

## N. Y. A. AIDS MANY NEEDY STUDENTS

Seventeen Local Pupils Are Given Help By Youth Administration

Among the 12,878 needy high school students in Michigan who received part-time employment by the National Youth Administration during the past school year are approximately 1,600 students who will graduate within the next few weeks. Seventeen Birmingham pupils were aided.

Many of those graduating would have been unable to complete their education and would have left school if it had not been for the part-time work provided by the Student-Aid Program of the National Youth Administration, according to C. E. Bradshaw, State Director.

**County Benefited**  
In Oakland County, 250 high school students were given part-time work on projects designed and supervised by local school authorities themselves. Students receiving this part-time employment were selected entirely by the school officials on the basis of need.

The number of students aided in Oakland County towns and cities is as follows: Berkley, 17; Birmingham, 17; Clarkston, 3; Clawson, 20; Drayton Plains, 2; Farmington, 16; Ferndale, 20; Hazel Park, 15; Holly, 21; Orion, 10; Milford, 3; New Hudson, 3; Pontiac, 43; Rochester, 13; Royal Oak, 25; Walled Lake, 2; Orionville, 4.

The work assigned these students consists of such varied types as beautification of school grounds, clerical work and correcting papers, library assistance, lunch room service, repairing furniture, keeping attendance records, and maintenance of play grounds. For this work high school students received an average of \$5 a month.

Teachers have had more time to devote to teaching during the past year because of the aid given by the National Youth Administration. Oakland County schools have taken much of the detail work off their hands. In addition to the small allowance given for this work, students are receiving valuable training in correct work habits.

A total of 12,878 high school students were aided during the 1936-37 school year in 750 Michigan schools.

**College Profit By Aid**  
In addition to the high school program, practically all of Michigan's colleges and universities availed themselves of the part-time employment provided by the NYA for needy college students. There were 5,016 undergraduate students and 352 graduate students given NYA employment in 42 colleges.

For this week's students received an average of \$15 a month. As in the high school program, college officials select the students that are most in need of this employment, and design and supervise the projects on which they work.

**GEMS GLASS**  
St. Albans, Vt.—While examining an old album, Paul Fawcett, 13, found that its center had been cut out and in it were 142 stones, wrapped in cotton. His visions of great wealth were crushed, however when a jeweler, to whom they were taken, cast an eye at the stones and whispered, "Glass."

**RADIO ON TRACTOR**  
White Hall, Ill.—Plowing isn't going so interfere with Ford Flat's enjoyment of summer baseball games and the like. Unable to sit at home to listen in, Flat has had a radio installed on his new tractor and will listen while he plows.

**A Long Job**  
Herbie—I'll count the days until I see you again.  
Ethel—Well, I hope you have a good head for figures.

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## Happenings of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric—The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today.

**Fifty Years Ago**  
James Shain has returned from his southern tour and will summer in Michigan.

Pontiac is having a mad dog scare at present, and all dogs without muzzles are shot on sight.

Those present at the Memorial Day entertainment at Mrs. Utter's expressed themselves well pleased with the exercises of the evening.

Gibbs and Whithead drove their bicycles to Detroit last Sunday afternoon and attended a sacred concert.

Jamie Young, son of Peter Young, was in town on route with a friend from Detroit to Pontiac by bicycle. Jamie will be remembered as a little black-eyed boy playing marbles in our streets.

He is now a fine man, straight as an arrow and showing good health and a gentlemanly manner in every movement. It takes but a short while for the little ones to become men.

It looks as if Franklin Pike was fishing after Southfield girls.

The boys who pass houses and talk rather loud about a "gag" should be careful that the one they designate as the "old lady," but who is not she, does not hear what they say.

The hand boys expect their new caps this week, and we predict that the concert at Sand Hill will be even better than it was here.

One of our old ladies wants to know if hard water isn't a peculiar sort of beverage for high-toned young ladies to indulge in?

Joe Goodwin moved a barn for St. Martin and done the job in the best of style one day.

Those boys who celebrate Sunday morning and attend church in the afternoon should be more careful in the future.

**Twenty-five Years Ago**  
Ralph Thompson, of Indianapolis, Indiana, is the welcome guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Thompson, on Townsend street.

This bright young man came to Detroit with a high school debating team and engaged in a contest with Detroit Indianapolis won.

Mr. Thompson carrying off all the honors.

J. Rev. Goodman, of Clare, called on his many old friends Monday last. You couldn't tell who was the most pleased at each and every meeting. He certainly is a fine gentleman, grown from one of the best of the Birmingham boys.

The Sigma Tau society saw "The Man of the Hour" at the Lyceum last week. The Misses Tillie Walker and Rhoda Starr were guests of the society and they were charmed by their matron, Mrs. William D. Clibbe.

J. Allen shook hands with President Taft, the good old soul booked for the shelf. Took a flying trip to Boston via New York and visited his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Neff. There, he unexpectedly found his wife and other daughter, Mrs. Bessie Donovan, whom he left in Michigan. No place like Birmingham.

John T. Miller is finishing up a brand new house for himself, out County Line way, and a fine new home he soon will have.

George Todd is not far behind John either, in a new home. He intends to have his home finished within a few weeks now. Some despicable wretch smashed out a window. It's a "dirty Irish trick," whoever did it.

Children's day exercises in the Troy M. E. church Sunday, were held at the hour of the morning service. A fine turnout here.

**Five Years Ago**  
Graduation plans near completion for Baldwin, Cranbrook and Kingswood. Baldwin to graduate 77.

Let 40 entries in Bloomfield Open Hunt horse show, making it the largest in club's history.

All-scrip pay facing teachers. In

## Marking Rows Helps Preserve Seedlings

One need never destroy good seedlings while doing early weeding because of inability to see clearly the rows of growing plants. A plan suggested by experts of the Ferry-Morse Seed Breeding Institute is the planting of the same row with those of slower germination.

Thus, carrot or onion, for instance, which are of slow germination, may be planted with radish or lettuce, both of which germinate with comparative rapidity. The radish or lettuce, springing up early—even as early as the weeds—will mark the row effectively so that it may be cultivated without danger to the slower crop. The early vegetable may be used while the later seedlings are being thinned.

This policy of marking rows is desirable also because it gets away from the practice of placing sticks or mounting papers at the row ends, thereby making the garden less attractive.

**DR. JOHNSON OFFERS WEEK'S BRIEF SERMON**

Dr. A. F. Johnson of the Baptist Church offers the following "minute sermon" this week:

"The church of Jesus Christ is not a liability to a community, but an enduring asset. It is good judgment to support the church."

One of our old said: "I had rather be a door keeper in the house of the Lord than to dwell in the tents of the wicked forever."

**ABSENT-MINDED PROFESSOR**  
Northampton, Mass.—Another instance of the absent-minded professor comes from Smith College, where a visit of Secretary Perkins to the college, a professor decided to give a dinner in her honor. The day came and the guests arrived, and looked around expectantly for Miss Perkins.

Suddenly, the professor realized that he had forgotten to invite the honor guest, who was then on her way back to Washington.

## PHONE LINKS U. S. CHINA

Washington.—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Mme. Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the President of the Chinese Republic, exchanged personal greetings during the inauguration of direct radio telephone communication between the United States and China. It was eleven o'clock at night in Shanghai and ten o'clock in the morning in Washington during the conversation.

For as little as 25 cents you may insert a "CLASSIFIED AD" in the columns of The Eccentric. Try one when you want to buy or sell, locate a home or sell one, or for hiring a maid. Telephone (Ad) before Wednesday noon each week.

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## LIBRARY PLANS READING CIRCUS

Will Distribute Handbills to Children Before School Ends

The book circus is coming to town.

For the benefit of the children it will be here all summer and they can go to it every day in the week if they want to, without costing a cent.

Miss Ruth Poucher and Miss Lindo Moore, children's librarians at Baldwin Library are to stage the circus of reading, that is hoped will stimulate the children to read "just for fun," as Miss Poucher said, when telling about the plan.

The children will be told of the circus before school is out as handbills, of typical circus ballyhoo type, will be passed out in the schools announcing all the details of the plan. When children go to the library they will be given tickets of admission to the different shows, and, after reading the books, they will have a hole punched in their ticket. At the end of the summer, when the children participating in the project are fete at a party, they will be able to tell just exactly how much of the circus they went to, or, in other words, how many books they read.

Of course there will be the big tent show, and this will include books on puppets, clowns, Dr. Doolittle, and all manner of foolishness in reading, just like one finds at the main show. Before they get to the main tent it may be that some of the young readers will want to stop at the side-show. There'll be an animal tent, of books dealing with wild animals, etc., and going on further they will perhaps want to stop at the "believe-it-or-not" tent in which they will find the books of fantasy and fairy tale.

The "strong-man" attraction will be of the hero's of the ages.

while books of foreign lands and children will come under the banner head: "Follow the Crowd." To further illustrate their circus and to stimulate the children's interest, a modelling clay zoo exhibit will be featured in one of the two glass cabinets in the juvenile reading room. This exhibit was made by children of the third grade of Pierce School and is a splendid replica of several of the scenes of the Detroit zoo. Another exhibit, this done by second graders of Pierce, illustrates the story, "The Mexican Donkey Boy," and includes, a straw hat, a pair of shoes, a pair of moccasins, and a little Mexican boy.

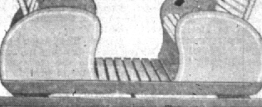
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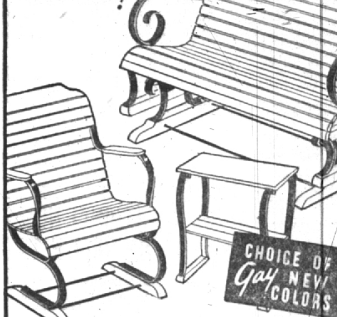


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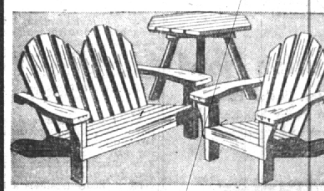
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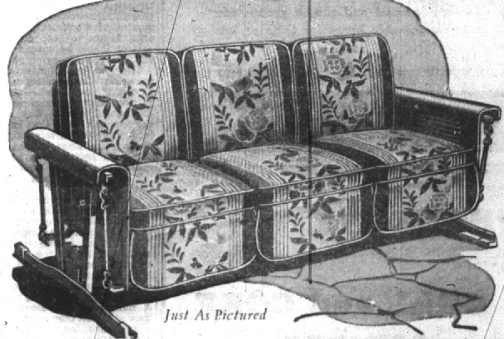
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