

FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1954

GRACE LUTHERAN
SUNDAY SCHOOL
MOVED OCTOBER 17

Grace Lutheran Church transferred its entire Sunday School to Stuckey School, 26800 Fargo, on Sunday, October 17, with attendance high and all facilities of the school used. If necessary, the Sunday School will hold two sessions to accommodate all children who wish to attend.

The three services at Grace Church, 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m., were well attended. The Senior Choir sang at the mid-day service, under the direction of Mrs. Victor Halboth. Shirley Cunningham was the soloist at the late evening service.

In the future the children's choir and the senior choir will be rotated to provide music at both the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services.

"PAT" HUNTING WILL
BE DOWN AGAIN
FROM LAST YEAR

A recent summary of rural mail carrier brood counts of ruffed grouse bear out earlier reports that "pat" hunting this year will be definitely below par compared to the last few years.

In 1951, carriers in the upper peninsula reported seeing a fairly high number of grouse. In 1952, they saw fewer and in 1953 the total dropped again. This year the carriers saw the least number of birds recorded during the four year period.

In the northern lower peninsula, the decline was less pronounced than above the Straits, but the general effect was still evident.

The decline has been expected and is in keeping with the regular ten-year grouse population cycle. Similar declines have been reported from other states in the grouse range. Peak populations were counted in 1950-51 and it is expected the lowest point in the present cycle will occur this fall and again in 1955.

Faulty Vision High
Among Students,
Says Specialist

"More than 1,200,000 Michigan students returning to school this month suffer from some form of visual handicap," according to Dr. G. I. Rowe, education director of the Better Vision Institute of Michigan.

"Eye handicaps are the major causes of student failures," the doctor said.

"The statement," he declared, "is based on numerous studies indicating at least one out of every three students has visual problems needing correction. Early detection of minor ailments prevents serious eye trouble later."

Few student cases are found by conventional eye tests given in schools, according to a report by the institute.

Closer observation of symptoms by teachers and parents can detect many cases requiring further eye examination. School failure, lack of interest, and below normal work may be symptoms of serious visual handicap, the institute explained.

Dr. Rowe pointed out that a letter chart read at 20 feet is "woefully inadequate" and often misleading. "Youngsters should be taught," he said, "that they are gradually becoming trained to read and function at closer distances. Eye examinations can and will provide knowledge of aids to help youngsters over learning hurdles and prevent more serious eye trouble in later school years," he said.

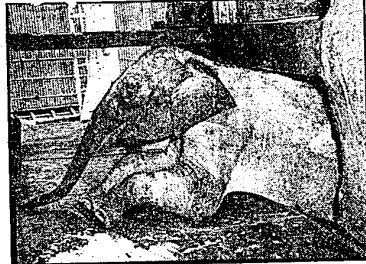
The Better Vision Institute of Michigan recommended each student have his eyes examined, pointing out that it is equally important to protect eyes along with lungs and general health.

Grace Lutheran Church
Schedules Rummage Sale

A rummage sale will be held at Grace Lutheran Church, 25830 Grand River, on Saturday, October 23, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the church basement.

Members of the Naomi and Ruth Circles are sponsoring the sale, under the chairmanship of Velma Hess and Bernice Sewell.

Save yourself a lot of trouble by checking your chimney before cold weather sets in.



SMUGGLER'S REWARD—Sail, baby elephant from India, tried to smuggle his trunk through customs when he arrived in New York aboard the steamer Oluf Maersk. The attempt of the four-year-old to break from her stall was thwarted.

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Arriving home from England on Monday night was Pte. Earl Linemeyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Linemeyer of Hancock Street.

Pte. Linemeyer has spent the past 20 months with the Air Force overseas. His wife and baby will arrive from England around November 16.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Clarenceville Methodist Church met on Tuesday evening, October 12. After a short business meeting a play "What is a Christian?" was shown to the 22 ladies present.

Spending the past week with the Lounis Stevers of Oxford were their two little granddaughters, Michele and Rise St. Arno. The St. Arnos were on a hunting trip in Northern Michigan.

A baby shower was given Thursday night for Mrs. Donald Poush at the home of Mrs. Ralph Ayers, who lives on Tulane. After opening the gifts the ladies spent the rest of the evening visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson, long time residents of this community, are moving to Detroit soon. The Hendersons at present reside on Hancock Street.

A toy demonstration was given at the home of Mrs. Mary Ferrari of Hamilton Street. Many of her friends and neighbors attended.

Debra Lee Williams was born on October 5 at Byer Hospital in Ypsilanti. Her proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams of Hancock Street.

Attending the wedding of their nephew last Saturday at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in Detroit were Mrs. Minnie Dietle and Mrs.

OPAL, TOURMALINE
BIRTHSTONES FOR
OCTOBER BORN

The opal and tourmaline, October's birthstones, both signify hope. Equally extensive of the season's gay coloring, each of them captures the brilliance of a clear October day.

Famous October birthdays belong to President Dwight D. Eisenhower and to a celebrated ex-president, Teddy Roosevelt as well as to such international notables as Chiang Kai-Shek and Admiral Richard E. Byrd. Author Damon Runyan is also on the October birthday list, along with contemporaries in the theatre, including playwright Eugene O'Neill and leading lady Helen Hayes.

The opal, one of the most mysterious and beautiful of all gems, has been treasured for centuries. Emperors and kings have worn it for its beauty and because it was said to guard their royal honor. The ancient Greeks believed its possession gave foresight to its wearer, leading thus to its modern significance as a symbol of hope.

Among the many variations of opal there are two main classes: the milky "Hungarian" opal, which is shot with rainbow colors; and the dark blue, grey and black "Australian" opal, flashing with fiery hues. The main source of opals today is Australia, where opal fields were discovered about 1903.

Popular as a ring stone, the opal is often set with diamonds, both in rings and in other jewelry.

The tourmaline, which in history had the power to dispel fears and melancholia, is found in almost every color, including dark green, pink, red, blue, violet and brown. Mined in Brazil and Madagascar, it is versatile in its uses for jewelry. Particularly pleasing for a ring is a deep red tourmaline, known as rubellite.

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Social Security
Law Amended

The 1954 amendments to the Social Security Act will give about 10 million more people old-age and survivors' insurance protection, says Rex A. C. Atwood, manager of the Pontiac social security office. "Many of the provisions go into effect next year," says Atwood, "but there are two that are effective right away."

One important change is an increase in benefits. A new way of figuring benefits will raise amounts payable to those who apply for them in the future, and most people now getting checks will get an automatic increase.

The other change is the law affects survivors of workers who died before 1950. If the worker had worked 1½ years or more under social security and earned \$50 in each of them, there may be payments to the following:

1. Widows over 65 years of age.
2. Widows under 65 who have one or more children of the wage earner under 18 in their care.
3. Parents over 65 who were dependent upon the worker at the time of his death.

"It may pay these people to get in touch with us even if their claims had been disallowed because the worker did not work enough at the time he died," says Atwood.

A representative of the Pontiac social security office visits the Farmington area regularly. He can be contacted at the City Offices on the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

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Search Continues For Vaccine In
Nationwide Fight Against TB

Scientists have been searching for a vaccine to make people immune to TB since 1882 when the tubercle bacillus, the germ that causes tuberculosis, was discovered.

In other diseases such as diphtheria and typhoid the discovery of the germ led to the discovery of fairly satisfactory methods of creating artificial resistance to infection. But tuberculosis has proved a harder nut to crack.

A tremendous amount of investigation by scientists, much of it sponsored by the National Tuberculosis Association, has gone into the search for a vaccine against tuberculosis. The greatest amount of effort has been directed at producing a vaccine from dead tubercle bacilli. Methods used to kill the germ in its tough wax coating are almost beyond belief.

The germs have been boiled, subjected to superheated steam, frozen in liquid air, "puffed" in a vacuum like rice or wheat, starved, suffocated, ground, and squeezed to death in a hydraulic press, subjected to killing doses of ultraviolet light, radium, x-rays, and ultrasonic noise, and treated with a wide variety of antiseptic chemicals and fat solvents. And still the problem has not been solved.

One vaccine, BCG, made from a weakened strain of bovine tubercle bacilli, has definite, but not complete protective power against TB.

New approaches to the problem of creating immunity to TB are

now being studied by research scientists. Nutrition may play an important part in resistance to TB. The body's hormone balance may be another factor. Studies now going on in these fields may some day bring the answer to TB—a means of building up human resistance to the germs so that everyone can be protected from the disease.



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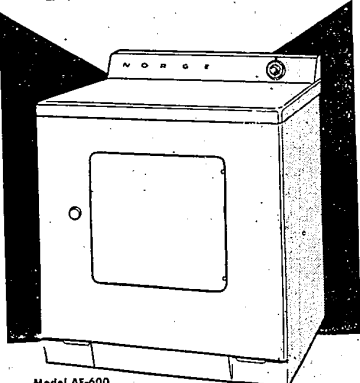


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