

Speaking of athletic prowess, Charles J. Blain is a perfect specimen of what the out-of-doors can do for one. He likes to hike, and is right on a galloping horse. But he plays no golf.

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COUNTY FAIR AT MILFORD

Annual County Fair Promises To Attract Many August 7-10

The Oakland County fair, coming with the first among the long list of Michigan fairs is held this year on August 7 to 10. In the entertainment line, the fair, a member of the Wolverine racing circuit, presents a four-day racing program with four stake races and four class races for liberal purses; a three-day base ball tournament; a fine list of platform and aerial fire acts; an automobile show, a dog-show and a horse show.

The night fair will present the whole series of free acts, hand concert, and as a special attraction, a historical pageant. The pageant, rehearsals for which are actively under way, will require about 300 people for its production and groups and individuals from all over the county will have prominent parts.

The pageant, well called historical, and based on Oakland county history, will specialize also in spectacular features and dances. A new stage, especially for its production, is being erected in front of the grand stand.

The pageant will be produced under direction of the John H. Rogers Producing Co. of Fostoria, Ohio.

The regular fair display of livestock, fruits, field crops, vegetables, ladies' handwork, school work, etc., will be large and may be seen both day and night during the four days of the fair.

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AMONG THE WOMEN

Feminism And Pacifism Associated, Says Miss Whittemore

Feminism and pacifism are closely associated. That is the belief of Miss Margaret Whittemore, of Brown street, who is sailing Tuesday from Quebec on the Empress of Scotland to attend the conference of Prague, Czechoslovakia of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom as a national delegate.

"I am both a feminist and pacifist," Miss Whittemore said. "My interests in the two movements are so closely associated that it is impossible to place either one first. Peace is an immediate matter, which even at the present moment is demanding the attention of the world. Feminism is an institution—that depends upon time. Only after generation will women come into their position as the equal of men. It is an ever more gradual process than the establishing of peace."

Women Oppose War
It is Miss Whittemore's belief that women are more determined against war than men. "In their role as the producers and conservers of human life they become more decided in their stand against war," she said.

"I strongly object to one's being a woman, being a handicap in the business and industrial world," Miss Whittemore said. "Women are regarded as different creatures, when in reality they are diversified human beings. There is no such thing as the woman's point of view," she said.

According to Miss Whittemore, the men of this generation are not responsible for the inferior status of women of today. "The conditions of today haven't the necessary confidence in themselves as individuals," she said. "That is the quality that has been about a change in woman's position."

To Attend Conference
While abroad Miss Whittemore plans to attend the meeting at the Hague, Holland on the nationality of women. The conference is being called by the international feminist group which has been organized under the leadership of the National Woman's party and the Six Point Group of England. She will represent the National Woman's party at this conference.

"The losing and taking of citizenship will be discussed at this meeting," she said. "We plan to take the state citizenship which will retain the citizenship she held before her marriage."

She told of the diversified laws pertaining to citizenship. "In some countries a woman retains the citizenship she possessed before her marriage, while in others she assumes the citizenship of her husband. It is necessary that a universal law be established to govern the citizenship of women throughout the world."

In speaking of injustices done women workers she cited the law in effect in many of the states, which reads that no woman shall be allowed to work more than eight hours a day. Such legislation has been strongly recommended by the labor department of the League of Nations, Miss Whittemore said.

Equal Rights Worker
"Equality concerning working conditions should be based on the nature of the work and not on the sex of the worker. Rather than the remark 'this is a hazardous occupation and no woman shall work at it' the comment should be 'no person shall work at this position until it is made safe for the worker.'"

Miss Whittemore has been an active worker for the equal rights amendment to the United States constitution which would state that "men and women shall have equal rights throughout the United States and all territories subject to its jurisdiction."

War is an inheritance, Miss Whittemore believes. "I do believe that peace is gaining tremendous popularity," she said. "The Kellogg pact, which was responsible for this to a great extent, is the closest we have to reality, however, until the people make it so," she said.

Russian-Chinese Verdict
"I believe that the trouble between China and Russia will result in a verdict where 25 years ago it would have meant a war. The effect of the Kellogg pact was shown when Russia stated that the Kellogg treaty had put them out."

"Bugs" was the subject of the talk given before the members of the Flower Lovers' Garden club at the bank meeting July 11 in Holly, K. D. Bailey was the speaker. Discussion of plans for the annual exhibit will meet the next meeting to be held Aug. 8 in the council rooms, those in charge announce.

A novel use of tear gas is reported by Ferndale police, who yesterday morning used it to subdue a hive of bees which was swarming about the door of Thomas Fitzgerald's home at 218 S. Stafford avenue. But bees it seems are not affected by the tear gas cartridges. It was impossible for the Fitzgerald family to leave the house by the rear door because of the swarm of bees.

Rochester's Community House has employed a trained social worker in the person of H. W. Richards. Art, dramatics, public speaking and community singing will be some of the activities stressed, Mr. Richards announced. He is also at work on an indoor boys' baseball team and plans to combine three separate teams now in existence.

BANKER

CHAS. R. RANDALL

Charles R. Randall, of the First National Bank, today is member-at-large of the executive committee of the Oakland County Bankers' association, following their annual election of officers, July 17 at the Indianapolis Golf and Country Club.

Edgar Pierce, of the Farmington State Savings Bank, was named president to succeed C. B. Edwards, president of the First State Bank of Royal Oak. Other officers are: Lewis Walton, vice president and cashier of the American State Bank of Ferndale, secretary-treasurer; and Frank T. King, cashier of the First State Bank of Royal Oak, chairman of the protective committee for the year.

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Miss Whittemore has lived in the village for the past six years. During that time she has been prominently identified with work of the National Woman's party and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. She has done work with the Franklin street settlement, Detroit, but for the most part her work has been in the feminist and peace movements exclusively.

During the suffrage campaign she served as secretary of the Michigan branch, campaigning in 45 states for the passage of the national suffrage amendment.

She has been with the National Woman's party since its organization in 1913. For three years she was in charge of the party headquarters during the latter's campaigns. She has just returned from a winter in Santa Barbara, Cal.

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COUNTY PICNIC TO BE HELD AUGUST 21

Annual Gala Event Will Attract People From All Over Oakland County

Get out your engagement books, folks, and scribble a heavy circle around Wednesday, August 21. That's the date when Oakland County citizens are asked to point their shoes, wagons, street cars, automobiles, and airplanes toward Bloomfield Park, the new township park situated in the northeast corner of Birmingham; when they arrive on the premises they will be asked to participate in "big doings"—a program of picnic sports and heaps of good food arranged by the Oakland County Board of Supervisors.

It is to the Oakland County's annual picnic, and is held in Bloomfield Park this year to observe its completion and offering to the public. George Scott, Joseph A. Long, J. Guy Newton, and Robert Y. Moore, are the committee in charge and are urging every citizen, including the kiddies, to participate in the opening golf, shuffle board, bowling on the green, tennis, baseball, and other sports. Free prizes will be given to the winners, and the committee announces.

SEEKS CHANGE IN MOTHER'S WILL
Chicago Man Asks Circuit Court To Set Aside Terms Of Bequest

Charging undue influence and incompetence, William Holmes of Chicago, has appealed to the Circuit Court in Chicago to break the terms of his mother's will. His mother was Mrs. Julia M. Hesse, of Royal Oak, who died here May 15 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harriet E. Shields. The act seeks to set aside the will of Mrs. Hesse, executor, Judge of Probate Dan A. McGaffey.

In the will Mrs. Holmes provided her daughter, Mrs. Shields, should have two acres of land on the Thirteen Mile road and the residue of the estate. A house in Phoenix, Ariz., was given to the son, William. Property in Muskegon she provided should be sold and the proceeds divided among four children: Mrs. Shields, William, Thomas of Tuscon and Mrs. Germain of Pittsburgh. The estate is valued at \$3,000 in real estate and \$2,000 in personal property.

Southfield School District Meeting
At the annual school board meeting of District Number four, held in the Southfield School, John Hesse, president of the board, was re-elected; he obtained 48 votes against 42 for his nearest opponent, Daniel Radcliffe. Elwyn Ricker received two votes. Mr. Hesse will hold office for another year.

For the term of three years, William Clark defeated Robert K. Mann by a vote of 48 to 44. A report of the treasurer showed a balance of \$12,920.32 on the general fund, and \$6,498.80 in the sinking fund. Total expenditures in the school district last year amounted to \$10,669.21.

Open Texaco Gas And Oil Station
Announcement is made today of the opening of a Texaco service and filling station at Frank Court and Woodward avenues, Washington N. Berger and George Townsend will act as managers of the station.

Equipment is provided for the washing and greasing of cars, one of the most important features of the new station. A complete line of tires are on sale, while a vulcanizing service is also offered.

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Refuse Ladue's Rebate Request

Four of the seven village commissioners Monday night voted against granting the request of H. A. Ladue, south Woodward avenue garage man, for a \$42.00 rebate for the removal to another spot of a village fire hydrant.

The hydrant was moved so that a wide driveway could be installed on the Daines street side of Ladue's property. Commissioners White, Hervey, Halgren, and Hulbert felt that the village engineering department had placed the hydrant most advantageously at the time, and that later building plans could not be contemplated when the hydrant was placed.

Village president Ellerby, however, in presenting Ladue's case to the commission, after village clerk Myrtle Garson had read Ladue's letter, stated that Ladue had been put to considerable expense to find a sewer outlet that the water department had been unable to locate; commissioners Robert E. Allen and Harry Allen supported Ellerby's stand.

In a collapsible boat made of walrus skin, Albert Voigt is attempting to sail from Seward, Alaska, to New York city in six months.

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