

3 Foster Children

Miss Potts Adopts...Adopts...Adopts



FRANCES POTTS loves letters from her foster children.

(Observer Photo)

Once in a while you see an advertisement about the Foster Parents organization or Save the Children Foundation. You might even think that one of these days you really ought to sit down and think about sponsoring a needy child your- self.

Well, someone in Clarenceville did more than just think about it. Frances Potts, whom just about everyone in the school district knows from her many years on the custodial staff of the high school, decided not long ago to sponsor three children.

With the death of her mother last spring at the age of 92, Miss Potts felt that an extra money she had might be put to good use by financially supporting needy children.

"I'VE ALWAYS BEEN interested in Africa and do read a good bit about it. So naturally, I wanted to sponsor an African child," she says.

Working through Save the Children Foundation, Miss Potts now sponsors 18-year-old Phillip Lesafi of Tanzania. Each month she sends \$15 to the organization which, in turn, sees that Phillip has the necessities enabling him to continue his schooling and to lead the best life possible.

doesn't seem like much," says Miss Potts. "But when you realize that the annual per-capita income in Tanzania ranges from \$50 to \$99 a year, the amount is really very large."

Foster parents and children normally correspond about once a month. In a recent letter to Miss Potts, Phillip told of the beautiful country that Tanzania is and ended by saying that "I promise to be in touch with you through correspondence throughout my life."

SOUTHERN ARIZONA is the home of the second foster child of Miss Potts.

She is a seven-year-old Indian, Marlene Eleando, of the Papago tribe. Marlene lives with her parents, six brothers and three sisters. Sponsoring an Indian child is different from sponsorship of others in that some of the funds sent to the child are used for community development on the Indian reservation.

"It's a little more difficult to correspond with an Indian than with others," explains Miss Potts. "Indian people are not letter writers. There are the problems of language, insufficient education and cultural differences.

have hot lunches at school—probably the only nutritious meals she gets. The diet of the Papagos consists of beans, corn, bread, and melons.

ENCOURAGED BY HER success with her first two foster children, Frances Potts contacted another agency, Foster Parents' Plan, Inc., for her third—a 10-year-old Ecuadorian, Victor Montalar. Victor's mother works as a 50-a-month seamstress.

"I just received word about Victor," explains Miss Potts. "Each month I will send \$16 for his support. This money takes care of clothing, supplies, and medical-dental care," she added.

"My mother and I discussed sponsorship of children before her death last May, and she and I agreed we should do this. We often give support where it was needed but this is the first time I've actually taken on financial responsibility for children," Miss Potts explains.

JUST RECENTLY Frances Potts offered help closer to home—in downtown Detroit.

According to Miss Potts, there is an organization located in the inner city, Christian Mission for Deaf Africans, which

conducts a school in Nigeria for deaf Africans. Miss Potts contacted the mission when she was given the hearing aid of a friend.

"The man and his wife who run the organization," she explains, "were both deaf. Their four children, oldest of whom is eight, are having quite a problem learning to talk in normal tones."

At the time Miss Potts visited the mission, she was told the children could progress better with their speaking if they had recordings to listen to.

Quite naturally, Frances Potts needed to hear no more. She gave them money to purchase a record player and now is looking for suitable records to send them.

Cities, Villages Get Road Funds

Observeland communities will receive seven per cent of the \$3.8 million given to Wayne and Oakland Counties from the third quarter refunds of the Motor Vehicles Highway Fund. The funds going to Observeland, which are now being distributed, include \$415,595 of the statewide total of nearly \$67 million and were received by the Michigan State Highway Commission during the July, August, and September quarter.

Creek Farms, \$21,169. The fund, which includes all state gasoline and diesel fuels taxes as well as license plate fees, is up 11.9 per cent over last year's total during the same period.

These cities and villages have received the following funds: City of Farmington, \$15,481; Garden City, \$77,637; Livonia, \$154,499; City of Plymouth, \$18,442; Quakertown, \$1,612; Westland, \$138,346; and Wood

Most of the increase can be attributed to the cent-a-gallon increase in the gas tax which took effect Jan. 1.

After deduction of collection costs and the Waterways Commission's share, 46 per cent goes to the Department of State Highways, 34 per cent to the counties, and 20 per cent to the incorporated cities and villages for use on state and local highways, roads, and streets.

House Dems Starting Move To Dump Ryan

ROMULUS -- Voters in Romulus Township voted in favor of setting up a charter commission to prepare a charter for possible cityhood status. An earlier incorporation election two years ago had been soundly defeated.

DETROIT -- Anthony (Tony Jack) Giacalone, a reputed Mafia leader, was convicted on charges of illegal possession of a blackjack, a felony which carries a maximum prison sentence of five years.

Although Giacalone's lawyer said the conviction will be appealed, County Circuit Court Judge Joseph Moynihan raised bond from \$1,000 to \$5,000 after finding him guilty.

LANSING -- Democrats will make every effort to keep Republican Ryan, present minority leader, from becoming the majority leader of the House, according to State Rep. Arthur J. Law, a Pontiac Democrat.

Law said his major criticism was that Ryan tried to get Democrats to vote for Republican measures in the House. "We don't feel that Democrats should have to take up the slack for Republicans," he said.

LONDON -- The last man sought for Britain's Great Train Robbery five years ago, was captured in Tqnyuq, a seaside resort on the Devon Coast.

Bruce Reynolds, who is reported to have received 25,000 pounds, or \$700,000 before the devaluation of the pound, was

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tracked by Scotland Yard detective Tommy Butler for five years. Butler also arrested James Earl Ray, accused slayer of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., at a London Airport last June.

LONDON -- Speculation has risen after the London Times said that former Pennsylvania Gov. William Scranton would replace David K. Bruce as the U.S. Ambassador to London. Scranton, who has repeatedly said he would not accept any position in the federal government, was reportedly offered the positions of secretary of state and ambassador to the United Nations.

NEW YORK -- Four Arabs have been arrested in connection with an alleged plot to assassinate President-elect Richard M. Nixon. Each was jailed in lieu of \$100,000 bond.

They were nabbed by New York City police and federal Secret Service agents after an anonymous phone call was received. The motive of the alleged plot was thought to be Nixon's view that Israel should be kept strong to maintain the balance of power in the MID-east.

DETROIT -- An opposition worker from another Teamster local union said that he had been punched by two men as Teamster officials looked on.

Inside, Frank Fitzsimmons, acting president and Local 239 vice president led the Hoffa forces through the nomination procedure as the hall rose in a standing ovation.

James R. Hoffa, jailed president of the Teamsters Union, and Andrew Provenzano were nominated in a contest for control of the 18,000-member Teamster Local 239.

DETROIT -- Antonio Apogoo, more familiar to Detroiters as "Dr. Tony," the Filipino faith healer, was arrested in San Francisco on a warrant that charges him with interstate transportation of \$72,000 in funds obtained under false pretenses. Apogoo, who has been investigated for the last year, is being held in the San Francisco City Jail pending arraignment before a U.S. commissioner.

FBI agents said that charges relate to alleged frauds against Detroit-area persons although details of the federal case were not revealed.

LANSING -- Maj. Gen. Ronald D. McDonald and Brig. Gen. Carson R. Neffert have billed the state for legal expenses amounting to \$50,691 which they incurred during ouster hearings before Gov. George Romney.

Romey had discharged the National Guard officers after an auditor reported charging irregularities in Camp Grayling land sales, use of armory funds, and other matters handled by McDonald and Neffert.

TV Specials Just In Time For CHRISTMAS!

PHILCO COLOR TV Model 5340BR 18" picture measured diagonally 180 sq.in. picture. Features: Solid State Signal System, Philco Cool Chassis for longer TV life, 26,000 volts of picture power, Telescopic Dipole Antenna.

18" PORTABLE COLOR TV. Moves easily from room to room! Sturdy rollabout stand with big self-swiveling wheels lets you move your Color TV from room to room with ease. Rollabout Stand included with set. Price: \$298.

PHILCO RECTANGULAR COLOR TV. With Tuning Eye for easy tuning. New Philco MagColor Picture Tube brings new sharpness, more color to Color TV. Solid State Signal System—no tubes to burn out in signal-receiving circuit. 26,000 volts of picture power. Big 29 1/2 square inch picture. Finished to match Walnut furniture.

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PHILCO DIRECTA 500 REMOTE CONTROL. Let you operate Philco Color TV from anywhere in the room.

PHILCO COLOR TV Model 6630WA. Contemporary style fine-tune cabinet. 22" picture measured diagonally, 295 sq. in. picture.

Now you can fine-tune COLOR TV in an instant... no fiddling, no guesswork! The real test of color TV is how it shows faces, so look closely at some of the pictures on the screen. Are they too red? Too green? Philco's special color circuit produces a wider range of finer tones. It catches the subtle shades of color that make faces more lifelike. Come in and judge for yourself!

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