

Report Deer Kill Up 15 Per Cent Over Last Year

Conservation Department reports on Michigan's 1955 deer season indicate firearm hunters bagged some 68,000 bucks - about 9,000 more than during the regular season last year.

Statistical studies of deer being transported on highways show about a 20 per cent increase in the buck kill in the northern lower peninsula and an overall boost of about 15 per cent throughout the state.

Hunters bagged approximately 39,500 whitetails in the northern lower peninsula this season - about 6700 more than were taken in the region last year during the 16-day buck season.

A limited special one-day "any deer" season in a portion of the northern half of the lower peninsula added another 8300 deer to the total kill in 1954. No special season is being held this year except on a small area in Allegan County.

Upper peninsula hunters accounted for some 26,500 bucks about 2000 over 1954, despite two severe blizzards in the region during this season.

In the farm areas of the southern lower peninsula, game workers estimated the total kill may have reached 2000, compared with 1700 in 1954.

According to fragmentary information, hunting pressure this year appeared about the same as 1954 when 420,000 hunters turned out for the regular firearm season.

Reports from Conservation Department biological checking stations indicate very little change from last year in deer weights and antler development in the same age class.

A somewhat higher percentage of older bucks was bagged in some counties in the lower peninsula this season, in comparison to 1954. Game specialists said the presence of more older bucks may be the result of a below normal harvest of deer in these areas last year.

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After serving for four years in the Air Force Supply Division at March Field in Riverside, California, Ronald Priebe, with his wife and son, has returned to make his home in Farmington. Mrs. Priebe is the former Edna McKerracher of Middlebelt Road.

This was an exciting time for Mrs. McKerracher, for it was the first time she had seen her grandson.

They are staying with Ronald's parents on St. Francis Street until they get a chance to go house hunting for themselves. The Priebe family has many Christmas friends, whom they have not seen for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. G. McKinney of Sams Seal were at Commerce Lake last week to attend a surprise party given for their nephew, Lawrence Graig, formerly of Linden Lane. A lunch was served the 25 present.

Mark and David Ditchfield spent Thursday and Friday visiting their maternal grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. C. Snyder of Eldon Street.

Mr. Ray Matsen celebrated his birthday on Monday. A few friends dropped in for cake and ice cream in the evening.

A toy demonstration was enjoyed by 15 women at the home of Mrs. McKinney last Wednesday night. After the demonstration a lunch of coffee and donuts was served.

Girl Scout Troop 174 visited the Ford Rotunda last Thursday evening after school. The girls, along with their leader, Barbara Santo, enjoyed the many Christmas displays as well as visiting Santa and his reindeer.

Mrs. Cortis, Mrs. Westerland and Mrs. Francis drove the girls and helped supervise activities.

Clarenceville High P.T.A. Yule Meeting Set Dec. 20.

The Clarenceville High School P. T. A. will hold its Christmas party meeting on Tuesday, December 20, at the high school starting at 8 p.m.

A program will be presented pertinent to the season.

All persons attending are asked to bring a can of food or some other staple item to place in the P. T. A. Christmas basket.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

Flammable Decorations Should Be Ruled Out

Christmas decorations lend a festive air to the home and neighborhood, but there may be hazards connected with their use, says a leading national insurance company.

First, avoid buying flammable decorations, ask the sales person whether the article is or can be made fireproof and as further proof, fire-test each article before using. Secondly, be sure that a safe step ladder is used when putting up the decorations on windows and trees.

"Observe Christmas As Christ's Birthday" Theme At Walled Lake

A project started last year in Hastings, Michigan, to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas" has spread this year to several other communities in Michigan.

One of the communities adopting the idea this year is Walled Lake. The project is being sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society of St. William's Catholic Church in cooperation with the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Their purpose is to "Observe Christmas as Christ's Birthday," seeking to reduce commercialism surrounding this religious holiday.

According to a recent report, Walled Lake business men have responded enthusiastically to the idea and are promoting it strongly. The Rosary Altar Society has been promoting the sending of religious Christmas cards, making Nativity posters for store windows, and has revived the age-old Christian custom of using the Advent Wreath.

One thousand stickers for car windshields with the slogan "Observe Christmas as Christ's Birthday" have been distributed.

The Rosary Altar Society of the church has again this year erected a stable containing 28 winterized statues depicting the Nativity of the Savior on the rectory lawn. The stable has been erected each Christmas season on the lawn at the church site since 1941. Outdoor Christmas cribs are also being erected on lawns of private homes, replacing "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" and Santa Claus.

Residents and merchants of the Farmington area have been invited by the St. William's Rosary Altar Society, the Business and Professional Women's Club and merchants in Walled Lake to visit their community and view the manner in which their theme to "Observe Christmas as Christ's Birthday" is being carried out.

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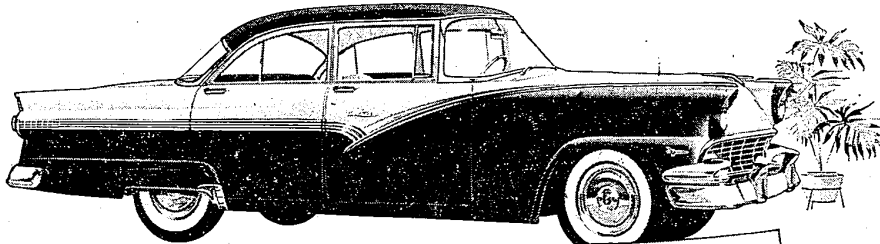
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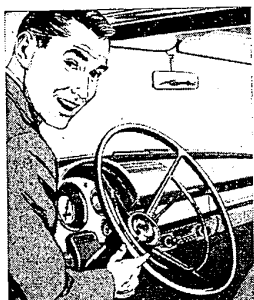
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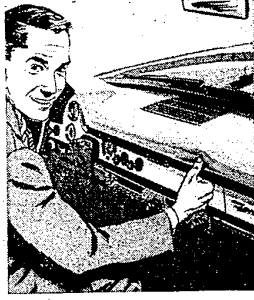
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