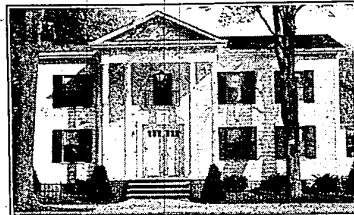


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Joyce LaPlante, 5 East 11, University Hospital, Ann Arbor, is very lonely. She is far from friends and family during her shut-in hours.

Another lonely person is James Kenny, Ward B-10, VA Hospital at Outer Drive and Southfield in Dearborn. His friends and family are also far away.

Mrs. Ethel Munson, 2926 Marquette Avenue, Detroit 8, is a shut-in who could be made much happier by a few friendly visitors.

I'm wondering why more "talking books" aren't sent to each hospital in this area. They are a blessing to the blind. Stories and music would be a very nice project for some clever group to take on.

Charley Johnson and Josephine McClosky at Glenbrook lived very active lives before their afflictions. Charley was on the stage, and Josephine worked in an office. Now they must just sit and watch and spend like a king. It's a very small way of saying "thank you" for the cheer brought to others.

You never know; some day they may be sending cheer to you.

**WASHINGTON
MERRY-GO-ROUND**

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set off the strike at a dramatic, all-night session.

For the first time, it is the inside story:

After negotiations broke down at South Bend, Secretary of the Air Force Stuart Symington personally invited Benbush-boss Malcolm Ferguson to Washington. Simultaneously he sent a plane to Detroit to pick up Walter Reuther, chief of the United Auto Workers.

The two men were brought in to see Symington separately. The secretary of the air force warned both that plane production would be crippled, if the Berlin lift forced down for lack of key parts if the strike continued.

It was Reuther who suggested it should sit down on the spot and settle the strike.

"With all this talent from both labor and management," he declared, "if we can't settle this strike, then it just plain can't be settled. And I'm willing to sweat it."

Ferguson was brought in, and the two men met face to face.

"I am convinced that by using the democratic processes," he offered, "we can settle this strike, and by doing it in that way, we will enable the air force to continue to defend the democratic processes we are using."

Ferguson promptly agreed.

Assistant Secretary of Labor John Gibson also was called in, offered to serve as arbitrator.

For several hours the two sides haggled behind closed doors, took time for a few quick naps. Symington kept a Potawatamie kitchen open all night to accommodate them.

By 3 a.m. the negotiators were still deadlocked. Finally Reuther blurted out: "The thing that bewilders me is how a situation that has dragged on for two weeks and shows no signs of settling down, yet has been handled with good faith and good will and intelligence, could have gotten so 'snarled' up as it is tonight."

Reuther used one word that can't be repeated here which caused the tense, solemn group to burst out in laughter. This broke the ice and started the negotiators on the road to settlement.

Air traffic transactions handled by the International Air Transport Association's London Clearing House during the first quarter of 1949 reached \$46,370,000, almost double last year's first quarter.



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What perhaps started out as a pleasant fishing trip ended up in great legal difficulties for two fishermen, writer's cramp for a law officer, and a tale tailored for boring grandchildren within twenty years from now.

All was going well with the fishermen until their car was inspected.

**Scout Troop 35
Visits Camp Agawam**

Sixteen members of Boy Scout Troop 35 of the Farmington Baptist church, are attending Camp Agawam at Tommey's Lake this week.

The boys left Sunday in Troop Committee's car. Scoutmaster William E. Burman is in charge. The other participants in the camp include Scouts Ayres, Banks, Wilfred and Arthur Schadenbrach, Daniels, Bur, Paulson, Foster, Goulet, Grieshaber and Richard and Ronald Tilton.

**Dogs Get Lesson
On Attacking Deer**

Two springer spaniels were given training to track deer and chased them to their own back yard before being convinced that attacking a deer was foolhardy business. Ray Walker, conservation officer of the State Game Commission, was there. Leaving the two yapping, but retreating dogs behind, the deer and her nearby fawns returned to the woods.

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more freight traffic in a year than all the other canals in the world. The great Panama Canal is a piker by comparison, although equally vital to our security.

The military strategic importance of the Soo locks was doubly recognized by the United States government during World War II. The long, isolated railroad terminal was rushed to near completion at Escanaba. This project swallowed up many millions of war bond money. It reflected the jittery fears of Washington strategists as to what might happen if the Soo canal were bombed out of usefulness by raiding Germans.

Firearms is automobiles brought up the question of the auto itself. How come it didn't have a license (No. 4)? Well, the drivers didn't have operator's' licenses either, (No. 5) so that sort of balanced out.

What did they need firearms for in the first place? They planned a little hunting. Only they didn't have hunting licenses, either.

The seventh count? Oh yes, one of the men was also wanted for a Grand Larceny charge in Wisconsin. And Reuther? He still has a gleam in his eye — and writer's cramp in his hand.

Marguerite L. Labadie of Farmington is one of 1302 students enrolled in the six weeks summer session at Western Michigan College, now in progress.

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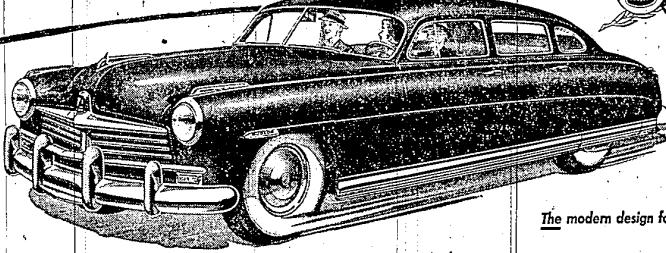
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