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### MICHIGAN OUTDOORS

#### NEW GAME LAWS CAN BACKFIRE

Our Michigan Conservation Department has definitely established the courage of its convictions in the setting of longer seasons on some of our more prominent Michigan game. BUT they'd better pray that nature cooperates!

Most bird and animal populations are subject to fluctuations over which man has no control. High and low peaks seem to run in more or less definite cycles which have sometimes been predicted well in advance. If our upland game bird population holds at its current high level, if our Michigan rabbits continue to multiply and sustain their present numbers, the new, longer seasons will be heralded as a wonderful move on the part of the Conservation Department. Hunters will be lavish in their praise of the decision.

However, let nature put the skids on partridge or bunnies in one of her cycles and the hounds will be loose! They'll be baying at the door of those game biologists who said that longer seasons wouldn't put a dent in populations. They'll be howling that too much hunting pressure did it! The birds and bunnies have been chivvied and harried relentlessly in the elongated season! The very seed stock has been all but destroyed! It's murder! And it's all the fault of the Conservation Department!

A Birmingham resident, Mort Naff, "Michigan Outdoors" television Show appears every Thursday at 10:15 p.m. over Station WWJ-TV.

#### Annual Rotary Picnic

Annual picnic of the Birmingham Rotary club has been set for Aug. 25, probably at Orchard Lake country club. Bill Torrence is chairman of arrangements.

General news deadline is 4:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

#### Gun Pressure Won't Count

Personally, I hold with game men who don't think game can seriously effect the numbers of upland game birds, squirrels, rabbits or raccoons from year to year. They're spread over a very wide area in hundreds of thousands of acres that are never even hunted. The so-called "seed stock" is invaluable in this wilderness. They'll prosper and multiply will let them in her cyclic moods, despite the booming of a half-million guns in hunters' hands. However, in my own mind, it's a different story with pheasants.

#### Pheasants Can't Take It

We're probably giving pheasants as much of a going-over as they'll stand, and the season is twofold. Their range is limited, and right now there are probably several million of these popular birds fairly well concentrated in southern Michigan. They're easy for the hunter to reach. Their cover is limited, and worst of all too many careless "sportsmen" kill every fall. From all current reports, nature will take the heat of this fall. She's supplying a bumper crop of birds, despite the fact that our game farm which once raised upwards of 50,000 pheasants has just about gone out of business. So the lads in Lansing can concentrate their worries on deer herd control—a headache we'll discuss another day in "Michigan Outdoors"

#### Commission Mulls Sunday's Storm Flooding Problem

Flooded basements on Chesterville, between Maple and the cause by Sunday's sudden and severe thunder storm, brought on a discussion of the storm sewer problem at the Monday night meeting of the city commission.

Commissioner Lance Minor stated that he had received many calls from home owners complaining of the flooding. He added that perhaps this is the first time that so many homes in that area have flooded.

City Engineer L. R. Gare told the commission that the sewer was checked Monday and that it was clear the entire distance. DPW Superintendent Norman Knapp stated that he thought the flooding was a result of "banding," which means too much water wants to go in the same direction at the same time.

KNAPP ALSO SAID that there was a possibility that the new homes in that area were putting more roof water into the sewer formerly carried.

There were also reports of flooding on Stanley, Humphrey, and Fairway.

Gare said that more investigation would be done on the Chesterville flooding problem.

#### Waste Paper Problem Surveyed By Commission

The waste paper problem was brought before the city commission Monday night by Commissioner Lance Minor.

The low price for scrap paper apparently has all but stopped street collections usually made by public groups.

City ordinance prevents residents from putting papers in with other rubbish, thus protecting city equipment from fire caused by a combination of hot coals and papers.

It was said some Michigan cities have agreements with groups to pick up waste paper now if there is a guarantee that the same group can collect the paper when the price goes up.

The problem was referred to city manager Donald C. Egbert for consideration.

#### Pontiac CC Sponsors Memorial Tournament

Another big day is set for the public links golfer Saturday, July 26, when the annual Ted Powers Memorial Invitational Best Shot tournament will be held at Pontiac Country club on Elizabeth Lake road.

Frank Syron, pro-owner of the club, has announced that it will be closed for the day and facilities will be devoted to promotion of the tournament.

The tournament is a heat-ball affair. Entry fee is \$5 per team and links are available at Pontiac Country club.

#### LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN  
SEALED PROPOSALS REQUESTED  
The following sealed proposals are invited to be received at the office of the City Engineer, Michigan until 2:00 p.m. on the date specified. The time they will be opened shall be as stated in the following:

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D. C. EGBERT,  
City Engineer

### Garbage Pickup Contract Studied

City Commissioners Monday night decided to wait until a study is made of the present garbage collection contract before authorizing the advertising of the 1953 contract.

City Manager Donald C. Egbert suggested that the contract be advertised so that no lapse in service would be possible between the termination of the present agreement and that start of the 1953 collections.

The present contractor, the B and B Disposal Service, has stated that the unit prices under the present contract are too low for the firm to extend the existing contract.

COMMISSIONERS agreed that the present service has been the most satisfactory operation that the city has ever enjoyed and admitted that contract price was too low.

Commissioner V. E. Watkins suggested that the plan be studied to have the time of the contract coincide with the city's fiscal year—July 1 to June 30.

#### GI Absentee Votes Free

The latest bulletin released from the Post Office Department, Washington, D. C., repeats the post office law that all election material sent to or returned by members of the armed services in absentee balloting is to be transported free of charge through the mails.

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### City Election Boards Named

The following names have been tentatively submitted by City Clerk Irene E. Hanley for appointment to the city election board. The board members will work in the August 5 primary election.

Precinct 1: Martha Duff, June Brehm, Priscilla Mickelson, Jane Hart, Louise Barden, Ruth Grant, Mary Lambie.

Precinct 2: Pearl Hollister, Kathleen Hindley, Dessie Black, Betty Bloman, Bernice Burnett, Dorothy Duncan, Charlotte Smith.

Precinct 3: Agnes Palk, Martha Wilson, Barbara Patterson, Mabel Berger, Frieda Hart, Josephine Fowler, Eleanor Haack.

Precinct 4: Agnes Deer, Helen Hubbard, Phyllis Peterson, Wanda Boulton, Florence Hilton, Kennedy Cowan, Barbara Gans, Esther Peck.

Precinct 5: Margaret Coe, Eleanor Bowden, Helen Hawkins, Margaret Cummins, Ruth Minton, Elizabeth Telleck, Jennie Masterson.

Precinct 6: Florence Brown, Vera Argenta, Minnie Crouse, Es-

ther Cloutier, Betty Jane Patterson, Elizabeth Pearson, Ora Richards, Dorothy Forritt.  
Precinct 7: Mary Lewis Fletcher, Neida Hardin, Myrtle Taylor, Jane McKee, Vincent Kenner, Stella Edgar, Dora McVellis, Eleanor Steele, Margaret Tate.  
Precinct 8: Marie Griffith, Elsie Rander, Elsie Erickson, Mary Plumstead, Betty Jane Marcoux, Ruth M. Peck, Anne Hoover.  
Extra Clerks: Marie Stacy, Jean Payne, Doris Stacy, and others if needed.

#### WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

AL VOSS, Ground Observer-Corps chief: "Birmingham had its worst setback this week in maintaining its skywatch. Monday the first day of our second week of round-the-clock service, several of our personnel failed to report for duty. A check with them showed that one shift on the city hall tower was plenty. The place is higher than a lot of people want to go, and the area is small and cramped as well as dirty. Whenever the incinerator is burned off, which I think is three times a day, it's pretty bad up there, and our volunteers didn't want any more of it."

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### A Message To Our Friends and Neighbors

from DEAN COFFIN, Inc.  
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December 1, 1952

Darling:  
Every time you go away is just the time the roof caves in. A husband's place is in the home. Why don't you tell your company you're tired of hotel meals and want a sales manager's job at home? Mmmmm!

Anyway, Sugar Face, it's snowing like crazy here, it's cold as a pawnbroker's heart, and both kids and myself have colds. Why do we catch the FIRST colds of the season? Am I the anaemic type?

I'm up to my teeth in PTA, Cub Scouts, and a project for the church. Yet I'm supposed to go to market every two days, take kids to school, run family errands, get laundry done, and cook. I'm a case for an oxygen tent. There must be an easier way to play house. Got any ideas?

Incidentally, our grocery bill last month was \$165, highest it's ever been. You've got to increase my grocery allowance. Think that one over. And I borrowed \$20 from Dad because I was overdrawn. Happy journeying.

Love  
Katie

December 5, 1952

Dearest:  
What a charming letter you write. Call the president of my company and tell him he's missing a bet. I'm his logical candidate for vice-president in charge of sales. He doesn't know it but tell him. He'll appreciate that.

Been think about your problems. Getting away from home helps me see 'em in a clearer light. I've got your problems all doped out, 'lady, and here's my prescription:

You need: more vitamins. You're not eating the freshest vegetables. And you're not buying particularly good meat, if the truth were spoken. You need: more time. You must cut down the time you spend marketing and cooking. You need: to buy groceries, fruits, meat, fish, poultry in quantity lots to get a quantity discount, so I won't have to increase your grocery allowance. You need: a grocery in the basement so you won't have all that tramping around town to do in miserable weather like this, and particularly when you feel lousy.

In short honey, you need one of these freezer-and-food-at-quantity discount prices-plans. So I sent a wire to Dean Coffin, Inc. We have a date with one of their men next Sunday afternoon at the house. I hear it's a good plan. Cut their claims in half and you still have a wonderful deal. Besides I can't afford to increase your grocery allowance, and a Dean Coffin freezer will pay for itself out of the savings on food.

Happy Freezing, Love.....  
John.

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