

WALNUT LAKE NEWS

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Moving Soon

Mrs. Frederick Mench spent the weekend in Chicago with her husband, Mrs. Menoch, Sheila and Rick. They will join them there after Nov. 15.

The Doyle Newman home has been sold and they will move to Wing Lake Nov. 15, where they are building a new home.

Scouting

The Cubs and Den-mothers are ready, but no meetings yet because there is no Cubmaster.

The Brownies went on their first hike last week. Mr. Robert Hampton assisted Mrs. Robert Schaule, Patty Hampton and Amelia Christine joined the troop.

The sixth grade patrol of Troop 9 worked on badges and discussed Girl Scout work.

The fifth grade patrol held its Halloween party. Mrs. Donald Shink assisted with the games and refreshments.

Girl Scouts and Brownies have their annual supply of calendars now.

Local Events

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cherry and daughters Amelia and Dennis, drove to Benton Harbor last Saturday to see the father, John Christie, who returned with them for a short visit.

Ace Hanson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee D. Hanson, was home from the western from Michigan State college.

Mrs. Joseph Zalar entertained a group of her friends Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murray gave a housewarming party in their new home on Inlander road.

The Robert Coffey entertained at their home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pierre, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hans, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mulcahy, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox.

Mrs. Axel Nyberg spent the weekend at Hancock with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin H.

Walnut Lake Plans Fire Truck Display

WALNUT LAKE—The truck and equipment of the Walnut Lake Fire commission will be on display at the school garage Saturday afternoon from noon to 3 p.m.

Members of the Bloomfield township board and fire district commission and the Franklin Village fire commission have been invited to attend the display.

Three areas were selected for the first drill held Oct. 29, when volunteers worked on hypothetical roof fires. The drill included raising the ladders and taking hose to the roof, while each department volunteer was given an opportunity to manage the pumping equipment.

The Commission

THE COMMISSION has asked residents of their fire district to cooperate with the department in fighting fire. The rules they have cited as being most beneficial to all are:

- 1—Turn in the alarm promptly.
- 2—Do not use the phone during a fire unless you are reporting it, or are a volunteer spreading the alarm.
- 3—Do not hamper the truck by driving in its immediate vicinity and do not block roads to parking cars on the shoulders.
- 4—Residents in the immediate vicinity of a fire are asked to bring all garden hose to the scene as quickly as possible. They will be in demand to attach to silencers to maintain a proper water level in the truck tanks.

Maki for their 50th wedding anniversary

Mrs. Lee D. Hanson is among the six leaders and court members of the Birmingham Girl Scouts attending the regional conference in Grand Rapids for Mr. and Mrs. Donald Harrison and son Tommy spent the weekend at Lapeer with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thorne.

Surprise Shower

The Monday Bridge club met at the home of Mrs. Donald Harrison. Mrs. Walter Caney, Mrs. Roland Walton, Mrs. Thomas Snyder, Mrs. Edward Sista, Mrs. Martin Wacker, Mrs. Harry Meyers, Mrs. Frank Morgan and Mrs. Rudy Young assisted. The party featured a surprise book shower for Mrs. Morton.

Postponed

The harvest supper and bazaar sponsored by the Women club has been postponed until Wednesday, Nov. 30.

Halloween Party

About 120 children celebrated Halloween at the party given by Walnut Lake Estates. Arthur Kane and his large committee had favors and refreshments for all. John Parkins showed movies which were loaned by Dr. E. J. Granger, Howard Whims, Mrs. William Sinclair and Dr. Granger, and awarded prizes to Cheryl Hoffman, Douglas Walton, Joy Snyder, Judith Karnes, Karen Selner, Jimmy Meluhsk, Karen Weaver, Lynn Granger and Jimmy Sampson.

Junior Big

The Junior Big event meeting of Junior Big was held at the school Friday evening. Ed Kibbert was assisted by William Sloan. Movies were shown and Halloween games played. The next meeting will be Nov. 17.

New Appointment For Local Cadet

WEST POINT, N. Y.—Cadet Thomas H. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivor H. Williams, 231 Glenary Rd., Bloomfield Village, Michigan, has received his appointment as a cadet sergeant and supply sergeant at the United States Military Academy.

Cadet Williams has received this honor because of his excellent performance of military duties in his stay at the Academy.

Cadet Williams is one of the highest ranking men in his company in military aptitude.

He has been an active participant in sports at West Point. Among those in which he took part are intercollegiate lacrosse and football. Other extracurricular activities include the ski club and the Russian language club.

Upon graduation as a second lieutenant next June, he hopes to serve in the Air Force.

Blue Star Mothers Mail Boxes to Korea

A total of 15 Christmas packages have already been mailed to servicemen in Korea by the Blue Beaver Blue Star Mothers, chapter 37.

The group will mail packages this month to those men stationed with the military forces in Europe.

Families having men in service are asked to send their names and proper addresses to Mrs. Earl Boyer, rural route 1, Royal Oak. If they wish gift packages mailed from the chapter.

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Russia Tolerates Political Opposition in Austria, But Discourages Party Meetings

By ROBERT BALL
Special Correspondent for The Eclectic

VIENNA, Austria

In Austria the Russians seem to be on their good behavior even politically. Anti-Soviet, West-originated parties function as freely in the Soviet Zone as in the rest of Austria.

At the last national elections the Russians stood quietly by to watch their pet, the Austrian Communist Party, take a record thumping—and they didn't bat an eye.

I wanted to find out if this apparent Sunday school behavior was being accompanied by any left-handed moves at suppression of political freedom, I called on a young functionary of the outspoken anti-Communist Austrian Socialist Party.

His name is Walter Hacker and his offices, in the Socialist newspaper building, are in Soviet Vienna.

HE ALLOWED

HE ALLOWED that the Socialists were as strong as any other Western observers at Soviet toleration of democratic opposition.

"Particularly after the 1948 election the Communists polled less than 5 per cent of the popular vote," Hacker stated.

He admitted, however, that Soviet authorities were making some trouble for them behind the scenes.

After failing to move the Allied Control Council to ban the Arbeiter Zeitung, Socialist national-circulation paper, they proceeded to outlaw two of the provincial Socialist papers in their zone.

The reason given was that the papers had cast aspersions on the occupation force, the same reason, by the way, that was used by the Western Powers in sending against most of the West German Communist papers.

THE SOVIETS

THE SOVIETS made no effort to prevent circulation of the Arbeiter Zeitung in their zone, however.

Another bone of contention has been election posters. In European campaigns posters are more important vote-getters, or are thought to be, than in America.

The Russians took exception to many of the non-Communist posters, even though they contained no direct reference to the USSR.

"It seems that the Soviets have become so sensitive that any mention of oppression is assumed to refer to Russia," Hacker said. "If the shoe fits, I suppose. . . ."

Also hanned, this time from Soviet zone bookstores, were Eisenhower's account of operations in the European Theater and a modern history of Austria by a University of California professor.

In the first instance, the Russians would seem to have forgotten

Where the Soviets control the meeting places, these are only available for Communist gatherings.

Sharpest Soviet pressure has been exerted on workers in the Russian-managed USA factories. Here managerial prerogatives have been turned to political ends. Socialist party members have been eased out of industry councils in favor of Communists. Active Socialists have occasionally been fired outright.

THE HIRING-FIRING

power has also been used to gather signatures for the Communist's Stockholm Peace Petition, Hacker claimed.

Non-Communist workers facing a lay-off in the USA plants in

Showings Mapped For Baseball Film

Four showings of the film, "Little League Baseball" will be held in Birmingham beginning Sunday.

The Rev. Theodore Wuggazer, pastor of the Lutheran Redeemer church, will present the film Sunday at 7 o'clock to a group of boys and their fathers at the church.

Monday he will present the film at the luncheon meeting of the Rotary club. Tuesday noon Exchange club members will see it at their luncheon meeting, while the Kiwanis will have the showing Tuesday evening.

"THAT IS TYPICAL

of the shortsighted approach of much Soviet interference," Hacker asserted. "Of course the local Communist Party puts them up to most of it."

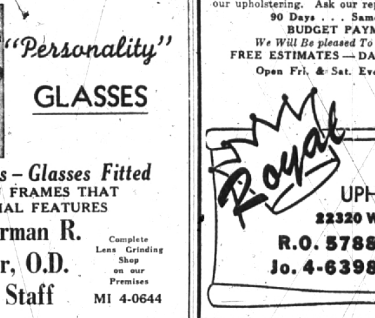
Another weapon in the mid-Soviet war of nerves is the right to okay political gatherings.

Up to now one of the main Socialist meetings have been interrupted with, but there have been cases, of small gatherings being refused permission or postponed to inconvenient times.

on the enthusiasm with which they greeted Eisenhower on his Moscow visit in 1945; in the second, the objection seemed to lie in the dust jacket of the book, which carried, along with other emblems of Austria's recent history, a swastika.

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