

Phone Company To Appeal Circuit Court's Decision

Detroit, June 28, George M. Welch, president of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, announced today that an appeal would be made to the Michigan Supreme Court from the decision of the Ingham Circuit Judge, Leland W. Carr in the intrastate toll rate case. Welch's statement follows: "The Michigan Bell Telephone Company will appeal from the decision of Judge Leland W. Carr of the Ingham Circuit Court upholding an order of the Michigan Public Service Commission directing a reduction in intrastate rates to the present level of interstate charges. "Rate schedules for toll and exchange service should be—and are

—designed to put the service within reach of as many people as economically possible. Both are integral parts of the revenue structure of the telephone business. "The questions raised by the lower court's decision are of such importance to the development of the telephone business in Michigan that we have decided to appeal to the highest state court."



At last the question of who is going to sponsor the Sea Scout Ship Edwin S. George is answered. It will be the Men's Club of the First Presbyterian Church.

The DeMolays who spent last week at Camp George left it in very good condition; better than most Scout troops. In fact, El was there last week-end, and had a swell time, from all accounts. While we're on the subject, the purchase of two new row-boats for the camp has just been authorized and the Sea Scouts have spent their meetings for the last month or so repairing the camp's two canoes. They sadly needed repairing, too.

Saturday, July 8, there will be a get-together of all the district commissioners of the Detroit area at Camp Howell. This date is also the deadline for any troop that wishes to send a patrol to the Camporee at Rouge Park on July 15 and 16. So far, B-7 is the only Birmingham troop that is sending one.

Two Eagle Scouts from Birmingham, Andy Watson and Bill Denyes, are counsellors at Camp B-7 this summer. Andy is in charge of the Nature Study division and Bill is assistant Scoutmaster of the Huron tribe.

I'll Leave It to You

By John Decker
Now that vacation time is here again, and old problem of where to go and what to do after you get there becomes first in the order of business.

Since most people either work or have others in the family who work, the average time allowed for a vacation is two weeks—which theoretically limits the choice to some place within a reasonable distance from home. This is true only in the case of the average person, because it is possible, by averaging from 50 to 60 miles an hour, for a person to drive from New York to San Francisco and back—or vice versa—in two weeks and still have time to get out of the car at either end. In fact, this is often done.

But there are a lot of people who think that this sort of thing is too much to attempt in two weeks. What they want most of all is rest and relaxation—a change of scene. So they pick a place nearby—say within two days' driving.

There are a lot of things which enter into the selection of such a place. Some people, for instance, must go where the swimming is good. Others are interested only in whether or not there are fish around, and, if so, whether they're the kind that bite. Some can't stand the high altitudes. Others won't go where it's flat. The food, mattresses, and mosquitoes, however, are matters upon which practically everyone's thinking agrees.

If you go where you went last year, though, it probably won't seem as good as it did before. And if you go to a different place, chances are you'll wish you'd gone where you went last year. If you're one of the few who say they're going for a rest and really mean it, you'll undoubtedly fall in with a fast crowd the very first day and be forced to toss all your resolutions overboard. And if you're out for a little excitement, you're most apt to land in the midst of what will appear to be a Townsendside convention.

Oh well, don't worry too much about it. After all, two weeks go by awfully fast, and it will probably rain, anyway.

Orion to Revive 'Venetian Night' Water Carnival

Venetian Night, formerly a yearly festival at Lake Orion is to be revived the night of July 3. It was formerly the custom for the boaters and citizens of the town to trim their small boats and enter the water parade. Cottages were beautified with Chinese lanterns and flares burned on the banks of the lake while the gaily decorated crafts passed in parade about the shore.

The scene will be enacted again this year. Decorated boats of any description or rafts may enter. Entrants are requested to line up at Park Island the night of July 3 at 7:00 p. m. Here they will be organized into different classifications and pulled by motor boat over the route, which starts at Park Island, passes Lake Orion City Park, circles the North Shore, then back past Long Point and Bellevue Island to Oak Ridge, car at either end. In fact, this is often done.

Selecting from the entire group, prizes will be given for the most beautiful boat, the most original, the funniest, and the one that is most symbolic of Lake Orion. There will also be prizes for the

best decorated canoe, rowboat, sailboat and raft and for the largest, smallest and most antique. Prize winners will be announced in the dance hall at Park Island during the intermission at 11:00 p. m.

Each entrant, from any place in Michigan, is requested to send his name, address, and type of boat to be entered, as soon as possible to M. S. Harold Weimaster, 546 Bellevue Road or the Park Island Management.

On Tuesday, July 4th, the celebration will continue. There will be races including in-board motor boats, row boats, and canoes, at 2:00 p. m. Swimming races and competitive diving will follow and prizes will be awarded the winners of each race. Entrants will include any one twelve years or older.

Young Artist Plays With 60-Piece Orchestra
By Fenton R. Mathews
In this age of uncivilization and inverted thinking there is nothing more gratifying than to observe some individual who has made diligent use of something that passes very quickly, must be used im-

mediately and that can never be used again—Time.
A seventeen year old youth of Birmingham, Charles Turner, has made excellent use of this element of time. A few months ago he won a scholarship at the Curtis Institute of Philadelphia, recently as the valedictorian of his graduating class of Baldwin High School he departed from the customary rank and innovated a refreshing performance by playing a group of three violin solos.

Thursday evening, June 22 he appeared as soloist with a 60 piece orchestra at the Art Institute of Detroit in connection with the Commencement Exercises of the Detroit Institute of Musical Art. It has been our pleasure to follow the development of Charles and the growth of artistic ability. Also a pianist of quality it cannot be proven that Charles has wasted time to any degree. The parents of this young man are entitled to praise for having contributed to honest to God Americanism, since it was their guidance that has pro-

duced results that must be a pleasure to them.
With a nation of industrial young people of this type it is possible that America will yet settle down. Birmingham is fortunate in having this young man for a citizen and if he still retains the modesty and common sense that pleasantly apparent this writes him the best of all that is beneficial.

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Walled Lake Park Plans Display for Celebrating '4th'

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New and inspiring set pieces will be on display along with a goodly number of comedy effects, while the soaring rockets and high explosive bombs add a fitting crescendo to the art of fireworks technicians. For a Duesday Night, July 4th, the program will present set pieces of patriotic character with the nerve tingling and breath taking "Battle In The Clouds" as the concluding number.

At the Casino ballroom a new name in orchestras to Southern Michigan's habitude of the dance is to be introduced. Tommy Tucker and his radio and recording orchestra will make its bow on Saturday night, July 1st, beginning four week engagement at this popular Dance Palace. Tommy and his band come to Walled Lake following a g a g e n e t throughout the Spring and early Summer at large metropolitan hotels and beach ball rooms.

All rides and amusements will be ready for the holiday crowds while the entire park will be in gay decorations of flags, bunting and streamers. In the picnic groves additional tables and benches have been provided for family and picnic parties. Bathing, Boating, Roller Skating and ball games will also be among the diversified amusements offered to the holiday throngs.

PONTIAC—Twelve fine prizes will be awarded the winners in Pontiac's 1939 Soap Box Derby July 26. In this great amateur racing event for boys, youthful pilots will drive the home made cars down a smooth swift hill between throngs of cheering spectators.

A band will play, and will lead the parade of Soap Box Derby pilots at the start of the colorful event. Leading business and professional men of Pontiac will serve as officials, a mechanically operated starting ramp will guarantee an even start in every heat, and when the final race has been run, Pontiac's 1939 Soap Box Champion will be crowned.

PONTIAC—Prosecutor Charles L. Wilson said today everything is in readiness for the opening tonight at 7:30 of his one man grand jury probe of the activities of finance companies handling automobile and household furniture loans. The prosecutor's office has been making a quiet investigation for several months. Justice John J. Schulte, Jr., Farmington, will sit in Judge H. Russell Holland's court room at the Court House. Four executives of finance companies have been summoned.

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