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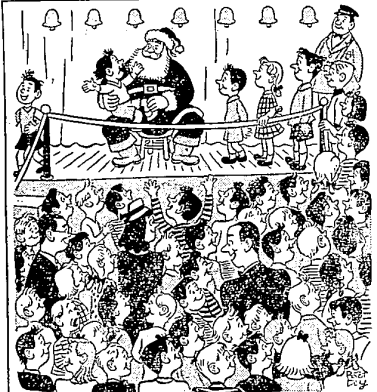
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Postal employees now are enjoying their last peaceful week before wading into the annual deluge of Christmas mail.

A cheerful stream of Christmas greeting cards and packages are already pouring into the post office. It is expected to reach flood proportions this week, following Postmaster Norman C. Lee's warning last week that all packages and all Christmas cards for out-of-state delivery should be in the mail by Friday, December 10.

"If they are mailed later, some may not be delivered until after Christmas," he warned.

Post office cancellations normally average an estimated 3,100 pieces of mail per day, the postmaster reported.

VARIED PROGRAM IS BEING PLANNED FOR FARMERS' WEEK

No matter what your farming interest is, you'll find that a program at the Michigan State college Farmers' Week has been arranged to bring you the newest information on the subject, according to Dean E. L. Anthony of this school of agriculture.

The week is set for January 24 to 28, 1949. Beginning on Tuesday, a number of special programs are scheduled. Agricultural economics and farm management will feature marketing, agricultural policy, and planning for 1949 farm business, buying and selling, and making a farm pay.

Structures and equipment, hay and grain handling, irrigation, and use of wooded products will be among the varied programs. Agricultural engineering highlights, animal husbandry will be divided among horse, beef cattle, swine, and sheep. Farm crops and soils, and raising sugar beets, beans, and potatoes. Conservation has named game management and land use planning as part of their schedule.

Maple syrup, Christmas trees, and use of wooded products will be considered by the forestry department. Dairying will spotlight feeding, management, and nutrition. Fruits, vegetables, and flowers will take the attention of the horticulture department.

Rounding out the poultry program will be sessions on management and marketing. Sociology and anthropology will feature talks on rural churches, health, and family living.

So there's a thumbnail sketch of few of the topics at Farmers' Week. You're bound to find something that will be useful in your farm business, Dean Anthony contends — that is unless you're an orchard raiser, something equally rare. And if by any chance you do raise orchards, you might look around the horticulture department when you come.

With a program as complete as the one planned, you are likely to find something of interest there.

STATE INSPECTORS CHECKING WEIGHTS ON POULTRY ITEMS

Sales of poultry and poultry products are usually heaviest during the coming holiday season. For this reason, Miles A. Nelson, Chief of the Bureau of Marketing and Enforcement, Michigan Department of Agriculture, is reminding his inspection staff to see that there are no violations in the handling and sale of these important products.

Occasionally it has been found that when individual birds such as chickens, turkeys, geese, or ducks are sold, the total sale price has been computed in the basis of a weight that does not correspond to the weight of the bird that is delivered to the customer. The Bureau has received a number of complaints and convictions have resulted because consumers received poultry apparently short of the weight declared. Sometimes this is due to confusion as to whether the weight is advertised by live weight, feather dressed, or completely eviscerated, ready to cook.

In order for the seller to comply with the food and drug laws and measures of Michigan, the poultry vendor should deliver to the customer no less than the quantity he represents.

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Governor-Elect Williams campaigned against the 1947 legislative enactment which required the state welfare department to file a claim against the estate of a deceased relief recipient to recover the amount of public relief paid.

President Truman has proposed liberalization of social security retirement benefits advocating "at least 50 per cent" increase for retirement payments. Oscar R. Ewing, federal security administrator, favors a 100 per cent increase.

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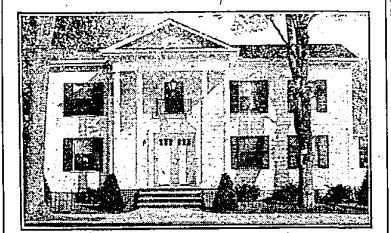
MUSICAL PROGRAM DECEMBER 21 SET BY FARMINGTON PTA

A Christmas program of music will be featured at the Farmington PTA meeting, scheduled to take place at the Farmington High School auditorium on December 21 at 8 p.m.

At the program, the high school Glee Clubs, the Band, and the Farmington Male Chorus, under the direction of J. W. Henderson and Lloyd Smith, of the music department, will be featured.

Plans for the January 18th meeting of the Farmington PTA have tentatively been scheduled to include an old-fashioned square dance.

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