

TB Rate Low in Livonia, Redford, Plymouth Despite County Climb

Livonia, Plymouth and Redford Township found themselves on the lower end of the tuberculosis scale last year, despite a general increase of 6.6 per cent in new active cases of TB in Wayne County.

Figures just released by the TB and Health Society showed

a total of 19.6 cases per 100,000 in Livonia, while Plymouth recorded a percentage of 10.7 new active cases on the 100,000 scale.

Redford Township and other outlying townships in the county were lumped together with 14.8 cases per 100,000.

Nearby Northville showed the highest percentage in the area—32.2 cases per 100,000.

New active cases in all of Wayne County during 1963 totaled 1,425. There were 133 deaths.

The overall case rate in Wayne County increased from

50.3 per 100,000 new active cases in 1962 to 53.7 per 100,000 last year.

The statistical data was released through the TB and Health Society by the Michigan Department of Health.

Four cities in Wayne County have an active case rate of

higher than 70 per 100,000. These are: River Rouge, 76.5; Highland Park, 73.5; Wayne, 72.7; Hamtramck, 72.5 and Detroit, 70.1. Inkster with a rate of 58.5, is the only other Wayne County community with a higher case rate than the county as a whole, Reinstein said.

Four other cities with as high or higher case rates than the state of Michigan as a whole (38.5) but lower than Wayne County, are: Flat Rock, 41.6; Ecorse, 39.7; Northville, 32.2; and Southgate, 30.3.

All other Wayne County communities had case rates well below the Michigan and national average (U.S. rate is 28.7 per 100,000).

Three Wayne County cities—Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Woods and Riverview—had no new active cases of TB in 1963.

"One of the most thrilling chapters in the medical history

of our country has been the dramatic progress made against tuberculosis, America's number one killer at the turn of the century," the TB and Health Society said.

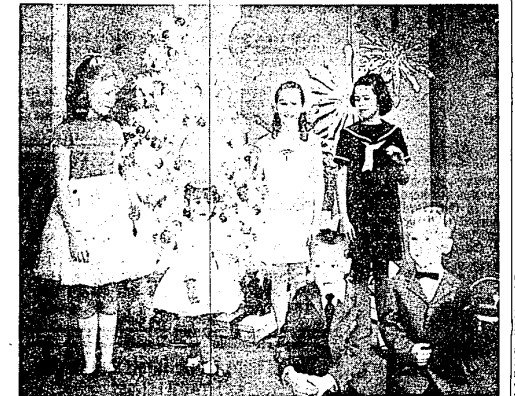
"But the battle isn't over. A number of cities including Detroit have reported increases in the rate of new TB cases between 1962 and 1963."

"There are a number of reasons for this serious comeback of a disease once known as the 'White Plague.' Public apathy has too often resulted in dangerous delays in proper diagnosis, as that infection spreads before it can be

brought under control. "The cost of X-ray has risen, while in many areas—funds available to public health departments for TB control have been reduced. Another problem is the tendency of tuberculosis germs to develop newer, tougher strains more resistant to the new, high-powered drugs."

"More than 610,000 Americans at present are known to be either present or recent active TB patients, or 'high risk' contacts of people who recently came down with the active disease. In other words, it is going to take a lot more work, education and expense before tuberculosis can be considered 'under control' in our country."

"The TB and Health Society is now conducting its annual campaign for Christmas Seal funds. There is no better way of 'sharing the health' than by responding to your Christmas Seal letter. So, if no letter reached you, get in touch with your Christmas Seal agency at 183 East Elizabeth, Detroit 48201, WO 1-6977."



WHOOOPS! How did that balloon get there? These youngsters from the Livonia, Farmington, Redford Township and Plymouth area enjoyed themselves thoroughly at Crowley's first Christmas lunch of the season complete with Santa Claus, entertainment, free candy and contests. The little lassie in front was having a fit when the balloon appeared to drop on top of her head. The traditional luncheon for children will be held daily at Crowley's downtown store from now until the day before Christmas.

College District Committee Eyes Vocational Funds

A committee, composed of representatives of the school systems within the Schoolcraft College district, has been organized to write and help effect the operation of the Vocational Act as it relates to area schools.

The group, which includes: David McDowell, principal of Clarenceville High; John Thompson, director of Vocational Education in Garden City; Dr. Paul Johnson, assistant superintendent of Livonia schools; William Beal, administrative assistant of Livonia schools; Elroy Ellison, director of administrative services for Northville schools; Supp. Russell H. Bister of Plymouth; and James Dotseth, assistant dean of Instruction-Technical Education at Schoolcraft College, met prior to last week's meeting in Dearborn called by the State Department of Public Instruction.

The Michigan State Plan for Vocational Education was reviewed in keeping with the Federal Government's Vocational Act of 1963.

Under the new act, Michigan will receive \$42 million. In addition, \$3.7 million will continue from previous Vocational Education Acts. The Federal funds are distributed on the basis of population by age groups and per capita income in the State.

Vocational education is training under public supervision and control and must be a part of a program designed to fit individuals for meaningful employment in recognized fields.

Dotseth indicated the area schools survey of vocational training needs was completed last May. He stated "this survey will aid in determining the extent of facilities needed."

"Many people are surprised to learn of the scope of the existing facilities at Schoolcraft College to handle vocational training," he said. "We have \$150,000 in manufacturing processes equipment, \$8,000 in drafting equipment and \$35,000 invested in an electro-mechanical laboratory."

"We are using the facilities of Bentley High in Livonia. The new act will aid the college greatly since one-third of the funds must be spent in community college. We are fortunate to have advisory committees in all our training areas."

5-Year-Old To Light City's Tree

Michele Zalupski, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Zalupski, 14918 Country Club Drive, will be the lucky young lady on Monday, December 7, when she will push the button with the aid of Mayor Harvey Moelke, to light the huge Christmas tree in front of the City Hall.

The Bentley High School Senior Ensemble, under the direction of Jerry Smith, will sing Christmas Carols.

Activities will start at 7 p.m., and the public is invited to attend.

Plan Seminar On Bad Checks For Livonians

Livonia businessmen and employees have been invited to attend an hour-long seminar and lecture on ways of detecting bad checks, sponsored by the Livonia Police Dept.

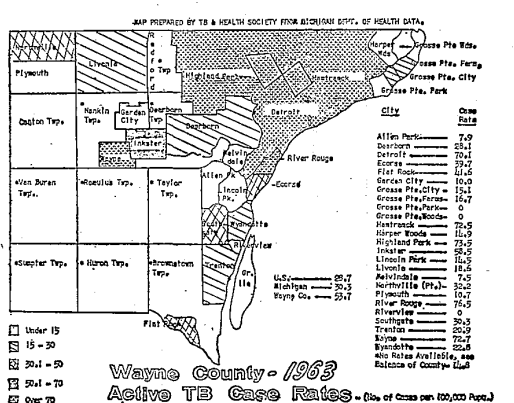
Chief James Jordan issued the invitation Monday after setting up the program on Wednesday, Dec. 9 at 3:30 p.m. in the Bentley High School auditorium.

Det. Sgt. George Kraft, of the Michigan State Police who is an expert in the field of bad checks and bad check writers, will be one of the speakers.

Chief Jordan also plans to have a representative on hand from the Detroit Police bad check department.

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A "Goodie" For All Ages At St. Agatha Carnival

St. Agatha Parish, Beech and Penrose, will hold its annual Christmas Carnival Sunday, Dec. 6, from 8 a.m. 'til 8 p.m. in the new high school addition at Penrose and Olympia.

In conjunction with the carnival, a teen dance will be held in the school gym from 2 p.m. 'til 4 p.m. featuring



MONTGOMERY WARD held the Grand Opening of its new Catalog Store, in the downtown Farmington Center Shopping Center, Grand River and Farmington Roads. It was a gala occasion. Farmingtonites Kathy Schroll (left), and her sister Sharon, are talking to clown Larry Knott.



HARRY CRIPPS, MANAGER of the new Montgomery Ward Catalog Store, is flanked by salesmen Bob Soper (left) and Charles Barrett.

Thurston Swimming Coach Back from Worldwide Tour

Romantic names like Taipei, Hong Kong, Monte Carlo and Cairo are part of the daily conversation around the Thurston High School pool as synchronized swimmers talk with their coach, Miss Joyce Lindemann, about her experiences on her recently completed round-the-world tour with an American team of 15 star aquatic performers.

The 3½-month tour was climaxed with an exhibition at the Olympics with the same billing as the finalists in regular swim events. The Japanese synchronized swim team also performed with great skill, Miss Lindemann said.

Coach of Thurston's synchronized swim squad since its inception, Miss Lindemann was selected as a coach for the tour along with mentors from Washington and Georgia. All told, the group performed for 60,000 people in 35 shows in 20 countries.

Countries visited included England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Turkey, Greece, Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Israel, India, Thailand, Taipei, Singapore, Hong Kong, Malaysia, and Japan.

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Chevrolet Exhibit To Open Friday At Wonderland Center

The Chevrolet Chevelle exhibition, which was scheduled to open Thursday at the Wonderland Shopping Center, will not open until Friday.

Wonderland Center officials stated workers ran into trouble erecting the exhibit due to the freezing weather.