

Scout Membership Reaches New High

Membership figures of the Detroit Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, which includes Birmingham, add up to a grand total of 15,943 boys and men, according to Scout Executive, Amos R. Shields. The figure indicates a new high membership record according to Council announcements. One new Troop was registered during October and 510 new boys joined Scouting. As compared with one year ago, the membership growth of the Council shows a 31 per cent increase.

The local Council finds it difficult to keep pace with the ever-increasing requests from community institutions for new Scout Troops and Cub packs. The Council reports, Cubing (Scouting's home-centered program for boys, 9, 10 and 11 years of age) is in great demand by Parent-Teacher Associations and other organizations interested in the younger boys of the community.

For Cinderella's Coach
Vickburg—Here's a pumpkin that might qualify, in size at least, for Cinderella's fairy coach. Harry Oswald, local farmer, has produced a prize pumpkin weighing 73 pounds. He also grew a 63-pounder.

MARRIAGE THEME OF NEW COURSE AT ANN ARBOR

Ann Arbor, Nov. 10.—Six lectures on Marriage Relations, sponsored by a committee of students and faculty members, will be given at the University of Michigan during the next two months.

Four eminent physicians will speak on various aspects of marriage and parenthood during the course which is open to 450 academic seniors and 150 junior and senior medical students.

Dr. Joseph Baer, professor at Rush Medical College, University of Chicago, gave the first lecture on Nov. 2 in which he discussed the changing attitudes of the weight and the necessity for a factual approach to marriage.

Other lectures will be given during November and December by Dr. Raymond Squire, a member of the Cornell Medical Center, Dr. Beatrice B. Borie, lecturer at Sarah Lawrence and Yassar Colleges, and Dr. Robert G. Foster of the Merrill Palmer School in Detroit.

'Dear Dad'—Letters of A College Freshman

By Norman Lyle, Jr.

Dear Dad,

Six weeks have passed since I first wrote and I'm well into the routine of the college now. But it certainly doesn't seem as though all six weeks have gone by. Lacking a calendar for ready reference, I lose track of time down here and think of it only in terms of the intervals from one class to the next.

It's surprising what a difference six weeks can make. Frankly I was as green as a pea when I enrolled here for Freshman Week. And while I'm not assuming that in six weeks I've learned all there is to know about college, I do know that I can now qualify as a bona fide college freshman. I'm heavy and sunken from lack of sleep, shoulders stooped by the weight of my perpetual load of books, and I'm a little out of breath. I'm probably the most ignorant person on campus.

Seriously, Dad, I'm afraid that high school gave me the idea that I knew just about all there is worth knowing. Although my teachers and my report cards could have enlightened me to the contrary, in a short six weeks I have discovered for myself what I failed to understand in high school. I've just begun to learn. Discovering this for myself has driven it home to me just that much more forcibly, and I think that this has had a lot to do with my burning the midnight oil long past midnight. We're expected to do two hours outside class on each one-hour subject each day, a total of six hours outside studying every day. My board job, which also takes up quite a bit of time, precludes six hours outside work, but I manage to approximate nearly the required amount.

This is certainly a cosmopolitan school. In proportion to its size, I believe it can match any other school in regard to the number of foreign-born students enrolled. Four of the girls with whom I work in the dining hall kitchen were born and raised in China, the children of American missionaries. Our house senior counselor, the captain of the soccer team, is the son of American missionaries to China. And having been brought up in China, he often tells us of his experiences in the constant warfare over there. The

head of my dining table is an American girl born and brought up in India. These are students with whom I have personal contact, and I cannot estimate how many more there are.

If I were to recommend one thing to Dad and Sis for preparation for college, I'd advise them to learn how to study. That's a rather vague term, I know, but I've found that the one book that I put on my books that counts the most, but the way I make use of that time, that's the key to success, especially when you're competing with four rivals and a bull session.

The six-week try-out period for the 'Review' will end next week, and I'm keeping my fingers crossed, which makes typing kind of difficult. (Excuse that one, Dad. They crop out every once in a while.)

Love, Your Son NORMAN.

What Your City Commission Is Doing—

November 7, 1938

Bills were approved in an amount of \$22,754.16, including a payroll for 1938, which will end October 31st in an amount of \$6,461.31.

The Building Inspector was authorized to issue a permit for the removal of a building from Lot 3 of O. E. Shattuck Sub.

In accordance with a request from J. H. Sheridan, November 21st was set as a date on which a hearing will be held to consider the removal of two trees in front of 668 Henrietta Street.

An offer from the United States to add the City by way of grant in financing the construction of a municipal garage was accepted, and the city will begin work on the garage in the early spring, and not later than December 31st. The grant, 45 per cent of the cost of the project, will not exceed \$5,000.

Minimum wage rates, similar to the rate recently adopted in connection with the city garage project, were approved, to be effective on the garage project.

Irene E. Hasky, City Clerk

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Warm Weather And Spring Flowers Surprise And Delight Local Gardeners

Old Mother Nature put in a nice stretch of pre-crisis in autumn weather this year, and as a result of temperatures often 20 degrees above normal, Birmingham gardeners were able to report the presence of many unusual blooms in their yards. Mrs. H. Webster of Fairfax road, had marigolds, petunias, and snapdragons blooming in her garden this week up until the cold spell which seems to have begun in earnest Tuesday. Mrs. M. S. Kice of Chubbey road, was able to pick delphinium, tea-roses, petunias, gillardia and verbenas from her garden on Sunday.

"It is very unusual to see gillardia this late in the year," said Mrs. Kice, "and some of my bulbs which had been trimmed for the winter, are sending up shoots. If we have a hard frost and continued cold weather without snow to protect the bulbs, they may be injured by such unusual activity," Mrs. Kice explained.

Both Mrs. Webster and Mrs. Kice reported that a lilac bush in Detroit, evidently convinced that spring came, sent out well developed buds before the cold weather began.

Mrs. Herbert H. Gardner, of Aspen road, has many annuals still blooming in her yard, among them chrysanthemums. She reports that her chrysanthemums had a real chance to develop this fall.

"Usually the early frost spoils them, but this year they are lovely. I don't believe such late blooming will harm the 'mums' for next season. On the contrary, such complete development should be good for them," said Mrs. Gardner.

Mrs. Frederick A. Froehner, of Hanna street, was very proud of some beautiful salmon pink gladioli which Mr. Froehner was able to pick last Sunday.

"All our other gladioli finished blooming over a month ago," explained Mrs. Froehner, "and we did not expect these particular bulbs to bloom at all. The plants were well protected, however, and the warm weather brought up large perfectly formed flowers. I have also noticed blossoms on our honeysuckle, and my nicotiana plants still have white flowers. Our Maltese Cross, which had been cut down for the season, has produced a complete second growth because of the warm October weather."

Mrs. Charles F. Dye still has nasturtium in her garden and Mrs. George E. Averill reports tuberoses as well as nasturtium blooming in her yard.

Mrs. Henry E. Milledrants, of South Adams, picked a quart of strawberries recently from her garden. She has also been able to gather a large bouquet of bachelor buttons. These plants had already been cut down for the year, and reseeding themselves, blossomed again during the recent warm weather. Mrs. Milledrants also has white cosmos still flowering. She has been gardening for many years and cannot remember another season when she has had

Bowling Scores

Monday House League

Mills Service	W	L
Mil-Pex Coffee Shop	12	9
Meat Shop Society	11	10
Birmingham Recreation	8	13
Kirkham Real Estate	8	13
High score, E. Smith: 234		

"Buddies" Ladies' League

Wilson Drugs	W	L
Davidson's	10	7
Lindquist Health Salon	9	9
Freeman Beauty Shop	8	9
Peck's Cleaners	7	10
Photographic Shop	6	11
High score, L. Morehouse: 164		

Leonard Electric

Team 4, Rudduck	W	L
Team 5, Corey	14	10
Team 8, Frankfield	14	10
Team 6, May	13	11
Team 1, Watson	13	11
Team 3, Stewart	12	12
Team 2, Voebel	6	18

Wermuth & Son

Team Four	W	L
Team One	12	9
Team Two	12	9
Team Five	10	11
Team Three	8	13
Team Six	8	13
High score, G. Allard: 221		

Merchants' League

Gobel's Beer	W	L
Sherrill's Mfg.	13	5
First National	12	6
Gardner Bank	10	8
Classen Oil	9	11
Bham Eccentric	6	12
Detroit News	6	15

High score, J. Bennett: 213

Junior League

Mulholland's	W	L
Warrington's	13	8
Scrab's Candies	13	8
Pharm. Rec. Jrs.	10	11
Detroit Creamery	9	12
High Speed	6	15
High score, G. Lawrence: 216		

Just the Place

Mistress: "Good gracious, Annie, what's all this mess in the oven?"

Maid: "I dropped the candles—the water, m'am, so I put them into the oven to dry."

MOTORISTS ASK FOR PET PLATES AND NUMBERS

Of the thousands of letters coming into the Department of State these days, many are requests for special license plate numbers. Hundreds ask for plates with their initials on them, others request special combinations such as WOO, DOC, etc., which they think will make their automobiles run faster, smoother and longer.

Some people want the smallest numbered license plate they are able to obtain and others desire the largest and longest numbers available. One individual requested a license plate number 1234567890.

Under the new system, a majority of the counties receive license plates bearing two letters designating their counties and numbers, from one to five digits. Therefore, requests for special lettered and numbered license plates may be obtained through the Department of State Local Branch Offices in the different counties.

A large number of Michigan motorists have had the same numbers on their license plates for many years. The Department of State tries to please the individual motorist to the greatest extent possible in the matter of issuing special plates.

ORCHESTRA PLANS THREE CONCERTS FOR CHILDREN

With two weeks of the other jubilee season already history and with several brilliant performances remaining only in the memory, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra will now be active during the coming week to playing three concerts for children.

Saturday morning, at 11:45 a.m., Nov. 12, the orchestra will play the first program in its series of Young People's Concerts, featuring at the same time members of the woodwind section. Those who will be heard in solo with the orchestra are: Victor Kolar, first violin; Joseph Menabich, first bassoon; and Ilya Schliklikoff, conductor.

"Instruments of the Orchestra" will be the title of this program, at which Ethel Tilton, educational director of the symphony, will lecture in order to the following 10 compositions will be offered: J. S. Bach: "The Brandenburg Concerto No. 1"; Beethoven: "Symphony No. 5"; Schmitt: "Cantata for Children"; Grieg: "Symphony No. 1"; Liszt: "Symphony No. 2"; Debussy: "Symphony No. 3"; Strauss: "Symphony No. 4"; Tchaikovsky: "Symphony No. 5"; Mahler: "Symphony No. 6"; and Bruckner: "Symphony No. 7".

Victor Kolar, first violin; Joseph Menabich, first bassoon; and Ilya Schliklikoff, conductor. The orchestra will conduct the concert due to the illness of Victor Kolar who is convalescing at his home from a recent operation.

Schliklikoff also will conduct the second pair of programs in the series of Young People's Concerts. Children, to be played at 2 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 15 and 16, in Orchestra Hall.

Obituary

William Davis

William Davis, 73 years old, died on Saturday, Nov. 5, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Irving Johnson, 2605 Franklin road, Southfield Township. Born in Farmington, Michigan, on March 7, in the year the Civil War ended, Mr. Davis came to Southfield township in 1908.

Besides his daughter, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Davis is survived by a son, Henry C. Davis, seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon, Nov. 7, at S. O. Wylie Bell's Funeral Home with burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Redford.

Mrs. Clara Hovey Snyder

Mrs. Clara Hovey Snyder died on Tuesday morning at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clyde A. Hagerman, of 211 Ravine road. Mrs. Snyder, who was the widow of Ross E. Snyder, had been living with her sister for the past six years. She would have celebrated her 84th birthday on Dec. 7.

Mrs. Snyder was born in Farmington, Michigan, in 1858, and lived in Detroit for a number of years before coming to Birmingham. Besides her sister, Mrs. Hagerman, Mrs. Snyder is survived by a son, Fred O. Snyder, and a daughter, Mrs. Hollis Wells, both of Detroit, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at S. O. Wylie Bell's Funeral Home with burial in Grand Lawn Cemetery.

Bible Is Text For Character Building

Teaching the Bible as a means of character building is now taken seriously by Boards of Education in many communities. In the opinion of Miss Ida Jenks, teacher at Barnum and Adams schools, this ought to be a better government; those in office will always be required to give the best possible public service or they will be thrown out of office.

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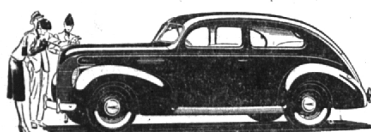
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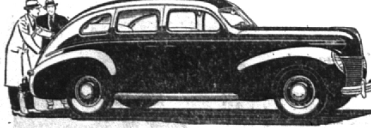
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