

Michigan's quail population appears on the increase.

A recent survey produced an index number of 16 birds per route surveyed. Last year, the same highway routes produced an index of 13.1 birds per route surveyed.

Quail in Michigan are generally limited to the southern tier of counties.

When a man has not a good reason for doing a thing, he has no good reason for letting it alone.

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## PUBLIC LETTER BOX

Letters submitted to the Editor for publication must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request. Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the policies of this newspaper.

### Question Township Board Action

Dear Editor:

Last week we read in The Enterprise where the Township hired its fourth police officer. It seems odd that the appointment was made by the Township Board, when we have a qualified Police

Chief. When one of our residents writes to the Board if Chief Yakes was present at the time of the interview, Floyd Cairns, Township Clerk, stated that due to a misunderstanding Chief Yakes was present but that the Township Board had checked the applications. He forgot to state, however, whether the new officer was for Police Chief's choice.

Also, the Board stated that the Township was purchasing a new police car or station wagon. May we ask you, who should know what equipment or transportation is needed, better than the man who uses it.

Other cities and townships leave it to the department heads of each department as to what is needed for their use. The department head then usually draws specifications and arranges for sealed bids to be submitted to the Board for their approval. With this type of operation it saves time, and all the facts are presented to the Board at one time.

It seems to us that if members of the Board had spent the time trying to obtain improved roads, ditches, water and drainage service and left the purchase of a new car and an appointment of a new officer to the department head, then our Township would have benefited and would be moving forward.

Last year the Township Board appointed a policeman who resigned a week or so later over a wage dispute. Chief Yakes stated that he had told the man to start work on a certain date yet the Board did not support Chief Yakes' action, even though the officer had started on the date designated by the Chief.

Chief Yakes also stated that the officer was a good man with previous experience. What was done about this matter we never heard, other than that the Board accepted the resignation without any explanation.

If the Board was wrong by accepting the officer's resignation, and did not try to rectify the injustice to the officer and to Chief Yakes for not supporting his action, then we, as residents of this community, are not electing members capable of representing our community.

Wandering Voters and Residents

P.S. — Dear neighbors and residents: If you feel as we do in this letter, it only costs a dime to call the Township Office and let them know it and to let them know that we're not asleep in our community. — Better yet, if you can, why not attend the Township Board meetings.

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## DEPT. OF STATE CONDUCTS MANY INVESTIGATIONS

The Michigan Department of State has a number of investigating functions that are probably not widely known, says Secretary of State James M. Hare.

"We have an Investigations Division that plays an important role in the business activities of the state, but except for an occasional newsworthy item, most of what it does isn't much in the public eye," Hare says.

"One of its activities that has been getting some attention lately has been the re-weighing of trucks to determine whether the proper amount of tax has been paid on them."

"The truck re-weighing is not done on every truck in the state, as we haven't nearly enough staff for this. We investigate only when a complaint has been made. This complaint usually comes from a competitor. We expect that this year we will recover several hundred thousand dollars in additional license fees and sales tax as a result of this re-weighing program."

"Re-weighing trucks is not the only activity of our Investigations Division. This division at the moment is participating in the hearing of a new car dealer charged with selling cars of a make he is not franchised to handle."

"Our department is responsible for licensing private detectives. When an application is made the Investigation Division checks before we determine that we will or will not issue the license."

"This investigation function is only one of the many activities of the Department of State. It is just another reason that this is one of the largest of the various departments of the state government."

The American Red Cross provides service to veterans at 73 Veterans Administration offices throughout the country.

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## HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT OFFERS SUGGESTIONS ON CLEANING RUGS, CARPETS

If rugs and carpets are to wear well and stay attractive, they must be kept clean. Dirt on the surface dulls the color of the rug; embedded grit wears and cuts the fibers. Damage from clothes moths and carpet beetles is less likely to happen when rugs are kept clean, cautions Mrs. Freida Bennett, home demonstration agent for Oakland County. The time to spray rugs against these insects is after they have been thoroughly cleaned.

If the traffic lanes are vacuumed daily, years of life will be added to the rug. A vacuuming will pick up much of the soil before it works down and becomes imbedded in the fibers. Less frequently, give the rugs longer, more thorough vacuuming.

Anything spilled on the rug should be removed at once. Blot up as much as possible with a soft cloth or absorbent tissue. Then sponge the area with a hot cloth wrung out of clear water. Or, perhaps a mixture of a teaspoon of mild synthetic detergent to a cup of lukewarm water will be needed. Use a circular motion, beginning at the outer edge and working in. Blot up the solution

and rinse with clear water. Be sure the rug is free of cleaning agent and that it isn't soaked. Water can damage the backing on the rug and it invites mildew.

Water should not be used at all on twist braided rugs; it takes out the twist, says Mrs. Bennett. Remove grease spots with a grease solvent or "cleaning fluid." But use cautiously if the rug has a rubber backing, because the fluid may dissolve the rubber.

Surface soil can be removed from rugs with an absorbent cleaner or shampoo, but such home cleaning does not remove embedded soil. Professional cleaners to day are equipped to clean rugs thoroughly at the plant or to do on-location jobs for most wall-to-wall carpeting.

Announcement was made this week that Beverly Wendlandt and Bobby Langford are now making plans for attending Alma College this fall. They will leave to begin studies on September 16.

A new alarm clock has been placed on the market that is shut off by a touch on any part of its surface.

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## Small Boat Users Urged To Practice Precautions

Fishermen and others using small boats are reminded that safety precautions should be observed.

One of the surest ways to court disaster is to stand or walk in a small boat. Boating experts agree that passengers in a small craft should change positions only in shallow water where a sudden mishap will not be tragic.

Some other safety tips from boating experts:

Do not stand when you raise or lower an anchor, for you are overbalanced when doing so end may tip the boat. For fishing and casting, it isn't necessary to stand.

If an accident occurs and the boat does capsize, don't leave it. A floating boat will support many persons clinging to the sides. It's your only link to life, so stay with the boat and wait for help.

## MASS FEEDING

The mass-feeding committee of Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, met on Monday, July 10, at the chapter house in Pontiac to discuss a newly compiled written plan of action in time of natural disaster and agreements from Oakland County schools for use in mass-feeding.

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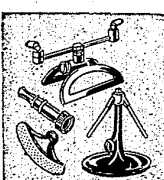
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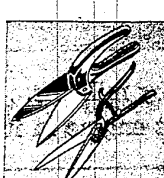


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I have intended to write to you prior to this date, but have neglected to do so. Since I first subscribed to The Enterprise, more than a year ago, I have travelled to many places in the world, but thanks to you and your efficient staff, I have always felt close to home.

When my copy of The Enterprise reaches me, it is usually three weeks old, but none of the interest is lost by the delay in reaching me. The articles you publish about the local graduation exercises, the new race track, the construction on Grand River, the local charity activities, all help to make me feel closer to the people and the city I hold so dear.

May I wish you continued success and extend my sincere thanks to everyone involved in helping me receive my Enterprise and the news it contains.

Very truly yours,  
Efc. Joan D. Gentile  
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Engr Agency (7982) Adj.  
APO 58, New York, N. Y.

## Conservation Commission Approves Land Purchases

The Conservation Commission approved purchase of 1,000 acres of state forests and game lands at its July 12-13 meeting at Higgins Lake training school.

Also, a 40 x 80 foot strip of land in East Tawas state park was given to the City of East Tawas for construction of a new water storage tank. The city has the water supply station in the park and provides free water and sewage disposal to park users.

Allotment of \$59,500 in capital outlay funds was approved for distribution to five state parks; \$20,000 to Yankee Springs recreation area for an extensive topsoil and seeding project; \$20,000 to Porcupine Mountains state park for a south boundary road; \$7,500 to Wilderness state park for campground development, \$7,000 for minor prison camp construction, and \$500 to Lakeview state park for road improvements.

Action was also taken to clear minor title problems in Aloha, Port Crescent and Vin Riper state parks.

A trained seal net got top billing in a traveling variety show. Oh, dem golden flippers!

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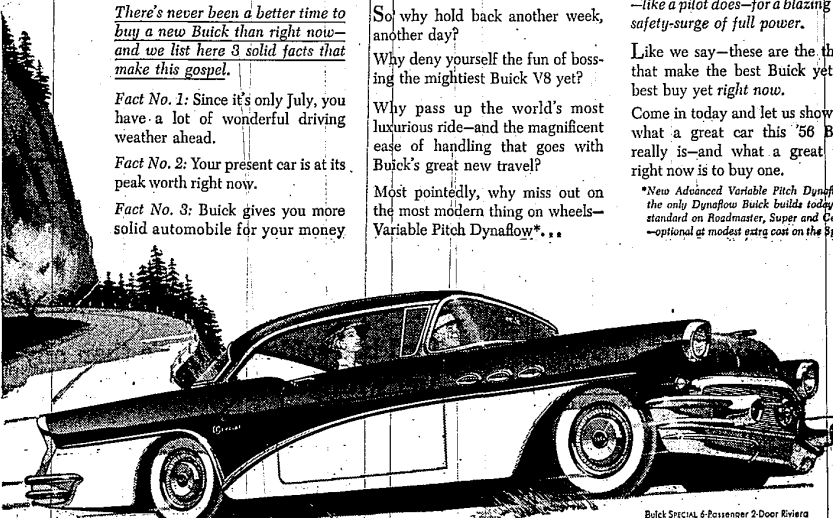
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