

State Police Issue Warning for Children to Beware Strangers

Because complaints involving the molestation of small children increase in the warm weather months, Sgt. Ploehn, commander of the Detroit State Police post, is urging parents to warn their youngsters against going anywhere with strangers.

Ploehn emphasizes that this warning should be occasionally repeated to keep children on guard against accepting gifts or other lures from persons they do not know.

He said that State Police last year investigated 571 sex offenses against children, which include child molestations, throughout the state.

While this was 22 fewer than in 1961, Ploehn stressed that the records again showed that the offenses increased in the warm weather months.

THE MONTH LAST year was July with 68 and then in order: June, 65, August, 62, May, 57, October, 54, April, 52 and September 45. The remaining five months having 40 or less.

Ploehn observed that reluctance by parents to report child molestation incidents to the police is one of the major reasons for the publicity in accidents. Names of minor children involved and their parents are not used by the press radio or television except in situations involving abduction or murder.

He added that this reluctance to disclose the actual facts of the case, tends to thwart preventive action by law enforcement agencies, and may even encourage the offender to strike again.

PLOEHN EMPHASIZED that parents should impress their children with the importance of

1. Don't accept any offers of money, candy or other gifts from strangers and don't go for walks or rides with them.
2. Report to your parents, police or teacher any persons acting suspiciously near you or your group.
3. Have playmates or companions with you while outdoors at play, going to or from school, gifts or other lures from persons they do not know.
4. Don't loiter in or near public rest rooms because these are danger spots.
5. Don't let anyone persuade you to disobey these rules. Be sure to consult your parents, teacher or a police officer if you have a problem or a question concerning your safety away from home.

PLOEHN SUGGESTED that children can help curb the child molesting problem by doing as follows:

1. Write down or memorize descriptive details of any person who tries to molest you while outdoors, on the way to or from school or other places. Remember the color of eyes, hair, skin and any unusual features such as freckles, glasses, tattoos, jewelry or any physical defects or scars.
2. If the stranger has a car, write down in the manner the license plate number and try to remember other details about the car such as color, make, and decorations.
3. Children should be advised that their suspicions can help protect themselves and other youngsters from harm, Ploehn concluded. He pointed out that any person investigated because of some child's complaint should not be offended if he has a proper explanation for his activities.

Michigan Tech Student Takes Up Active Role

David M. Bush of Farmington, a sophomore currently attending classes at Michigan College of Mining and Technology at Houghton, Michigan, is making a favorable impression in his pursuit of a metallurgical engineering degree.

In addition to his full academic requirements, he is actively serving his college as chairman of the house athletic committee for Oread's parade, intramural basketball, and chairman of a student council committee, as well as a reporter for his college newspaper, "The Michigan Tech Lode."

HE IS ALSO active in the United Campus Christian Fellowship, and a member of the ASM (The American Society for Metals).

David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Bush of Randall Street and a graduate of Farmington Senior High School in the class of '61.

Large Electric Lines Planned

Plans by the Detroit Edison Company to run high powered electric power lines through Farmington City and Township to provide greater capacity to serve this rapidly developing area were outlined to the City Planning Commission at its regular meeting last Monday night.

It was indicated that Detroit Edison is planning to connect these high power lines from a point at Evergreen and Eight Mile westward to Grand River, thence along Grand River to the expressway and from this point along Freedom Drive paralleling the expressway as far west as Haggerty Road.

At Haggerty Road there would be a good sized transformer station, the plans revealed.

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New Lecture Series Speakers are Slated

The Northville Town Hall series offers interested Farmington women a most exciting slate for the 1962-63 season. Tickets will go on sale at the P and A Box Office and at the Luncheon at the Northville Town Hall on the day of the last lecture, April 18.

A season ticket includes five lectures starting at 11 a.m. at the P and A Theatre in Northville. Additional information about ticket sales is available by calling Mrs. Harry Wagenschultz at 348-2876.

The next season will mark the third for the Northville Town Hall which has experienced a rewarding success.

PROCEEDS OF THE Northville Town Hall series are used for charitable purposes, to be divided by Farmington, Plymouth, Livonia and Northville. Celebrity luncheons which follow the lectures were dedicated to each of the cities.

Farmington Day will be November 21. Luncheons for the coming season will be served at "Meadowbrook" and the "Thun, derbird Inn."

Opening the season will be Walter Slezak, star of stage, screen, radio and television using the theme "Show Business is No Business." This is an authoritative and inimitable discourse on the fabulous and slightly crazy world on the other side of the camera curtain. Mr. Slezak, who will be the guest speaker on October 17, recently authored "What Time is the Next Swan?" the delightful memoirs of his childhood.

stimulating program will be Northville's Lecture speaker Dr. Albert Burke.

A scientist, economist, educator, news essayist and author of "Enough Good Men - A Way of Life" Dr. Burke is quoted as claiming by New York Times as "an exciting now voice-provocative, sensible and challenging."

DR. BURKE WAS inspired by the famous words of Edmund Burke, who said "All that is necessary for the forces of evil to win in the world is for enough good men to do nothing." Nita Magidoff will grace the platform on March 19, 1964. Russian-born Nita knows from her own experiences what life can be like behind the Iron Curtain. Everywhere she goes her vibrant personality, irreverent sense of humor, her enthusiasm for life and her deep country patriotism to this country have endeared her to her audiences.

Winner of the Coty American Fashion Critics Award 1960, The Neiman-Marcus Award 1961 and many other honors, is Count Ferdinando Sarni, guest speaker for the Northville Series on the last lecture on April 16, 1964. Count Sarni says, "I have always thought that clothes must be feminine." This is the credo that has made him one of the most sought-after fashion designers in the world.

Local Navy Recruit Completes Training

Dale E. Preuss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Preuss of 2914 Westmont Court, Farmington, completed nine weeks of basic recruit training recently at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, California.

The designation to Navy life consisted of physical fitness drills, military drills, seamanship, basic military law, customs and regulations of a naval service, swimming and survival, and first aid.

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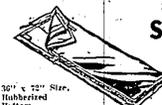


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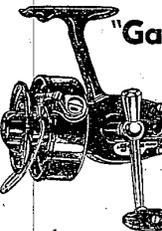
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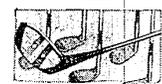
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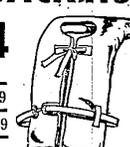
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