WEST POINT PARK

Beta Chapter and Detroit Alumni of Delta Omicron National Musical Sorority presented a musicale at the home of Mrs. Walter Kreinkow on Friday evening. The following performed: Helen Downie Bishop of Detroit, soprano, accompanied by Marian Hacker of Detroit, pianist; Jeanne Hurst of Detroit, pianist, and Doris Yoder of Farmington, violinist, accompanied by Mildred Sepke of Detroit. Marian Hacker also gave two piano solos. Guests for the evening were Miss Clare Knowles of Michigan State College, East Lansing; and Margaret Glynn, president of Beta Province.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Carroll, Mayfield avenue, is quite ill.

Little Jimmy Shultz of Shadyside avenue is ill.

Mrs. Jessie Woods and children, near Inkster, were week end guests of Mrs. Edwin Johnson.

Miss Freda Ault was the guest of Mrs. Charles O'Connor, of Detroit, Monday.

Mrs. Edwin Johnson attended the women's meeting of the Community Club in the Treadwell school district, Thursday.

Several of the Sunshine Sisters met at the home of Mrs. Jack Tallman Wednesday and listened together to the Lenten broadcast. Some business matters were taken up later.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kacy of Detroit, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert.

Miss Gloria Heichman was the Sunday dinner guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Albert Heichman.

Members of the Wonder Book Club "showed up" their elders in a way that demonstrated the value of the study they have been carrying on Friday nights. In a Bible drill the youngsters repeatedly found and read the references called for by Rev. Cameron more quickly than did the adults. Miss Shirley Ault held her place at the head of the class. These Friday night meetings are very interesting as well as profitable and for the present adults as well as young folks are invited to attend.

A special Lenten service will be held in the Mission Thursday evening, April 10, at 8:30 p. m. Rev. Gordon Cameron will be in charge. Anyone in the community is welcome.

Bible School is held in the mission at 3:30 p. m. Sundays. There is a fine adult class taught by Rev. Cameron, Mrs. Cameron teaches the young people, and excellent teachers are being secured for the children's classes. Fifty comfortable chairs have been placed in the Mission, which is larger than it appears to be, and there is room for more seats.

Mrs. John Weigle, who has spent the winter with relatives in Detroit was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pease, Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry Houghland was on the sick list most of the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Sherman gave a dinner Sunday in honor of the latter's sister, Mrs. J. W. Armbruster of Carbondale, Pennsylvania. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. Boston, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bogg, Miss Virginia Howitt, Lawrence Smith, Buddy Artz, and Don Barger, all from Detroit.

Miss Olive Grimwade of Farmington was the Sunday dinner guest of Miss Shirley Zwahlen.

New officers elected at Pierson P.T.A. meeting Thursday, March 27, are as follows: Mrs. Leigh Minx, re-elected president; vice president, Mrs. Robert Hutton, secretary, Mrs. O. Moehlner, and Mrs. Dora Lucas, re-elected Treasurer.

Miss Mary Redding attended a Press Club party Sunday evening at the Mackinze Union Building of Wayne University. Mary is a member of the "Collegian," College newspaper, staff.

Pierson P.T.A. Hall, located back of Pierson school, will be open Wednesday evening, April 30. Paper Drive committeemen will be there to accept papers, magazines, and rags. Please save yours and bring them to the hall on the above date. Proceeds will go toward the annual school picnic and other essentials. Your co-operation is requested, to assist in making his drive a success.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Minx and daughter Joyce, were guests of relatives in Toledo, Saturday.

RECONSIDER OLD CANAL PLANS AT AU TRAIN RIVER

The proposed Au Train canal, first mentioned more than 80 years ago as a war-time protective measure against the possible crippling of the Soo locks, again is being considered as a possible national defense move, and the River and Harbor Improvement association is reported gathering information on the project.

Advocates of the plan propose connecting Lake Superior with Lake Michigan by way of the natural basin formed by the Au Train river, Trout lake, Whitefish river and Little Bay de Noc, a distance of about 40 miles. Such a route could be used in the event that the Soo locks were damaged, and would considerably shorten the iron ore haul from Lake Superior ports to steel mills of Gary, Hammond and East Chicago.

Geologists believe that during late stages of glaciation, when the eastern half of the Lake Superior basin was ice covered, the outlet of Lake Superior was through this channel.

According to records of the conservation department's geological survey, the Au Train canal was first considered in the 1850's, when it was realized that iron ore shipments would be vulnerable to British action at the American Soo locks, the first of which was completed in 1855.

Grouse From Wisconsin Released in Michigan

A shipment of 19 sharptailed grouse, the first of 40 birds to be received from Wisconsin, were released near Traverse City by Donald Douglass, conservation department ornithologist, and David Snyder, game area manager working out of Baldwin.

The newly stocked birds were supplied by the Sandhill game farm near Babcock, Wisconsin. A year ago about 50 sharptails were released at Thompsonville, 30 miles from the site of the present stocking.

PONTIAC CREDIT ASSOCIATION MEETS IN OWOSSO

Joining with directors and secretary-treasurers of 4 other associations, the directors and secretary-treasurer of the Pontiac Production Credit association have completed a 2-day conference at Owosso. Conferences of this kind have been held for several years past, the 15 associations of Michigan being grouped into 3 conferences so as to provide small groups that could engage in roundtable discussion.

In the 7 years since the Pontiac association opened for business it has loaned its members $1,926,100. While loans have been sought generally for current expenses, a substantial part has been for capital investment, such as real estate improvements, purchase of machinery, and breeding stock.

Fred J. Beckman, secretary-treasurer of the Pontiac PCA, who has returned from 2 days spent attending a conference at Owosso, was enthusiastic over the program.

"At conferences of this kind in former years the directors have devoted their time to discussion of credit policies, the use of certain forms, and various procedures but this year we took up many phases of the association's contact with people and how to make friends for the association," he said. "I wouldn't say it was a more valuable program than the others, but I think it opened our eyes to a lot of things that we may have overlooked. When you come to think of it, one of the best assets a cooperative can have is the friendship of the public and of its own members. That's what we discussed."

When the schedule of directors' conferences has been completed it is planned to hold similar sessions for the employees of production credit associations throughout the 7th Farm Credit district.

CHAMPION 'CAT HUNTER RETIRES TO BIG CITY

"Bobcat Ed" Anderson, colorful Oscoda county hunter, trapper, and fisherman for the past 15 years is relinquishing his long-term rank as the champion 'cat hunter of this part of the country.

Better opportunities for employment and heavy losses of fishing nets in storms last fall are leading Anderson to desert the Au Sable area for Detroit and city life. For the time being, at least, "Bobcat Ed" has shelved his bow and arrows, with which he has shot 16 'cats in the past 10 years, and tied up Smoky and Tex, his dogs trained especially for bobcat hunting. The bow had a 65 pound pull and the dogs were carried about in a special cage on the back of his pickup truck.

Anderson calls various 'cats by names of swamps which they frequent, such as the "Doan cat" and "Seven Mile Hill cat." He says 'cats are becoming scarce, and that a bounty is unnecessary, since the animals should be hunted only for sport.

Otto DeWaard, Iosco state game area manager who has hunted with "Bobcat Ed", says it is almost impossible to keep up with the stockily built Anderson when he is on a "hot" trail of a 'cat.

KENNEDY TO LET BIDS ON MAJOR ROAD PROGRAM

Bids were sought this week by State Highway Commissioner G. Donald Kennedy on 32 highway improvement projects estimated to cost $2,235,500.

Lettings on the projects, which include 72 miles of hard surfacing on gravel roads, eight miles of concrete paving, 16 miles of grading and drainage, and seven bridges will be held March 26.

This will be the second major letting of 1941, the first having been held February 11.

Kennedy stated most of the work is to be done on state trunklines that are on the Federal Aid highway system and 50 per cent of the cost of these projects will be paid by the Federal Government.

The projects on which bids are to be taken are located in 24 counties. They are: Allegan, Antrim, Benzie, Cass, Calhoun, Chippewa, Delta, Dickinson, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Huron, Kalamazoo, Kalkaska, Manistee, Muskegon, Oakland, Ottawa, Osceola, Roscommon, St. Clair, Schoolcraft, Van Buren and Wayne.

Principal projects on the list include 2.036 miles of grading and drainage structures and concrete surfacing on Fort Custer Drive, Kalamazoo county; 1.738 miles of grading and drainage structures and concrete surfacing on Fort Custer extension to Helmer road, Calhoun county; 4.674 miles of grading and drainage structures and stabilized aggregate surfacing on M-115 in Benzie county.

Four and two-tenths miles of 22-foot concrete pavement on US-31 in the village of Pellston, Emmet county; Four-span bridge on US-31 relocation northeast of South Haven, Van Buren county; five-span bridge on US-131 in city of Plainwell, Allegan county; 0.891 miles of grading and drainage structures and brick and asphalt surfacing on US-112 from 15th street to West Grand boulevard in Detroit and 9.754 miles of 21-foot stabilized aggregate surfacing on M-115 in Manistee county.

Land Appraised For New Wildlife Area

Initial steps in the establishment of the sixth wildlife improvement area in southern Michigan are being taken with appraisal of property near Dansville in Ingham county by Harold A. Carter and Joseph Smoke of the federal Fish and Wildlife service.

Besides aiding wildlife, the establishment of a Pittman-Robertson project in the Dansville area would give pheasant, rabbit and squirrel hunters additional public hunting ground. Purchased with federal assistance, the wildlife project areas are managed by the state department of conservation.

Approval by the state conservation commission of the purchase of 305 acres in Barry county and 1,080 acres in Gratiot and Saginaw counties brings the amount of land under supervised improvement in each of these two developing Pittman-Robertson projects to about 6,000 acres.

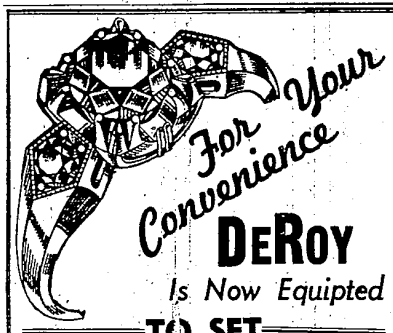
On the Tuscola project, near Caro, 60,000 trees and shrubs are to be planted this year to improve rabbit and pheasant cover, and to improve food patches.

Deeryard Logs to Help Build New Schoolhouse

Killing two birds with one stone, the conservation department has authorized cutting of timber in the Bass Lake deeryard to help deer through the winter and indirectly help provide Drummond with a gymnasium and community building.

A permit has been issued by the department to the school district for supervised cutting of small logs and some saw timber about 12 miles from the village for the construction of the building, which will be approximately 50 feet wide and 100 feet long. The timber must be cut during the yarding season, according to specifications set up by the department, and the permit allows removal of only enough timber to build the gym.

Alaskan Eskimos sometimes use gumdrops for money.



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