

Novi News

MRS. GEORGE WAITE

Mr. and Mrs. John Nail and two children were Saturday evening dinner guests of their parents in Detroit.

Corporal and Mrs. Lester Ward have a new daughter born Saturday, May 21, at a hospital near Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, where he is stationed. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bulkema have taken over the management of the Bob-O-Link Golf Club for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Hunter of Detroit were Saturday evening dinner guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Ward.

The Novi Board of Commerce will hold its regular meeting and dinner at the school Thursday evening, June 5.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell spent the week end with his father at Meriville.

The Baptist Church held its family night dinner at the church Dr. Andem showed movies of a recent trip around the world which included Latin American Missions.

The Youth Fellowship of the Baptist Church will hold its regular meeting in the church Thursday evening instead of Sunday. After the devotion at the next meeting they will play ball. They plan in the future to hold contests and visit other churches in the surrounding communities.

Sunday, June 8, the Baptist Church will hold Children's Day. The youth of the church will lead singing, deliver the morning sermon and take part in other activities of the church.

WAR VETERANS OF SLICK FINANCIERS

Veterans who are delinquent in payments on their GI home loans are warned to check carefully any offers by strangers to pay delinquent payments if they, the veterans, will "sign on the dotted line".

This warning was sounded this week by Guy F. Palmer, manager of the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Detroit, which has guaranteed home loans for over 130,000 Michigan veterans of World War II.

Palmer said such veterans should check with the holder of the mortgage or with the loan guaranty division of the Detroit Regional Office to determine whether or not the offer is legitimate and sound.

Unfortunately, Palmer explained, a revival of the practice sometimes called "milking" or "equity skinning" has occurred in the Detroit and other Michigan areas.

In one form of this racket, the veteran who is behind in his GI loan payments is approached by individuals offering to pay the delinquent installments if the veteran will "sign on the dotted line".

The veteran subsequently learns that he has signed a deed and can get his property back only by signing a land contract at a much higher price.

When the veteran finds he is unable to meet the frequently excessive terms of the land sales contract, a legal action is taken to obtain possession of the veteran's home.

WEST POINT PARK NEWS

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May 29, 1952
William Varhol, who is home on leave from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, spent two days of this week with friends in Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Tallman, who for a time has been residing with the Tallmans on Mayfield Avenue, left on the week end for a vacation trip to California.

Mrs. V. C. Reddy of Shady Side Avenue attended the state of Professional and Business Women held at the Ft. Shelby Hotel, Detroit, Friday.

The Robert Kellogg family, the Harold McViears, the Arthur Moore, the Reddys and others from Detroit enjoyed a picnic and wienner roast at the Reddy property on Shady Side Avenue last Sunday afternoon.

The Square Dance Group which has been having frequent Saturday night dances at the Reddy home on Shady Side Avenue, put on an excellent demonstration on Thursday night at the Minaret Show, arranged as a benefit for the Livonia Methodist Church. The performance was given at Newburg Hall. Costumes of the dancers were very attractive.

It was art exhibit night at the Pleron PTA meeting Thursday evening. Not only did pupils of the school have their art work on display but by invitation, parents also displayed their art work. The result was truly amazing. The exhibit was only the usual places of fine needlework but such things as pottery and other examples of hobby craft. Anyone viewing the exhibit saw a great amount of artistic ability.

Sincerely Yours:

Letters submitted to the Editor for publication must be signed. Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the position of this newspaper.

To the Editor:

While driving my daughter's car down Oakland taking another daughter and two small children home, I safely crossed a trench the city had dug out to connect a water main. A little ways further on, I saw a chuck hole and what I believed to be a little pile of dirt at the side of it. A car was approaching from the opposite direction and not wishing to be on the wrong side of the road I attempted to straddle the chuck hole and the car dropped down jolting us badly. I pulled out of the chuck hole but there was a sickening noise of metal against concrete. This chuck hole was full of water so one could not possibly judge the depth. There were absolutely no barricades or warning signs of any kind posted. I drove into Farmington and parked and was about to put money in the meter when a man on the sidewalk asked, "Lady do you know your gas is leaking?" I looked and there was a puddle of gas under the car and a wet trail behind us as far as the eye could see. He said "if I were you I'd get right to the garage while I still could" and furthermore I sue the city, for having such places. We drove to the Berling-McHugh Ford garage and the pavement was wet with gasoline all the way. We were told at the garage that it was a wonder the car didn't explode enroute. Seems one should shut the motor off when gas is leaking and get away from the car. The deep chuck hole and jagged concrete had knocked the gas lock crooked and they had to take the gas tank off the car and take it elsewhere for a welding job. We had a full tank (it is a 1951 Mercury and holds 19 1/2 gallons). When the car was repaired some two hours later and we were able to return to our home I went to the City Manager and told him about it and he told us to write a statement of facts and attach a copy of the garage bill which the owner of the car had paid. When I later read the minutes of the Council proceeding I noticed it reads that the accident occurred where the city was connecting a water main. This is not the facts. The accident occurred in a chuck hole in front of 34015 Oakland about 10 a.m. May 15th. The next day May 17th the road repairmen were right in there filling in the chuck hole and digging across the street and erected barricades and hung a lantern. This sudden activity was the direct result of my complaint and was not done until after our accident. A letter from the City Manager yesterday states quite definitely that the finding of the City Attorney is that inasmuch as the incident occurred during the day light hours at which time the obstacle was clearly visible for a distance of at least one hundred feet no liability exists. Consequently your claim has been tabled pending my further investigation. Had the damage to your vehicle resulted during the hours of darkness a distinct liability would exist." unquote.

As driver of the car I stoutly maintain that no motorist can judge the depth of a chuck hole especially when it is full of water. There are hundreds of chuck holes in the streets which look like this one and which we are forced to drive through. There is a law that such places must be posted or barricaded. My daughter has filed a simple claim against the city for the garage bill \$11.59 (\$6.10 parts, \$5.00 labor, tax 19c). Taxi \$1.05, loss of eleven gallons of gas, \$3.08. TOTAL \$15.72. The matter comes up June 16th at the Council meeting. I have driven various makes of cars for nearly thirty years and have never had a violation ticket of any kind and was driving slowly and cautiously. If the car had exploded while driving to the garage they might have had a real suit on their hands instead of a simple claim. Is a joke like that doesn't do any car any good. Are we getting the run-around? Or were we misunderstood? Should it become necessary to press the case in court we will of course have the car thoroughly examined to ascertain whether the frame may have been sprung, and there was the matter of persistent potholes in the car which were damaged, luncheon at a restaurant for 3 adults and two children plus great inconvenience and worry to which we were subjected.

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Herman Schult and his son of Shady Side Avenue, employed in Indiana, were home last week end to visit Mrs. Schult, who has been critically ill. Mr. Schult, who has been ill also, is now somewhat improved. The Schult family plan to move to Indiana at the close of the school year.

Roadmen recently straightened the jog in Northpark Avenue between Hubbard and Parker. Residents of that neighborhood are greatly pleased.

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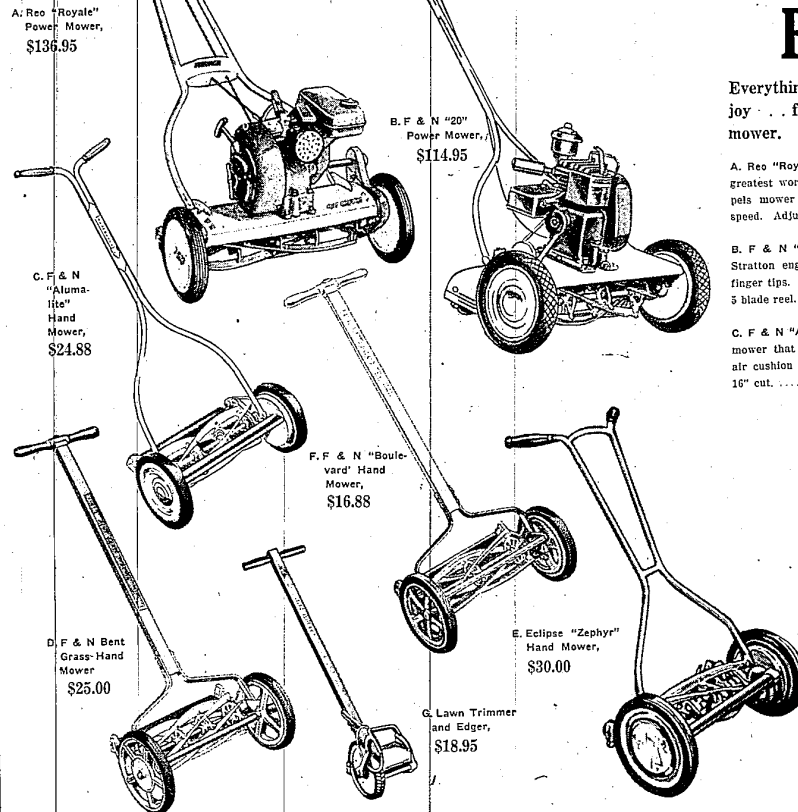
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