



THURSTON'S Tim Forbes (22) has an anguished look on his face as he leaps high to grab a rebound during the climactic battle with North Farmington. Mike McCoy (33) seems to be blinded by a flying saucer but actually it is an overhead light that was caught by the camera. Thurston rolled to an 80-46 victory to the Oak Park for the Northwest Suburban League leadership.

Psychiatrist Says, Med Student Sex Ed. Poor

The physician in today's society should be comfortable discussing sex and family planning with his patients.

A University of Michigan psychiatrist says the medical schools are not doing well in sex education of medical students, and he questions the low priority given to maturity in the student selection process.

"There is an amazing lack of knowledge about sexual matters in even graduating physicians," says Dr. Stuart M. Finch, professor of psychiatry at the U-M Medical School.

THIS SITUATION is being slowly improved, Dr. Finch says, but the vast majority of medical students still are denied the adequate sex education for which they are eager. "However, during the last few years there has been an almost remarkable increase in

sexual education in many medical schools throughout the country and we are only beginning to get some ideas about how much this new approach will change the attitudes of students.

"Recently at a specialty board examination I heard for the first time candidates being quizzed on their knowledge of such things as abortion laws, contraception, and sex education. Only a few years ago such questions would have been thoroughly taboo.

Black Leather Out Of Style?

Motorcyclists are abandoning the traditional black leather jacket in favor of brighter colors, says Ross Langlitz, a leather goods manufacturer in Portland.

The reason? Affluent times and mod styles, says Langlitz.

Interestingly enough, the answers given by these candidates were for the most part quite realistic and scientific. Only an occasional individual showed distorted prejudices.

Since emotional immaturity is a chief reason people do not understand the need for family planning or achieve sexual adjustment, it is especially important that the physician be adequately educated as well as mature himself, says the Michigan psychiatrist.

"Recent publicity has been given to the fact that physicians as a group kill themselves often, divorce more frequently, and turn to alcohol and drugs in greater proportion than others in our population. We certainly cannot claim to have the most mature segment in the population engaged in the practice of medicine."

"Why then," says Dr. Finch, "should we assume that doctors are the most effective dispensers of sexual education and contraceptive knowledge to their patients, especially when we realize that these topics closely reflect an individual's emotional maturity?"

THE MATURE physician feels responsibility to inquire into and understand the sexual attitudes of his patients and their knowledge about family planning.

"This is a routine, non-purient inquiry which he feels is just as important a part of his knowledge about his patients as is any other aspect of their lives. His own matter-of-fact discussion of the topic is communicated to patients and they in turn become much more at ease in such discussion."

In contrast, immature physicians consider the sexual life of their patients to be "a private matter." This, notes Dr. Finch, usually stems from the physician's own distorted attitudes about sex and his own inability to discuss it.

One problem in the preparation of medical students for their future roles may exist in the method of selecting them, says Dr. Finch.

"At the present time medical school applicants are chosen primarily on the basis of intellectual prowess."

THE SCHOOL admissions committees take into account only slightly the candidate's degree of maturity and his interest in medicine, says Dr. Finch. Instead, they focus on the Medical College Admissions Test scores and over-all grade point averages.

"We have a peculiar selection problem which picks a high percentage of obsessional candidates and then we proceed in our medical education to make such compulsivity more rigid than ever."

"Any psychiatrist can tell you that the average obsessive-compulsive has difficulty in relating warmly to others and dealing effectively with sexual matters," the doctor says.

Poachers Fined And Penalized

Game poaching in Michigan has become an unprecedented high-risk risk, latest Conservation Department figures show.

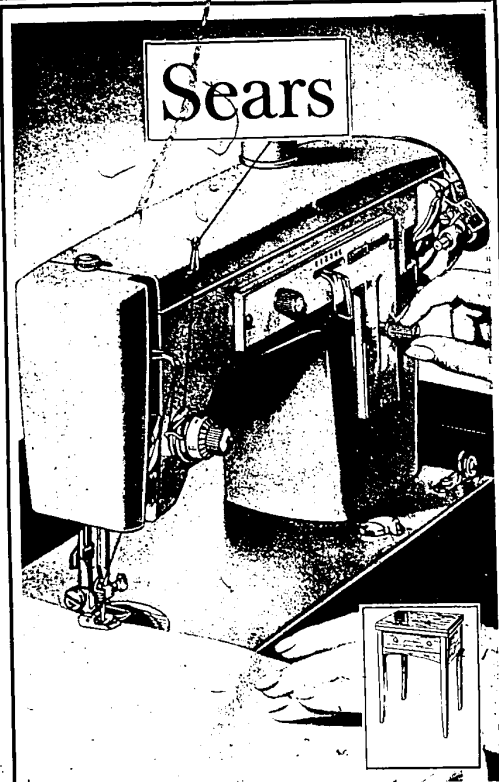
Putting an added pinch on violators is a new reimbursement penalty which has been meted out to the amount of nearly \$22,000 since it went into effect last July. These damages are above regular fines and court costs.

They are pegged to special rates covering the value of wildlife illegally taken. The reimbursement costs, per animal, run up to \$300 for elk, \$200 for deer, and \$10 for small game and waterfowl.

Among the latest to feel the full measure of this new penalty is Donald E. Parks of Luzerne who was assessed the maximum \$200 charge for each of three deer he poached early this month north of Curran in Alcona County.

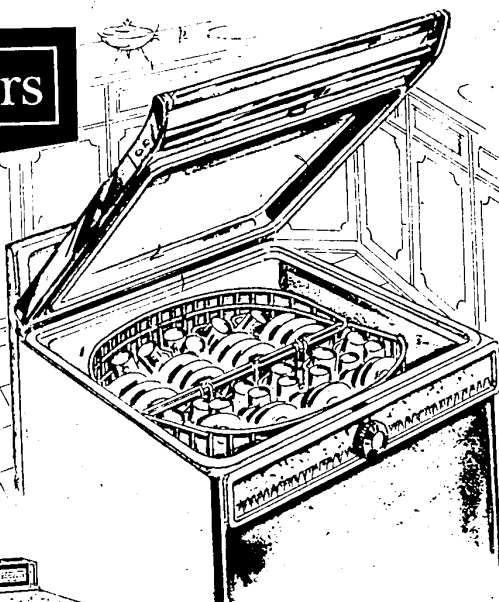
Justice of the Peace Morrell Browne of Harrisville also fined Parks \$100, levied court costs of \$15, and sentenced the late- to 15 days in jail with total charges of \$715 to think about. This sort of takes the sport out of poaching.

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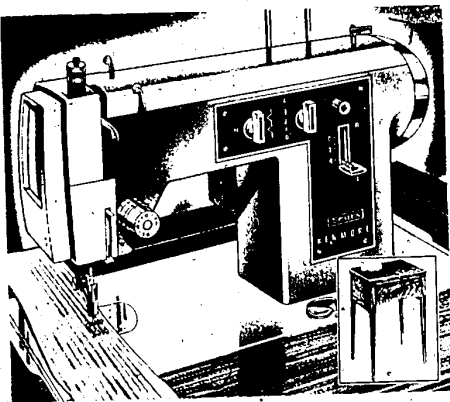
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