

## Water Level Drop Continued In October

Expected seasonal drop in northern lower peninsula ground water levels continued in October.

A slight decline of .05 of a foot from the average September stage was recorded by conservation department geologists at 44 test wells. This is the sixth consecutive month that levels have lowered from the April spring high. The April read-

ing was 1.12 feet higher than that of October.

In the Muskegon river drainage area a .01 of a foot increase was recorded but lower levels of .43 of a foot in the Manistee and .03 of a foot in the Au Sable drainage area were measured.

Slight gains might occur in the next few months but not much of a rise in the ground water table is expected until after the first of next year.

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## WEST FARMINGTON By MRS. SARAH KNAPP

The West Farmington Extension Council met at West Bloomfield Town Hall November 8 to discuss the time of meetings. About half of the group wants to meet during the day, and the other half would like to continue meeting evenings. Officers will be contacted and selected for each group.

Mrs. Peter Kobman and Mrs. Theo Johnson gave an interesting lesson in Christmas wrappings. A Christmas party is being planned for December 13 at West Bloomfield Town Hall. Mrs. Josephine Lawyer, Oakland County Extension leader, was present at the meeting.

Mrs. Anna Westlake returned to her home Wednesday after spending a few days in Detroit with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Rayola.

Mrs. Ray Marsh is slowly improving after being ill the past two weeks.

Ray Marsh, who has been at Pontiac General Hospital, returned on Monday.

The West Farmington Farm Bureau met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Howard Thursday with 16 members present. The evening was spent in planning a Christmas party to be held December 14.

Mrs. William Kipp and daughter Nancy and E. J. Lynn attended a birthday party Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Westlake at Union Lake in honor of his son Martin's birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Irlin Knapp and Mrs. Mona Smith attended the Tuxedo party of the Walled Lake Baptist Sunday School Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald King.

## NOVI YOUNGSTERS SET RECORD FOR MAGAZINE SALES

The students of Novi School proved that they are salesmen by selling magazines from the Curtis Publishing Company to the amount of \$37.15.

Donna Pribebe and Kathleen Leavenworth were chosen captains of the two sales teams. Shirley Snow and Lorraine Darling assisted the captains.

Four students will receive certificates of award from The Curtis Publishing Company. They are Dale Cooke, Donnie Frisbie, Shirley Snow, and Carol Clemens. For the highest first day sale, Shirley Snow will receive a fountain pen and pencil set from the company.

Others who will receive prizes are Billy Miller, Billy Leavay, Jerry Davis, Billy Skelton, Charles Fox, Norman Cooper, Dale Cook, Billy Pratt, Harry Watson, Conrad Dean, Tommy Bailey, Shippy Moody, Donna Frisbie, Phyllis Wendland, Mary Lee McDermid, Donna Engle, Patricia Burleson, Peggy Morgan, Evelyn Johnson, Carol Clemens, Russell Taylor, Ruth Buyer, Robert Sluts, Gloria Kargan, Nancy Schwartz, Kathleen Leavenworth, Lorraine Darling, Alvin Whistle, Suzanne LeMay, Anthony Olivich, Vickie Mosen, Emily Segum, Raymond Jenkins, Alan Newbegin, Joyce Ireland, Dale Greer, Judy Leavenworth and Lyle Johnson.

The commission made by the school will be used for school athletics and other school activities. Mary Ann Atkinson, seventh grade teacher, had charge of the sales campaign.

The conservation department reports 15 forest fires chewed up 120 acres last week, bringing the year's total so far to 503 fires burning over 4,917 acres.

Trout anglers who picked up pocketbook-size celebrities for their fishing trips should mail them to the conservation department when they are through fishing, for the season.

## Jefferson Jottings By MRS. NORMAN MOORE

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wendlandt of Rensselaer Street attended the funeral of their nephew, Mr. Clarence Freehart, at Toledo, Ohio, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Moore and family spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Moore of Romulus, Michigan.

Mr. William Fairley of Delaware Street is reported doing fine work at the Veterans Hospital for an undetermined time.

On Thursday, November 9, little Donnie Moore had his second birthday. Saturday a birthday party was given to celebrate the occasion. Several of his playmates attended. They were Beverly and Danny Miracle, Tom and Kathy McKelvin, Danny Miller, Linda Doughton and Patsy, Bobbie and Corky Moore.

On Sunday, November 12, Stella Mather of Oakland Avenue celebrated her tenth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D'Grande of E. Outer Drive, Detroit, and their daughter Vickie were Sunday evening guests of the Norman Moore family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grimes of Redford were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Moore of Beatrice Street in Livonia.

Thirteen thousand more cows in 2,207 additional Michigan dairy farms were added to the rolls of the Michigan Artificial Breeders' Co-operative during the first six months period in 1950. A. C. Baltzer, secretary-manager of the group and extension "dairyman" at Michigan State College, reports that internal growth of the organization is now replacing expansion into new counties.

## Oldest Fisherman Tops Century Mark

Apparently no "lad" in his nineties will be able to claim the honor of being the oldest active fisherman in Michigan.

William "Pop" Eddington, 101 years of age, still is such a fishing fiend that he lives the year around at Long Lake in Kalamazoo County. He says he fishes regularly during the summer and quite frequently through the ice in the winter.

The conservation department recently invited anglers in the 90-year bracket to compete.

## Ruffed Grouse Find Refuge In State Park

If you think ruffed grouse do not know it is hunting season, check with Lyle Reed at Young State Park at Boyne City.

The conservation department park manager reports more of the birds are taking refuge in the 60-acre park than in past years.

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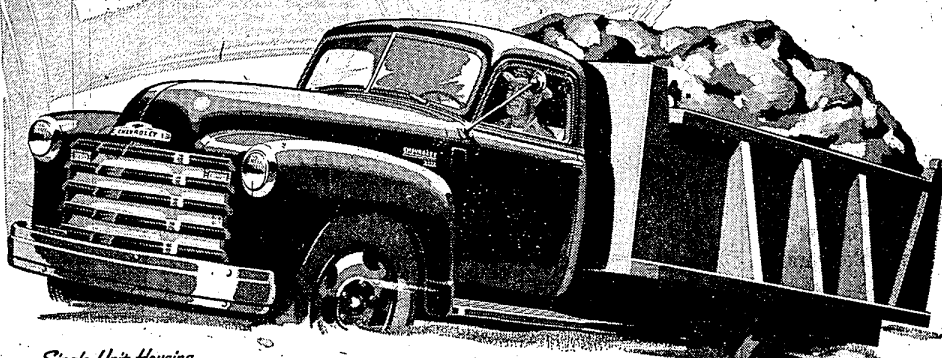
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