

Archery Champion At Pierce Field Last Night in Exhibition

By JANE HARDIN
Michigan's champion archer for the past three years, Carl Strang of Dearborn, put on a fine archery exhibit at Pierce field, Wednesday night under the auspices of the Birmingham Recreation Commission. The demonstration included field, trick and target shooting.

Mr. Strang, who is president of the Michigan Archery Association, was assisted by Nelson Granly, Detroit city champion. An expert hunter, Mr. Granly has shot a deer with bow and arrow for the last three years in the deer season for archers preceding the regular season.

Mr. Strang's titles include the English York at the 1941 meet of the National Archery Association, the 1941 Montana state championship, and the 1942 Indoor Detroit Metropolitan Shoot. He holds the Michigan record in the York round, American round and the Clout round and the world's record in the English York round (72 arrows at 100 yards, 48 at 80 yards, 24 at 60 yards).

He also holds the National 50 yard record.

The Birmingham Recreation Band, directed by Arnold Hermit, played a few selections during the intermission.

Water Paganant
"A Night in Arden," the yearling name for Birmingham's annual water paganant, will be presented at Barlowe, Post Friday, August 13, at 8:00 P. M.

Even the beginners will have a good time in the dancing contest which will demonstrate strokes and figure skating. In addition the evening's features will include a race and stand by members of the swimmer's group, novelty races for the women.

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Seek Cooperation In "Swap Ride" War Program for B'ham

At a meeting of Birmingham's new War Transportation Committee, held Tuesday night in the city hall, the committee determined that Birmingham, through any local industries to speak of, is going to be the center of a campaign there, staggering working hours can be effected.

So the committee will endeavor to make a study of all available forms of transportation from here to Detroit and Chicago, where most of its workers go daily, and coordinate them and avoid unnecessary duplication of the use of vehicles.

A campaign to get people to "swap rides" will be carried on, and a coupon for that purpose is published in this issue of The Eccentric.

Encouragement of women to pool their trips for shopping and thus cut down extravagant use of automobiles, will also be promoted.

The committee also plans to ask Dept. of Public Schools, Dr. Bernard S. Shubert to contact parents of school children who are brought to classes in cars, to form pools of the vehicles, thus saving time in the gasoline and oil.

Members of the committee are: Charles E. Kadis, chairman; Charles E. Lewis, H. Victor Sike, C. W. Wacker, Raymond H. Billings, and David John E. Martz.

Obituary

Mrs. Jean McLaughlin Booth
Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon at Christ Mission Church, 1000 1/2 Third St., for Mrs. Jean McLaughlin Booth, wife of James Scripps Booth, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George G. Booth, of Grand Rapids, Mich. She was born in Grand Rapids, Mich., and died at her home in Birmingham, Ala., on August 4, 1942, at the age of 68 years.

J. Royal Blakeslee
Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock this afternoon for J. Royal Blakeslee, at his residence, 1845 Mill street, Waterford. Dr. Eugene Allen will officiate and burial will be at the Greenwood cemetery. An old-time resident of Birmingham, Mr. Blakeslee died suddenly at his home on Monday from a heart attack.

Hot Days Don't Bring Guesses to 'Cooler'
Human beings are funny people. When the weather gets hot they resort to all manner of devices to keep cool; they spend lots of money for cooling drinks, for electric fans, for trips to the north, yet there is, in nearly every town, an official "cooler" where, for the mere few cents, they can get a drink of cold water.

M. W. Cochran Now At Work in Trinidad
M. W. Cochran, of 216 Portan road, left Saturday evening for Trinidad, off the coast of Venezuela where he will work on Trinidad's new steel mill. Mr. Cochran is an assistant executive administrator with the Walsh Construction Company. He has spent approximately a week at his home here during the month he has been in the United States having returned to this country at that time from Brazil, where for several months he worked on airport construction.

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War Hero Makes Bullseye Flag Presentation



Dick Lee Clair (second from left), wounded Pearl Harbor war hero from Wyandotte, Michigan stands at attention as the collar guard prepares to raise the coveted Bullseye Flag over the De Soto Wyoming Plant in Detroit. The flag was presented by Dick Clair to the employees of the De Soto Division of Chrysler Corporation for having pledged at least 90% of their incomes for the purchase of U. S. War Savings Bonds.

The entire personnel of the plant turned out to view the ceremony which included a stirring speech by Frank N. Isbey, Chairman of the U. S. Treasury War Savings Committee for Michigan. This was the 4th Bullseye Flag presented in the U. S. A. the 3rd going earlier in the day to the Warren Avenue plant of the De Soto Division of Chrysler Corporation. Ceremonies took place July 24th.

Selfridge Field Has Tight Plan to Safeguard Itself

Operating a public school system for those who do not have the job of aches and pains, including the kind of pains one can get through. For example, statistics compiled by Louis M. Randall, insurance manager, show that during the school year that closed July 1, 142 cases of glass had to be replaced. This for the six schools Adams, Barnum, Baldwin, Hill, Pierce, and Quanton.

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Checked daily against criminal records are fingerprints taken at the field. As a result, several persons with criminal records who applied for work at Selfridge Field have been apprehended under this system evolved by Lt. George A. Hartford, Base S-2 Officer, who works in conjunction with Lt. Edgar H. Jones, Base Process Marshall. A permanent record is kept of all civilian personnel who work on the field, listing the date that employment is severed and the reasons therefor.

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Arms Production Speeded Up By Pontiac Motors

The little publicized part automotive engineering departments are producing the production of better weapons at less cost is exemplified by the activities of Pontiac Motor engineering department, which is working on projects that General Motors division.

Fully nine months before Pearl Harbor, engineering department personnel began filtering into the Pontiac armament organization, according to General Manager Harry J. Klingler.

"From the start of the Oerlikon project it was an open engineering secret, shared by the production department, that the gun was not designed for mass production," Klingler said. "Almost every part gave evidence of restricted, hand-made, tool room method."

"Recognizing this strategic weakness in the important project the engineers, working with the production men, set about simplifying production processes and re-designing time consuming parts."

"Worked toward simplification of the automotive approach of build it simpler, better, faster, the engineering department since a year ago June went to work to simplify the design of the gun. The result was to get more guns from less machinery in less time."

"Wise engineering rules of thumb of all that has been done. But two or three general examples will emphasize what happened when we began to simplify for the mass production of these highly complicated weapons."

"Another part formerly made from a solid forging and finished all over in one piece, was replaced by a cast part, like the frame or real shaft of your car, and is finished only where it fits other parts. This change reduced the number of machining operations from 29 to 15, released a third of the machinery tools for other vital work and made a sizeable reduction in cost to the government besides saving some 2,000 pounds of steel per gun."

"Another part was originally designed and made from a solid alloy steel forging. Automobile practice suggested a simpler design made of two parts welded together. Made in this way a savings of three hours in machining time per part is realized besides a clear saving of over 25 tons of precious alloy steel per month and a corresponding decrease in cost."

"All automobiles entering the field other than regular army vehicles must be properly registered at the bureau. Officers and enlisted men are required to carry \$5,000 in property insurance and \$10,000 in liability insurance on their autos."

Obtaining metal tags are issued for the front and rear of the auto and a small permit card marked with a large "1942" in red on the face is issued after registration. When officers and non-commissioned officers are serving overseas, their families may enter the field by registering in the same manner.

Easy
Supplemental of income camps that "don't get those five men that 'sneaked'."

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'Natty' Uniforms for Auxiliary Policemen

Arthur J. Kane, 210 Daines street, until two years ago was a member of the Birmingham City Commission for 24 consecutive years. "Art" is, it is admitted, a natty dresser.

But last Saturday he donned a new suit, one that he is very proud of. It is of blue cotton, consisting of a pair of trousers, shirt, and over-see style cap. It cost less than ten dollars—the cheapest suit he ever wore.

His pride lies in the fact that it is the official uniform of the auxiliary police, set up these days to augment regular police departments in case of enemy bombardment according to General Manager Harry J. Klingler.

Altogether, approximately 100 Birmingham men will wear these uniforms, who are adorned with special armband insignia. These auxiliary policemen drill every month, and according to Chief of Police John P. Hackett, are invaluable in the plan of controlling community during enemy attacks.

\$3000 Fire Damage To Hills' Residence

Fire of unidentified origin broke out shortly before six o'clock last Sunday night in a house owned by E. S. Nichols, just north of East Long Lake road and Woodward avenue, in Bloomfield Hills. Fire department apparatus from both the Hills and Bloomfield Township was brought to the scene, and after nearly an hour of work, the flames were put out. Much damage was done, however, by the water necessarily poured into the frame building, and the smoke.

The house consisted of four apartments, all occupied at the time, but no one was injured. The fire started in the furnace room. Damage is estimated in the neighborhood of \$3,000.00, and is covered by insurance.

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