

WEST POINT PARK

The regular meeting of the P. T. A. was held last Thursday evening, at which time new officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Leigh Minix; Vice President, Mrs. Doris Hotchkiss; Secretary, Miss Dorothy Edwards; Treasurer, Carson Baldwin.

Play Brown of Detroit, was the Sunday guest of her aunt, Mrs. John Weigle.

Mr. and Mrs. John Changaris of Wayne, were callers Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ault.

Mrs. Edward Stromoski, near Eloise, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Martin, who has been quite ill for the last few days.

Mrs. Edward Baker, of Highland avenue, has been ill with a touch of pneumonia for the past week.

Miss Bernadine Trapp, a pupil in Kenneth Blabee's room of Piersen school, is quarantined with scarlet fever.

Miss Dolores Jean Ault is confined to her home with a heavy cold.

Mrs. Homer Coolman is spending ten days as the guest of Mrs.

Milton Dismore, near Northville. Miss Freda Ault was the guest of Mrs. Charles O'Connell of Detroit, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Horvet and children, and Mr. and Mrs. David Hopkins of Detroit, were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert.

Mrs. Walter Rhea of Mayfield avenue, was severely bitten on both hands by an opossum that was being held on the premises of her home last Monday. Infection developed and it was feared blood poisoning would result.

Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Cameron of Detroit, visited Mr. J. W. Ault Saturday afternoon. They also called on Mrs. Russell Ault.

Mrs. Gerald Peas visited her mother and other relatives in Detroit, Saturday.

The "Wooden Book Club" held its weekly meeting at the home of Mrs. Lewis Graham Friday evening. Rev. Gordon Cameron was the guest.

A group of adults, who also meet weekly, joined with the young people in a combination service in order to view the installation of the club's new officers, with most appropriate words. Rev. Cameron installed the officers as follows:

President, Dale Tallman; Vice President, June Vance; Secretary, Wayne Ault; Treasurer, Betty Tallman. The club's routine work was conducted, as usual, by Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chavoy, and son, Stanley, were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert.

Rev. Gordon Cameron's week-night service will be held at the home of Mrs. Russell Ault, Friday evening. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this service, which is interdenominational.

Dinner's Always Ready, Thanks to Pigeon Post

LONDON.—"Fed-up" with not getting his dinner on time when he arrived home from work, William Ramsay, a Tibbury, Essex, bus conductor, has found a way out. Now every day he takes a pigeon to work with him, and shortly before leaving at night he writes a note to his wife, saying when he expects to reach the house. Then he ties it to the pigeon's leg and releases the bird.

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AT THE REDFORD THEATER



Margaret Sullivan, one of the screen's most charming and talented dramatic actresses, and James Stewart, currently at the height of his career following brilliant performances in "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" and "Destiny Rides Again," are once again happily costarred in "The Shop Around the Corner," which opens Friday at the Redford Theater. This is their third picture together. The first was "Next Time We Love," which started Stewart on his way to stardom; the second "Shopworn Angel." But the third is the most delightful of all, with Miss Sullivan having her most vivacious role since "The Good Fairy" in which she played the wife of his Klara Novak, new girl in Matuschek's leather goods shop, employed "over the head" of the chief clerk, Alfred Kralk. He resists her, she him. They quarrel constantly until they discover that they're really quarreling because they love each other. Here is a humanly realistic, simple picture, most aptly described by Ernst Lubitsch, its producer and director, as a "miniature 'Grand Hotel.'" It is the story of Matuschek, owner of a little leather shop in Budapest, where leather goods and novelties are sold, and his employees. Their joys and sorrows, their relations with one another and changes in their relations, are woven into a fascinating narrative of the everyday events in the lives of everyday people, in which every emotion figures. Frank Morgan plays Matuschek, sometimes fatherly, sometimes stern, generally humorous, but often pathetic, a dramatic character part of unusual depth. This is a characterization different from his highlight comedy portrayals in "Balalaika," "Broadway Melody of 1940," and "Henry Goes Arizona," and is more reminiscent of his role in "Topaze." Joseph Schildkraut appears as Ferenc Vadas, the dandy, trouble-maker and scheming clerk who weds the wife of his trusting boss and pays dearly for his perfidy. Academy Award winner for his supporting performance in "Emile Zola," Schildkraut has scored in such films as "Idiot's Delight," "Marie Antoinette" and "Lancer Spy." Pivotal always first to work and last to leave, is played by Felix Bressart, one of the most sought after players in the movies since his outstanding work as the Russian commissar in "Notchka." Rounding out a well-balanced cast are Sara Hayden, William Tracy, Inez Courtney, Sarah Edwards, Edwin Maxwell, Charles Halton and Charles Smith.

DOG QUARANTINE SET AFTER YEAR OF RABIES ALARMS

The dog quarantine effective April 1, 1939 was established after a year of mad dog attacks and alarms had brought local quarantines for 12 counties in 1939, and for five more counties in 1940. All 17 of the counties under quarantine in recent months are in the new general quarantine area. State laboratories in recent months have reported positive rabies specimens from 29 of the 47 counties in the quarantine area.

Demand for vaccine for treatment of persons bitten by mad dogs or dogs suspected of being mad at times almost exhausted supplies. The State Health Department laboratories last summer were sending split shipments to physicians instead of the usual minimum 14-dose treatment.

In 1939, the Health laboratories produced 65,000 single doses enough to treat one new patient every two hours—night and day. More than 5,500 persons were subjected to the physical discomfort of 14 to 21 injections of vaccine last year.

In the last three years, there have been 12 deaths attributed to rabies, five of them occurring in 1939—more than in any single period in recent history.

"We've had a condition that has been growing steadily worse for years, and has now reached an acute stage," says Dr. H. Allen Meyer, State Health Commissioner. "Rabies is so prevalent that it is virtually an emergency exists."

Dog heads were being examined at four laboratories at a record rate of more than 100 a month when the general quarantine was announced. At the present time, 70 per cent of the heads are being reported positive for rabies.

No method other than quarantine of dogs has ever been found effective in controlling rabies. By quarantine, England freed itself from rabies before the World War, and did it again after dogs smuggled in by airplane again introduced infection. Canada and Australia are other countries free from rabies as a result of quarantine controls.

Vaccination of dogs probably has some merit, but it is impossible to determine how well the dog may be immunized, nor for how long. Therefore vaccination is not relied upon by health authorities as a means to control a rabies outbreak. Muzzling was not even considered by state authorities as a control measure, for it is often inhu-

mane and it is ineffective. Even though muzzled dogs very often can bite.

Dogs do not become mad, because of abuse or neglect, but because of heat. The source of infection almost always is another dog, already mad. The infecting virus is carried in the dog's saliva.

Tell-tale signs of a mad dog are given as follows by Dr. C. H. Clark, state veterinarian:

1. Mad dogs usually wander from home, especially in the early stages of the disease, and travel as much as 25 miles in a single day. They may return weak and sick.

2. A change of disposition is characteristic. A quiet dog may become vicious; an ugly dog may become affectionate and seek to be petted.

3. As paralysis approaches, a mad dog's lower jaw may hang slackly, and his gait will be awkward. But even though there is partial paralysis, a mad dog still can bite.

Mad dogs may attack other dogs or persons without provocation, or they may avoid contacts and retire to corners and out of the way places.

Children bitten by mad dogs are usually in more danger of rabies than adults, for the bites are likely to be about the face and head. The rabies virus travels along the nerves to the brain, and head bites offer the shortest path to the brain. Twelve daily treatments instead of 14, are recommended for bites above the shoulders.

Rabies in humans has a long period of incubation, usually from six to nine weeks. Due to this fact, prompt vaccine treatment nearly always prevents the disease. There is no indication of rabies infection in a bite from a rabid dog. The wound heals as readily as any other bite. No cure is known, and once the symptoms of rabies develop death is considered certain.

Oil Shale

Oil shale, a sedimentary deposit in which hydrocarbons are tightly locked in the rock structure, contains an oil reserve of 600 billion barrels, equivalent to a two-hundred years' supply. It would, according to an authority, produce enough gasoline to run all the automobiles in the world for four hundred years. The United States possesses more than a third of this reserve. Chicago is built on such a strata.

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VILLAGES ADOPT PARALLEL PARKING REGULATIONS

A cooperative state highway department-state police program is rapidly selling local communities on the adoption of parallel parking on state trunkline highways within municipalities.

An act requiring parallel parking on these portions of the trunkline system was passed by the last legislature. Many communities failed to conform, pleading that the elimination of angle parking reduced parking space.

State Highway Commissioner Mistry D. Van Wagoner sent a department representative to confer with local officials in each instance and offer department aid in the new traffic problem and in remodeling streets to conform with the law. He emphasized the move was not one of rigid enforcement. Parking problems created by the new law in the lower tier of Michigan counties were attacked first. The commissioner said the majority of local village and city officials there were laying plans to conform with the new act.

The entire state, the commissioner said, would be surveyed for conformance with the new act by a department representative. Facilities of the traffic and safety division of the department will be

made available to local communities in solving their problem. The plan has the backing of Commissioner Oscar G. Olander of the Michigan State Police who is jointly responsible with Van Wagoner in jurisdiction over state trunklines.

Fire-Fighters Plan Close Co-Operation

Seasonal arrangements are now being made between state and national forest fire fighting services for quick cooperation during the approaching fire season.

Assistance of state police, sheriff's departments, state and county highway departments, the personnel of state and national parks, and of biological survey parties and other conservation field parties often is enlisted in emergencies created by large fires. Ordinarily state fire wardens, conservation officers, CCC enrollees and state and national forest personnel suppress most forest blazes.

In emergencies, local able-bodied men may be impressed into forest fire fighting duty.

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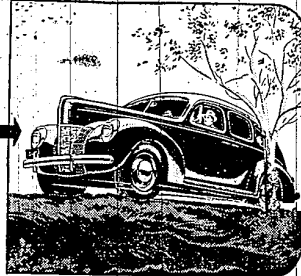
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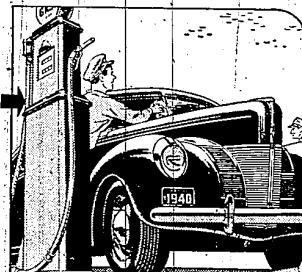
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