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Bob Burns' farm at Canoga Park is no mere invention of the famous Screen and Radio wit's imagination. In spite of his many lives on his weekly radio programs, Bob's ranch is a well known Berkshire breeding establishment. This sale entry found its new home in Durbin, North Dakota, and Bob and his wife are now in Durbin, North Dakota, at the Ranch to start the 2,000 mile trip. No, Bob's uncle Slug never raised famous hogs like this back at Van Buren.

WEST POINT PARK
By MISS L. A. AULT
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Miss Pat Porter, of New London, Ohio, is the house guest of her friend, Miss Lora Anne Ault, of Mayfield Avenue.

Sailor Lewis Carter is home on leave. He and his wife are guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ault were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Keyser, in Huntington Woods, Sunday.

Miss Donna Dean Sheets, from near Fort Wayne, Indiana, is the guest for a month of her aunt, Mrs. Homer Coolman.

Mrs. Dall Tallman has arrived home from the hospital with her new baby son, Robert Dall, born May 19th.

Mrs. Margaret Martin, Mrs. M. E. Ault and Miss Lora Anne Ault were all in Redford Saturday evening attending a bridal shower given in honor of Mrs. Martin's granddaughter, Miss Eleanor Borland.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sherman left Thursday afternoon for Pennsylvania, where they expected to be in attendance at the funeral of Mrs. Sherman's mother, who died the morning of the 22nd.

Frank Robbins, elder son of Mrs. John Altama, died Wednesday morning. Funeral services were held in Detroit Friday afternoon.

Miss Joanne Willet, who has been ill, will still be confined to her home for a week or more.

After a week's visit with relatives, Mrs. Nora Cowger, formerly of Seven Mile Road, returned Friday to Wayne County General Hospital, where she is being treated.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Borland, of Redford, were Sunday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Ault. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Borland, from the East Side, were also visiting West Point Park relatives.

Joe Roberts, Mayfield Avenue, was visiting with his brother in Monroe the middle of the week.

Miss Sherman, from near Plymouth, returned home Sunday evening after a few days visit with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Muir.

Soldier Herbert Schult, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schult, is now in the hospital, from near Plymouth, returned home Sunday evening after a few days visit with her sister, Mrs. Arthur Muir.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross, of Hubbard Avenue, have sold their property on that street and are erecting a new home on the Five Mile Road.

Mrs. Margaret Martin suffered a stroke Sunday. Her condition is considered critical.

Mrs. E. W. Slange and son, Edward, were among Detroit shoppers Saturday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Cammer, of Five Mile Road, Saturday. Mrs. Cammer is the former Cleo Longnecker, of Farmington Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Toroney and daughter, Goldie Marie, from Detroit, were visiting Mrs. Toroney's parents, the Carters, on Hubbard Avenue this last week end.

A number of residents complain that, following the last rains, basements again contained water.

Charles Carter, from Salem, is visiting his father, Freeman Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolfe entertained the choir of the Community Methodist Church and a few other friends at their home on Shadydale Avenue last Wednesday evening. The hours were pleasantly spent, and the singing of hymns and popular songs enjoyed. Finally, all sat down for a tasty lunch served by the hostess.

A large group of young folks from the City Baptist Church are to stop at the Neighborhood Church on their way home from a picnic Friday and conduct a song-spiration service. All in the neighborhood are cordially invited to stop in for an hour's happy fellowship and enjoyment of the old, familiar hymns. It is planned to have these affairs frequently during the summer.

A movie, "The Man Who Forgot God" was put on at the Neighborhood Church Sunday evening. Rev. Gordon Cameron and his son, Nelson Cameron, were in charge of the service. Those present will never forget the picture.

Young folks of the Neighborhood Church greatly enjoyed having Ross and Carl Cameron, children of N. Nelson Cameron, with them on Sunday evening.

A Detroit soloist has been invited to render a few numbers at the Neighborhood Bible School next Sunday at 11 a.m. Visitors are always welcome.

Sunshine Sisters met at the Neighborhood Church last Wednesday afternoon. A new neighbor, Mrs. Diehle, was welcomed by the group.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

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No, that would never go here.

We're willing to work hard, but we like to farm the land our own way, put our own minds on the crops and relax as we like—if only with a temperate, companionable glass of beer.

From where I sit, collective farming may produce results. But the American way—freedom to work and relax as we see fit—is what makes this country a great place to live. So let's not change it!

Joe Marsh

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WEST FARMINGTON FARM BUREAU HAS MEETING

The West Farmington Farm Bureau met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Palacky on Thursday, May 15, at eight o'clock. Twenty-two members and ten guests were present.

The meeting opened with a song led by Mrs. Floyd Howard. The business meeting was conducted by Howard McCracken, chairman, and the reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and approved.

Floyd Howard told of his tour through the West with the Farm Bureau with particular emphasis on the Imperial Valley, which many had heard of and read about.

Wendell Green led the discussion on "Safety on the Farm", getting many opinions on the reason for so many accidents on the farm. All seemed to point to the old saying, "Haste Makes Waste". Many interesting pointers were given on how to prevent unnecessary accidents.

The topic for next month will be Blue Cross Insurance.

Following adjournment of the business session a delicious lunch of sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee, and the treat of home-made rolls and wafers, was served. Everyone felt that they have yet to find the person who can make wafers like John Palacky.

The June meeting will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Swift on Twelve Mile Road.

Guests and members departed, feeling that the evening had been a complete success in every way.

The meeting proved the friendly get-together, for which the Sunshine meetings are famous.

The annual Mother and Daughter Supper will not be held until the middle of June or after the closing of school.

Sunshine Sisters will meet again on Wednesday afternoon, June 4th, at 2 p.m. in the Neighborhood Church. "Gardens" will be the topic.

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What Michigan Bell's WAGE SETTLEMENT Means

TO TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES

Agreements signed last week with the Michigan telephone unions provide, among other things, for:

- wage increases of \$3 to \$4 a week for all present employees, depending on their length of service.
- even higher wage increases for employees in a number of Michigan towns because of reclassification of their communities to higher wage groups.
- including the effect of "fringe" items, an average increase of \$4.18 per week for employees represented by the Plant, Traffic and Accounting unions.
- increases in beginners' rates and top rates where local conditions justify.

Telephone employees will continue to receive:

- extra payment for overtime, Sunday, holiday, evening and night duty.
- the usual merit and length-of-service wage increases.
- six holidays with pay; vacations with pay up to three weeks, depending on length of service; as well as sickness and death payments and pensions - all paid for in full by the company.
- steady work, not subject to seasonal layoffs.

Considering these other advantages, the settlement—which in itself amounts to more than 10 cents an hour—compares favorably with settlements recently made in some outside industries. These telephone wage increases have been granted even though the adjustments in outside industry will not be reflected for some time in the general wage levels of most Michigan communities. But what is even more important is that some 19,000 Michigan Bell employees again are receiving regular pay checks.

TO THE COMPANY

The settlement, together with wage adjustments for other employees, will add more than \$5,500,000 a year to Michigan Bell's costs of providing service.

For many months, the company's earnings for investors have been on a downward trend. In view of these new wage increases and other rising costs, rate increases must be requested of the Michigan Public Service Commission to keep the company financially sound so as to attract the new capital needed for expansion and improvement.

TO THE PUBLIC

The settlement means that the public again has normal telephone service and Michigan Bell's million-dollar-a-week payroll again is contributing to the economic life of Michigan communities. It will be remembered that the original union demands would have amounted to \$26,000,000 a year. The wage adjustments agreed on, which are geared to local conditions in Michigan, will cost about one-fourth that amount. This will mean telephone rates for Michigan customers considerably lower than would be necessary if the original demands had been met.

Last but not least, the settlement means that Michigan Bell can get on with the big job of providing telephones for the thousands of folks who are waiting, and making telephone service better and better for everyone.

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A WORD OF THANKS — We would like to say "thanks" for your patience and cooperation during the telephone strike. We deeply regret any inconvenience which the strike may have caused you. And we sincerely hope that it will not happen again.

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