

At Greenfield Village

Turn Back Century To A Gentler Christmas

By Glenna Merrill
There is a place not far from here that vividly recalls the life and work of the early years of our nation and our community.
Greenfield Village is a quiet haven that depicts a gentler time when men were masters of their craft and their lives. Henry Ford, founder of the

village, knew the importance of preserving the wonderful feeling and flavor of the past. He illustrated this beautifully when he said, "When we are through, we shall have reproduced American life as lived; and that, I think, is the best way of preserving at least a part of our history and tradition."

"For by looking at things people used that show the way they lived, a better and truer impression can be gained than could be had in a month of reading—even if there were books whose authors had the facilities to discover the minute details of the older life."

PLYMOUTH IS A COLONIAL community and proud of its history and heritage. One feels even greater pride after a visit to Greenfield Village. There is a carding mill on the Village Main Street that was erected in Plymouth. When Henry Ford was a boy he accompanied his grandfather on many trips to Plymouth with raw wool to be made into "bravies" for his mother to spin into yarn on the wheel at home. That carding mill was erected in our community more than a century ago. Standing on the corner of Christie and Main Street in the Village we find the Plymouth House—not from Plymouth, Massachusetts or Plymouth, England—but from our own colonial community. The house was built in the middle of the nineteenth century and was chosen by Ford to represent the typical mid-western home.

CHRISTMAS 1967 is fast approaching and many of the Village houses are decorated for the season with holiday trimmings that reflect and echo the Christmas joy enjoyed in homes of earlier times. "Christmas at Greenfield Village" will feature a visit to Clinton Inn, a 19th century stagecoach stop where hot ci-



THE WEBSTER HOUSE: Authentic period decorations will give the dictionary writer's home the Christmas charm of another era.

der and Christmas cookies will be served as the air is filled with favorite carols from an old tinkling music box.

An enchanting Christmas exhibit "Toys and Dolls" will be on display in the museum. This exhibit includes playthings from another long-ago era and highlights a group of more than

100 dolls recently acquired by the museum. There are dolls in the collection that resemble famed people in American history—Betsy Ross, Mrs. Herbert Hoover and Charlie Chaplin. There is even a Shirley Temple doll!

Some older dolls wear original dresses, while others are attired in period costumes to give our children an idea of what people wore in the "golden days."

An operating train of the nineteen twenties and wooden toys that fathers made for their children tell the story of Christmas morning in a bygone era.

CHRISTMAS AT GREEN-

U-D. Begins Night Winter School Work

The Evening College of Commerce and Finance, University of Detroit started accepting applications Dec. 5 for the Winter Term. A special adult, part-time admission procedure will be in effect through Dec. 31. The Winter Term begins Jan. 8. Only part-time students over the age of 21 are eligible for this unique opportunity which, if pursued successfully, will result in a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in six years of evening study.



A gift to delight any little girl of a century ago.

Students Pioneer Guatemalan Program

EAST LANSING -- Seven Michigan State University students will spend this winter at their own expense—working as assistant teachers at the American School in Guatemala.

They will receive up to 15 hours of class credit for their work in the pioneer program operated jointly by MSU's College of Education and the American School in Guatemala City.

Both American and Guatemalan youngsters attend the school, which enrolls about 1,000 pupils in kindergarten through 12th-grade levels.

Food Science Grants Are Available At MSU

EAST LANSING -- More than 30 scholarships ranging in value from \$354 to \$1,000 a year are available to Michigan high school seniors planning to study at Michigan State University for careers in the food and dairy industries.

Sponsors of the grants, according to MSU's Department of Food Science, include the Institute of Food Technologists, General Foods, Chicago Dairy Technology Society, Michigan Food Industry and Michigan Dairy Memorial Foundation. Information on the scholarships is available from MSU's Department of Food Science.

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EAST LANSING -- A 24-year-old graduate student, James R. Tanck, has been appointed the first director of Michigan State University's newly created Office of Volunteer Programs. The office was established by MSU's Board of Trustees, an action regarded as official endorsement of the growing number of service projects manned by thousands of MSU students.

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