

Unlawful to Start Grass Fire Without Securing Permit

Dry weather has resulted in an increase in grass fires, Chief Vernon W. Griffith announced yesterday.

- He called attention to the fact that they often threaten property, and may injure children; that it is unlawful to start a grass fire without a permit from the Fire Department.
- This is his memorandum:
- To burn grass in the City of Birmingham, without first obtaining a written permit from the Fire Department is unlawful, and a \$100 fine or 30 days in jail, or both, is the penalty.
 - Because the extended heat wave and drought has dried all vegetation to a point where it is highly inflammable it is necessary that we enforce this ordinance, and we request your cooperation by complying with the following suggestions:
 - Have each one in the family read and understand this notice.
 - Never start an open fire to burn paper and rubbish when there is a wind blowing.
 - Never start an open fire near tall or thickly matted grass or weeds.
 - To burn papers and rubbish in open wait until there is no wind, start the fire away from tall grass and have a charged garden hose or a pail of water

Two Cars Crash As One Leaves Curb

A minor crash occurred last Thursday afternoon at West Maple avenue and Pierce street, when cars collided driven by Beatrice Adler, 181 South Woodward, and Roger C. Harrison, 247 Hahn.

- Harrison was leaving the curb when the mishap occurred, according to the police report.
- Take advantage of damp and rainy spells to burn all rubbish and paper. You will save the grass on your own property and your neighbors.
 - To burn grass, first go in person to the Fire Dept. and obtain a permit under Ordinance No. 185. The permits cost nothing and are issued only when weather conditions are right for burning.
 - Never permit small children to play in tall grass. Grass fires are fast and sometimes surround them before the parents or children realize what has happened. The results always prove fatal. (This type of fire happened near Birmingham not long ago.)
 - At all times use caution in extinguishing cigars, cigarettes and matches.
 - Report all unattended grass fires to the Fire Dept.—Phone 1725.
- V. W. GRIFFITH,
Chief of Fire Dept.

"Tea for Two"

By KATHRYN UMPHREY

The very new "Coffee-Concerts" at Will-O-Way Theatre are becoming more and more popular. People bring their friends to these experiments with joy—try one, like it, and then go back for more.

In the first place, the concert sound and are so typically American. An hour of relaxation in the late afternoon with good food and good music—what could ask for more on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon.

A petite blonde, Celia Merrill, sister of Bill Merrill, who runs Will-O-Way Theatre, is responsible for the current series of concerts. The whole thing really started after Celia became interested in the New Friends of Music Orchestra in New York, which deals principally with chamber music. The idea fascinated her, for being a musician, she was aware that there is a great deal of beautiful music which the average person does not hear.

So, it seems that Celia's first thought was to bring such music within the reach of non-musicians here. Just soon began to formulate in her blond head, for Celia's main ambition at this time is to have an opportunity to cooperate with an orchestra of her own. As yet, however, she is a student at the Juillard Graduate School in New York City, and she is, incidentally, the only girl ever to attend that school.

Consequently, she planned to get together an orchestra of her own this summer—one that would be made up principally of young musicians from the Detroit area. This would allow her to bring together many of the younger musicians an opportunity to be heard and to play in public, all of which would be valuable to them, too.

The coffee idea, she thought, came about because she wanted a natural. Late afternoon coupled with fairly light music forms an ideal setting for coffee-drinking, particularly in a section of the city where three-quarters of the people practically live on it.

Anyway, it all sounded like a good idea, so Celia came hurrying home from school this spring, full of ideas and only two weeks in which to organize her orchestra. First she contacted Charles Dierker, the well-known young Birmingham violinist, together with several other Detroit area for young women who might be interested. She then took the orchestra to the city of Detroit, where she found a number of young musicians who were willing to accept the challenge.

It was decided then that the orchestra would be made up of young women, and the name of the orchestra was decided as the "Coffee-Concerts."

Harry Giles' father is very busy over the concerts and the orchestra is progressing.

Visits with Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills Women

When I found her, she was busy over some work which I learned later was not for a "Coffee-Concert" but for the musical comedy which she herself has written and which will see the last production of the season at Will-O-Way. The train of events leading up to her writing it is a story in itself.

When I asked her about her laugh and said that I was afraid I would not find much of interest, she said, "I'm up early in the morning and seem to work all day." However, she added, "usually I take out time to relax." But despite her warning I did find her to be an interesting one.

She started to sing "Fiddle" as she sat in the car. Along with Helen Whalen Yonk, to whom she says she owes a great deal of her understanding and love of music. Later on she spent 3 1/2 years at Michigan State College, studying under Michael Preis. While there she took time out to enjoy a typical college life and also became a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority. Since then she has been hard at work in New York.

Conducting is an unusual career for a girl—but it seems a natural one for Miss Merrill. Along with her music, Celia has been interested in dramatics all of her life and in a conducting work she can combine the two.

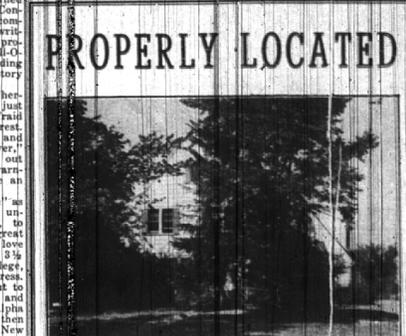
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Pontiac Orchestra Plays July 31

On Thursday evening at 8:30 P.M. at the Cranbrook Greek Theatre will be held the last concert of the season at Will-O-Way. The concert will be given by the Pontiac Orchestra.

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Newspapers, etc., Join for Defense

LANSING—Michigan newspapers, radio stations, motion picture theatres and graphic art and advertising interests are joining their part in double measure for national defense.

An appointment of a committee of public information to serve as a non-partisan, advisory agency of the Michigan Council of Defense was announced at Lansing today by Lieut. Col. Harold A. Farling, administrator of the state capital.

Each medium would be represented by its own chairman.

Appointments, made formally by Governor Murray D. Van Wagoner on recommendation of Lieut. Col. Farling, have been confirmed by the state council as follows:

Newspapers—W. S. Gilmore, Editor, Detroit News, and Vice-President of American Society of Newspaper Editors, as division chairman. Schuyler R. Marshall, publisher and editor, Clinton County Republican-News, St. Johns, as associate chairman.

Motion Pictures—E. C. Beatty, President, W. S. Butterfield Theaters, Inc. Mr. Beatty is the Michigan Chairman on the national motion picture committee for national defense.

Radio—George W. Trendle, President, King-Trendle Broadcasting Corp., which owns and operates eight stations known as the "Michigan Network."

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Governmental Agencies—C. W. Lucas, Press Secretary, Governor Van Wagener.

Business and Industrial Relations—Don McGowan, Advertising Manager, Consumers Power Company, Jackson, Michigan.

Moulthrop Changes Buildings in Yard

The City Commission, Monday night, approved a change in the arrangements of buildings on the Moulthrop property, 4700 Hunter boulevard, adjacent to the spot where the new water tank will be erected.

The City retains jurisdiction over changes in the use and location of buildings within the downtown fire zone. City Manager D. C. Egbert approved the change because it takes several wood buildings away from the base of the tank. Moulthrop's will enclose their present open timber sheds.

Confusion at Turn: Crash Is Result

Confusion over a turn resulted in a crash last Friday morning at West Maple avenue and Lake Park. Mrs. Gertrude H. Cleiman, 2505 Roland drive, reported to police that she was going west following a car driven by M. Tucker, 69 Elizabeth street. She said the first indicated a turn onto Lake Park drive, but suddenly turned left to Shirley drive. No one was hurt.

Metropolitan Club Names Delegates

Delegates to the state convention to be held Aug. 18-19-20 at Hamtramck were chosen at a meeting of the Metropolitan Club held last Friday evening in Bloomfield Hills. Those selected were Chris Bailey, president; Walter Benator, Leo Shiers and Stanley Kevern, of Bloomfield Hills. The club is composed of mullmen, firemen and policemen.

Husband Arrested For Non-Support

James C. Sage, 33 years old, 415 South Woodward avenue, was arrested here last Friday on a warrant brought by an officer from Lorain, Ohio, charging Sage with non-support. He waived extradition proceedings and was taken to Ohio immediately. Mrs. Pearl Sage was the complainant.

East Of Birmingham

Mr. C. B. Mullins entertained several of the neighborhood ladies Tuesday evening and Mrs. H. McDonald gave a neighborhood party on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Elnor J. Love was hostess for Friday evening and Mrs. Edna McClure Wednesday evening.

The Charles Gode family has moved further west on 16-Mile into the Dale Carter place, which they have bought.

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Congress Recognizes Osteopathic Care

Graduates from osteopathic colleges may now receive appointments for internships in Army Hospitals under the terms of the law and one half billion dollar appropriation bill for national defense passed by Congress, it was announced today.

As signed by the President, the law specifically authorizes pay of \$20 per year to internists who are graduates of or have successfully completed four years professional training in colleges of osteopathic medicine and surgery.

The object of army internships is to bring a professional training appointments to the medical corps, it was stated.

Recognition by Congress of the benefits of osteopathic care for men in the army comes after many years of struggle for equal consideration with allopaths in the armed forces of the nation, a spokesman declared.

No Credit Allowed On Merchant License

Fees in payment of the initial merchant's license must be paid in cash and can not be taken on payment plan, the City Commission decided Monday night. Request was received from the Birmingham Nash Co., which declared that because no law has been secured and sold now, the \$100 fee is a burden. The Commission decided it could not accept the request for credit. The license is required of all new businesses in lieu of personal taxes.

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