

School Vacations Are Revealed For The Coming Year

To alleviate somewhat the pangs caused students by the ending of vacation and beginning of school, The Eccentric is already reckoning-up the number of holidays Birmingham students will have during the next school year.

Only one month away is the M. E. A. Convention, meaning classes will be dismissed on October 10 and 11, and following that is the Thanksgiving vacation, scheduled for November 23 and 29. And then comes Christmas with the long period from December 20 to January 8. Close on the heels

of Christmas vacation, a little two-day partial vacation for mid-year exams and commencement comes on January 23 and 24. Easter vacation opens Friday, April 4, 1947, and seniors leave on their class trip Thursday night, April 3. School meets again for classes on April 14, which, plus another month or so of school, takes us right up to next year's summer vacation.

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Speakers Named For Town Hall Winter Season

Dougherty and Ruzicka, one of the nation's top ranking duo-piano teams, will open the eighteenth consecutive season of Detroit Town Hall Wednesday morning, Oct. 9, at 11 o'clock in Fisher Theatre.

The series of twenty Wednesday mornings featuring music, entertainment, and lectures by speakers of world reputation will end March 12, 1947, with the first concert appearance in Detroit of Miliza Korjus, former singing star of "The Great Waltz."

Another important local debut will be a program to be given early in December by Mata and Hari, dance satirists, formerly starred partners with the Tudy Schoop Ballet, and Olsen and Johnson's "Laffing Room Only."

Town Hall management will bring the following speakers to the Forum during the fall and early winter: Sidney Montague, dashing Canadian "Montie," Oct. 16; Richard Harkness, Washington commentator, Oct. 23; Randolph Churchill, brilliant son of Winston Churchill, Oct. 30; George Fredley, New York drama critic, Nov. 6; William Slater and Lisa Sargley, popular radio speakers, Nov. 13 and Nov. 20; Kumar Goshal, authority on India, Nov. 27; Kathryn Turney Garten, book reviewer, Dec. 4.

Scheduled to lecture after the holidays are: Dr. Will Durant, famous philosopher; Maurice Hindus, expert on Russia; Maxine Berles Vollmer, witty granddaughter of the founder of the Berlitz School of Languages; Kirby Mather, Harvard scientist; David Seabury, eminent psychologist; Erika Mann, brilliant correspondent just back from Germany; Ray Josephs with an unencensored report from Latin America; Madame Louise Bragley, dress designer and color psychologist.

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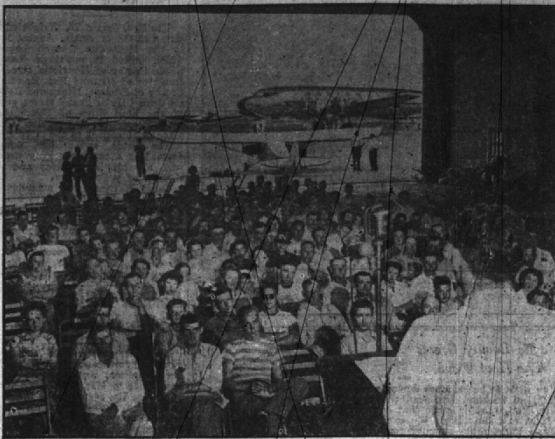
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Wisconsin Flying Farmers Hold First Meeting



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Freezing Process Need Not Darken Sliced Peaches

If those peach slices you Birmingham women put away in your freezer locker last year became dark, it was likely because you did not take the special precautions necessary to prevent discoloration. Dr. Roy E. Marshall, research specialist in the department of horticulture at Michigan State college, says certain enzymes cause discoloration and these must be killed or their action stopped by simple but necessary treatment.

The most satisfactory method of preventing darkening of peach slices for fruit going into lockers is the use of crystalline ascorbic acid in the sirup. This is available from drug stores and also from many of the commercial locker plants.

Dr. Marshall suggests the following method of preparation: Peaches may be peeled by scald-

ing, followed by immersion in cold water and then removing the peel. The peaches are then pitted and sliced.

Not Too Much Heat!

If the fruit is to be packed in a 35-percent sirup, each gallon of sirup would be made from 3 quarts of water, 7 cups of sugar, and 1/2 teaspoon of crystalline ascorbic acid, the temperature should not exceed 125 degrees and stirring should not result in excessive agitation. Higher heat would cause loss of ascorbic acid through oxidation.

After the sugar and ascorbic acid are thoroughly dissolved, the sirup should be cooled. It may then be added to the peach slices in the freezing cartons until the level of the sirup is above that of the slices. Care should be taken to prevent any portion of the slices from protruding above the sirup. Use

approximately one part of sirup to 3 parts of peaches by weight. The packaged fruit is then ready for freezing and storage.

Oxford Garden Show To Be Held Sept. 7-8

Twelfth annual Flower and Vegetable Show, sponsored by the Oxford, Mich., Garden Club, will be presented in the Oxford high school on Sept. 7 and 8.

Anyone who wishes to enter an exhibit of vegetables or flowers is invited to do so, but entries must be in by 12 noon Sept. 7.

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