

League of Women Voters Discuss State Finances

A solution to Michigan's financial plight was sought Monday, Dec. 12 at a joint meeting of the three discussion units of the local League of Women Voters.

Each of the units which Michigan tax payers are an record as paying the second highest per capita cost of state government in the nation, and yet will have an estimated state deficit for June 1950 of approximately 25 million dollars. League unit members explored various ways and means to balance the state budget without curtailing necessary and desired services.

Discussion produced no panacea, but did show a desire to have a "fair" tax system, a preference for progressive taxes and a willingness to attack the problem from several different angles.

These angles include: the change in the state constitution to permit a new distribution formula for state aid to local communities on a basis of need, re-apportionment of the state legislature, and the immediate discussion with a four per cent net income tax upon corporations, and economy through "streamlining" state government by means of a little Hoover commission.

Summaries Given

Before group discussion, summaries of the New York and Wisconsin tax systems were given by Mrs. Ordeen Vogt. Mrs. Leonard Lewis and Mrs. William Jackson, Michigan's budget, with its problems, was presented by Mrs. Howard Willett. Mrs. W. P. Kennedy, and Mrs. Spangenberg.

Materials for background information have been collected and distributed to unit members by the three unit publication chairmen, Mrs. Harry Karchner, Mrs. John Rice Blair and Mrs. John C. Allen.

Mrs. Brooks Marshall, Mrs. Harry Markle, and Mrs. James E. Bender, the League's State Tax Chairmen, each took a turn at answering factual questions. The League's executive committee, Mrs. Beamer, Mrs. Charles Guilford and Mrs. Hollister Mabley kept the immediate discussion from wandering afield.

Many Localities at Ann Arbor

Among those taking credit courses in the Ann Arbor University of Michigan are: Carolyn Abbott, Frank W. Allen, George D. Allen, Thomas D. Allen, Ernest M. Anderson, Donald Anderson, Lloyd Apple, Kenneth Babcock, Wallace Barth, Leland Bartholomew, Phyllis Bartholomew, Frederick W. Beck, Frances E. Bender, Finn Bergshagen, George W. Bevis, John H. Bloomstrom, Margaret A. Bough.

Virginia Bowler, John Brod-hun, Richard Brooks, Robert Brumgraber, Daniel W. Burlingame, Gordon T. Burrows, Goolies Campbell, Nils Carlson, Philip F. Carlson, Robert Carter, Joanne Carter, Nancy Knox, Thomas Clark, Jr., Sara Colman, Donald Coulter, James Coulter, Linda Coulter, Wheaton Coward, Kathleen Cannemiller, William Dan-nemiller, Donald Davies, Raymond DeLoate, Robert DeLoate.

Others are Anne Drake, Virginia Dupuis, Joan Edwards, Siegfried Seller, William Fontaine, Yvonne Foskenemper, Elizabeth Gallaty, James Gallaty, Clayton Gordon, Marie Gordon, Henry Grabring, Franklin Green, James Gresson, Orrin Gulley, Vince Haefner, Barbara Hamel, Frederick Harper, John Heizer, Donald Hemstog, John Heald, Doroth-ey Heston, William Heston, Nancy Hogan, Marilyn Hoskins, George Houghton, James House, Ralph Jast.

Many Others

The list continues with Richard Jeffers, James Jensen, Nanette Jensen, Carl Kalkwasser, Robert Kas, Phyllis Keenan, Louise Kelley, William Kelley, Sally Kemp, William Kemp, William Kin-dley, Alice Kitts, Joanne Klernert, James Knox, Royce Knox, Robert Kohr, Melvin Kordenbrock, Marianne Kull, Edward H. Laird, Jeanne Lange.

More localities are Patrick Led-widge, Paul Limback, Robert Littleton, Robert MacGregor, Grace Mack, Kern McKay, Jane McKee, Marilyn McLaren, Richard Miller, Ruth Miller, Thomas Mills, Robert Mitchell, Susan Mock, Charles Moore, Hugh Morrow, Robert Morrow, Noel Mad-die Jr., Charis Murray, Donald Nel-son, Richard Nepsand, Jerome Neu-mann and Francis Nieselofsky.

Paul North, Peter Northrup, Gordon Lane, William Old, Ruth Oldberg, Philip Parker, Lois Pax-terson, Bess Pierce, Mary Powers, Robert Powers, Hugh Quinn, James Reason, Jasper Reid, Bon-ald Ronder, Charlotte Richards, Elizabeth Richards, David Roberts, Richard Robertson, Robert Roesch, Patricia Rossman, Thomas Roth, Elizabeth Stuer, Fudence Saunders, Robert Schmidt, John Scheffler, Stuart Scott, Juliette Seelye, Harold Sillman, Ralph Skinner, Joanne Smith, Rodney Smith, James Southard, Andrew Spiegel, Leon-ard Steinbreuck, Pamela Stamp, Daniel Swartz, Ellen Van Wag-oner.

Jo Van Wagoner, Margaret Vose, Richard Wagner, Joyce Wil-son, James Watt, Robert Webster, Mary Welch, Marion Welden, David Widen, Ernestine Winton, Edward Worthen, Gerald Yates, John York, Betty Young, John Zinser, Suzanne Anderson, Charles Higbie, John Higgins, Mary Louise Lacy, Judith Loud, Peter Moore, Harry Nichols, Joseph Preece, Joan Robinson.

Becomes Bride



MRS. PAUL A. PECK

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frank Zeunert of Chicago, Ill., announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty Mae Smith to Ensign Paul A. Peck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Peck of Hanna street.

The rites were performed Saturday afternoon, Dec. 10 in the chapel at the Glenview Naval Air Base in Glenview, Ill.

WITH THE Collegians

Bab Webster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don B. Webster of West Park street will go with the University of Michigan swimming team to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where they will participate in some swim meets during the two-week Christmas vacation.

Patronesses for Mask and Wig Show

Sidney H. Hall, president of the University of Pennsylvania-Michigan Club has announced excellent local support for the Mask and Wig Club show "Adamant Eve" playing in Detroit at the Music Hall on Dec. 29.

Added to the list of patronesses from this committee are Mrs. Frank D. Nicol, Mrs. Edwin J. Anderson, Mrs. William D. Downey and Mrs. John Deane Rucker.

Famous Houseguest

Yehudi Menuhin, famed violinist, was the houseguest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Black of Orchard Lake the first part of this week. Besides entertaining for their guest at cocktails yesterday afternoon, the Blacks took him on a tour of Cranbrook, Adolph Baller, Menuhin's accompanist and Mrs. Baller were also the Black's guests.

Lathrup News

David Redwood of Quentin drive, director of Chevrolet Glee club for 18 years, announces the following Christmas program:

Friday they will sing at the Uplown midnight benefit show put on annually to raise funds for the Goodfellow. This marks the 10th anniversary.

On Saturday they will sing Christmas carols for a blind and bedridden Lucille King of Vermont avenue.

Have You Met . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Stammer, formerly of Ann Arbor and their children, Geoffrey and Kevin who are now living at 1948 Graefeld? Mr. Stammer is an engineer with General Motors.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Shaul, former Detroiters, and their children, Billy and Anne who are making their home at 1823 Stanley? Mr. Shaul is with Ross-Yoil Advertising.

Former Boston residents, Mr. and Mrs. Gavin Bowden, 30, now living at 288 Townsend? Mr. Bowden is a manufacturers' agent.

Former Detroiters, Mr. and Arthur Land and daughter, Virginia who are making their home at 1630 York? Mr. Land is in the legal division of Detroit Edison.

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Santa's Pack Will Look Like an Arsenal if Birmingham's Youngsters Have Their Way

By Alice E. Morgan

When Horace Greely said "Go West, young man," he apparently did not reckon with the very young, 1949 model of the Fair Sex. Or, possibly he sent so many young men into the west that the little girl of today feels she, too, must have legs shaped to fit a horse, a ten-gallon hat and two six-guns strapped about her slim waist.

Whatever the reason, be it Roy Rogers or his pretty wife, Dale Evans, Birmingham's little girls are certainly showing every indication of being bound for the wide open spaces.

About two out of every three letters from either girls or boys, ask Santa Claus for guns, gun belts and holsters. Little girls start out like little girls, asking for dolls, doll houses, clothes, furniture, and buggies.

They end up like little Annie Oakleys, asking for the shooting irons of the Old West. Some even stir-aid imagination to try to figure out what a nice little girl could want with a double-barreled shot gun. Who, in the adult world, is smart enough to do that?

Mechanics Prominent

An over-all picture of Birmingham youngsters, discounting the western trend, shows they are mechanically and domestically inclined. All manner of mechanical toys are requested by the lads, with a sprinkling of boxing equipment.

Football seems to be a major interest in the sports field, with boxing and baseball tagging along behind. A few—very few—have asked for golf clubs and one or two have shown an interest in catching the little ones and missing the big ones.

One might also lead to believe that about every third boy in town has a daddy on the city commission or with the department of public works—they want so much road building machinery.

From requests to bulldozers and leaf loaders, Santa is besieged with queries.

The girls are very particular in the type of doll they want, some going all-out for baby dolls while others insist that they wish to start their doll tribe with a bride. Clothes are a must with all the doll lovers, and it is a far cry from the day when the dolls

CLUB NOTES

Kappa Alpha Theta

The afternoon and evening groups of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority will combine this evening for a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Charles Vincent, 312 Lake Park at 8:00 o'clock. There will be an exchange of Christmas gifts and singing of carols. All new members are cordially invited to attend.

St. Elizabeth's

St. Elizabeth's Guild of St. James Church will hold their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at the home of Mrs. Charles Davison, 1115 Buckingham. Luncheon will be served at 1 p.m. At previous times, members will bring gifts for girls at Williams House. Mrs. B. K. Macdonald, president-elect for 1950, is chairman of the luncheon committee. This will be the Guild's last meeting until January.

Kappa Kappa Gamma

Members of the afternoon and evening groups of the North Woodward alumnae association of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority will meet for the traditional flaming punch pudding at the home of Mrs. Preston K. West, 333 Bryn Mawr at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 20. Mrs. John Cavan, Mrs. M. Craig Miller, Mrs. S. W. Orgood, Mrs. Phillip Roach, Mrs. James Rogers and Mrs. Robert C. Trees will help Mrs. West receive the 60 members who plan to attend. The Christmas program is being planned by Mrs. Norbert Hafner.

Bloomfield Parents

The public is invited to hear Miss Esther Middlewood of the state department of mental health education speak on "When is Being a Symptom of Tension?" The meeting will begin at the Dec. 21 meeting of the Bloomfield Hills parents' organization at 8:15 p.m. in Vaughan school.

Have You Met . . .

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Everett and children, Andrea and Tommy who have moved from Wayne, Mich. to 1806 Stanley? Mr. Everett is with the Trucon Laboratories.

after dinner, and in true western style, shoot it out.

Whatever happens, though, Santa Claus when he starts for Birmingham on Dec. 24, will have very interesting load to pack.

Moment Musical

The third meeting of the Moment Musical was held Dec. 13 at the home of Miss Kathleen Berry, 867 Madison. Instead of the regular program, the group went Christmas caroling, afterwards returning to the Berry home for refreshments.

Be wise—use classified!

BIRTHS

The Rev. and Mrs. Francis A. Hoedinger of Townsend street announce the birth of a son, James Francis on Dec. 12 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

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