind the Bamboo Curtain, to the extent of comparing the Chinese millions to "the slaves of the Pharaohs," and reflecting that in Communist China today "there are no democratic or academic freedoms or basic rights of man.")

(The author is a professor of law at the Ljubljana University in Yugoslavia, a member of the Yugoslav National Assembly and Chairman of the Assembly's law committee. These dispatches are digested from lengthier articles as originally published late last year in a provincial Yugoslav newspaper.)

By PROF. MAX SNUDELL
United Press International

A traveler in China is struck immediately by its obvious differences from Europe, but there is one thing you notice very quickly—the people work indefatigably, like ants. You see them everywhere, working hurriedly.

Is this the result of party slogans that "the work must be improved," that "in 15 years China must surpass Britain," that "a huge leap must be made," etc.—slogans that you hear at every turn?

Work goes on every day, including Sundays.

It is obvious that for a long time there will be a shortage of motor transport. Goods are hauled in two-wheeled carts, some with rubber tires.

In the villages you see from the windows of your car or train that there are not enough draft animals. Plows are drawn by people—men, women and children.

VERY FEW CATTLE

Here and there, you see a buffalo. There are very few cattle. That is why there is no meat and milk.

In the countryside houses are made of mud. Animals and people live together. There are rags, straw and nakedness. Here is the great backwardness with which China must struggle.

A foreigner who has lived in China for years and who travels constantly told me that the backwardness in the rural areas is as great that people have not even reached the transition point from primitivism to civilization.

That is why these primitive peasants have so many children: it is usual to find 10 children in a family, but 15 is no rarity.

This colossal population increase is the next problem facing China.

In former years of drought, entire provinces were badly hit and the inhabitants were forced to migrate south and millions starved.

Today there is no more starvation. The production of rice, the chief food, has increased so that a worker who previously could buy 30 kilograms of rice (66 pounds) monthly can now, it is said, buy 500 kilograms (110 pounds).

With this quantity he can easily feed himself and his whole family.

All the peasants are in collective farms. No independent peasants remain. Although the constitution permits private ownership, it is said that the peasants did not want the ownership of land and voluntarily gave it to the state, which created collectives in which all the peasants now work.

Probably these collectives guarantee security against starvation.

Aside from food, the next Chinese problem is how to civilize these enormous masses, how to give them elementary schools, etc. The agricultural institutes that have been set up everywhere are trying to achieve two harvests of rice annually. I was told at one such institute, in Nanking that this problem has been solved.

The collectives have stepped up tea production. In the village of Media, near Hankow, 290 families voluntarily joined the collective.

They are said to have almost quadrupled the production of tea. The village got electricity, a kindergarten, a school, a cooperative store, a sanitary station and a bus.

"For all this we have to thank the good leadership of the Party," said Sen Hao Yen, leader of the collective.

The Chinese intention is to develop great productive capacity directed to the needs of the state, to make China a great power in Asia.

Every Chinese citizen must act according to the instructions of the state and party leaders.

No one is allowed to possess anything of his own; he must live modestly and must work and work—but not according to his own devices.

There must be no criticism, no independent opinion. Party instructions are inexorable law.

Elementary schools are being started everywhere. In these schools the Peiping dialect is taught so that everyone can understand one language.

LATIN ALPHABET

A Latin alphabet is being introduced to simplify learning.

At the universities, the youth are educated to obey blindly, to have faith in the omnipotent party and in the infallibility of its leaders.

They are indoctrinated with a program representing the most primitive catechism of Stalinism. (Next: Education—and Forced Labor.)

Seeking Clues in Crash of Coffin-Carrying Plane

ALMA, Ga., (AP)—Investigators of the flaming crash of a cargo plane carrying the bodies of three Michigan men today pursued their hunt for clues to the crashup.

The plane caught fire, exploded and crashed Monday night. The two crewmen were killed. Aboard were the bodies of three men who had died in Florida.

One of the bodies being returned for funeral services was that of Louis J. Colombo, 75, of Detroit, personal attorney of the late Henry Ford for many years. Colombo died in Melbourne, Fla., Sunday.

Funeral homes in Orlando and Tampa confirmed that three caskets were aboard. But only four bodies had been recovered today,

including those of the two crewmen, Capt. Eugene Nesselhaus and Robert H. Gillespie, both of the Miami area.

A Tampa funeral home said the body of Jasper B. Darling, 89, who died last week, was on the plane, en route to Flint, Mich. The body of Edward W. Milhizer, 73, of Garden City, Mich., also was on the plane. Milhizer, a winter visitor, died in Tampa Saturday.

The plane, a C-46 of Riddle Air Lines, Miami, radioed shortly before midnight Monday that it was on fire and out of control. A few minutes later residents heard a terrific explosion.

Wreckage was scattered over a large area in an isolated section 10 miles west of this southeast Georgia town.

Residents said the plane circled the Alma airport shortly before the crash but apparently could not land because of heavy fog.

Gas Suicide Attempt Stymied by Blast

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)—George Pratt, 37, a despondent carpenter, was in critical condition today after trying to kill himself with gas and blowing out windows for a block around his house Tuesday.

Police said Pratt ran a hose from his kitchen range to his bathroom, where he waited for death. Then, groggy from partial asphyxiation he tried to light a cigarette.

The blast blew his house apart and damaged houses for a block around. Pratt crawled from the wreckage with most of the skin burned from his body.

Plans Citizens Group to Boost State Business

LANSING (AP)—Sen. John P. Smeekens (R-Coldwater) says he will name a number of citizens committees to seek ways of improving the state's "business climate."

They will be asked to look into 34 subject areas, said Smeekens, chairman of a special Senate Study Committee on labor matters.

Included are various aspects of the state's natural resources; industrial capacity; transportation, education, housing and finance facilities. He proposed creation of nine "selling groups."

Smeekens blocked out the plan in a 60-day "summary report" at a meeting of the special committee yesterday.

To Name for Chiefs

KINROSS AIR FORCE BASE (AP)—Two of the streets of the Capehart housing area to be built at Kinross AFB this spring will be named for two early Air Force chiefs of staff—Gen. Henry H. (Hap) Arnold and Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg. The main street through the area will be named for Capt. Ivan C. Kincheloe, famed test pilot who was killed in a crash last year.

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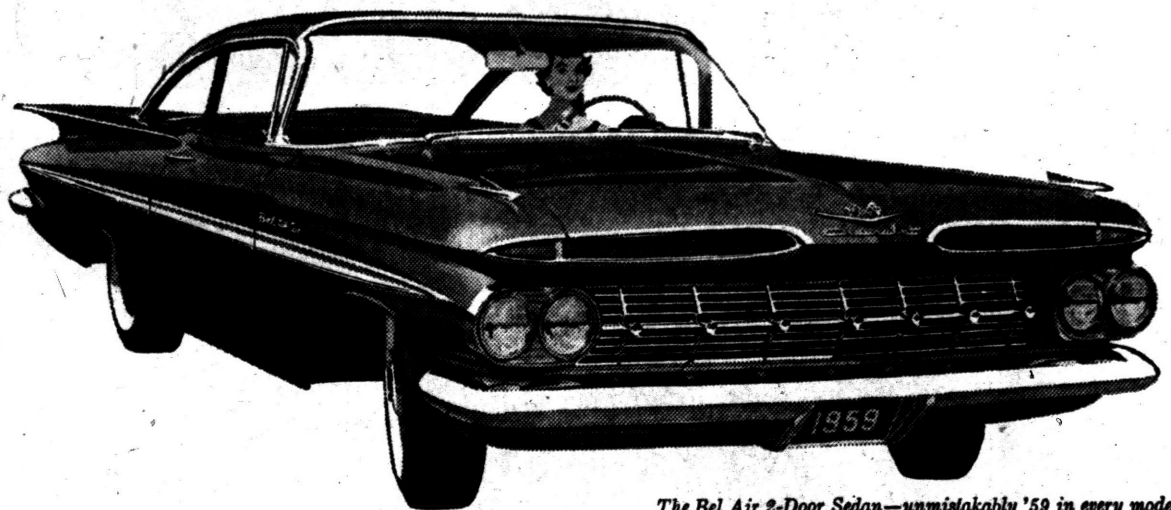
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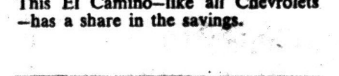
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Things the Experts Overlooked

By GAY PAULEY
UPI Women's Editor

NEW YORK (UPI)—Our scientists can put a satellite into orbit around the sun, but no one has produced an easy-to-get-at sardine container.

We can, in the jet age, fly from Chicago to San Francisco in four hours, but no one has figured a way to preserve the softness of brown sugar once the package is opened.

American manufacturers constantly search for ways to improve their products and the packaging, pay experts fat fees for their ideas, and still miss many of the obvious needs.

HERE'S THE LIST

Just ask any homemaker. She has a list of "why don't

they" long as your arm. For instance (and all these are free):

Why don't they make attractive lunch bags for all the girls who take their own sandwiches. Sprinkle them with a floral design, or run them up in assorted stripes — navy and white, for instance, for the girl who has built her wardrobe around navy blue.

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Pack brown sugar in 1/4 or 1/2 cup quantities, as called for in most recipes. There is waste for most of us cooks in buying even the 1-pound box because once opened, the leftover sugar soon hardens.

Put extracts, meat sauces, spices and syrups in shorter, fatter bottles that won't tip

and spill the contents on shelves or table linens.

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Package evaporated milk in cans that can be opened with the wall-type opener for those of us no longer using the spear-type.

Package meals for the one-member family as well as in family size for feeding six to eight persons. Numerous bachelors and old maids complain of the wasted bread, meats, canned and frozen goods from having to buy large packages.

While they're at it, write a cookbook designed for the one-member family, or else in other cookbooks specify how a recipe can be halved as well as doubled.

Make cup and spoon meas-

urements on glass containers for such products as catsup, to prevent the trouble and waste of pouring into a measuring cup. And mark cup and tablespoon measurements on ALL oleo and butter wrappers.

MARK CALORIES

Mark caloric content on food containers.

Package all powdered cleaners in containers with non-rust bases, so that there is no risk of creating a ring on the porcelain surface of sink, basin or bathtub. (One hep manufacturer now uses plastic bases).

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Figure a way to make all those see-through plastic packages for cheese, sliced meats and such easy to open with the pull of a strip of ribbon,

as cigaret packages are opened.

Make all dish towels larger; at least six inches longer and wider.

Make proportioned sinks, the way they make proportioned dresses so that the tall gal especially doesn't develop a backache along with dishpan hands.

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Make those "tear along dotted line" perforations "perfed" sufficiently for easy opening, without hazard to finger nails.

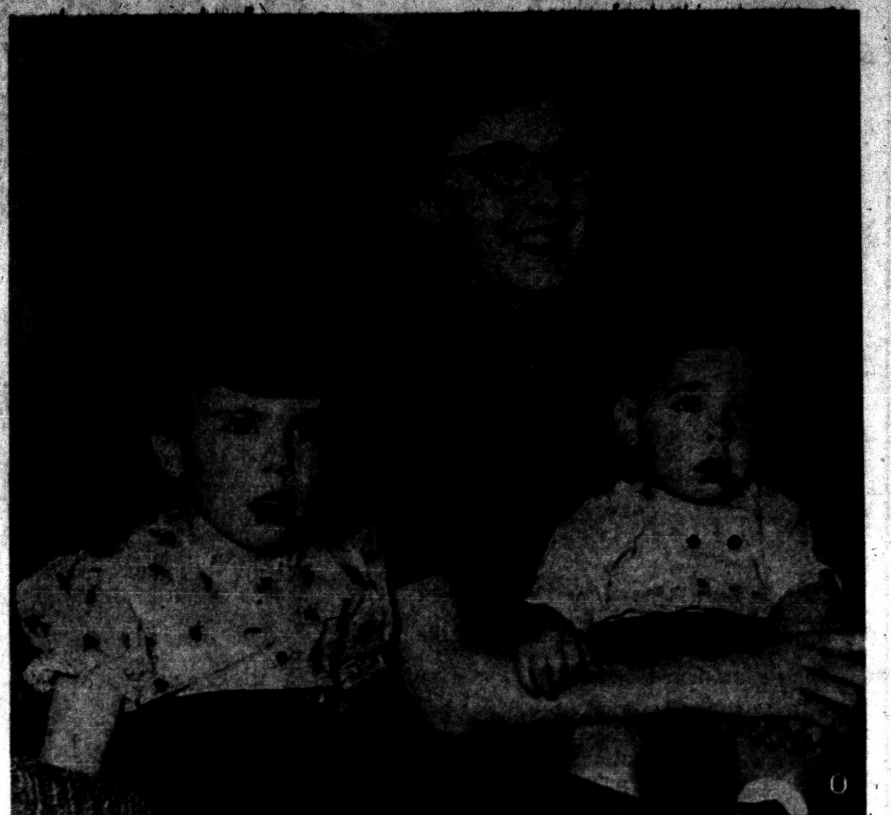
Make tiny blotters for saucers, especially for restaurant use, where even the finest often serve coffee with a slosh-over which causes the inevitable drip onto a dress or shirt front.



Mrs. Edward McDonald, left, and Mrs. Olive Burgess display some of the articles that will be featured at the bazaar. Proceeds will go to war veterans at the T. B. Sanatorium and at other veterans' hospitals. Tickets will be available at the door and the public is invited.



Gold Star Mothers Chapter 34 are sponsoring a bazaar and games party at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Pontiac Federal Savings and Loan Building. Wrapping prizes are, left to right, Mrs. Clarence Sutton and Mrs. Leone Hagberg.



"Encouragement" is the most important factor in rehabilitating a person whose vocal cords have been removed for cancer, says Mrs. Stanley Fisher, above, of Dons drive, Drayton Plains, a cured cancer patient. With the courageous 23-year-old mother are her two children, Marguerite, 4, and Russell, 18 months old.

Drayton Plains Mother Tells How She Conquered Cancer

By MARGARET BROWN

With April 1959 designated as "Cancer Control Month," Pontiac's American Cancer Society Unit, emphasizing the theme, "Guard Your Family," is embarking on a crusade to educate the public to the truth about cancer, highlighting especially messages of encouragement from cured cancer patients.

And Mrs. Stanley (Pat) Fisher of Don's Drive-In, Drayton Plains is positive proof that "cancer can be cured — if caught in time."

Soon after the birth of her daughter, Marguerite, Mrs. Fisher developed a lingering case of laryngitis—at least that's what she and her doctor suspected it was.

COULD ONLY WHISPER

Eighteen months ago, however, at the birth of her second youngster, Russell, the ailing mother's power of speech was reduced to a whisper. While expecting the infant, she had lost her voice completely.

Regular treatments for "sinus" with the doctor brought no relief from Mrs. Fisher's condition. Finally, at the concerned insistence of her own family doctor, she visited a Detroit throat specialist, Dr. Robert Croushore, who performed a biopsy (removal and examination of tissue) and discovered the presence of malignant cells in her larynx (or voice box).

The news came as a rude shock to Mrs. Fisher and her family. "We had no idea it might be cancer," she relates. "We thought about it, but figured my age (she was only 22) was a preventive factor."

Dr. Croushore explained that this particular cancer was operable successfully only through complete removal of the young mother's larynx and vocal cords—a laryngectomy, which would remove her natural powers of speech. But, he hastened to add, there was a method by which she might again learn to talk.

The prospect of losing her voice left her "just numb," she admits.

FAMILY 'BRAVE'

The family was brave about Mrs. Fisher's impending surgery. "As long as I didn't break down, they were okay," says the plucky mother. "These things are always harder on the family than the victim."

The laryngectomy was performed Nov. 15, 1957 at Harper Hospital, Detroit, five weeks after her son's birth. There was "no pain" and Mrs.

Fisher was home within 10 days.

The psychological aspects of such traumatic surgery were evidenced in Mrs. Fisher's actions for a while, as with all laryngectomees. Before conquering her speech loss, she wouldn't go anywhere "without someone with me."

"And the telephone," she exclaimed. "You have no idea how frustrating it is to hear a phone ring and not be able to answer."

She told us that after her operation she answered the phone because her husband and mother called periodically to check on her — she responding by tapping a small bell, once for yes, twice, for no. But others would call and repeat "Hello? Hello?" she says, and when she could not answer, they would hang up and try again. "Then," she admits, "I'd cry."

LEARNED TO SPEAK

The usual method employed for regaining speech is to develop an esophageal voice, she explained. "Air is swallowed, forced up again by the diaphragm, and as it enters the throat and mouth, the sound is formed." She, however, found it easier simply to force air with the tongue to the back of her throat and then project it forward.

It was three months before she produced one sound, and another three before she would attempt to speak to a stranger.

During the interim before her speech return, little Marguerite learned to lip-read. Managing the children was difficult for a while. "I really couldn't correct them," she says.

Her special speech lessons were taken at the American Cancer Society's center in Detroit where classes are led by Max Fried, himself a laryngectomee.

The Society also has a group, the Anamilo Club, formed to encourage the patient both before and after his surgery and to provide social activities which condition the patient for his contacts with society.

RELATIVES HELPED

"My mother (Mrs. Judith Russell of Third avenue) and husband have been my biggest supporters," Mrs. Fisher commented. "Without their understanding I never could have gone through this as I have."

Mr. Fisher, a material handler at GMC Truck and Coach Division, was always there to encourage his wife and keep

"prodding" her along as she worked with her speech exercises.

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Vern Russell, was "terrific," Mrs. Fisher said. With three children of her own, she watched both Fisher children twice a week for five months while Mr. Russell took his sister to Detroit for speech lessons.

Even outsiders have been extremely kind to Mrs. Fisher who says, "I haven't run into anyone who's treated me any differently. Sales people, my biggest contact as a housewife, have been wonderful. If they've wondered about my unique method of speaking they've never shown it, and many simply think I have laryngitis."

She, in fact, wishes others wouldn't be afraid to ask about it. "If they are curious, 'It would help if more people understood. I'd never heard of a laryngectomy before my operation.'"

DON'T DELAY

Before we left this brave young woman, she asked if we might give the public the following suggestion from her: "If you, or anyone you know, are having persistent hoarseness, coughing, or swallowing difficulty, see your doctor at once."

Then she added, "I was told if doctors had known of my condition six months earlier, my larynx might have been spared."

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Workshop Held by Musicales

A study of Renaissance music was presented at the meeting of Tuesday Musicales Workshop held Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Jack Wignall of Clarkston.

Mrs. J. K. Rosenthal was coordinator for the study. Examples of secular, religious, and romantic music of the Renaissance period were given by Mrs. V. M. Lindquist and Rebecca Gould, voice; Mrs. Wignall and Mrs. A. R. Dodge, organ; and Mrs. E. D. Foley and Mrs. Donald Bergeron, piano.

Mrs. Foley and Mrs. S. T. Angott assisted the hostess.

Bing Afraid He's Failed in Job of Raising 4 Sons

NEW YORK (AP)—Bing Crosby feels he failed as a father to his four grown sons by being too strict and then too forgiving, by handing out too much money and too little attention.

Crosby, one of the world's most famous and richest entertainers, can't solve the problem that baffles fathers everywhere: The boys don't come to him for help; they don't listen to his advice.

"I think I failed them by giving them too much work and discipline, too much money and too little time and attention," he told Joe Hyams, Hollywood correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune. "But I did my best and so did their mother."

DISCOURAGED, HOPEFUL

Hyams quoted Crosby as being discouraged as a parent, but hopeful the boys will be good citizens.

"I just want them to be nice guys," he said, "I don't care how big they are or how important. I'd just like them to be the kind of people who like to have others around and that other people would like to have around. And I want them to be thoughtful of other people. I hate thoughtlessness, rudeness and arrogance."

Crosby said he kept the boys on a tight string until they were 17: home by 10 p. m., whipped with a leather belt when necessary, earning their own spending money. But, he said, it didn't produce the boys he hoped for.

None of the boys finished college. Crosby reluctantly sold the big Nevada ranch they summered on for years and which he hoped would open another world to them than show business. Two of the boys have been caught drunk driving.

Gary and Lindsay were recently asked to move from their apartment because of too much fun-raising. Philip and Dennis married Las Vegas showgirls.

The marriages don't distress Bing. "They married nice girls and that's the important thing," he said.

TOO FORGIVING

Crosby said the boys' mother, Dixie Lee who died in 1932, used to tell him he wasn't strict enough, and forgave the boys too soon.

"You punish them, then 10 minutes later you're taking them to a movie," he recalled

her protesting. "That's bad. You should let the memory of their punishment linger so they'll remember it."

He admitted she was probably right, but added, "But I cut a few capers and raised plenty of Cain myself when I was young and it made me feel like a heel to be bawling them out all the time. And the end, less, pleading, the coaxing and anguing grew tiresome."

"I think maybe I did too much talking while they did too little. It seems that maybe we got out of the habit of communicating. You've got to get kids started talking to you and keep them at it. I never had much success talking with mine."

"The thing is, it burns me up when they won't listen to me. I know I could help the boys if they'd listen to me. But 10 minutes after they leave me, they fall in with somebody else who undoes everything I've done."

ANOTHER CHANCE

Crosby says maybe he can do better with his 5-month-old son by Kathy Grant whom he married in 1957.

"His mother's family all live in Texas and they're pretty stout people. Maybe we'll try another environment. I've got another chance now with Harry Jr., and I'm going to keep a close eye on him."

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Golden Age Clubs Hear Reviews of Two Books

Reviewing books at the meetings of the Golden Age Clubs held recently at the YWCA were Mrs. Donald Porritt Jr., who spoke on "Christ in Art," and Mrs. Charles Crawford who reviewed "For the Living of These Days."

Amy Krueger discussed silver and copper smithing and displayed samples of hand-wrought jewelry and objects of silver and enamel work.

Hostesses were Mrs. Frank Kirby and Mrs. Everett Russell. Lenten hostesses included Mrs. Myron Buck, Mrs. Hugh Little, Mrs. Lester Brown, Mrs. C. J. Nephler, Mrs. E. L. Page and Mrs. Marcus Scott.

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Catherine Cudney was a guest.

Crosby Failed as a Father? 'No' Say Sons

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Is Bing Crosby a failure as a father?

Ask his sons.

"None of us feels the way dad does about it," said Philip, 24, after learning his father had told a newsmen he thought he had failed his sons.

"Sure, we had problems," said Philip. "Any family runs into that. Nobody bats 1,000."

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Philip and his twin, Dennis, acted as spokesman for the four boys on whom Crosby said he had lavished too much money and too little attention. "That isn't true," said Dennis. "A lot of time we worked on the ranch and earned our money. I certainly never noticed any lack of attention from my father."

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He pointed out that a family with one of the world's top entertainers as the head of the house couldn't have lived as "the typical, average American family."

"In the light of that," said Dennis, "I feel that dad did a wonderful job, and I know my brothers feel the same way."

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Drivers were Mrs. Claud Shoup, Mrs. Glenn Griffin, Mrs. O. R. Briney Jr. and Mrs. Grace Carrouthers.

Community Club Plans Friday Event

Mrs. Ford Drumm is general chairman for a card and games party, sponsored by Weaver-Owen-Hawthorne Community Club, at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Owen School.

Proceeds from the party will go toward a comfort station for Hawthorne Park.

MSU Club Plans Tea, Style Show

April 29 Event at Meadowbrook to Aid Scholarships

The Women's Auxiliary of the Michigan State University Club of Oakland County will sponsor their third annual spring scholarship benefit on April 29. A tea and fashion show will be held at Meadow Brook Hall on the new campus of MSUO, at the home of Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson.

The club's annual fund-raising campaign provides scholarships for boys and girls in Oakland County to attend Michigan State University. This is the first time a scholarship will be given to students who wish to attend MSUO.

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Mrs. Joseph Perron of Royal Oak, president of the auxiliary, announced committee chairmen as follows: Mrs. John Taylor and Harry L. Winston Jr. of Birmingham, co-chairmen; Mrs. Charles G. MacGregor of Birmingham, tickets; Mrs. George Seay, Mrs. Karl Zint Jr. of Birmingham, patrons; Mrs. Ivan Towns, of Farmington, prizes; Mrs. Thomas E. Munson and Mrs. Roger Bogel of Lathrup Village, program; Mrs. Perron, Mrs. Winston and Mrs. Taylor, hostesses; and Mrs. James H. Cole, of Milford, publicity.

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Win Top Trophy at Duplicate Bridge

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Warren won the first-place trophy at the club championship mixed pair tournament, held by Pontiac Duplicate Bridge Club Monday at Elks Temple. Twenty-six tables were in play.

Other winners were Mrs. Walter McLean, Curtis W. Simmons, Artie Sackridef, Bert Jones, Margaret Wickwire, Joseph Burak, Betty Conley, Thomas Batten, Mrs. Elliott Heugh and James White.

Lads, Pay Heed to Good Grooming

Although boys may think it sissy, good grooming should be part of their daily routine.

It's surprising how much clean, well-combed hair and clean hands and fingernails improve a young man's appearance.

And from the hair and nails he is likely to progress to being neater in his dress, too.

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PATRICIA L. JARRETT

Mr. and Mrs. Arlin H. Thornberry of Stowell street announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Lynn Jarrett, to Robert Lee McCall Jr. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. McCall of Buick street. An April 3 wedding is planned.

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Register April 6-10 at Pontiac Red Cross

Slate Training Classes for Gray Ladies

By LYDIA ROTHMAN

Training classes for the Gray Ladies of Oakland County Chapter of American Red Cross will begin at 1:30 p.m. April 14 at the chapter house on Franklin boulevard. Subsequent classes will be held at 9:30 a.m. April 16, 23, 28 and 30 at MacAuley School of Nursing.

Instruction will include such things as hospital and medical ethics, medical psychology, hospital procedure, the role of

nursing at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, will assist.

Members of Miss Hickey's staff and representatives from Pontiac General Hospital, Pontiac State Hospital, Oakland County Medical Care Facility and Farmington Children's Hospital will also take part.

Instruction will include such things as hospital and medical ethics, medical psychology, hospital procedure, the role of

the Gray Lady in the hospital or in whatever facility she serves and the role of the Red Cross in the Community.

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Classes are open to anyone in good health and with the desire to be of service. She must be able to be on her feet, do floor work and have a happy disposition.

Those wishing to enroll in the classes will be interviewed by an American Red Cross volunteer or Gray Lady chairman

from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 6 through 10 at the chapter house. Appointments should be made in advance by calling at the chapter house.

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During these interviews, applicants will be told basic information about Gray Ladies, such as the responsibilities, requirements, specific training and hours to be served.

Applicants may also discuss other opportunities for other Red Cross Services.

MAKE OVER PAGES

Aunt Mary Fenton Thrilled Over Plans for 102nd Birthday

By LEE WINBORN
 UTICA—Aunt Mary Fenton, who loves to be the center of attention, can hardly wait until Monday.

She knows it will be a big day for her because elaborate plans are being made to help her celebrate her 102nd birthday.

Mrs. Fenton, whose alertness and keen mind are a constant source of inspiration to all those who come in contact with her, has been a resident of the Wil Mar Convalescent Home, 45305 Cass Ave., here for the past three years.

She will be feted again on this birthday with one notable addition. She will be honored on the nation-wide telecast of "It Could Be You" by Master of Ceremonies Bill Leyden.

Aunt Mary, whose eyesight is still good, loves television, reads a lot and spends many happy hours crocheting. But the pastime she enjoys most is checkers.

When the story about her 100th birthday and her checker-playing ability appeared in print two years ago, a 12-year-old boy read it with avid interest.

One morning soon afterwards the youngster appeared at the home and asked if he might play checkers with Mrs. Fenton. He had ridden five miles on his bicycle to challenge her to a game.

"BE HAPPY"
 The boy was soundly beaten in the first match in the morning, but in the return engagement that afternoon, he emerged the victor.

Mrs. Fenton, who was born April 6, 1857, in Sparta, Canada, has a simple recipe for living such a long and fruitful life. It is, "Be Happy."

With a twinkle in her eye and a smoothing touch to her carefully coiffed hair-do, the spritely centenarian said, "I've always been well and happy. I've had nice surroundings and a happy childhood and married life too."

HANDSHAKE IS FIRM
 Mrs. Fenton's hearing has failed during recent years and nurses



Pontiac Press Photo

SPRITELY AS 102ND BIRTHDAY NEARS—Aunt Mary Fenton, resident of the Wil Mar Convalescent Home, Utica, will celebrate her 102nd birthday Monday. Still active for her age, Mrs. Fenton will lay aside her crocheting any time to play a game of checkers with anyone who dares to challenge the "champ."

and visitors communicate with her by writing notes. She answers their questions in a strong voice, and her handshake is firm, too, for one of her advanced years.

When she was eight years old, Mrs. Fenton's family moved to Richmond. In 1879 she was married to William Fenton, who had a meat market in Richmond and was also town marshal. The couple had two children.

Mrs. Fenton's husband and children died years ago, and now her family consists of two granddaughters, Mrs. Alfred Jenkins of

3 Proposals to Appear on Independence Ballot

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP—Three proposals have been placed on the April 6 election ballot here for decisions by voters. The issues are whether or not to (1.) establish a free township library, (2.) continue millage for the fire

department, and (3.) have two additional trustees on the township board.

An additional one-mill tax for a public library in Independence Township is being asked and would produce some \$20,000 in revenue, according to Clerk Harold Doebler.

At the present time, the Clarkston Women's Club is sponsoring the five-year-old library next to the township hall, and members have donated time and money in making the library successful, according to librarian Smith.

There are more than 6,000 volumes on the shelves, and operation of the library has grown to such proportions that club members feel it has now reached the limit of private support.

A majority vote in favor of the proposed tax support would entitle every township resident to use the library without payment of a fee, Mrs. Smith said.

A full-time librarian could be hired, more equipment and bookshelves would be available, and musical records and movies borrowed, she said.



ROBBIE GRACE BENNETT

Planning an Aug. 1 wedding are Robbie Grace Bennett and William E. Bullard. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie P. Bennett of 1532 Crescent Lake Rd., Waterford Township. William is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Bullard of LaSalle.

All-GOP Slates on Spring Ballot

April 6 Candidates in Groveland, Bloomfield Townships Presented

All-Republican slates of candidates for township offices will appear on the April 6 election ballots in both Groveland and Bloomfield townships. Following is the list of candidates:

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP
 For supervisor — Arno L. Hulet; clerk — Robert H. Dudley; treasurer — Homer Case; three trustee posts — Henry M. Hogan Jr., Samuel J. Reeve and Robert A. Reid; Justice of the Peace — Albert C. Carr.

GROVELAND TOWNSHIP
 Supervisor — Earl B. Rhinevaunt; clerk — George F. Gray; treasurer — Bill C. Brondige; trustee — Donald L. Titsworth; justice of the peace — William Tell; board of review — Dee Ferguson; two constable posts — James A. Algeo and Fred Hauer; commissioner of highways — Ronald Woodward.

Sgt. and Mrs. G. D. Harl Honeymoon in Poconos

CENTER LINE—Honeymooning in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania following their wedding are Sgt. and Mrs. George Daniel Harl.

The bride is the former Betty Lou Wolfe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn H. Wolfe of 8104 Central Ave. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Harl of 1736 Winsome St., Fraser, are the bridegroom's parents.

The Rev. Paul K. Hiebertlein performed the 7 p.m. marriage ceremony in the Center Line Presbyterian Church.

A gown of imported chintilly lace with a skirt and train edged in tulle flounces was worn by the bride. The scalloped portrait neckline was outlined with pearls and iridescent sequins. She carried white roses and stephanotis, and her headpiece was made of sequins and pearls.

Mrs. Donald Akhurst, sister of

Brandon High Students to Show Slides Tonight

ORTONVILLE—Twelve Brandon High School students will present a program tonight of slides they took of activities and projects throughout the Brandon School District.

The public program will begin at 8 p.m. in the school's auditorium. All participating students are members of Mrs. William Larsen's college English preparatory class.

Shoeprints Lead Police to Burglar

Royal Oak Youth, 17, Admits Break-Ins at 8 Places Near Home

ROYAL OAK—Prints from a pair of ripple-soled shoes led to the arrest of a 17-year-old Royal Oak youth who admitted breaking into eight business establishments Monday night all within a quarter-mile radius of his home.

John Hanson of 335 W. Parent St. told Royal Oak Police that he and a 16-year-old companion took money from only one of the eight places they broke into. Authorities tracked Hanson to his parent's home by following prints left by his ripple soles.

He said he and the other youth, whom authorities refused to identify because of his age, took \$22 from Multi Lifting Service at 1609 S. Woodward Ave.

This was the only sum of money reported missing from the eight break-ins, according to police.

Hanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hanson, is being held for further investigation. The other youth was turned over to juvenile authorities here.

The other seven places broken into by the pair were Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 1441 S. Washington St.; Gehring Real Estate, 1415 S. Main St.; the offices of Dr. A. J. Seaborn, 1413 S. Washington; the office of Dr. Milton C. Roth, 1229 S. Washington; the offices of Dr. Ray E. Duquette, 1302 S. Washington; Dick's Mobil Service Station, 1221 S. Main, and Busy Oak Restaurant, 515 S. Washington.

Prompted by Race Track Issue

Stickers Run in Shelby Vote

SHELBY TOWNSHIP—Although the proposed automobile race track is not an issue to be decided in Monday's election here, it is responsible for the entrance of a third slate of candidates in the race for township posts.

The Shelby Homeowners Council has announced that it will run six members as sticker candidates in the April 6 election. They are Xenophon Maguire for supervisor, Vernon Smith for clerk, Duane Clark for treasurer and Edna

Brown, Norman Miller and William Thompson for the three trustee vacancies.

A group of Shelby homeowners, including Maguire, Smith and Mrs. Brown, are plaintiffs in the pending lawsuit against the township and Curtis-Wright Corp. They charge that the township acted illegally in rezoning the Curtis-Wright property to permit big car automobile racing.

Their bill of complaint further charges that the race track would constitute a nuisance because of litter, excessive traffic, noise and confusion. These factors, they say, would cause depreciation of property values and an increase in taxation in the township.

The homeowners are seeking the support of the anti-race track element in the township by offering candidates of their own to run against the Republican and Democrat slates which will appear on the ballot.

The candidates whose names are listed on the ballot are: Supervisor—Fred LaGodna (R) and Steve Skula (D); Clerk—George D. Kullman (R) and Lorin E. Evans (D); Treasurer—DeWitt G. Heffertich (R) and Jack B. Millard (D); and Trustees (3)—Louis V. Malo (R), Guy Nightingale (R), Robert N. Raven (R), Jesse B. Bennett Sr. (D), Floyd W. Parrott (D) and William R. Peper (D).

Justice of the Peace—Julius Kirschbaum (R) and Joseph P. Plutger (D); Board of Review—Monte J. Lasker (R) and Clifford Morgan (D); Constables (4)—Donald F. Miller (R), William Nightingale (R), Robert L. Poynter (R),

E. James Vargo (R), John R. Kirkpatrick (D), Joseph H. Moore (D), Howard Parrott (D) and Charley Wallace (D).

R. Dotter (R) and Gordon S. Kinsman (D). The one proposition on the ballot is whether to place the township police force under Civil Service.

Votes Thursday on 8-Mill Hike

Brandon Seeks School Tax

BRANDON TOWNSHIP—A large number of Brandon School District voters are expected to east their ballots in tomorrow's election, called to decide whether to approve an eight-mill increase in the school operating tax, E. J. Hungerford, schools superintendent, said today.

Hungerford stated that a great deal of interest has been shown in the issue in recent weeks with school board members appearing at many meetings in the district to explain the issue.

The superintendent emphasized again that because the operating and building funds cannot be

commingled, the voters are being asked to approve the entire eight-mill increase.

Actually, he pointed out, four mills will be dropped from the building fund this year, and that will mean only a four mill increase in the present tax levy.

Rev. Hawthorne to Be Pastor at Gingellville

GINGELLVILLE—A new pastor has been assigned to the Gingellville Baptist Church. He is the Rev. Sydney Hawthorne, previously pastor of the Brooklyn Avenue Baptist Church in Detroit.

The Rev. Mr. Hawthorne was born in Belfast, North Ireland, in 1928 and attended the Irish Baptist Seminary there. He came to this country in 1952.

From 1953 until 1955 he served with the U.S. Army in Germany, after which he was ordained in the First Baptist Church of St. Clair Shores. Later he started a mission church in Berkeley.

Presently residing in Warren, the new pastor will bring his family to live in Pontiac within the next few days.

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Along the Outdoor Trail

With H. GUY MOATS
Outdoor Editor, Pontiac Press



TAKING AIM—These youngsters are learning the proper fundamentals in using rifles at their classes at Oakland County Sportsmen's Club. Left to right are Jim Chapman, 6201 May-
bee Rd., Dave Ingersoll, 6677 Snowapple and Alan Hugar, 6517 Snowapple. The junior club is in session Tuesday nights.

Largest Taken in Michigan With Bow County Hunter Tells How He Killed Bear

Grover W. Smith of Ferndale, successful bear hunting, Smith the man who killed the largest points out, is patience. He got black bear ever taken in Michigan plenty of time to prove that last fall he did it in "Bear at Five Paces," in the wood without getting with-
feared in Outdoor Life for April, in range of a bear.

"I'd knocked over a small black bear with bow and arrow in the fall of 1952, the year I took up bowhunting," Smith states. "But this time I wanted something bigger." Smith also has been suc-
cessful hunting deer with bow, having taken one in each of seven successive seasons.

The chief requirement of suc-

worrying the cans, before it re-
cognized him for a man. As it started to get up, Smith let his first arrow fly, hitting the bear in the neck but not killing it.

A second shot was a clean miss from about 30 paces. The next was closer, but not close enough. The fourth, striking in the shoulder, penetrated only three or four inches. Smith kept his fifth and final arrow, as a last resort, and the bear died before he had to use it.

The bear tipped certified scales at 470 pounds, dressed weight. Michigan game men estimate its weight at a minimum of 536 pounds. It was the third largest on record killed in the state, and the biggest ever taken with a bow.

Put Boat in Shape Now

With the enthusiasm of spring upon you, this is the time to get your boat and trailer ready for a season of fun.

And how long it will take you depends directly upon how well you prepared your craft for winter storage.

But no matter what you did last fall, take a few tips from the Evinrude Boating Foundation to help get your boat ready.

You start with the hull, where you might have to sand down areas which are blistered or checked.

Check for damaged ribs or stringers if you have a wood boat, and if you noticed any minor leaks last year and didn't repair the hull last fall, it should be done now.

If not, they'll only become larger leaks through the season. You undoubtedly gave your craft a thorough cleaning last fall when you put it away for the winter.

If you didn't, you've got a chore ahead. Wash the hull down with warm water and a good detergent, then dry with a soft cham-

Be sure to wash off rubber if you removed your drain plug, now is the time to replace it so you don't ruin all your efforts with a boat full of water.

Hardware may have corroded or pitted, even since last fall, so it should be gone over carefully. Give it a good cleaning and replace any hardware which shows signs of excessive corrosion. Mov-

able parts should be treated with a penetrating oil.

While checking your hardware, also test your fire extinguisher to see that it is in working order and properly filled.

The lines and cables connecting the steering wheel with the motor need a periodic check and should be kept well lubricated.

If any signs of wear or faulty connections show up, it's a good idea to make some replacements. Better to be safe than sorry!

Some good sunshine and fresh air is the best treatment for your life preservers, cushions and other gear.

Clean this gear and set it out in the sunshine for a day. Nothing discourages mildew faster than fresh air and sunshine.

Now if you check your anchor and anchor line for wear and abrasion, you've just about got things ready. It's a good idea to see that you have some extra line aboard for bow and stern painters.

'April Fool' Creatures Abundant in Wildlife

By The Press Outdoors Editor

Mother Nature long ago antedated April 1st's "April Fool's day," with its connotation of sly tricks and other foolishness, not so sly and not so innocuous.

There is abundant evidence of nature's "April Fool" quirk.

Many creatures look entirely different from their real "characters." Mostly, this deception is for the purpose of camouflage against the attacks of predators or enemies.

Then again, the "fool" tag has been attached because of the creature's foolish actions.

TAG COULD BE APPLIED ALSO TO HUMANS

The application of the day's "signature" to humans also, is unquestionably justified, when one checks the annual hunter death and injury figures for one thing. Because of human disregard for good, sound, established rules of conduct in many instances tragic consequences have resulted.

So-called sportsmen who lack consideration of others' rights; carelessness in handling firearms; disrespect for privileges of recreation, park areas, put the guilty ones in the foolish classification. Vast majority of outdoors people are in the "good" class, but there is still plenty of room for improvement.

TEX, BIG-LITTLE GREAT DANE, HAS COMPETITION

There seems to be some competition in the canine family of young Great Danes, out at the Hank Roberts kennels near Clarkston. Tex, the over-size puppy whose heft at birth has raised quite a commotion among breeders, is getting competition from littermate Sugarfoot (who got his name because of his four white feet). Sugar weighed 1 1/4-pounds, compared to Tex's 3-pounds. He's catching up in size with Tex, away ahead of the rest of the litter of seven.

The Roberts still haven't discovered anyone who ever heard of a 3-pound Dane puppy, at birth, a weight about twice normal for the breed.

Michigan conservationists lost one of their strong advocates in the recent death of C. A. (Frenchy) Paquin, in recent years head of the Sault Ste. Marie Chamber of Commerce. Frenchy, indefatigable worker for the establishment of Michigan's highly rated conservation program, headed the department's educational division for many years.

He was largely instrumental in organization of the Michigan Outdoors Writers Assn., (MOWA), was also active in national conservation circles.

Ohioans Like State Parks for Camping

Over 12,000 Ohioans camped over night in Michigan State Parks during 1958 according to compilation by Vic Beresford of East Lansing, Mich.

This represented over 37 per cent of Michigan's out-of-state campers and over 9 per cent of all of Michigan's 130,000 over-night campers.

Seventy-five per cent of the campers were native Michiganians with about a third of them from the Greater Detroit area.

Following Buckeye campers, Hoosiers accounted for 4 per cent and Illinois visitors 3.1 per cent.

Canadians accounted for a surprising 2.2 per cent. None others had over one per cent but Pennsylvania, Florida, California and New York were well represented.

Fox Hunters to Have Trials This Saturday

The Michigan State Fox Hunter's Association will have its one day Spring Field Trials and Bench Show, Saturday April 4, at the Port Huron State Game Area, M-136 at Comstock Rd.

Secretary of the Association, is Jim Winterbottom, 43 Fairgrove St. Pontiac. Dog entered must be present by 4:00 a.m., that morning so dogs can be numbered and cast by daybreak.

Solunar Tables

The schedule of solunar periods, as printed below, has been taken from John Alden Knight's solunar tables. Plan your days so that you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during these times, if you wish to find the best sport that each day has to offer.

	A.M.	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Thursday	1:15	7:30	1:40	7:55	
Friday	3:10	8:20	3:30	8:45	
Saturday	3:30	9:10	3:50	9:35	
Sunday	3:50	10:00	4:10	10:25	
Monday	4:40	10:45	4:55	11:10	
Tuesday	5:25	11:20	5:40	11:55	
Wednesday	6:10		6:25	12:10	

Bobby Boyd, Chicago middle-weight, formerly worked as a butcher and grocery clerk.

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The trials showed an income of \$783.00 and prizes and expenses for \$689.42, showing a profit of \$93.58.

Final heat results:
FIRST FINAL—Crazy Legs (H. Viole of Niles); second line—Big Red (B. Beardsley of Mt. Clemens); First Tree—Blue Chips (J. Silva of Pontiac); Second Tree—Sparky (C. Bower of Niles); RESERVE FINAL—First line—Ace (H. King, Capoe); Second line—Red Ace (Bill Ames, Portage); Second line—Red Ace (Bill Ames); Second Tree—The Two (William Hashburger, Flint).