Raising a family of children in these days is claimed by modern parents to be more difficult than "in the good old days." But is there a great deal of difference? Temptation awaited yesterday's youth, as it does today. Parental laying of the groundwork of character in early years is every age's only protection for youth.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

We planted some seeds in our garden, and hoed them and watered them, Friend; the days sped along and I framed up a song that I'd sing as they grew—so I penned just a sly little ditty I thought was some witty, a jingle that praised sun and soil; now this garden of ours is just filled up with flowers, repays us for all of our toil. But along with the flowers came lots of bad weeds, so we hoe and we pull them out, Friend; all of which merely shows that a life or a rose must be worked over end without end.

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In the days before the use of fireworks was banned on the Fourth of July, one of the common explanation for the occurrence of rain on that holiday was: "The exploding gunpowder in the air makes the rain fall." Since no fireworks were in evidence here July 4th, a new excuse will have to be invented because it really rained. (Can it be that the explosive utterances of preachers and politicians on the radio make the heavens weep?)

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Moral to be drawn from Louis-Galento fight: If two wouldst win a public brawl and gather cash not phony, live clean like Joe and never drink the beer like one named Tony.

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In a recent dish-washing contest in a certain section of this glorious land, men proved themselves better than women at this important task. A local survey, however, has failed to reveal the name of any adult male who participated in the contest.

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An eastern college professor is attempting to teach young women to fall in love intelligently. If he accomplishes the job, he will have performed the greatest collegiate advance of the century.

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My good friend, Dr. Hugo Erichsen, of Harmon street, apparently doubts my veracity regarding my success as a fisherman. He recently sent me a pamphlet in which this familiar quatrain says: "Lord, give me grace to catch a fish so big that even I, in talking of it afterwards, may never need to lie." So I am re-printing the lines here for the benefit of several local Waltonians who need it more than I; their names sound something like John B. Talyor, Fred W. Johnson, Harry S. Starr, Howard L. (Spud) Simpson, and — but time and space require that I stop here.

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Here is a vacation thought:
I wish I was a little rock
A sittin' on a hill
Doin' nothin' all the day
But just a sittin' still.
I wouldn't eat
I wouldn't sleep,
I wouldn't even wash.
I'd just sit still a
Thousand years
And rest myself, b'gosh!

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Henry Ford has come forth with a new tractor for the farmers of the United States. It is to be hoped that the New Deal will not again resort to a "plowing under" campaign for the farmer, on the theory that the Ford tractor is easy to own and operate.

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Detroit police activities in wrecking hashhook joints reminds me of the prohibition days 20 years ago when I was a reporter on the old Detroit Journal. Many a time I rode out with Dr. James Inches' bluecoats as they invaded some blind pig, wrecking it in short order, and confiscating whatever liquor was found on the premises. Under such conditions, you may be sure, no one gets very far by pleading: "Policeman, spare that axe."

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One of the tremendously grand things about belonging to a worldwide organization such as Rotary International is the contacts you make with people from other parts of the world. Two weeks ago, while attending the annual convention of R. I. in Cleveland, I met dozens of people from all parts of the globe. One day, having my car with me, and having once lived in Cleveland, I took a chap from Scotland, another from Arkansas, and a Japanese, Sometre Sheba, of Tokyo, for a drive thru part of the city. We visited old Lakeview cemetery, to see President James A. Garfield's tomb; standing before the bronze caskets containing the remains of both the President and Mrs. Garfield, my Japanese friend made a ceremonious bow—I noticed it and thanked him, of course. Then we went over to stand at the grave of John D. Rockefeller and John Hay, former Secretary of State under McKinley. Others I met at the convention hailed from Singapore, India, many sections of Europe, Hawaii, Central and South America. About 12,000 Rotarians were in attendance, the largest in the history of the movement.

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Birmingham Bank To Pay Dividend

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Birmingham National Bank, held Tuesday evening, a semi-annual dividend of fifty cents per share on the common capital stock was declared, payable July 12, to stockholders of record July 5.

This is the ninth consecutive cash dividend paid by this Bank, and is paid out of earnings for the six months' period ending June 30.

Life Saving Class Feature of City's Summer Program

A course in life saving given under supervision of two Red Cross instructors, Miss Dorothea Lawrence and Miss Thelma Homer of Pontiac, is a practical feature of the summer recreation program in Birmingham.

The class meets at Barnum pool, and now includes 32 members. Among the latest to join are James Juhl, Harry Bissett, Peg McBride, Nancy Juhl, Bill Shaughnessy, Martha Gruber, Memorie Upper, Vera Dayner, Jacqueline Buck, Edith Capling, Charles Reynolds and Dave Claxton.

For the week past, total enrollment was 3,507, according to the report of Franklyn Whitney, recreation director. This was a drop of about 1,348 from the total enrollment figure of 4,855 for the previous week. But as families leave for cottages and summer trips, and children for camp, the ranks at home are thinned out accordingly, Whitney pointed out.

Pool Attendance High

Attendance at the pool still holds first place with 1,758 for the week ending June 30. Four hundred are listed for softball, 295 appeared for band and orchestra practice during the week, and 200 attended the street dance held at Adams school. Golf drew 57 and tennis 40 for the week. Attendance at the various play centers is for Barnum, 250; Lincoln, 75; Pierce, 150; Poppleton, 130 and Quarton, 120.

Bill Masters and George Dunn won the city playground doubles championship in horse shoes. The leading junior boy activity for this week is Chinese checkers.

The street dance this evening will be sponsored by the P. T. A. of Baldwin high school under direction of Mrs. Hamilton H. Stevens. It will be held in front of Baldwin high school, at 8 p. m., and will be open to the public.

Pass Swimming Tests

Those who passed beginners' tests during the past week include Richard Pullen, Richard Bowes, Roland Watson, Anne Lambert, Dick Earle, Boyd Lundy, Helen Stanley, Robert Ford, Betty Bock, Elinor Baldwin, Billy Simpson, Duaine Haiser, Alvin Larsen, Fance Earle, Howard Richardson and Richard Owen.

Those who passed swimmers' tests during the past week, include Jack O'Donnell, Tom Zoellin, Charles Martz, Donald Good, John McGregor, Earl Bedard, Leo Reneult, John Bedard, Duane Brown, Dulcie Krasnik, Shirley Howland, Elinor Wendell, Eugene Haglund, and Alfred Cady.

Saarinens Win First Prize In Competition

Design for National Art Gallery from Cranbrook Takes National Honor.

A triple honor which will perpetuate the name of the Saarinen family in American annals, has been announced by the Smithsonian Institution in Washington. Three members of the family, Eliel Saarinen, internationally recognized architect, who is president of the Cranbrook Academy of Art; his son Eero, and son-in-law, J. Robert F. Swanson, have won the national competition for a proposed Smithsonian Gallery of Art in Washington. In the absence of the elder Saarinen, who is visiting his native Finland until late in August, honors were received by the son and Mr. Swanson.

The award was made by a jury headed by Frederic A. Delano, chairman of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission. The Saarinens and Swanson were given first prize of $7,500. Officials said that if funds were raised, and the $2,500,000 structure became a reality, the architects' gains would approximate $90,000.

'Dignity and Simplicity'

The Cranbrook design was one of more than 400 submitted in the competition. The plan provides for a building to cover two square blocks across a mall from the National Gallery of Art. The building to be of contemporary American design, will consist of a three-story section for administration, and a two story division for exhibition purposes. The design submitted by the Saarinen family was cited by officials as "distinguished by its dignity and simplicity."

Mr. Saarinen and his son were winners about a year ago of second prize in the Goucher College competition, in which sketches were to be submitted for preliminary plans. They are now collaborating on plans for a grade school in Winnetka, Ill., and on churches to be built in Chicago and Columbus, O.

Baldwin Graduate

Eero Saarinen was graduated from Baldwin high school and completed the five-year architecture course at Yale University, in three years. He was graduated in 1934 with eight medals and an eight months' traveling scholarship, highest honor in the architectural college.

Swanson, who is not connected with Cranbrook institutions, is an architect. He became a member of the Saarinen family through his marriage with Miss Pipsan Saarinen. He designed the Bloomfield Hills School on Vaughan road and numerous residences.

Sixteen prizes have been won by Cranbrook architects and artists during the past year.

NAME FOR CUT-OFF

Members of the City Commission will consider a name for the new cut-off through Birmingham of what is otherwise Woodward avenue, next Monday evening at their regular session. The present Woodward avenue will retain that name, but U. S. 10 will have to be designated differently.

'Keep My Chee-ild,' Writes Frantic Mother of Foundling, in Note to Police

By C. F. Smith

Clues are coming in thick and fast to the police department this week concerning the whereabouts of the mother who left her offspring in a baby basket at the station last Friday night at 11 p. m. There is no one the police as yet can put the finger on.

"The Strange Case of the Missing Mother" is the title to this latest of the mystery melodramas and to thoroughly understand it, it is necessary that each and every reader of this report first stand on his head. We've got to fight fire with fire in this tough case and all parties concerned and those not concerned must be dizzy to understand it, because, if we must stand upside out and tell you, it's a dizzy case.

The facts and clues are these: At the solemn hour of eleven p. m. when all the elves were making preparations to explode the city at the stroke of midnight, there was found lying on the floor in the police garage a basket lined with a newspaper and a pair of pajamas. Resting comfortably thereon was a baby dressed in striped overalls. Attached to the infant was this message. "Please take care of my baby until the first of August. I will be back for it then." It was signed "A Grateful Mother."

That Baffled Look

Dealing as they have in the past with puzzling assignments, the police this time are baffled, exasperated and not a little sheepish. They cannot find the mother.

We had something else in mind when we mentioned a paragraph about fighting fire with fire. It's this way. The chief suspect is Chief Griffiths of the Fire Department who left last Saturday, the day after the baby was found, for his annual two-weeks' vacation. Upon his return the police plan to give him the third degree in an effort to extract from him the truth and nothing but the truth. Chief Griffiths, the records show, became the father of a baby girl about five months ago.

Informers in the Fire department offer Henry Johns, the Municipal building superintendent, as without doubt the leading contender in this race to discover the culprit. Mr. Johns leaves soon for his vacation. He will be back around the first of August. However, the police are not inclined to look with favor upon this version, pointing out that a building superintendent would not leave babes lying around all over the very place he is expected to keep clean.

The Plot Thickens

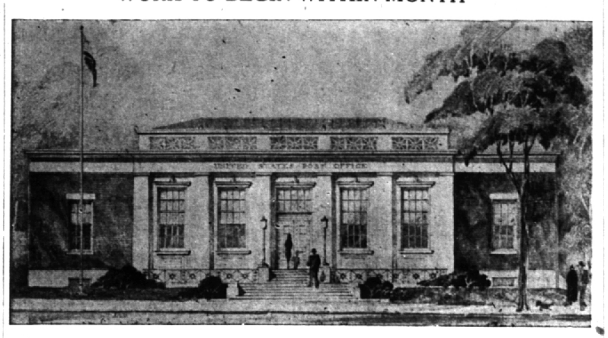
Other confidential sources give Fireman Drayton McClelland as the instigator of the plot to reveal the police in their "true light." Inasmuch as fireman McClelland left Thursday, the day before the finding of the baby, all clues point to an accomplice who, of course, makes the unravelling of the mystery more difficult.

Fingerprints have been taken from the basket, the newspaper, the pantlets, and the overalls. Efforts are being made to match them with others on file.

In the meantime, police are casting covert eyes in all directions and sitting hopefully by, trusting that the villian in this piece will visit the scene of his crime.

Did we forget to mention that the "baby" was a toy teddy bear? Shucks!

WORK TO BEGIN WITHIN MONTH



This is the architect's drawing of the proposed new post office building for Birmingham, to be erected on the corner of Martin and Bates streets. The building will follow Neo-Greek lines, and will be constructed of brick with a limestone trim.

One Accident Mars Record For '4th' In Birmingham

Birmingham's only holiday traffic accident occurred Tuesday at 5:00 p. m. on Woodward at fourteen Mile road, when one twelve-year old boy, Harry S. Shaeffer Jr., a passenger in his father's car, was knocked unconscious, and one women passenger in the other car, Leola Chamberland, 25, of Drayton Plains, suffered lacerations above her right eye, as the two cars collided at the intersection.

According to police reports, the boy was given first-aid at the Ford plant, while Miss Chamberland was treated by a local physician, who used two stitches to close the cut over her eye.

The car driven by Harry S. Sr., 41, 2316 Lawndale, Detroit, hit the car driven by Charles Sebastian, 20, 3106 Washington, Auburn Heights, in whose car Miss Chamberland was riding as Sebastian was attempting to cross Woodward avenue. Damage to Shaeffer's car is estimated at $100 and Sebastian's car at $75.

Women Golfers In Western Group To Vie For Title Here

Members of the Women's Western Golf Association will hold their 39th annual closed championship tournament at Oakland Hills Country Club, August 7-12. Widespread activity is marking the initial plans for the event, which will be of social interest as well as eventful in sports circles.

Mrs. Charles H. Booth of Third avenue, Detroit, is taking entries and reservations for the meeting. Pairings for the press will close on August 3. The closed championship is open only to members of the Association.

The Oakland Hills course will be open for practice rounds, Monday through Friday, July 31-August 4. Special periods for out-of-town contestants only will be held on Saturday, Aug. 5, before 10 a. m. and after 4 p. m., and after 4 p. m. on Sunday, August 6.

To Start August 7

Eighteen holes of medal play will mark the qualifying round on Monday, the seventh. All players will qualify at that time, and an approaching and putting contest will be held. On Tuesday, all flights will participate in the first round of match play. A driving contest in classes will be staged at 1:30 in the afternoon. In the evening, all contestants and officials of the Association will be honored at a buffet supper, at the club. Afterwards, there will be an exhibition of swimming and diving in the club pool.

On Wednesday, all flights will enter the second round of match play, with consolation in all flights. The championship quarter-finals will be held on Thursday afternoon, and the semi-finals on Friday afternoon. On Saturday, August 12, the final 36 holes for the championship will be played.

Any club having four members entered in the tournament is eligible to compete for the Maschmeyer Trophy Cup. The team with the lowest net total will have the names of individual members engraved on the trophy.

Headquarters for the tournament will be at the Hotel Fort Shelby, in Detroit.

Have You Met?—

Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey H. Snider of 639 Bloomfield Court. They moved here from Detroit.

Mr. Snider is connected with the Commercial Solvents company, a New York firm with branch offices in Detroit.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Snider are graduates of the University of Michigan. They are members of the Michigan Alumni Association, and active in the affairs of the organization.

Predicts Big Harvest for Michigan's Tourist Industry Despite World's Fairs

LANSING—Despite the man-made competition of international expositions this summer in New York City and San Francisco, Michigan's tourist industry is expected to reap a 1939 harvest of 350 millions, according to Eugene Alleman, executive secretary of the Michigan Press Association.

Such is the estimate of Business Week.

California will be second with 235 millions, Minnesota 205 millions, and Wisconsin 150 millions.

Tourist expenditures have soared in to the "Big Business" category, but it would be a mistake to assume that Michigan's No. 2 industry is dependent solely upon the summer vacation habits of Middle-West residents. It is becoming more and more a year-round business.

Peninsula Playground

Blessed by cooling refreshing winds off Lake Michigan, the lower-peninsula of Michigan has long been a favorite haven for sweltering denizens of industrial cities as far as St. Louis, Cincinnati, and Louisville.

Nature gave also the peninsula the blessing of thousands of spring-fed lakes.

What to some might appear to be a curse—sand and sand and more sand—happily made possible many miles of ideal bathing beaches not only along Lake Michigan, Lake Huron and Lake St. Clair but on countless inland lakes.

Add to this combination the recreational advantage of fish and deer in large numbers, and surround it with the fragrance of pines and spruces and evergreens—all of it within a day's drive of millions of Americans!—and you have a good idea why Business Week put Michigan at the top of the playground parade for 1939, world fairs notwithstanding.

Knowing Michigan

From your own acquaintances, persons whom you have known most of your life-time, how many of them have never seen the Straits of Mackinaw?

Ask the question tonight, but be prepared for a surprise.

Human inertia and a stubborn indifference to what appears to be commonplace, our own state, has made Michigan the great unknown for many of its residents. Citizens of Dearborn, for example, are disinterested in one of the world's most remarkable attractions at their own door—the world's largest industrial plant, all geared to that ever-astonishing American device known as the "assembly line." It is just too close to home.

Greenfield Village, also at Dearborn, attracts more people from other states during vacation months than Michigan residents. Yet, as a tourist attraction, it is without peer in its appeal and type any place in this nation.

Cascades at Jackson

At Jackson is a remarkable scenic lure, the illuminated Cascades, which is visited annually by close to 1,500,000 persons.

The artistic creation of William Sparks, a benevolent industrialist, and his wife, Matilda, the Cascades consist of sixteen water falls of which seven are illuminated in the three primary colors: red, green and blue with all the scientific combinations of a rainbow.

Architecturally, the Cascades is a massive structure of concrete, 550 feet long and 60 feet wide, rising to a height of 85 feet.

Above the top, center and bottom falls are three reflection pools ninety feet by thirty feet, each containing two fountains.

Picture the constant flow of 360,000 gallons of water and the kaleidoscopic hues of color magnified by 252,000 watts of electricity, and you may gather a mental conception of the grandeur of this Michigan tourist spot. Furthermore, the Cascades are free. Choice seats may be had for a dime. Be there promptly at 9 p. m. any day in the week. The cast

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The Eccentric To Sponsor MPA Photo Contest

Attention camera enthusiasts!

Under local sponsorship of The Birmingham Eccentric, amateur photographers of Oakland County will have an opportunity to win a cash award of $1 to $100 and state-wide recognition.

To stimulate interest in the 90th annual Michigan State Fair at Detroit, Sept. 1 to 10, the Michigan Press Association of which this paper is a member, announces a contest for the best photographs taken in Michigan by amateurs between Thursday, June 1 and August 15.

First award will be $100 in cash and a blue ribbon.

Second award will be $50 in cash and a red ribbon.

Third award is $10, while 40 prizes of $1 each will be given for honorable mention.

"Winning photographs will be exhibited at the State Fair as a feature of a Michigan camera Salon," stated Romaine McCall, co-publisher of the Gratiot County Herald at Ithaca who is president of the state newspaper association. "Michigan has hundreds of scenic beauty spots. Our state offers every opportunity for camera fans to get outstanding snapshots and photographs. Newspapers are pleased to cooperate with the Michigan State Fair through this contest which should appeal to thousands of our citizens, young and old."

Entries should be mailed directly to Photo Contest Division, Michigan State Fair, Detroit. Entries should be accompanied with information giving name of entrant, address, date and place of photo, make of camera, and, if possible, the lens opening used for the photograph. Professional photographers and employees of the State Fair are ineligible to compete. Further details will be announced later.

What's In A Name? Commissioners Ask

Right up in front and shooting from all angles was Lawrence Hulburt, city commissioner and leading exponent of the steady arm and accurate eye in the bow and arrow division, when suggestions were in order for the selection of a name for the city's new sewage tract park on which the archery range is located, at the weekly meeting of the commission last Wednesday evening.

Among the names offered by Mr. Hulburt were "Robin Hood Park" and "William Tell Park." When others suggested "Lawrence Hulbert Park," Mr. Hulburt was not vanquished. He took up the good fight and when last heard from, had the enemy on the run.

July 4th Blaze Levels Home On Bloomfield Farm

The home at Bloomfield Orchards, Franklin and West Long Lake roads, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bingay and their two children, Joan, 7, and Shirley, 4, was destroyed early Tuesday morning at 7:30 a. m. when fire that started in the storage house spread to the tool shed and then to the home.

George Crosby, an employe, discovered the fire and called the fire department. Bloomfield and West Bloomfield Townships and Bloomfield Hills fire departments responded to the alarm.

Most of the furniture from the home was saved. Estimates place the fire loss at above $10,000.

The barn was the only major structure saved, due to the wind blowing the flames in another direction.

The fire is believed to have started when an electric bulb ignited one of 5,000 berry crates in the storage house.

A car owned by M. H. Smiley, a Birmingham teacher, was towed to safety by a tractor from its parking place near the burning home.

The Bloomfield Orchards are owned by Peter Schotanus, of Island Lake.

Rites Are Held For Mrs. Ackles, Red Cross Leader

Funeral services were held Monday from St. James' Episcopal church for Mrs. Patience K. Ackles of 668 Ann street, who died suddenly in St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital Friday. She had entered the hospital for an operation.

Mrs. Ackles was well known in Birmingham for her activity in Red Cross work. She had been chairman of the Junior Red Cross unit in Birmingham, and served as a captain in the Roll Call last November. She was also a member of St. James' Episcopal church, and acted as president of St. Elizabeth's Guild.

Born in Akron, O., Aug. 13, 1905, Mrs. Ackles came to Birmingham 21 years ago. She attended Baldwin High School.

She is survived by her husband, U. Stanley Ackles; a son, Robert C.; her mother, Mrs. Chloe Davey, of Birmingham; her father, Clarence E. Killinger of Elmira, N. Y., and a sister, Mrs. Gloria Wyler of New York City.

The remains were at the Manley Bailey Funeral Home until the church service. The Rev. Warner L. Forsyth, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, officiated. Burial was in White Chapel cemetery.

Three Are Injured In Motor Accidents

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Moore, 327 south Woodward avenue, suffered injuries Wednesday, when their car careened into a ditch after a blowout. They were taken to Pontiac General hospital for emergency treatment. Mrs. Moore's injuries revealed a broken arm and several bruises. Mr. Moore was severely shaken up and bruised. Later they were taken to their home.

The accident occurred on the Airport road, ten miles from Pontiac, at 1 p. m.

Mrs. John Wilson, of Park street, was severely injured in an automobile accident near Monroe Saturday, when a truck collided with the rear of the car in which Mr. Wilson and son Jack were also riding. Mrs. Wilson was taken to the Monroe Mercy Hospital where she is recuperating. The Wilson car was demolished.

Hascall Passes Sentence For Uttering and Publishing

Carl Borowski, a groom at Belle Isle Riding Stables, was convicted of uttering and publishing on Wednesday, and sentenced to 60 days in the county jail by Judge Forbes S. Hascall. Borowski, 34, was arrested on Wednesday by the Detroit police department, acting for the Birmingham force.

When the convicted man was employed as a groom on the estate of M. S. Perry Williams of North Adams road, last spring, he assumed the name of Thomas Meraw, a Birmingham business man and local resident, and cashed a check. His arrest and conviction were based on these grounds.

NEW FIREMAN

A new member of the fire department has been appointed. His name is Stanley Church, and he has served for some time as a volunteer member. Mr. Church is the twelfth member of the regular department to be added.

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Contract For Post Office Is Awarded

Shaw Contracting Co. to Start Breaking Ground Within Month.

The general contract for Birmingham's new post office has been awarded to the low bidder, the James L. Barnes Construction Company of Mt. Pleasant, according to official announcements received from Washington. The figure accepted by the Government is given as $91,775.

The contract for excavating has been awarded to the Shaw Contracting Company of Birmingham, and work is scheduled to start within a month.

The Federal Government acquired the site to be occupied by the post office at Martin, Bates and West Maple avenues, Oct. 26, 1938. In return for the title, the United States paid St. James' Episcopal church $25,000. In spite of architecture, the new post office will harmonize with the buildings of the Civic Center including the Municipal Building and Baldwin Public Library.

To Landscape Grounds.

It will be 80 by 116 feet fronting on Martin street, with a loading platform at the West Maple end of the building. The grounds will be landscaped so that the platform will be concealed from full view from the street.

Plans call for a basement and one story to the structure with a spacious lobby 16 feet wide on the first floor. In the lobby will be seven service windows and 274 lock boxes.

Adjoining the lobby will be the postmaster's office. A space of 4000 square feet has been allotted to the workroom, which besides several windows, will be illuminated by two large skylights.

Basement Plan

In the basement will be the post office inspector's office, boiler room, fuel room, five postal storage rooms, and a large area for future office space. At the rear of the building will be the usual vestibule and platform for the reception of mail, and the mailing drive, with space for parking postal automobiles.

An allotment of $155,000 was authorized by the Emergency Construction program act of Aug. 25, 1937, to include the cost of the site, building and administration.

Sewer Hearing Before Commission

Hearings were held Wednesday evening before the City Commission on the creation of special assessment districts for the purpose of constructing sewer and water mains in Gordon Court. When it was found there were already sewer facilities available to residents in that area, proceedings on sewer construction were discontinued. The assessor was directed to spread the roll for the district to cover the construction of water mains.

The Commissioners also accepted a proposal of Martin, Smith & Company and Watling, Lerchen & Company regarding the sale of $217,240 Refunding Bonds, subject to the approval of legal counsel.

City Manager Donald C. Egbert informed the Commission that the portion of the sewer from the old sewage disposal plant to the new is "practically complete." It is a W. P. A. sewer construction project.

Ten-Year-Old Lois Steele Is Founder Of Play School For Neighborhood Children

Two little girls who are using their own love of fun and good times to help still younger children are Lois and Janet Steele, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. F. Earl Steele of 916 Madison avenue. Together, they are the directors of a children's summer play school, although many children of their ages are still in play schools as pupils! Ten-year-old Lois is the founder and acting head of the school, and Janet, seven, is her chief assistant.

School hours are from 9 a. m. until 11:30 a. m., every day. Sessions are held in the garage of the Steele home. At present, an average of ten tots of three and four years old are attending the school.

The mothers of children attending the summer school are as enthusiastic as the little folk themselves. They voice unanimous approval of the program, which includes games and singing, handicraft, paper work and out-door activities, such as hikes and elementary nature study.

Every day, the children return to their homes, proudly bearing something new which they have made in school. They are becoming experts at the construction of pretty things from paper. The new songs and games which they learn in the mornings, enliven the afternoon hours for them as well.

"I think Lois is a born teacher," said the mother of one of the small pupils. "The children love the school, and they are really learning things, too. We mothers appreciate Lois' work in keeping those lively three-year-olds busy and happy every morning. She knows instinctively how to take care of them."

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