

The boy and girl who is encouraged to develop a smiling cheerfulness will never want for friends; and if he has friends, he will make good on his job... for jobs in turn depend upon friendly people.

Kids Study Nature in the Rough at Proud Lake Recreation Area



ADAMS SIXTH GRADERS LEARN CONSERVATION FIRST HAND
Group watches Al Masini, area manager (with shovel) and Larry Piche plant trees.

Educators have found a classroom that pleases almost everyone.

Nature and art classes, field trips and recreation—these are what the children study first hand in a classroom that is as old as the hills—in fact, the classroom is the hills.

Recently the Adams school sixth graders spent a week at one of two open air classrooms in Oakland County—the newly opened 3,000-acre Proud Lake Recreation area near Wixom, under the care of the Michigan Department of Conservation.

Area Manager Alfred Masini and Conservation Officer Larry Piche handed instruction of students during nature field trips.

CHARLES Welch, group director, and Mary Lou Honadio, the students' regular instructors were aided by Donna Westerland, Howard Malwitz, Marian Phillips and Dalsa Sutton, all from the Birmingham School system.

Students spent a week at Proud Lake for about \$10 each. Many of them discovered the country's wonders for the first time.

Emphasis is on practical application and first hand study that students only read about in the school room.



WHEW—CAMP STAFF TAKES TIME TO RELAX DURING BUSY SCHEDULE
Charles Welch, (second from right), group director, briefs staff on program.



OH ME! IT'S MOP TIME AGAIN
Boys and girls learned to make beds, mop floors.



LOOK—THERE GOES A BIG ONE!
Cameras clicked between the rain drops.

People's Column

MHA Appreciates Local Response

To the Editor:
We have just received the enrollment records for the Cardiac Rehabilitation classes which were held in your area recently. We are indeed gratified with the results obtained and with the number of persons who attended the classes. On behalf of the board of trustees of the Michigan Heart Association may I take this opportunity to extend our very sincere appreciation for the splendid cooperation which you extended to us in publicizing these classes to your readers.

It was a genuine pleasure for us to have worked in your county and we are looking forward to the opportunity of working with you again in the not too distant future.

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Executive Director,
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Citizens Asked to Fight Elm Disease

By BRUNO L. KEARNS

Now is the time for all Birmingham residents to preserve the city's 16,000 elm trees by fighting the Dutch elm disease, which has rapidly spread through many of the mid-western states.

The city forestry department is doing everything possible to keep Birmingham the "beautiful city of elm trees," but according to forestry director Bill Lebold, "We must get the cooperation of all the citizens to save these trees."

SINCE 1922 when only one elm tree fell to the disease in the city, the number has steadily increased with 265 cases in 1953 and 163 in 1954.

The Dutch elm disease is a fungus which works in the circulatory system of the tree. Once the tree is infected there is no cure. It must be cut down and burned immediately.

Elm bark beetles which live in dead, dying and cut elm limbs, carry the disease to healthy trees and infect them.

TWO MOST important protective measures are spraying and sanitation. All elm trees should be sprayed with DDT emulsifiable sprays twice yearly, especially now during June and July.

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Elm trees should be well pruned, heavily watered, protected from injuries and sprayed.

Elm trees along city streets and in and around, and the four-city public parks are being sprayed. Payment is being made for the cutting of elm trees. All trees showing all signs of Dutch elm disease should be cut immediately to prevent the disease from spreading.

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