

Hold Birds Here With Simple Menu, Institute Reports

Birds are among the few souven- irs of summer that can be per- sisted to linger throughout win- ter.

Food is the lure. Many varieties of birds mind the cold scarcely at all, but are forced to migrate to warmer climes in search of the insects, seed plants and berries which make up their diets.

Householders who provide the proper foods consistently from Oc- tober until spring can expect a constant parade of common and rare species, some left from the summer season and others arriv- ing from their more northern haunts.

Foods placed at feeding stations need not be expensive or of great variety, according to a Cranbrook Institute of Science report. Ordinar- y baby-chick scratch feed mixed with small sunflower seed in a ratio of ten to one, is a good basic food.

SUET is a bird favorite, though they are happy to get peanut but- ter, raisins, various fresh fruits, waste lettuce, breadcrumbs and raw, unsalted peanuts.

While simple shelves placed at a window are satisfactory lunch counters for birds if kept free of snow, more elaborate roofed feed- ing stations can be bought at local supply stores, or easily made.

Some persons provide water which many birds drink in prefer- ence to eating snow. The water can be kept warm in freezing weather by placing a light bulb below the container.

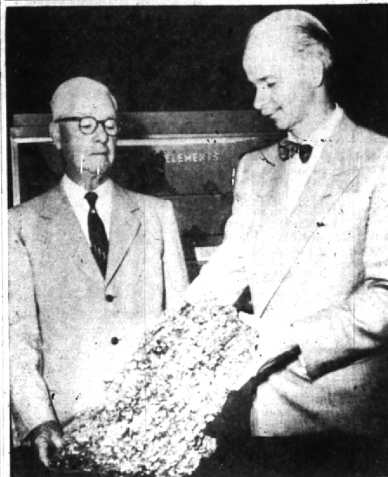
It is urged, however, that once a feeding station is started, it should be kept stocked until warm weather, since birds grow to de- pend on it and may perish when food is not available elsewhere.

Openings Remain In Craft Classes

There are still several openings in the YMCA craft classes which meet each Saturday morning in the craft shop on the hour start- ing at 9 a.m. and continuing until noon. Forty-five minutes of in- struction is given as the group works with jig and coping saws and simple hand tools.

Projects include toys and small objects that boys and girls nine years of age and older can make under the guidance of a leader. Groups are kept small in order that all may benefit. If interested, contact the Y for particulars.

In these days when so much of our entertainment is "manufactured," we cannot expect the new generation to be profoundly steeped in the classical truths of former days. Comparatively few of today's youth read the won- derful books of yesterday.



WILLIAM E. BERESFORD (left) of Goodhue road, Bloomfield Hills, presents on behalf of the Michigan Mineralogical Society a spectacular crystal stalactite to Dr. Robert T. Hatt, Cranbrook Institute of Science, in memory of Dr. Archibald N. Goddard, who was active in both organizations. The gray and yellow crystal formation is on display at the Institute museum, open free to the public daily from 2 to 5 p.m.

County Tops Sept. Blood Bank Quota

The September blood quota for Oakland county was topped by 100 pints, according to Dr. Ernest Bauer, blood committee head.

He said Oakland was second in the Detroit region, which also includes Macomb, St. Clair, Wash- ington and Wayne.

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Dr. Bauer's report said 838 pints were collected in the eight blood- mobile visits, averaging 10 pints per visit above quota.

"A surplus is especially good at this time," Dr. Bauer said, "be- cause it will enable the repayment of the blood debt to other counties which was contracted during July and August."

Mrs. Dalton Shifton, mobile re- cruitment chairman, Birmingham, said 11 visits are scheduled for October, and said she believed an- other quota might be topped.

Firemen Have Army Athletic Dir. Being Discharged Busy Weekend

Over the past weekend the Bir- mingham fire department investi- gated a suspected gas leak, extin- guished a grass fire, revived a heart attack victim, and put out an incinerator fire which caused about \$50 to \$100 damage. Fire Chief Vera W. Griffith estimated.

The basement fire occurred about noon Saturday at 1455 S. Elon, when flying sparks from an incinerator set off papers nearby, which Mrs. Roy I. Butler was burning. She threw water on the fire and called the fire depart- ment "and we finished it," the Chief said.

A GRASS fire Saturday at 7:10 p.m. on the Porritt property along the Adams street side was be- lieved set by children, the Chief said.

Sunday morning at 7:30 the de- partment made a resuscitator run to revive O. T. Pelissier, 53, of 1207 Villa, who had suffered a heart attack. He was revived and admitted to St. Joseph Mercy hos- pital.

"Then Sunday at 11:03 p.m." the department was called out to in- vestigate a suspected gas leak at 508 Pembroke.

Roberts Named To Taxi Board

Membership of the city's first taxicab governing board was completed last week with the appoint- ment of City Commissioner Wil- liam Roberts.

By ordinance, City Manager D. C. Egbert and Finance Director James Parkins are the other two members. The board will administer rates and operating rules for taxicab companies.

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While at Ft. Knox, Sgt. Ostrander was Athletic Recreation NCO for Combat Command "B". This job consisted of directing the physical training program for approx- imately 1500 basic trainees. This unique system of physical condi- tioning was the only one of its kind in existence at Ft. Knox and it drew the praise of all those who saw it in operation.

Besides his regular duties, Sgt. Ostrander also coached the cham- pionship regimental boxing team and led Combat Command "B" to championship efforts in football, baseball, basketball, softball and golf.

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