

# Bel-Air Hills News Tidbits

MRS. H. ALLEN GR. 4-6141

Ed Chabala has been moved from Mount Carmel Hospital to the Dearborn Veterans Hospital. The room number is 514-C. Ed is to be in traction and there is reportedly no change in his condition.

Attending a bowling banquet at the Elmwood Casino in Canada last week were Mr. and Mrs. John Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hill.

Mrs. Doris Simpkins was hostess last Thursday evening for a pinocle club. Refreshments consisted of cake, cookies, jelly and fruit. Those present were Pam Edmunds, Rita Brenz, Josie Naughton, Minnie Adams, Joyce Sutherland, Doris Elmstrom, Beth Sullivan, Peg Towner, Barbara Brodie, Dorothy Vincent and Lilah Drapelski.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bailey of Brown Drive have a baby boy named Harold Edward Bailey, Jr. Harold was born September 20 at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital and weighed seven pounds, four ounces at birth. The Baileys have three other children.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Guel) Jr. of Leelanau have a baby boy, Paul.

## WATCH FOR Jahn's FALL LIGHTING JAMBOREE

October Is National Light-Up Month

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Frazer of Thorny Brae Road have just returned from a week's visit to Lackawanna, New York, a suburb of Buffalo. While there they attended the funeral of Mr. Woyshnar's father, Anthony Woyshnar, who died August 28, and was one of the pioneers of the steel city.

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## CARPET REMNANTS

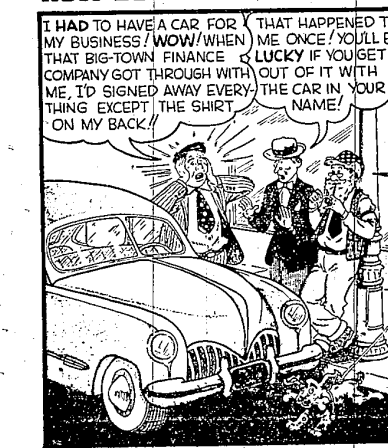
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## Daily Home Fire Losses In U.S. Shockingly High

More than 1200 homes in the United States will burn today—and another 1200 will burn every day of the year—affecting the lives of more than 4,000 persons each day. In addition, an estimated 105 factories, 116 stores, 14 schools, eight churches, five theatres and four hospitals can expect to battle flames each day, figures recently compiled indicated.

A shocking portion of these fires is caused by pure carelessness, the vice president of a leading fire insurance company pointed out. This amounts to a loss of more than two million dollars a day and worse, an average of 33 lives. Another 65 persons are injured or disfigured every day because of fire.

A lot of communities are awakening to the problem of fires, the insurance head said. Wausau, Wisconsin is a good example. For two consecutive years it has had a population of 32,000—in fire loss in the country. Today Wausau is one of the lowest per capita in fire loss. Its steady progress in the field of fire prevention was evidenced this year with a first place award for fire protection in its population class in a national Chamber of Commerce citation.

Last year every possible resource of the city was tapped in the concentrated anti-fire crusade, with every man, woman and child receiving a message to fire-prevention messages during the drive. Here are a few of the things which Wausau did to bring home to its citizens the need for increased watchfulness against fire: A "Fire Marshal's Home Report," consisting of a check list of prominent fire hazards distributed from Fire Chief Wilbur Potzold's headquarters to 4,000 homes—and 3,600 completed forms were returned by Wausau home owners.

Housewives in 1925 homes asked for and received fire department inspection of their homes. This year they expect to carry on "surprise" inspections of their homes. The schools pitched in with fire prevention demonstrations in the classrooms and the fire department staged first aid classes for housewives which played to capacity audiences. Special classes also were held for baby sitters. Local ministers cooperated fully and many of them based a number of sermons on the theme of community cooperation in the drive against the peril of fire.

Special classes in fire prevention were arranged for hospital nurses, Girl groups, scouts and other organizations. A fire safety poster and essay contest was staged in the local schools during Fire Prevention Week in May.

## West Farmington Mrs. I. Knapp

Mrs. Mary Walters spent a few days last week with her brother, Herman Grimmer.

Mrs. Starr Heliker entertained Mr. and Mrs. James Lambert, Miss Cora McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heliker and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Heliker and family at a birthday barbecue supper Monday evening. Mrs. Heliker presented her husband with a barbecue grill.

Carl Redinger and Richard Hill spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Knapp.

Knowledge is proud that he has learned to much; wisdom is humble that he knows no more.—Covper.

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By RALPH TEE For The Farmington Enterprise

SOONER OR LATER YOU YOUNG FELLAS WILL LEARN THAT WHEN FINANCING A CAR OR ANYTHING ELSE, IT PAYS TO DO IT RIGHT HERE IN FARMINGTON

Michigan State University at East Lansing has claimed a Rocky Crest resident, Fred Thompson, Fred, who was graduated with Barry from Farmington High School, will major in accounting like his father, Albert Thompson.

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## Around The Circle In Staman Acres

MRS. WILLIAM SMITH GR. 4-8292

Christmas comes, but once a year, and all the Stams agree that shopping for just that much is enough. However, Jerry Brook provided an excellent way for some of the Staman Acres residents to get their shopping done. On Thursday evening, September 20, Mrs. Fran Smith gave a toy and many plastic demonstration for Jerry and the Brook home on Belmont Drive.

Included in the list were Jean Lutzen, Bea Sisty, Barbara Kattelman, Fran Christensen, Cross, Dee Peterson, Ed Carruthers, Joanne Smith, Shirley Wolfe, Viola Manning, Virginia Donohue, Charlotte Waskowski, Barbara Amerman, Barbara Schol, June Schol, Mary Westfall, Roy Brock and Mrs. Harry S. Wolfe.

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Bea and Arnold Rasmussen, George Rasmussen, Ed Carruthers and a few of their friends, in for an evening of conversation a week ago Saturday. The Marvin Kemps and Richard Herra parties of shrimp, dip and hors d'oeuvres, and we know the ladies especially enjoyed the strawberry whipped cream pie.

Mrs. William Hogan opened her home on Belmont Drive recently for the meeting of her circle from St. James Methodist church. For the social part, the afternoon Gladys served apple nut pudding, ice cream and coffee to the eighteen women present.

The Hogans are now bursting with pride over the arrival of a new grandson, Michael John, born to their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Morrison at the city of Farmington. Little Michael weighed in at 7 pounds, 8 ounces, on September 20, in Detroit Women's Hospital.

Margaret Sivy surprised Kay Dorando this past week by inviting some of her friends in for luncheon and a baby shower. Ed Carruthers, Jean Haines, Hazel McKee, Margaret Wheeler, Jane Peterson, and Zora Cross joined in the fun. Margaret served a fair treat, apple pie, ice cream and coffee.

Saturday evening Kay and Chuck Dorando invited Jim and Ed Carruthers and two Had Margaret Sivy in for a late buffet supper. Chuck turned chef for the night and baked a real Italian specialty.

Allan and Ed Carruthers were wary of Saturday night's weather and those threatening rain clouds, but were pleasantly relieved when Old Jan Weather held back for their backyard barbecue. It's a pinocle club consisting of six members treated their husbands to an evening out and after the hamburgers, baked beans, donuts etc. had been eaten, the group played games. Prizes were offered for the winners. The guests enjoyed the musical games the most of all.

Wednesday, September 19, was just the right temperature for Hazel McKee to be in the mood for warmer clothing. So she enjoyed the Fur Fashion Show and Luncheon at the Red Fox Country Club. Hazel is nicely settled now, much thanks to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huse, who helped her move. Hazel drove them down to Pittsburgh after their five-weeks' stay here.

Little Krista Kathleen is doing fine and is ready for visitors, reports Nana, Marion Reynolds. Al and Marion are pleased as punch over their daughter's regular sleeping arrangements and we will still see him around Staman Acres as he is "commuting." Barry is in his first year at Eastern Michigan College in Ypsilanti. He plans two years there and then hopes to go to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He has a very impressive major, nuclear engineering. Barry is the son of Mrs. Eugene Counts of Staman Court.

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## CRAMPING, WEATHER CAUSES DECLINE IN PARK CROWDS

Total attendance in Michigan State Parks in 1955 will be approximately 14,940,000, down 17 per cent from the 18,000,000 all-time high, according to Parks Superintendent Arthur Elmer. Elmer cites unfavorable tourist weather as the principal reason for the decline but adds that many travelers are staying away because of overcrowded conditions experienced during park visits in 1954. Twelvemile of the 39 State Parks and Recreation Areas registered over 200,000 visitors last year, he said.

The Automobile Club of Michigan has launched a vigorous campaign to "rescue" the State Parks from falling apart and to provide land acquisition funds for further needs.

Campers who used the parks this summer complained to us that parking and picnic areas, electrical facilities, camp sites and beach development are woefully inadequate. E. S. Matheson, Auto Club general manager, said.

Elmer estimates that the present 175,000 acres contained in state parks must be doubled to meet the needs of the future. At the conclusion of the meeting the members enjoyed a coffee hour together.

The next meeting of the Association is scheduled for Wednesday, December 5 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simler, 26500 Springfield Drive.

Attendance at present state parks is double what the parks were designed to handle while the budget and number of persons are only half what is needed for successful operation, Elmer states.

He says thousands of tourists who traveled to state parks this year were turned away because of crowded conditions. His listing of parks where overcrowding was most prevalent included: Algonquin, East Troy, Grand Haven, Higgins Lake, Holland, Indian Lake, Lakeport, Ludington, Mears, Muskegon, Sleepers, Wilderness and Yankee Springs.

Cramped parking facilities at Dodge Park No. 4 and others kept many recreation-seekers from using Michigan parks this year.

Auto Club members received complaints from motorists who were ticketed for parking along the side of the highway.

## In And Around Springland

MRS. RALPH EVERT

On Wednesday, September 19, the Springland Friendship Club met at the home of Mrs. Richard Mitchell for a social evening.

Members attending were Mrs. Dewey Garrison, Mrs. Jacob Wautt, Mrs. Reuben Sleskas, Mrs. Joseph Simons, Mrs. Thomas Mangel, Mrs. John Henige, Mrs. Raymond Mallon, Mrs. Ralph Martin, Mrs. D. G. Smith, Mrs. Richard Carpenter, Mrs. Robert Rader, Mrs. James Vairo, Mrs. John Tucker, Mrs. William McHugh, Mrs. Clifford Seeger, Mrs. Lawrence Evans, Mrs. Wesley Mitchell and Mrs. William Ward.

At the conclusion of the evening the hostess served dessert and coffee to the guests. The date and place of the next meeting will be announced later.

On Tuesday evening, September 18, the Springland Civic Association held a business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lee, 2617 Barndow Drive. At the conclusion of the meeting the members enjoyed a coffee hour together.

## Still Need Books For A.A.U.W. Sale

Book donations for the American Association of University Women's annual book sale are still needed. Miss Mary DeLand, Fellowship chairman, stated this week the sale will be held October 11 and 12 on the Farmington Township Hall lawn.

Proceeds from the sale go to the AAUW's Fellowship fund used for scholarships for gifted women scholars.

Used books will be picked up by Mrs. J. A. Keane, 64351, by Mrs. Donald D. McCracken, GR 4-2526, co-chairmen of the book sale.

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"To save expenses," she reports, "we chose a hotel that was clean but grim. When I found my window looked out on a coal yard—my heart just sank!"

But, when Miss Williams noticed a lot of geraniums on the window sill—and a note saying "Look at these instead, (signed) Last Occupant"—she decided to stick it out. She kept those flowers watered and tended to make things that much easier on the soul.

From where I sit, it's often hard to adapt to new surroundings—just as new customers often see strange to us at first. For instance, if you've always had tea with your meals you might find it odd that I prefer a glass of beer. It's OK to prefer what's familiar to you... but also keep an open mind on what's not.

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