

Farewell Party For Presbyterians' Education Director

Miss Julia Kagin, director of religious education at the Birmingham First Presbyterian church for the past eight years, will be honored by a farewell luncheon at the Community House at 12:30 today.

About 40 church officials, officers and teachers of the church school and friends are expected to attend the luncheon.

Miss Kagin will leave July 10 for the First Presbyterian church in Berwyn, Ill., where she will take over a position similar to the one she has held here.

Dr. W. Glen Harris, First Presbyterian pastor, read a resolution during Sunday's services commending Miss Kagin for her local work.

She has worked in Christian education in the Presbytery of Detroit, an organization of 60 churches, and the Synod of Michigan, the corresponding step group.

Rev. Graham will be toastmaster at the luncheon.

Traffic Authorities Warn State Motorists Of July 4 Weekend

With the big Fourth of July weekend coming up, traffic authorities are grimly reminding Michigan motorists of the 22 accidental deaths recorded for the recent Memorial day period.

The safety associations report that 23 of the dead lost their lives from what they term "high mania," caused by a combination of careless driving and the individual's desire to reach his destination in the shortest possible time.

Other forms of violent, accidental deaths took nine lives. These included drowning, airplane crashes and falls.

AN ANALYSIS of the highway accidents showed this significant fact: 20 of the 23 persons killed in traffic accidents lost their lives in the first two days of the holiday.

Traffic authorities explain that the reason for abrupt reversal in the last two weekend days was that the people of Michigan were appalled by the highway carnage reported by press and radio and finally responded to their repeated warnings.

Lots of people have unwanted articles of many kinds—get what you want by asking for it in an Eccentric Classified Ad.

"Mama! Help! There's Someone After Us!"



Twelve little wild ducklings take refuge in a corner of the courtyard at Christ Church Cranbrook but still fall prey to the camera. (Joe Wheeler Photo)

Wild Animals and Birds Add Charm of Their Own to Our Living Here

With Selfridge Rescue Squadron

SELFLEDGE AIR FORCE BASE—First Lt. Bryant M. Sharp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sharp, 15941 Alhambra, Birmingham, recently reported here for duty with Flight "D," 6th Rescue Squadron.

He was accompanied by his wife, the former Mrs. Barbara Badder, daughter of the late Judge George L. Badder of Highland Park, and their daughter, Susan, 4 years.

Mr. Sharp also attended the University of Michigan prior to his enlistment with the Air Corps in December, 1942.

Lt. Sharp upon graduation as a pilot, was transferred overseas and assigned to the 203rd Bomb Group in England where he flew 35 combat missions as a bomber pilot.

RETURNING TO the United States in 1945 he was relieved from active duty. From that time until 1948 he was employed as an auto parts and accessory salesman.

Then he was recalled to active duty and assigned to the 19th Bomb Wing in Guam where he served as pilot and adjutant.

Later transferred to two Jims, he served as adjutant with the 6352nd Air Base Unit until his present assignment to Flight "D."

Among the decorations held by Lt. Sharp are the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Clusters and the European Theater Ribbon with 2 battle stars.

Birmingham Legion Baseball Team Wins First Two Games

By RAY DENNIS

Led by Tom Tracy's sparkling two-hit pitching, Birmingham American Legion edged Ferndale's Legion team 2-0 Sunday at Pierce field. The victory was the second in two starts for the local team.

Birmingham scored one run in the first inning when Dick Hainp singled, advanced to third on George Heavens' hit and scored on a single by Tracy.

The final tally came in the sixth as Hainp reached first on Tracy's third straight hit and scored on a triple by Bill James.

In negotiating the victory, Tracy struck out 18 men and walked two.

LAST WEEK the locals opened the season with a 5-2 victory over Royal Oak. Gerry Pike allowed only four hits to gain the win.

Birmingham took the lead with two runs in the second inning but Royal Oak tied the game in the third. Two more runs in the third and a counter in the fourth wrapped up the victory.

Birmingham will travel to Berkley Sunday to meet Westland next Wednesday at Pierce field.

All home games are at Pierce field. Wednesday games are at 6 and Sunday tilts at 2:30.

Commission Okays FBI Academy Course for Local Patrolman

City commissioners Monday night approved the attendance of Patrolman Merrill L. Holmquist at the 45th FBI national academy session beginning July 10 in Washington, D. C.

Approval was given in 1948 to send an officer to Washington for this training, but until this time the conditions of the school have made it impossible.

The purpose of this program is to assure old and new home owners of a pleasing continuity on the streets. Barrett is being assisted by J. P. Hinchey, C. J. Link, A. Z. Mitchell, J. T. Michel, W. B. Bachman, and Milt P.

Subdivision Group Discloses Committee

The Birmingham Highlands property owners association have asked E. A. Barrett, 342 Westchesterway, to take charge of examining house plans of potential builders in the area bounded by the Lincoln, Cranbrook, Maple and Westchesterway.

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Four Local Aviators Will Fly On Sunday in Naval Air Show

Four Birmingham flyers, Stuart R. Adams, 32555 Bingham road; Edward J. Porter, Jr., 1887 Washington; Hugh Wagner, 384 Willis and Arthur J. Lake, 835 Oakwood will be among the servicers who will take part in the Naval Air show at Grossie Ile Sunday afternoon.

According to Capt. James P. Walker, USN, the event will commemorate the 25th anniversary of naval aviation in Michigan.

The afternoon's program will include precision flying in jet planes by the "Blue Angels" and the appearance of the P2V Neptune bomber and a demonstration of the Gruman F4F Bearcat.

Every type of craft stationed at the Grossie Ile will be airborne during the afternoon, with more than 100 planes taking part.

Woodpeckers, flickers, blue jays, bluebirds, humming birds, an occasional crow, scarlet tanagers and the military-looking red wing blackbird are not strangers to our yards.

Don't get the idea that our woody neighbors are entirely of the feathered tribe, though. They are not.

The police receive most of the information regarding the animals, though many have crashed

into a tacit agreement that lets them live in harmony with mankind. In addition to the squirrels, rabbits pay frequent visits around town.

Some householders, of course, like them in a junior's fiction and Disney cartoons better than in their gardens, but for the most part the descendants of Peter Rabbit seem to get along fairly well with their neighbors.

EVERY NOW AND then a vagrant breeze carries with it the announcement that the sly and seldom seen skunk is in the neighborhood.

Once in a while a plugged drain announces a visit from a few industrious muskrats, too.

On the really outer edges of the city it is not unusual sight to see the sleek red coat of a fox glide from sight into some thick cover.

Men in the city parks department and forestry department bring in reports of the tree-dwellers, the fastidious racoon and the sleepy opossum.

Vicinity Children Complete 11-Day Trip Through East

A group of eight Birmingham boys and girls returned last Wednesday from another "Traveling Schoolroom" tour of the middle Atlantic states. The tour was in charge of Paul S. Gohardt.

Members of the group included Judy Frost, Kay VanDusen, Joan Wetlauffer, Gail Gohardt, Cynthia Ingleson, John Newcomb, Woody Stebbins and Philip Hubbard.

The 11 days were spent visiting historical points of interest and industrial plants as well as a complete tour of the nation's capital.

Places selected by the group for visits included the Smithsonian institute and National museum; the Luray, Va. caverns; Buhl planetarium in Pittsburgh; Gettysburg battlefield; Niagara Falls; Philadelphia Navy Yard and the famous Pennsylvania snake farm.

THEY ALSO SAW the locks of the Welland canal at Watkins Glen, N. Y.; "Miniature America" at Hamburg, Pa.; Ft. McHenry in Baltimore, Md.; Shenandoah national park; John Brown's fort at the Shenango Pottery company in New Castle, Pa. and the Goodpasture plant in Akron, Ohio.

While in Washington they attended sessions of the Senate and House of Representatives where they met Sen. Homer Ferguson of Michigan.

Daily logs of their experiences were required which led to frequent discussions to evaluate the incidents.

Miss Louella Howser, Kingswood School Cranbrook, Mrs. Gerhardt and Wallace Cripps of Brookside School Cranbrook accompanied the group.

The leaves on coniferous trees are needle or awl shaped. All coniferous trees except the tamarack and the bald cypress retain their leaves all the year round.

Wonberger Reveals Capacity Enrollment for Theatre School

The ninth annual season of the Cranbrook summer theatre school opened Monday with a capacity enrollment of 118, according to Carl G. Wonberger, director.

Barton Wright, WWJ program manager, will direct the senior division. Prof. Michael Krause of Marquette college and Shiroe Staniger of the Wayne university theatre are also among the 23 summer staff members.

Louise Horton, former head of the Junior theatre of Oakland county, will supervise the theatre school's summer division. Mae De of the Cleveland playhouse will be intermediate director.

Marion Nevill Kirk, dance director, will have charge of body work during the summer program.

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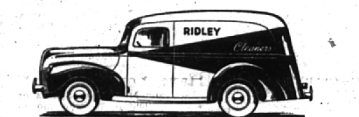
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