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PROGRAM FOR NEXT SEASON IS DISCLOSED

The World Adventure Series of the Detroit Institute of Arts announces that its fall season will open Sunday, Oct. 9, with a motion picture lecture, "Around the world in the Schooner Yankee," by Capt. Irving Johnson, famous author and adventurer. Capt. Johnson is on the trip now and will return to this country shortly

before he is scheduled to appear in Detroit. Other world celebrities on the World Adventure Series next fall are Dr. Raymond L. Ditmars, curator of reptiles and mammals at the New York Zoo; Dr. Hay-Cooper Cole, explorer and scientist; Dr. Colin Rose, famous German writer of travel books; Hettie Dyhrenfurth, holder of the world's record for women in mountain climbing; Fred Payne Clatsworthy, world explorer; and Julien Bryan, whose documentary films and lectures on Russia have entertained several capacity audiences in Detroit. Two other outstanding speakers will be announced later. Reservations may now be made for season tickets.

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DR. WANG TO BE SPEAKER AT 'Y' MASS MEETING

Dr. C. T. Wang, Chinese ambassador to United States, will speak at a mass meeting at the Masonic Temple on Sunday afternoon, May 1. The meeting will be open to the general public, and there will be no admission charge, but because of the heavy demand for tickets, early reservations are urged. The meeting will be sponsored by the Metropolitan Y. M. C. A.

The mass meeting at the Masonic Temple will come as a climax to the International 'Y' Sports Tournament, to be held in Detroit April 27 to 30, in which 1,500 to 2,000 athletes from all over the United States and Canada will compete for trophies in eight individual sports. Most of these athletes, as well as many of the visitors who will be drawn to Detroit for the tournament, are expected to remain over to attend the mass meeting.

Other Speakers
The program for the mass meeting will begin at 7:30 in the afternoon, although the doors will be thrown open a half hour earlier. In addition to Dr. Wang, talks will be made by Branch Kelsey, manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, and Dr. A. G. Studer, general secretary of the Detroit Y. M. C. A. The meeting will be presided over by Howard A. Coffin, president of the Detroit 'Y'. There will be special musical numbers.

Dr. Wang is particularly well known in Michigan and has many personal friends in Detroit and throughout the state. He was a student at the University of Michigan in 1907 and 1908, during which time he made frequent public addresses, both at Ann Arbor and in Detroit, as well as in other cities over the state. Although a student at Ann Arbor, Dr. Wang did not complete his studies there but entered Yale, from which he was graduated in 1910. He was elected to membership in the Phi Kappa.

Minister's Son
Dr. Wang is a native of Shanghai, where his father was an Episcopal minister. He has always been particularly friendly to America, and while a student at Ann Arbor became a member of the Masonic Order, subsequently a Shriner. He has two sons and three daughters, all of whom are students in American universities. Among his many interests, Dr. Wang has always been particularly enthusiastic in the sports of his native country. He introduced many American sports to China while serving with the Y. M. C. A., and served as president of the first Far East Olympic games held in 1914, which drew athletes from China, Japan, India and the Philippines. He was also in charge of the Chinese athletes who represented his country in the Olympic games in Berlin in 1936.

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When Mrs. E. H. Miller of Chicago, above, says that the 1938 winter wheat crop will be 692,000,000 bushels, the largest since 1931 and the third largest in the country's history, farmers can almost take her word for it. Mrs. Miller is said to be the only woman crop forecaster in the United States, and her past predictions have been surprisingly accurate.

DATE SET FOR DRAMA SEASON IN ANN ARBOR

The Ann Arbor Dramatic season, which commences the spring season of Broadway plays with Broadway stars to open May 16, running five weeks through June 18, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre in Ann Arbor.

The season this year brings outstanding stars of stage and screen, including Aline MacMahon, Pauline Lord, Toniio Selwart, Doris Dalton, Dorothy Sands, and the "first ladies" of the theatre—Jane Cowl. The supporting casts include Carl Benton Reid, Juliet Ross, Russell Hardie, Otto Huellett and many others.

The first attraction will be "The Ghost of Yankee Doodle," a hit of the past year in New York, starring Aline MacMahon. Miss MacMahon is well known as a versatile actress of stage and screen and is well chosen for the lead in the opening production.

Two favorites of previous seasons return the second and fourth weeks of the season when Toniio Selwart and Doris Dalton will be seen in the leading roles of "Lilium" and "French Without Tears." Mr. Selwart has found in the colorful part of "Lilium" an ideal role for his talents. "French Without Tears," which is to star Miss Dalton, is a gay modern comedy having a long run in London this season and brought to New York this winter.

Pauline Lord will make her initial appearance in Ann Arbor the week of May 31 when she presents her original role in the play "The Late Christopher Bear."

The fifth week moves to a fitting climax in presenting to Ann Arbor audiences the glamorous Jane Cowl in her original role in Behrman's brilliant comedy "Rain From Heaven."

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Latest of the "We Heard It Said By" Commission: "The Michigan Municipal League, it seems to me, has gotten away from its original idea and is now too political; otherwise certain types of legislation would not have been passed at Lansing."



Two construction jobs under way on the campus of Michigan State College at East Lansing are helping spread out the campus and provide better facilities. At top, the new band shell near the banks of the famed Red Cedar river. Funds from recent senior classes and from student activities are providing money for the all concrete shell. At the bottom is a bond issue which is to be retired from income at no cost to either college or state funds.

THIS NEW FICTION TO BE FOUND AT BALDWIN LIBRARY

By Lindo Moore

Recently added books in the retail collection of the Baldwin Library, 1000 Woodward, include "Commander of the Mist," by D. L. Murray. A novel of the days when King Henry Charlie wandered about the Scotch highlands gathering supporters for his fight to gain the English throne. Also the notable tale of Barabula Maccahen, fiercely loyal to his lord, because yet loved a lean young lawyer who had small use for kings and politics.

Life Under a Black Sun, by Edith Swallow. A man and woman with lives broken by the great War find peace and love in the face of the hatreds surrounding them.

East of Broadway, by Octavius Roy Cohen. A saxophonist and a song-and-dance man stranded on a sleepy Southern town amazingly discover a girl destined to become one of Broadway's great stars.

Hurricane's Children, by Carl Garner. Tall tales from every state in the Union. Michigan lumbermen, Western cowboys, railroad men, pioneers and farmers have a year of hard living in the form of American folk tales.

Far From Cibola, by Paul Horgan. A powerful story of a farm community united by poverty, struggle and disaster.

These Bad Fish, by T. S. Strubling. The ludicrous experiences of a Southern politician are necessary to attend to a northern college long after he has passed college age.

Woe Is Beautiful, by Alice Duer Miller. Underprivileged younger sister gets her revenge.

Always Another Spring, by Adelaide Humphries. They were to be married in the Spring only the right Spring never came along—but another man ready.

Brother Is Bright, by Eleanor Brown. A Boy Scouts Girl—on a Southern camp with a decorative moon to help things along.

One Year of Love, by Alice Ross Colver. On her wedding day, Judy saw her new husband kissing another girl with a trifle too much warmth. This is the story of the year that followed.

The Owl, by Jonathan Gray. Jewel robberies and a golf game are strangely linked in this new mystery story.

CANTATA TO BE SUNG BY PONTIAC CHOIR
Mauder's famous cantata "Olive to Calvary" will be sung by the Choir of the First Methodist Church of Pontiac Sunday evening at a recital to be presented in the Methodist Episcopal Church of Birmingham. The concert will be given at 7 p. m. in the church auditorium.

Included among the soloists will be Mrs. Isabelle Stiles, soprano; Mrs. Alma Meyers, soprano; Hazen Atkins, tenor; Jack Mark, Jay Young and William Dewey, bass. Arthur Apolin is the choir director and Miss Dorothy McElip is the organist.

"Greater Love Hath No Man"
MUSKOGON—When one of his workers was overcome by flames while cleaning a gasoline storage tank in Muskogon, Foreman Rich and Mulally, 27, rushed into the tank without a gas mask, tied a rope around the body of the unconscious worker, Kenneth Mack, and signaled for other workers to pull Mack was hauled to safety. But Mulally was dead when taken from the tank.

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WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Norman Lyle, Yorkshire road: "Certainly, President Roosevelt has a fine radio voice and few can question his sincerity in trying to help the American people. But I think that the greatest test is how he expects the government to keep on getting into more debt, and survive financially; seems to me that if Congress would take things in its own hands and encourage private business to go ahead, we would make sound progress toward a more abundant life for all willing to work."

SCOUT EXHIBIT OPENS TONIGHT IN DETROIT

The Boy Scout Exposition at Convention Hall, Detroit, opens to the public at 7:30 p. m. tonight and continues Friday from 1:30 to 10:30 p. m. Under the auspices of the Detroit Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, it is the largest Scout activity of this character ever attempted in Michigan.

Ninety thousand square feet of space will be occupied by the Scouts and their 100 demonstrations and displays. More than 6,000 of the 15,000 Scouts in the Detroit Area will be actively taking part. These include Troops from all suburban sections of this Area, among these being Redford, Birmingham, Fordson, Dearborn, Royal Oak, Ferndale, Berkley, South Macomb, and Highland Park. Canadian Scouts from the Border cities are also taking part, thus giving the Show an international atmosphere.

All the pre-vocational and recreational fields of Scout training will be pictured, as well as displays of Scout and Cub hobbycraft. These khaki-clad youngsters will show their prowess in all forms of Scout activities. It will be a revelation to Mr. and Mrs. Citizen of what Boy Scouting does toward producing individual initiative and creating sound, worthwhile citizens.

In many of the demonstrations there will be cows, horses, dogs, poultry and pigeons actively used. Bees and honey production will be demonstrated by two Troops, while other booths will have beetles, bugs, moths, butterflies and many other insects—thousands of reptiles of all kinds, too, will be included in the display of one Troop.

PAYMENTS FOR AGED READY AT PONTIAC OFFICE

Many persons who are now idle are entitled to lump-sum benefit payments under the old-age insurance portion of the social security act, according to Walter B. Redman, manager of the Pontiac field office.

"There are many persons who are now temporarily unemployed who are entitled to, but have failed to claim these benefits," Mr. Redman said today. "Persons who have worked in commerce or industry covered by the act since Jan. 1, 1937, are entitled to lump-sum benefit payments equal to 25 per cent of such wages. It is not necessary to retire to receive these benefits. In many cases employers place the names of layoffed workers in an inactive file and thus do not report to the U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue the fact that such employees have reached the age of 65 years and cease to be covered under the old-age insurance plan," Mr. Redman added.

He said the fact that no such report is made deprives the social security field office of an opportunity to contact workers who have reached this age and are entitled to lump-sum benefit payments. Any person who has become 65 after having been unemployed for an occupation covered by the social security act should apply at once for a lump-sum benefit payment. Mr. Redman's office serves all of Oakland and Macomb counties.

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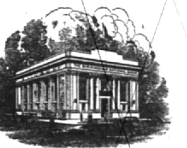
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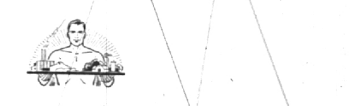
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