

Shower Given for June Bride-To-Be

On Saturday evening, Mrs. Robert Burns, and Mrs. Tom Gillespie of West Point Park were co-hostesses at Mrs. Burn's home at a bridge-supper for 16 guests and a miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Lillian Hahler of West Point Park. Miss Hahler will become the bride of Eric Anderson of Plymouth on Saturday, June 20.

Miss Hahler and Mrs. Burns both taught at the Pierson school a few years ago, before Mrs. Burns came to Farmington to live. Miss Hahler is the primary teacher at the Pierson school on the 7 mile road.

College Students Return Home for Vacations

Several young people who have been attending college have returned to Farmington, some for a few days of vacation and others for the major part of the summer. Among these are Marlin Erwin, Norine Erwin, Ada Button and Lila Hummelbach, students at Michigan State College; Carol Harger and Jack Glassford students at Albion; Olin Wilkinson, College of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri; Esther and Barbara Middlewood, also Betty Painter, University of Michigan; Henry Fox, University of Michigan Law School; and King Harger, from the College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons at Los Angeles may be home in July.

Wife: "I went to cooking school before I got married."
Chief: "What did you do there, play bridge?"



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FARMINGTON GIRLS GRADUATE FROM MICHIGAN STATE

Mr. and Mrs. James Erwin went to Lansing on Monday to witness the graduation of their daughter, Marlin Erwin, from the Home Economics Department of the Michigan State College. Miss Erwin has accepted a position to teach Home Economics at Triunty, Upper Peninsula, the coming school year.

Marlin was graduated from Farmington High school in 1932 with high academic rating. Because of her high scholastic record at M. S. C. she was elected to membership in the honorary home economics society, Omicron Nu. She is also a member of the Delta Alpha sorority, a national organization.

Norine, another daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin has completed her second year in the Applied Science Course at M. S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Button of W. Farmington also attended the Commencement exercises at the Michigan State College at Lansing on Monday, when their daughter Ada Mary was graduated from the Home Economics Department.

Ada received the highest scholastic rating possible, indicated on the Commencement programs by having two stars after her name. She is a member of the Omicron Nu, the honorary home economics society. She was an honor student at Walled Lake High School from which she was graduated in 1932.

Miss Button will teach Home Economics at Red Lake high school the coming year.

Redford Club Will Hold Pageant

The Degree of Honor Juvenile Club will sponsor a Mother Goose pageant to be given in the auditorium of the Redford Union school sometime during the week following July 4. The exact date has not been set as yet.

It is expected that about 100 Redford children ranging from kindergarten to high school will take part.

The production is under the direction of Miss Dorothy Mitchell of Duluth, Minnesota. She will be assisted by Mrs. K. Dittman and Mrs. Archie Hobbel.

Great Lakes



Business and Pleasure Craft Pass on the Great Lakes.

Prepared by National Geographic Society.

BELIEVE it or not, the Great Lakes of North America contain half the fresh water on earth; enough to cover the continental United States 10 to 18 feet deep, or to fill a 30 foot ship canal from here to the sun!

Africa's largest lake, Victoria Nyanza, would cover most of the Great Lakes, but it would take 71 Victorias to fill it. Asia's premier lake, the Aral sea, is a bit larger than Lake Huron, but it would take four Arals to fill one Huron. Two Lake Balkals would scarcely reach beyond the edges of Lake Michigan, although they would contain nearly three times as much water.

If they only lay there, backing in the sun or raging with storms, our inland seas would be impressive. But they have served America as no inland sea has served another land. At every corner of the Great Lakes, and because of them, busy cities have risen. On the banks of a hundred tiny creeks commerce has planted its loading piers or elevators.

Our bridges crossed our lakes as before they crossed a river. Scarcely a skyscraper whose framework has not wallowed in the swell of our big lakes, before they were coming our urban skies. The story of our Great Lakes is one of unbelievably cheap freight rates, of marvelously active freighters, of fur and lumber, iron and grain.

Easy Route to the Midwest.
In the days when the principal crop of America was cold-bred for the St. Lawrence was the gateway to our Midwest. While the English went seeking the Northwest passage to the alluring Orient and colonists along the Atlantic were consolidating their positions against the wilderness, French voyageurs and missionaries were following stream and portage to the heart of America.

Colonization was caught between sea and mountain. Exploration paddled its swift canoes on lakes and rivers.

Fur was the incentive, and temporal or spiritual empire the dream of Nicolet, Joliet, Marquette, and La Salle, to whom the watershed between the Great Lakes and the wide Mississippi basin was familiar while the British were still settling the southeast. As early as 1700 one could ride horseback from Portland, Maine, to Richmond, Va., sleeping each night in a village. But the Appalachian barrier held. Meanwhile the French, more nomadic, were spread thinly over a tremendous inland empire.

In 1803 most of this land became ours through the Louisiana purchase, and the vast territory which fur trade and Indian alliances had won for France gave trans-Appalachian colonization new impetus. For a little less than four cents an acre the young American republic acquired rich agricultural lands stretching to the headwaters of the Missouri and the Yellowstone.

Around the lakes, fur ceded its primary place to grain or lumber. Hiawatha's "forest primeval" crashed before Paul Bunyan's saw and ax. Hills of sawdust began to rise like sand dunes, and countless log-saw verandas embraced American homes.

Then came iron!

Buffalo an Aquatic City.
At the northern end of the lakes whole rusted mountains of ore stood ready for the steam shovels. Coal moved north and iron south, a combination providing profitable return cargoes. Whenever a creek reached the south shore of Lake Erie, coal and ore were tossed back forth by car tipples and "clambell."

Protected from early traffic competition by the Niagara falls, which were later to furnish a light and power, Buffalo, rich inland port stands at the east end of the upper lakes and the west end of the only convenient break in the Appalachians. Superlatives, which swarm around the Great Lakes, live at Buffalo.

This favored spot no more suggests the bluen than Rome does. Reminiscent of Syracuse Sicily. And, had an Indian interpreter not made a mistake, it would have been called "Beaver," a startling but suitable name for this busy creek-side port.

A door, rarely now obscure, the fact that Buffalo is not a creature of the plains but an aquatic

city, founded on the creek that still sustains it. Its real greatness began on October 26, 1825, when the Seneca Chief started down the 4-foot deep Erie canal. The news of its departure thundered by cannon-fire from Buffalo to New York 500 miles in 90 minutes—shots which, like those of the Minutemen, were heard around the world.

On November 4, 1825, the canal-boat flotilla arrived at Sandy Hook, where Governor Clinton poured Lake Erie water into the Atlantic near New York city, which "Clinton's Ditch" was to lift to the position of America's premier port.

Connected With the Gulf.
On June 22, 1833, at Chicago, salt water from the Gulf of Mexico was blended with Lake Michigan water when a flotilla of Mississippi river barges, bearing speices, coffee, and sugar, arrived at Lake Michigan. Bascule bridges, pointing like howitzers at the tall-speared plumes of skyscrapers, crossed the raucous protests of a chorus of klaxons, and pseudo-Indian war-whoops sounded over the busy waters which lonely Fort Dearborn first rose on a swampy shore.

School Districts Plan Annual Meetings

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Two members will be elected to the school board of Walled Lake district at the annual meeting to be held the second Monday in July. The two members whose terms expire are Cecil Cox, president, and William Glover, secretary. Those remaining in office are Kenneth Ryel, treasurer and E. V. Mercer and Mrs. Clara Stoflet, trustees.

Vacancy to Fill

Three places will have to be filled at the annual meeting of the Novi school district No. 8 which will be held the second Monday in July. The terms of William Mairs, secretary, and J. O. Munro, treasurer, expire at the annual meeting and the vacancy created by the death of President Archie Atkinson will have to be filled. Members who remain on the board are Ford Brooks and William D. Philat, trustees.

Election of two members to the board of Southfield school district No. 9 will be held at the annual meeting of the board the second Monday in July. The terms of Joe Doe, secretary, and Otto Esler, treasurer, end. Those staying on the board are L. J. Hamill, president, and William Harrison and Russell Perry, trustees.

Members Retained
The board of the West Farmington school district No. 4 fractional held its annual meeting the second Monday in June. The same members, J. Button, who was director last year, and Starr Graham, who was moderator last year, remain on the board. Harry McCracken was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Floyd Howard, last year's treasurer.

Stanley Drake, treasurer last year of the Nichols school district No. 2, was re-elected at the annual meeting of the board which was held the second Monday in June. Also on the board were Frank Rader and John Graham complete the board.

The same members who served last year will again make up the school board of the German school district No. 1 fractional. Members are Ward Eagle, Mrs. Ed Sturman and George Lette. The annual meeting was held the second Monday in June.

day in June.

Officers of the various school boards are chosen by the members themselves. A reorganization meeting for this purpose is usually held by each board a week or two after the annual meeting.

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Lady: "No sir, I work in a fish shop."

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Walled Lake Athlete Wins Major Letter at State

Harold I. Welch of Walled Lake, has been awarded a major letter by the athletic council for participation in baseball as outfielder at Michigan State College, East Lansing.

He participated during the recent athletic season at State as a junior in the course in physical education.

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