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## Ask Local Women To Aid War Cure

Just how much concerned are Birmingham and nearby mothers with the possibility of their sons, brothers, or husbands, having to participate in a future war? How many of them are willing to give a portion of their time to curing, first hand, some of the current problems threatening world peace?

Answers to current world problems will be discussed in a free public meeting in the Birmingham Community House Friday, July 28, at 9:30 a. m., when the local class on International Relations, led by Mrs. Charles J. Shan, will take them up.

We plan to present many interesting phases of world conditions, and hope that many local women will attend the meeting, said Mrs. John Shan, chairman of the class. "We intend to discuss the 1911 Treaty of Commerce and Consular Rights between the United States and Japan, to determine if it precludes any action on our part that would give us supplies, not covered by the neutrality law, between the two countries."

"Not only are all the members of the League invited to attend this meeting but all the members of the Committee for Non-Participation in Japanese Aggression and all others who are disturbed over the part which American oil, scrap iron, etc., play in the conquest of China. Mrs. Shan, chairman of this department, will lead the discussion and she urges a large attendance. The meeting will close promptly at 11:30."

## Oakland County BRIEFS

**PONTIAC**—Indians of various tribes, mostly Chippewas, last Sunday concluded a week of celebration when they held a "Hoop Dance." During the week numerous stunts and activities took place, including the crowning of a 16-year-old lad as Chief. Most of the Indians, of course, are products of several generations of the white man's influence.

**ORCHARD LAKE**—Nancy, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Oils, of Detroit, suffered concussion of the brain when she slipped on a diving board and fell against another board at the Orchard Lake Country Club Friday of last week. She was taken to Pontiac General Hospital in an unconscious condition.

**FERNDALE**—Due to ill health, Fire Chief Donald E. Pritchard last week was granted a three-month leave of absence. His place will be filled by Captain Norman Pritchard.

**PONTIAC**—A series of hold-ups here in recent weeks were thought partially solved with the arrest of Donald Emrick, 19, of Detroit. Emrick, according to officers, admitted 11 hold-ups, three in Pontiac, four in Detroit, one in Ypsilanti, two in Dearborn, and one in Royal Oak.

**UNION LAKE**—A forced landing here last Saturday afternoon was made by John E. Krastinski, 33, of Detroit. The ship landed in a field, the landing gear being torn off. The pilot was not injured. The airplane belongs to Kenneth Barber.

**OAKLAND COUNTY LAKES** last Sunday claimed three more drowning victims, bringing the total to 10. George Hewitt, 18, Nathan Marks, 27, Mike Dron, 45, all of Detroit, died while enjoying week-end holidays.

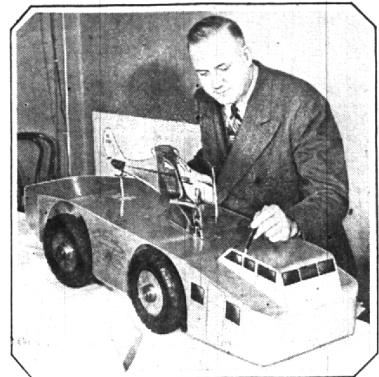
**ROCHESTER**—Walter Fischer, 27, was found seriously injured Sunday morning by what officials believe to have been a railroad accident. He was unconscious when found, and no details as to whether he was struck by a moving train, or fell off one, could be learned.

**PONTIAC**—Accompanied by a large number of Supervisors, S. S. Skelton, County Relief Administrator, went to Lansing Sunday morning by what officials believe to have been a railroad accident. He was unconscious when found, and no details as to whether he was struck by a moving train, or fell off one, could be learned.

**ROCHESTER**—The annual "Old Timers" reunion of this community is to be held in Avon Park Saturday afternoon and evening, July 29. A big picnic dinner, with various sports events and other features will be on the program.

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## Science Plans to Explore Antarctic in Snow Cruiser



Model of \$150,000 snow cruiser for Antarctic expedition, and machine's designer, Dr. Thomas C. Poulter, Chicago technologist.

ROLLING over deep snow and treacherous crevices, a machine now under construction in a Chicago suburb will carry a party of American scientists and explorers into the Antarctic wastelands this autumn to claim a section of the territory for the United States—and, perhaps, track down a few new secrets of the polar region.

Known as a snow cruiser, the machine resembles an oversized transcontinental passenger bus. But it's more than that; it's a regular hotel.

Interior of the cruiser will provide comfortable living and working quarters for from four to six men. It will take care of food, clothing and other supplies necessary for a year. It will carry fuel for 5000 miles of travel, plus gas and oil for an airplane.

MEASURING 35 feet in length, 15 feet in height, the mechanism will weigh 45,000 pounds when completed. Its speed will range between 15 and 30 miles per hour.

The vehicle is to travel on four pneumatic-tired wheels, each 10 feet in diameter, each driven by its own motor, each individually controlled for maneuverability. "This driving ap-

## 'Sure, We Bring the Whole World to Your Door,' Sez 'Pony Express' Kemp

By Cassius F. Smith  
It has been said with doubtful truth, that if one stands on the corner of 42nd street and Broadway in New York, or anywhere on the Champs Elysees in Paris, he will in due time meet everyone he knows; for there is that the world comes sooner or later.

Standing on that Paris boulevard would be delightful, and it is great temptation to souse and brood over its possibilities. We

hazy ideas expressed somewhere above. A chat with Fred (Lefty) Kemp, for the last 14 years local agent of this great transportation system, brought forth a number of interesting and intriguing bits of information about the World in Birmingham.

During the past 100 years has the world been traveling back and forth across these United States. Early in the years traveling was a problem. Not to mention carrying the world along too.

To Birmingham come tulip bulbs from Holland, lions direct from the jungles of the East to the Zoo, snakes travel to live there too; growing plants from New Jersey, horses and the showiest fresh fish from Colorado, sculpture work for Cranbrook are shipped to Birmingham via the Railway Express and handled through the local office here. Pige, parrots, pears and pets arrive weekly.

**Lobsters Fight Like Fiends.**  
The lobsters are shipped in barrels and as they are quarantined creatures terribly antagonistic toward their own kin, pees have to be fastened between crates to prevent dangerous fighting. Dead lobsters are not good, they say, and if allowed to fight for a week would result. A barrelful of never-say-die lobsters fighting to the death trips the imagination. What a maelstrom of strife that would be!

Gringing the imagination, too, is the story of the Railway Express. 100 years old this year, it represents the greatest and unselfish heroism not to be found in many other tales of American history.

**Changed Eating Habits.**  
For it was the Pony Express and the Steeplechase of 1845 growing out of the wood-burning locomotive era of 1839, that first transferred the goods of the East to the suddenly-rich California country. When Leland Stanford drove the famous stagecoach connecting the two railroads that first bridged the continent in 1849, the civilization began of an age that was to bring the world closer together and change the eating habits of Americans. By using refrigerated cars for delivery of fruits, vegetables and sea food of every variety and kind to markets that otherwise would

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## Experts Promise Better Fishing

LANSING, July 26—Recent cold weather and strong winds hampered fishing in Michigan inland lakes and streams but prospects are better at the termination of the cool period, it was the consensus of district supervisors for the state department of conservation in the past week.

Reports to the fish division of the department showed results rather evenly divided toward improvement. Trout, bass, bluegill, and sunfish were included in the summary.

After being troubled with high waters early in the season, trout fishermen were finding stream levels slackening to below-normal, according to upper peninsula officials. This brought better catches in some streams but in others the anglers had to hope for future improvement.

High winds added to difficulties, with fish seeking less active water depths. But the wind served the purpose of helping the cold drive off the mosquitoes, according to some statements.

There was evidence of fishermen trying their luck in what they hoped were greener pastures, once they encountered slow fishing. They were reported switching to trout when other species showed little action.

## Summer Vacation School At Nahma

NAHMA, Mich., July 26—A distinguished faculty will greet students at the first Upper Peninsula vacation school to be held here August 13-26.

Courses to be offered will be: nature photography and field journalism, novel and non-fiction writing, poetry, painting, scenery, book reviewing, radio speech, play writing and production, outdoors and detective stories, writing for trade journals, juveniles and women's magazines, newspaper features, and publishing problems.

Instructors and lecturers include Wallace Kirkland, Frank Gruber, Anne Campbell, George W. Stark, O. J. Sprungman, Peter DeVries, Arnold Mulder, Robert Gossner, Lucy Rogers Hawkins, Kenneth Rowe, Mary Dickson Donahay, James Cloyd Bowman, E. C. Beck, Louis Adamic, and Stewart Holbrook.

Nahma is a cool lumbering village at the top of Lake Michigan, with sawmills, logging camps, Indians, big timber and wild life. There is plenty of game fishing in the vicinity and no hay fever. Attendance, school rates, with board, lodging and tuition, will be \$20 to \$25.50 a week. Prospective students should write Wm. J. DuChaine, Escanaba, Mich., for details.

## Youngsters Obtain Social Sec. Cards

It is not necessary to have a school certificate, showing that a boy or girl is of legal working age, in order to obtain a social security number. This statement is made by Walter B. Redman, manager of the Social Security Board field office in Pontiac. Commenting on this subject he said:

"Any boy or girl who has an opportunity to get a job during the vacation period may obtain a social security account number by calling at or writing to our office. No proof of age is necessary as social security numbers are issued to persons of all ages who have use for these cards. Employers should remember, however, that the fact a boy or girl has a social security number is no proof the holder of this card is old enough to comply with provisions of child labor statutes covering the employment of minors."

## 'Plop' and Mr. Pike Jumps into the Boat

LANSING, July 26—"A fish forced itself upon a fisherman" is the news this week from an Ithaca county lake near here.

Warren Derry, summering at Lake Lansing, was out in the middle of the lake. He was rowing and fishing. But he was not fishing for pike. Nor was he even thinking of pike.

Suddenly there was a splash, a streak of scaly body flashing in the sunlight, and a loud plop—and right at his feet lay a nice, large and probably very much charmed pike.

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