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Washington Merry-Go-Round

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tard workers by security sections of the national Communist committee. In another section of Bohemia, Communist officials offered rewards to the teams of youth brigades who collected the largest number of friendship leaflets.
Near the Czech-Austrian bor-

der, a patrol of border police reported "voluminous flying objects" which might be enemy paratroopers. When Prague got the report, it dispatched tank units amid great excitement.

The flying objects, however, turned out to be pillow balloons with the word "Svoboda" (freedom) written on them in large letters. They were bouncing about the ground in the early morning twilight like miniature flying saucers. Inside them, of course, were friendship messages from the American people to the people of Czechoslovakia.

WEEDING OUT BUREAUCRATS
It hasn't received any publicity, but President Truman has ordered a drastic house cleaning to sweep from the federal government. An ultimatum has already gone out to all agencies to clean house or face budgetary and personnel cuts.

The present emergency has caused great demands on the manpower resources of our country with shortages of manpower in certain special areas already being felt. The federal government, as the largest single employer in the country, should set the example. Therefore, I expect the head of each executive department and agency to bring about maximum effectiveness and economy in the utilization of personnel," the President wrote in identical letters to civil service chairman Robert Ramspeck and budget director Frederick Lawton.

Truman ordered them to "request reports from all departments and agencies and conduct regular inspections and audits so that reports can be made to me on progress in conserving manpower."

"This manpower conservation program should be given top priority throughout the executive branch," the President added.

As a result, Ramspeck and Lawton sent a joint ultimatum to all agencies to "take steps to assure the most effective and economical use" of manpower.

WASHINGTON PIPELINE
Though she stands aces with new Secretary of Defense Lovett, dynamic Assistant Secretary Anna Rosenberg may resign. She was brought in by George Marshall to cut the waste out of armed services' manpower and has nearly accomplished her mission. . . in a swift week-end operation, Michigan's Sen. Blair Moody and Walter Reuther, of the auto workers, talked to the reports can be made to me on progress in conserving manpower."

Expect 12,000 Alumni At MSC Homecoming

An estimated 12,000 Michigan State College alumni will gather at the East Lansing campus Saturday, October 27, for annual homecoming activities.

More than 45,000 spectators are expected for the MSC-University of Pittsburgh football game Saturday at 2 p.m. in Macklin Field Stadium.

Blue Star Mothers

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The Blue Star Mothers of America held their sixth Anniversary luncheon in the Town Hall Thursday, October 18, with National Department of Michigan and Rehabilitation officers present. Present also were Blue Star Mothers from Highland Park, Pontiac, Romeo, Wyandotte, Detroit, Port Huron, Flint and Novi and several guests.

All past presidents of Farmington chapter were present at this party: A Sunshine March for the veterans in the new V. A. Hospital at Ironwood, Michigan, was taken.

The next party will be on Tuesday, November 12. Mrs. Maggie Gathman will be hostess, assisted by her daughters, Mrs. Joseph De-Vriendt and Mrs. Harold Quinn.

Salem Church Youth Host To Cabinet Officers

Salem Church Youth Fellowship members were hosts to the Synodical Youth Fellowship Cabinet Officers including several from various parts of Michigan and Indiana during a three day meeting recently in Farmington.

Arrangements for the meeting were made by Miss Margery Morris and Milton Graban, host and hostess, and the annual banquet was prepared by Mrs. Clem Bender. Reverend Robert Beck of Groesbeek was the principal speaker for the sessions held to plan activities for the current year.

Plays Tackle At Findlay

John Kargetta of Farmington, who is a freshman at Findlay College, Ohio, is a tackle on the Oilers football squad, college authorities report. Kargetta, who stands six feet, two inches, is one of the biggest men on the squad.

Harrison Wood To Speak At Detroit Town Hall

Harrison Wood, noted news commentator will tell the story behind the headlines at Detroit Town Hall Wednesday morning, October 31, at 11 o'clock in Fisher Theatre.

The radio newsmen was a large and enthusiastic following in Detroit by his forcible broadcasts on a network program.

Formerly head of the Paris office of the old New York Herald, Wood has participated in every important world conference since World War I. He is an accredited correspondent of the State Department, and reports the meetings of the Security Council and General Assembly of the United Nations.

Member Of College Band

Clark Bates, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Bates of 33113 Thomas Street, is a member of the Alma College Kiltie Band for the fall semester, Alma College authorities report.

Author To Help Conduct Y. W. C. A. Series

Lucy Corbett, author and news-paper columnist, heads a list of distinguished Detroit women journalists who will conduct the second four-week series of a course, "Publicity Inside Out", at Central Branch YWCA.

With Mrs. Corbett as moderator of the series, Jacqueline Peck, public relations director of the Women's City Club, will conduct the first class on Thursday evening, October 25.

Instructors for the following three weeks will be Emily Grimes Koppelt, freelance writer whose specialty is the development of personalized business letters; Nan Morgan, news editor of the national magazine, "Tool Engineering"; and Sylvia Cierack, editor of publications of the Dearborn Public Schools.

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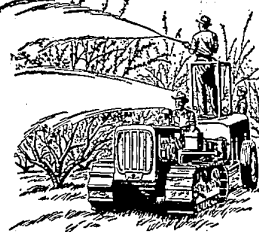
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Scientists attack peach blossom blight

Michigan ranks among the top three states in peach production. To protect this important industry, scientists at Michigan State College's Agricultural Experiment Station are experimenting with methods of controlling blossom blight. Recent experiments tested sprays of wettable sulphur, liquid lime-sulphur, and various new organic fungicides. Though not conclusive, results of these tests have been encouraging. For additional information on this continuing fight against peach blossom blight, call, write or visit your County Agricultural Agent.

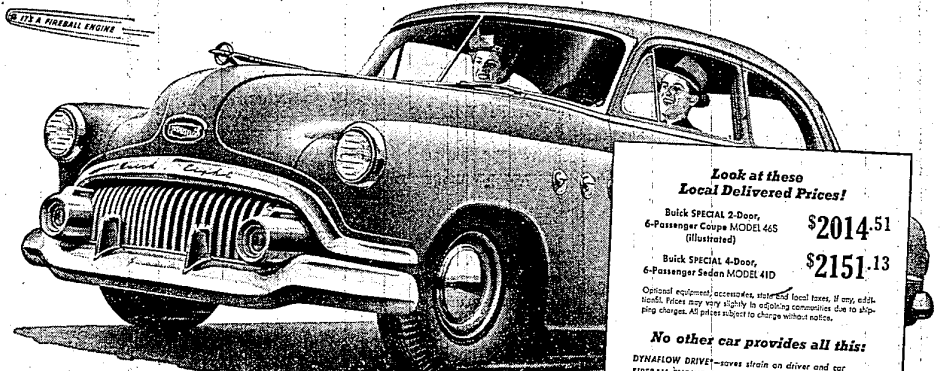


Electrical detective tracks down telephone trouble

In a large Michigan Bell dial telephone office, about 2,000,000 switch contacts are "on duty" to carry your calls. 10,000 of them may be needed to clear a path for a single call. So "faults" though infrequent, must be detected quickly. A new automatic detector has been designed for the job. It finds "faults"—a broken wire, specks of dirt causing high resistance—and detects calls around them. Then it automatically punches out a report on the trouble. Maintenance men check these reports regularly, learn what needs attention, see that service flows smoothly. Telephone efficiency like this keeps quality of service high, keeps costs as low as possible.



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