

### Meadowbrook Murmurs

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He slept in the doll bed, our little week end visitor "Chico," and during the daytime he tagged Big Dog. Happy around looking like one of her last year's pups. Really full-grown, Chico weighs — oh, we'd say about three pounds and if you could hold him you almost can see him. As Miss Just-Four summed up, "When is Grandma's doggie going to grow up?"

Though small in stature, Chico has great personality and must feel himself heard. That's why he took so naturally to host Happy's game of barking at everyone who goes by. (If you try real hard you can almost tell it's a bark.) And when he barks he jumps all feet off the ground, being very serious about it. "Course, we used to go to shouting, oursef hoarse at one dog that won't shut up, so I'm really perturbed with both of them barking. That's why we grew silent and spellbound when — we'll swear — Happy said in plain English, "Do you know that ALL dogs bark?"

Well, like dogs . . . some people make themselves heard and when they do something they literally jump into the job with determination. They become not only workers toward a good cause but psychologists, trying tactfully to get their cooperation of everyone with out being held up for ensure. That is why a lot of folks won't take part in civic activities, because they've had their fingers burned before. They're trying just as hard to keep their name out of things so they can steer clear of politics.

Right in our neighborhood, in fact, is a church, which lights itself up in radiant manner each night for all of us to see. It's the St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Middle Road, near Eight Mile Road. During these dark times when all of us try to hide our worries and fears, such a sight as this every night scene is a tonic. It should be a beautiful old-fashioned, white-spired church, to seek the good things in life and continually work for them. To feel one's responsibilities in this complex world of little people and to do at least one's share.

Surely we all are interested mainly in our own families and back yard, in what kind of wall paper to choose for the hallway and whether we can make the old washing machine stand up should there be another war. Whether hubby or son will be forced to answer the country's call, whether life will ever again be the same.

But drawing oneself out of community activities is no answer. Hiding from one's share of the responsibilities of a community and being only critical of one's neighbor will not keep the world going 'round. Perhaps that's what this far situation is about, going against evil all over the world. Not just on the national state but right here at home. Are you a stay-at-homeer?

The Girl Scout Association tells us it needs some more Moms to replace some pretty active ones who are leaving this community. You don't have to have a daughter of Scout age to be a leader, and if you're not into Scouting activities you know the satisfaction derived from this simple, honest cause.

Another way you can help the Girl Scouts of this Clarenceville School district is to be at the high school next Wednesday evening, 7:30 to 10. It's a plastic party and since Christmas shopping can start now about anytime, would it not be a good idea to go?

The Intermediate group of our local Girl Scouts were guests of the Farmington Scouts at a "camp out" last week end, and did the breezes blow through their market. The girls, however, had great fun and a little cold weather to buck is just one of those things that will make them better prepared for the adult world ahead. They liked and sang songs around Island Lake, adjacent to Kensington Park.

The Girl Scouts from this area are helping round up donors for the Livonia Blood Bank, a wonderful war-security measure which Livonia has extended to include the Clarenceville School District neighbors. The Bank "deposits" will be taken at the Resedale Gardens Community Hall on Plymouth Road on Tuesday, October 10, from two until eight o'clock. Baby sitters will be provided there and transportation problems will be solved if you'll phone Mrs. Gus Davis at 0258-J.

It turned out to be quite a party Monday night for Karen Sander, who is now five. Her parents, Allen and Christine Sander of 2934 E. Scotten, took her to the zoo Sunday to celebrate the birthday and told her she could have little friends in for ice cream and birthday cake after school on Monday. So friendly little Karen got busy and started inviting for she knew what fun parties were and the more the merrier. She hardly could wait to get back to kindergarten next day to tell all about it, then hardly could wait to get home from school



**BOUNTIFUL BARREL**—Not too sure of what it's all about, Mrs. J. H. Orr, left, her son and daughter-in-law examine a "mysterious" water barrel on their farm near Simmons, Mo. It seems that although the barrel is emptied each day, it refills by itself during the night. At least, that's how the story goes.

to tell sister Karla, age three, all about THAT. Life is pretty rosy, isn't it, Karen?

Another little girl who's mighty happy to be in school this fall is Evelyn-old Ellen Agar, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Rex Agar of 21403 Cambridge. Ellen's seven-week illness was not tuberculous as had been feared, and, after coming out being held up for ensure. That is why a lot of folks won't take part in civic activities, because they've had their fingers burned before. They're trying just as hard to keep their name out of things so they can steer clear of politics.

The Lawrence Meehans of 28131 Eight Mile Road will be moving back to their home at 5717 Marshall Road, Lansing, just as soon as their house is vacated. Mr. Meehan has been promoted to Staff Captain in the Michigan State Police. Mrs. Meehan is sad about leaving us, even though two years ago when they moved here she hated leaving the "home town". It just goes to show how attached the "doing kind" of people can get to wherever they live, and certainly they are missed when they leave. Mrs. Meehan was surprised by the Girl Scout association members the other night when a "special meeting" was called at the home of Mrs. Gordon Moore, Negaunee Street. She was

presented with a lovely china cup and saucer and a sample from each of three beautiful cakes baked by three beautiful ladies, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Robert Rickett, and Mrs. Carroll Page.

Homer Cartee was home for 15 days with his parents, the Frank Cartees of 21432 Jacksonville. While here he was able to attend a family reunion at Portsmouth, Ohio, with his folks. He has now returned to his duties with the United States Navy at Great Lakes.

The Bill Riegels with son Albert, who formerly lived at 28501 Saginaw, now Scotten Street, are living on Plymouth Road, west of Middlebelt. Their older son Carl was married last year. "We're wondering if Mrs. Riegel has as beautiful a "glad" garden there as she brightened our street with.

Arthur O'Neill of Los Angeles, California, has been dividing his two weeks' vacation in Michigan between the homes of his sisters, Mrs. Donald Ruif and Mrs. Thomas Munn of Scotten Street. Conveniently, the two live across the street from each other. Saturday night there was 16 dinner guests at the Munn home; Mr. O'Neill and also the 72nd birthday of Mrs. Mar-

### O.S.S. Veterans To Meet In Lansing September 30

The "cloak and dagger boys" of World War II, still scattered around Michigan, learned how to conceal their identity. In fact, they learned that lesson well, according to Nicholas Y. Olds, president of the Michigan Out-Of-State Chapter of the Veterans of the Office of Strategic Services. Olds is trying to round them up for a meeting in Lansing September 30 when men recently returned from Korea and China will speak. Many members of the OSS are unknown to each other but a start is being made in the organizing of chapters at the request of Gen. William J. (Wild Bill) Donovan who commanded the OSS in wartime. Olds is an assistant attorney general.

### Sales To Minors Draw Fines And Suspensions

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission has suspended the licenses of two Farmington distributors. A statement released this week by the Commission stated Sam Abraham of the G & S Market, 28734 Grand River, and Edward B. Christensen, of Eddie's Tavern, 27406 Eight Mile Road, were fined and given license suspensions. Abraham's violation occurred on June 4, when State Police caught him with selling liquor to a minor, and selling in excess of five gallons to a customer. The Commission's disposition called for 30 days suspension and \$100 fine, or an additional 20 days suspension if the fine is not paid. The second count called for \$25 fine or 5 days suspension. Christensen's license will be revoked for 30 days and he must pay a \$200 fine, or face an additional 40 days loss of license. Only Christensen had a previous violation.

There were about 50 present at the open house the Richard Schulkins held for Sharon Alida Sunday at the Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church in Farmington by Rev. Carl Schultz. The little "princess" smiled on everyone all day and completely enjoyed all of the excitement. Her sponsors were Mrs. Robert Zander of Detroit and William Schulkins of Farmington.

### NEW CHANGES IN SOCIAL SECURITY ACTS EXPLAINED

The Social Security Act, made law more than fifteen years ago, very recently was revised to extend its provisions to about 9,700,000 additional gainfully employed persons. Benefits and benefit rights were increased for the 35,000,000 now participating under the system.

The important changes in the law will be discussed in detail in later articles appearing in this newspaper. It is important to know that the revised law has not been extended to all gainfully employed and in several instances, coverage under the law is voluntary.

The Old-Age and Survivors Insurance system is a contributory plan based on the earnings record of the insured. The payments are

not large, but are substantial enough to provide sufficient cash income to permit the average retired worker to live decently without dependence on private or public charity. In the event of the wage earners' death, payments are made to his widow and children until the children reach eighteen. The recent changes in benefit rates were designed to bring the payments up to the level necessary to most present day cost of living requirements.

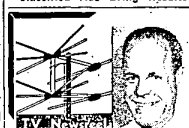
In following articles, the various groups who will soon be brought under the system will be discussed and the types of benefit payable will be outlined in detail.

Among those attending the American Transit Association Convention held at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago on September 18 and 19 were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Westland of 27350 Orchard Lake Road.

### Check Fertilizer Needs To Insure Delivery

Planning ahead is one of the important parts of farming — and this is particularly true when it comes to fertilizer needs. Michigan State College soils specialists say that planning your order and taking delivery as soon as possible saves time and trouble. If you truck your fertilizer to your farm early, you'll avoid long lines that sometimes occur during peak seasons.

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BY GENE HYMES

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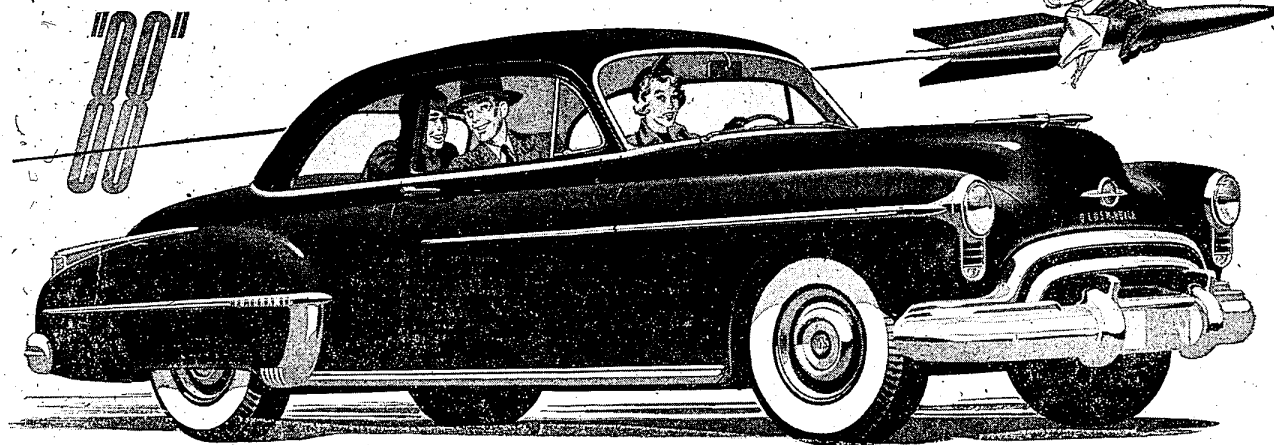
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