

Many Cars Given New Brake Tests

The Michigan-wide automobile brake test program is being pushed in Birmingham by the police department and during the first week of the drive, which continues through May, local police connected 32 automobile owners. The brake testing plan was explained to each and each motorist was given a copy of the leaflet issued by the state, according to Chief of Police John P. Hackett.

traffic organizations and police officials are working together in an effort to reduce accidents and to prolong the life of automobiles. According to Chief Hackett the new test is known as the "one inch pedal travel test." Research has shown that when the brake pedal can be pushed to within one inch of the floorboard before the brakes take hold, double the legal stopping distance of approximately two car lengths at 20 miles per hour is required. The new test identified only very bad brakes. Cars which pass the test may still have brakes which are unsafe for reasons other than lack of adjustment.

(Want Ads Will Do It)

Governor Proclaims Michigan Food Month

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Executive Office, Lansing



PROCLAMATION

In proclaiming the month of May to be "More Michigan Food Month," I am asking the cooperation of the public in realizing the following objectives during 1944:

- 1. As consumers—become better acquainted with Michigan's diversified, quality food products and care of them, and thus help relieve over-burdened transportation facilities.
2. As producers—grow more Michigan food and thus help prevent anticipated shortage of vital foodstuffs at this time; plant more and larger Victory Gardens this spring.
3. As retailers—purchase and sell more Michigan foods.

As 1944 appears to be the year of crisis, so Michigan must mobilize its resources at once to meet this battle of food at home. Every citizen has an essential job to do. I respectfully ask your support in its performance as an honorable contribution to Victory.

Therefore, I, Harry F. Kelly, Governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim the month of May to be "More Michigan Food Month" and request that its purposes be brought to the attention of all the people in the interest of their accomplishment.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan, this twenty-first day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred forty-four, and of our Commonwealth, the One Hundred Eighth.

Harry F. Kelly GOVERNOR

By the Governor: Herman H. Reigan, Secretary of State

Reproduced above is a proclamation by Gov. Harry F. Kelly calling for statewide emphasis during the month of May on the importance of Michigan agriculture and the food industry generally in the wartime needs of the nation in this "year of crisis."

Local Field Workers Explain V.F.W. Drive for Rehabilitation Funds

In the temporary absence from Birmingham of Dr. Lambie, chairman of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Rehabilitation Fund Drive, several of the field captains were interviewed to find out more about the drive, its purposes and progress.

A. E. Ardous, of Harrow road, "The purposes of the drive are set forth very fully in the letters we are raising a set amount and decided against it, as we are all traveling an uncharted path and no one knows what the need will be. This effort of ours is a good will effort to men whom we will someday greet as lacerated veterans, and we have called on the people of Birmingham for a good will offering in the same spirit. Most drives are slow in picking up momentum. We feel that in spirit all are with us, but sandwiched in between income tax payments, following a heavy appeal for Red Cross and Community House funds, and just preceding a new Liberty Bond Drive, many people are hard pressed at present. We have been cheered by the outstanding generosity of some of the people of Birmingham, but we want all to know that we appreciate every such donation, however small—it shows that the donor is with us in the spirit of our endeavor."

Said Fred Roffe, of Big Beaver road: "I think it is hard for those who have not been through the mill themselves to understand fully what our men in service are thinking about. An article appeared in 'Life' recently which has caused a lot of comment. It re-

Realtors Study Community Needs

The May meeting of the Birmingham Real Estate Board was held Tuesday evening in the Community House with the following realtors attending: Mayor, W. W. Raymond, P. M. Brown, W. W. Russell, M. E. Spinks, E. Walker, Otto Bates, J. G. Gentry, Howard Taylor, L. S. Linton, John Shook, Elliott S. Kinney, Mrs. McKine Folin, M. E. Murray, LeRoy and a new member, Mel Tovey. The Committee reports dealing with public relations, legislative problems and professional ethics were made and a lively discussion ensued. The next meeting was May 16th immediately following the City Hall meeting, having to do with the immediate work of the Board. The next meeting of the Board will be held on May 16th, immediately following the City Hall meeting, having to do with the immediate work of the Board.

Mix a pound of cooled pork sausage with three cups of packed spaghetti. Add broken-up pieces of ham and a beaten egg. Pack in a loaf pan, sprinkle sausage meat over the top and bake in a hot oven until brown.

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Michigan Bell Lays Plans For Its Servicemen

George M. Welch, president of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, has announced the adoption by the company of a comprehensive job plan for its employees returning from military service in World War II. President Welch's home is in Pleasant Ridge.

A statement under Welch's signature, the announcement said, is being sent to all of the company's 2,800 employees now in the armed forces, both at home and abroad, advising them of the details of the plan for their reemployment. The plan provides for: Prompt attention to the case of every veteran. Individual interviews and medical examinations in order that

veterans be placed in work which they are best qualified.

The same basic wages or salaries as they had when they left, unless any merit or promotion during their absence, for those returning to their old jobs at the same or similar location. Sickness disability benefits, under the company's Employees' Benefit Plan, for the temporarily disabled, pending their recovery sufficiently to return to work.

Special training to fit handicapped veterans into work places which their qualifications best can be utilized.

Assistance in contacting the proper governmental agencies for the permanently disabled, incapacitated for work of any kind. As a matter of policy, Welch said, "we intend to live up to and beyond the spirit of legislation covering the reemployment of veterans returning from military service. Our employee veterans will receive the same basis and will be accorded the same treatment as all other regular employees of the company, and an effort will be made to place each in the job that will bring out his maximum capacity and best further his well being. With that as the objective, the physical examination of the returning employee and all interviews with him are directed toward proper placement."

Some phases of the company's reemployment plan already are in effect. Seventy-eight veterans, including three women, are back on the job with the company, following their separation from military service. Twenty-nine others, including eight women, who were given military discharges, did not return to the company.

There are 65 men of the company in uniform to every 100 men on the job. The 2,800 employees in service include 104 women.

16-609 STATE OF MICHIGAN - The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, said County on the 5th day of May, A. D. 1944.

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph Bonadrea, Deceased.

That the undersigned, Judge of Probate, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the will of the deceased, as the same is on file in the office of the undersigned, Judge of Probate, in and for said County.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

Notary Public in and for the County of Oakland, Michigan. Fee: 1-1-9

NOTICE: To Whom It May Concern: Please to Take Notice that on Monday, the 8th day of June, at the office of the Judge of Probate at the City of Pontiac, Michigan, County of Oakland, Michigan, I will make application to the Honorable Judge of Probate in and for said County to change my residence from Harry St. Clair to Harry Clark.

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1944. Lake Shore Road, Route No. 4, Pontiac, Michigan. Fee: 1-1-9

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We Met the Challenge... We are the food army of Michigan. There are nearly 200,000 of us—each with our family, our bit of soil, our hopes, our ambitions. Ours is a never-ending battle—sometimes against drought, or rain, against cold or heat, against pests and disease, against shortages or surpluses, and always against time. No state in the union grows a greater variety of products. Proud as you must be of Michigan's industrial contribution to ever-approaching Victory, proud, too, you should be of her agricultural greatness. For Michigan, last year, was asked to produce a record-breaking tonnage of food—food to feed our own people, food for our fighting men around the world, food for our allies, food for the starving in China, in Africa, in Italy. It was a challenge of the farmers of our state. And we accepted it, though there were many who said it couldn't be done. We won the battle of food. We won it in spite of the help we didn't have, the equipment we couldn't obtain. We won it in spite of a jostling Nature that washed out our early plantings, haggard down our tractors, destroyed precious days and weeks. We harvested nearly 500 millions of dollars' worth of vitally-needed food, an all-time record. We met the challenge as you have met the challenge in your work—as your food retailer and wholesaler from the smallest independent to the largest chain store operator met it without complaint. They were beset with problems, too—ration stamps, ceiling prices, countless Government reports, increased operating costs, inadequate help and often shortages of merchandise. They made it possible for the food we produced to provide you with the energy to do a fighting job on the home front. They brought you our luscious berries, cherries, melons, peaches, pears, plums and apples from our fruit areas... sugar from our beets, millions of gallons of health-building milk, cream and other dairy products for your children and war workers, golden honey, top-grade potatoes in abundance, poultry, eggs and meats from our farms... fresh vegetables in never-ending streams and much more packed in our canneries... peas and beans and tomatoes and body-building, vitamin-enriched root vegetables... carrots, turnips, beets... all from Michigan farms and orchards and processing plants. The cooperation of your food merchants made our victory possible. Michigan working together has overcome almost impossible odds. That is the bright hope of the future as we enter upon a new season... we who till the soil of Michigan and distribute its food. This Message Sponsored by Michigan Food Council. IN CO-OPERATION WITH: MICHIGAN ALLEED DAIRY ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN FARM MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN CANNERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN GRAIN STORES ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN BEAN SHIPPERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN MILK PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN ORCHARDERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN POTATO GROWERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN PEAS AND BEANS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN PASTURE AND FEEDING ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN VEGETABLE GROWERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN BERRY INDUSTRY COMMITTEE, MICHIGAN COUNTRY MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN MEAT, CROCKERY & MEAT DEALERS ASSOCIATION, MICHIGAN LIFESTOCK ASSOCIATION, U. P. POTATO GROWERS ASSOCIATION, DETROIT DAIRY COUNCIL.

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