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LONG-TIME EMPLOYMENT
Approximately one out of every eight employees of the White Motor Co., Cleveland, a total of more than 700, has been continuously with the firm for 25 years or more. The company, which makes trucks, will spend \$9,000,000 in the next 14 months for machinery, equipment and plant additions to create more jobs and production.

Silver Bullets Await Boy Scouts Who Make Advancement in Rank
Two thousand handsome monogrammed silver bullets have been received by the Local Scout Executive Amos K. Shields from the Lone Ranger who recently celebrated his 2000th anniversary broadcast. The Lone Ranger had the 2,000 bullets made by especially as an award to the first 2,000 local boys who advance one full rank in Scouting during 1946.

State Is Studying How It Can Assist Pheasant Feeding
Birmingham bird hunters will be seeking to hear from the state regarding the possibility of being given the job of finding the answer on soil that is not too good.
Some of the conservation department's technically-trained game men, home from the wars, have been given the job of finding the answer on second- and third-class farm land near Lansing.

What Your City Commission Is Doing
December 10, 1945
Bills approved totalling \$1,155,680.
City manager authorized to secure information from the National Housing Agency, and to make application for not to exceed \$100,000 for occupancy by distressed families of veterans of World War II.
Certification of Merit Award Payment by Birmingham Defense Council.
Payment of \$2,826.38 authorized to South Oakland Hospital by Recreation Board.
Classification Plan amended by addition of Engineer Aide-in-Chief, \$13,900 per year.
Meetings scheduled for Dec. 24 and Dec. 31st postponed until Dec. 26 and January 1, respectively.
Licenses to sell Christmas Trees issued Albert Terry and T. Larin, McAdams and 14th May Edwidge.

Resolution adopted expressing appreciation to the Birmingham personnel of the Birmingham Office of Price Administration.
December 17, 1945
Bills approved totalling \$27,673.66.
Public hearing held to consider Ordinance No. 143 amending existing laws to regulate and is in excellent condition, according to conservation department game warden. Findings at the department's Rose Lake wildlife experiment station where every rabbit shot by hunters is examined in the laboratory indicate the animals are especially healthy, probably the result of good cover and food conditions resulting from a wet season. Rabbits weighing more than three pounds have been more plentiful than usual.

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"I am much interested in these young fellows, who have pledged themselves to do at least one good turn daily," said the Lone Ranger. "I also realize," he continued, "that they must make progress in their technical skills, if they are to be of service to other people."
The Lone Ranger urges all Scouts to advance in the various ranks of the program. He hopes that all become at least First Class Rank. "I know," he said, "that to become a First Class Scout requires advanced training in signaling, first aid, firebuilding, cooking, and several other skills, including swimming. But none of these requirements is too difficult for the average healthy, red-blooded American boy," he added.

Scout Executive Shields announces that the monogrammed "L. R." silver bullets will be available starting Jan. 2. The first 2,000 certified and approved advancements in rank which are expected in 1946 are entitled to the award. This any class Scout has opportunity to qualify. If he is only a Tenderfoot at present and graduates to Second Class Rank, he earns the award. Present time Second Class Scouts have only to make First Class rating. First Class Scouts must reach Star Rank, Star Scouts must reach Life Rank, and Life Scouts must complete Eagle in order to qualify.

At the present rate of advancements in the Council the present supply of 2,000 bullets can only last about 9 or 10 weeks. In order not to be disappointed, Scouts in this community should get started immediately.

Community Fund Homes Have Very Happy New Year
Youngsters in Detroit area Community Fund Homes ushered in the New Year with costume parties, songs, recitations and displays of youthful lung power. At the Methodist Children's Home the new year was welcomed with per caps and games. On New Year's Day the youngsters gathered in the auditorium for music and singing and to talk over the prospects of the new year, before having their holiday dinner.
A movie and resolutions were the highlights of Jan. 1 at the Guardian Angel Home, a Community Fund home for 105 little girls. Resolutions were made before the crib following the singing of the Christmas carols.
Special celebrations ushered in the New Year at most of the more than 80 Community Fund agencies.

FEWER FOREST FIRES
Michigan's 1945 forest fire season losses were held to 18,700 acres, despite an almost-disastrous start when 12,400 acres were burned last March. Average fire loss for the year, reported by the conservation department, was 21.9 acres. Total loss this year in 852 fires was 3,554 acres less than the 22,254 acres burned in 1,484 fires in 1944, but the loss per fire was half again as large as last year's average 14.0 acres.

During the first fifty years of the state geological survey's history the state geologists kept all the survey records and carried on its business in their homes. In 1898 the survey finally obtained an office of its own.

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LOTS OF BIG RABBITS
The 1945 model of the cottontail rabbit is unusually large and is in excellent condition, according to conservation department game warden. Findings at the department's Rose Lake wildlife experiment station where every rabbit shot by hunters is examined in the laboratory indicate the animals are especially healthy, probably the result of good cover and food conditions resulting from a wet season. Rabbits weighing more than three pounds have been more plentiful than usual.

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Try to include only the principal subjects in your snapshots. Your pictures, like this one, will carry more appeal.

THE building themselves—barns, corn-crisps, silos—offer all kinds of unusual subjects. The camera around a farm, whether it's a hay-wagon, a tractor, or a butter-churn, can be used to excellent advantage as story-telling "properties." Above all, the many farm animals can be pressed into service to focus attention to help the composition, or even to add a touch of humor or pathos. Children, especially, get into all kinds of natural and effective poses in country surroundings.

Your snapshots of rural scenes will be better if you concentrate on getting clear detail. Notice the detail in today's illustration. You will be able to increase the sharpness of detail if you use as small an aperture as possible. Fortunately, the strength of summer sun combined with fast film makes it possible to use small lens apertures without much danger of underexposure. However, no amount of care in juggling lens aperture and shutter speed will insure detail unless your focusing is absolutely accurate.

Bear these points in mind on your next trip to the farm, and you'll come back with a share of fascinating shots. They'll be particularly interesting to those in the city, because American farm scenes are such a contrast in many ways to those overseas.

John van Gulder

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