

The shaming gait, rat-like tail, snarling, toothy "grin", bony eyes and unkempt coat all detract from the opossum's "personality".

The beaver yields an oily, heavily scented substance formerly used in medicine and now used in the manufacture of certain perfumes.

SUNSHINE LADY REVEALS TIME OF CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Shut-ins' Christmas party will be held on December 15 at 2 p.m. in "A" building, Ward 302, Veterans County Hospital, at Pontiac. Dr. Ray Merton Hardy of Detroit will entertain with his beautiful singing.

This gift boxes aren't as big as we had hoped for, but the hearts of all who helped are in them. Each box will include a comb, a box of Kleenex, two jars of Jell-O, and some candy. I hope some of the folks who made this party possible can come so they might be able to see it is worth while to help another.

At 11 a.m. Asplen, 212 Summit Avenue, River Rouge, is going through some trying blue days. Why not just drop her a note? Capt. Harry Skinner, 3811 Headquarters Command, 2nd Bu., 8th Regiment, APO 254 c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California, has sent an appeal for mail.

Mrs. Carl Falvo will be spending long days in Ford Hospital, 200 Grand Boulevard, Detroit 2. Her wish is also for mail. Not well herself, Mrs. L. Conroy, 10701 Ten Mile Road, Farmington, wishes in some way she too could help the sick. She is sending me some very pretty Christmas cards, for which I am very grateful.

Words of courage are badly needed by Mr. George Bilkowski, room 274, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, Michigan. Life has been full of many uncertainties for Mr. Bilkowski and his large family. Now the victim of a serious accident, he is very worried about his family and the disappointments the children must face this Christmas. They are among my new neighbors. One of the children is also ill.

Mrs. H. Hanson, 8150 Witherby, sends money for the party. In the same letter she tells me of a family where the father is ill and they need a bit of help if their four small children are to have a Christmas. It's the Frank Derbins, 35088 Cherry Hill Road, Wayne. Miss Ginny Lynch, 14015 Tacoma, Detroit, a shut-in herself, sends money to help with the party.

A Farmington friend sent a box of cards and a box of Bible verses. Six year-old Paul Bannister of Farmington will be spending the holidays in Children's Hospital in Farmington. Drop him a card, as he is waiting for some mail. It's so little to ask for.

Adele Denk, of the C & D business, service, box 281, Royal Oak, sends money for the Christmas party.

Every church has an Adult Bible Class. Mr. Howard Peterson, a Field Assistant with the Equitable Life Assurance Society, a man who is always ready to help a boy or girl, wears proudly during his business hours his Sunday School pin. And he is working now on his second year wreath.

I think perhaps this could be a lesson for our little friend. It should be no discouragement because his parents do not see fit for him to attend church at this time. If he will have faith, good things will some day come his way. Many times we enjoy best the things we have to wait and work for.

The Sunshine Lady
1405 S. Hospital Road
Route 9, Pontiac, Michigan

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pitfalls, have learned that the state's mental institutions are overcrowded 20 per cent. The report by A. N. Langius, building director, says all facilities are over the 100 per cent occupancy mark.

Ft. Custer may yet be an air academy. Once rejected by the air force, it now may be acceptable as a joint army - air force station. The army has reversed its original stand and now would be "glad to consider joint occupancy."

A plea has been made and supported by Dr. Lee M. Thurston, state superintendent of public instruction, for an up-to-date history of Michigan for public schools.

The deer season - buck and antlers - is closed. Business in every city is back to normal. Mechanics again are available and that insurance premium or doctor bill again can be paid in person.

Conservation officials ask, however, that rather than have good venison spoil, sportsmen take their local charitable organization to take it off their hands. Sportsmen in the woods, be sportsmen at home, the Department says.

Bounty Payments Down From Last Year's

State bounty payments increased in October but are down for the same month last year, according to the conservation department.

Bounties cost the state \$19,490 for 2,199 foxes, 445 coyotes, 137 bobcats and three wolves as compared to \$16,119 in September for 1,042 foxes, 655 coyotes, 168 bobcats and six wolves.

In October of last year payments totaled \$24,510.

COUNTY POLIO CHAPTER RECEIVES TOTAL OF \$30,000

A check for \$5,000.00 to help pay for medical care of local polio patients has been received by the Oakland County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. It was announced by Carl W. Donelson, chapter chairman.

The funds were provided by national headquarters of the March of Dimes organization. This makes a total of \$23,000 sent to the Oakland County Chapter in 1950.

Heavy polio incidence this year, following the worst epidemic in the nation's history in 1949, has exhausted the local treasuries of many National Foundation Chapters, the chairman declared. A late September rise in cases indicates there will be more than 30,000 cases before the year is ended. Mr. Donelson said, making 1950 the second highest polio year on record.

Up to November 20, the National Foundation had advanced \$7,562,641.00 this year to chapters whose funds were depleted by both new and carry-over cases. Mr. Donelson stated. Chapters able to do so have been asked to contribute what they can for epidemic aid to chapters in hard-hit areas.

At present the Oakland County Chapter is providing funds for the care, in whole or in part, of 23 patients afflicted this year and is continuing to pay costs for the care of 34 stricken in former years.

Hundreds of Red Cross Chapters have working arrangements with private and publicly owned motor vehicle fleets and individuals to whom they are needed to serve in areas where disaster has struck.

HIRE, FIRE AND GIVE AWAY THROUGH CLASSIFIEDS

FARMINGTON LIONS MAIL SEALS FOR "AID TO BLIND"

Lions Seals for "Aid to the Blind" were mailed to Farmington residents early this week. It was announced by Carson Baldwin, Lion chairman.

Lions in attendance heard Baldwin tell of what these seals do to provide aid to the blind and in sight, conservation in the Farmington community.

Money taken in from the seal sale will remain in the Farmington community as a fund to be used for the relief of persons needing glasses or other aid.

A companion program sponsored for Lions is also in the news presently, with Governor Williams proclaiming December 2 to 9 as Leader Don Week. This is also a Lion project carried out by separate subscription from Lions clubs all over Michigan. The program is beginning to take on national importance as more and more blind persons apply for the aid and the demand for leader dogs increases.

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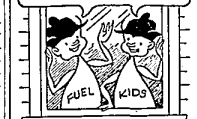
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St. Michael's School on Ten Mile Road near Lahser Road will hold a Toy Sale and Auction Friday, December 8, from 6 to 10 p.m. New toys, as well as those repaired and refinished, will be sold. Bicycles and electric trains are among the toys to be presented.

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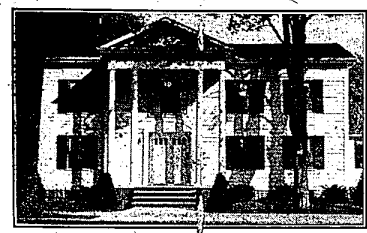
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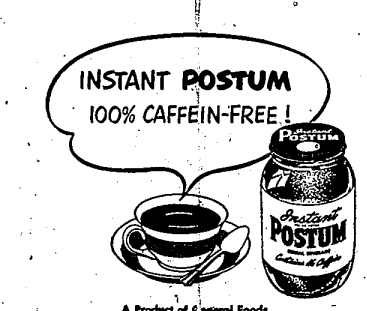
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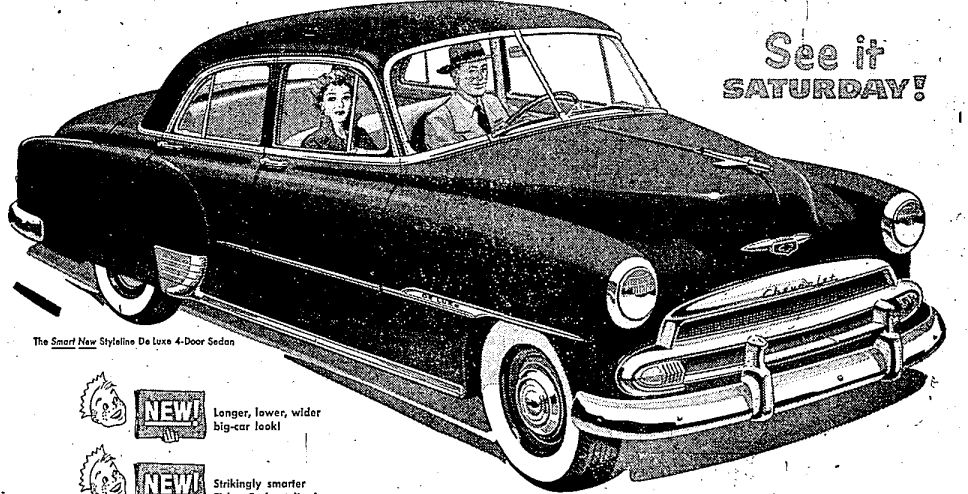
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