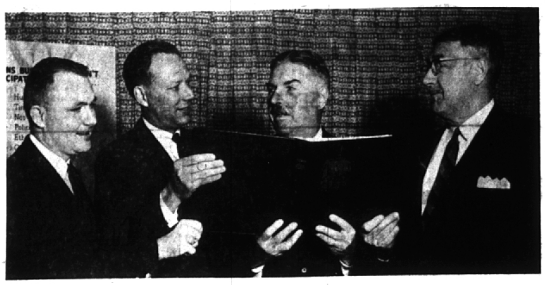

Collaboration

Oakland county and Michigan officials of the Democratic and Republican parties are shown reviewing study materials being used in Ford Motor company's Effective Citizenship program. From left to right are Jack Gibbs, executive secretary, Oakland county Republican committee; Lawrence Lindemer, Republican state chairman; Neil Staebler, Democrat state chairman, and Carlos G. Richardson, Oakland county Democratic chairman. More than 50 classes, consisting of eight two-hour sessions on the workings of the U.S. political party system, are in progress for Ford employes in the metropolitan area. In Oakland County, three groups are meeting at Wixom and one at Birmingham.

Is Happiness Goal Of Education?—'No'

By RUTH VOGT
Special Writer

"I thought the purpose of education was to make children happy," said a confused (but intelligent) woman recently who heard an Educator speak.
"In that case," he retorted in humor, "why not feed 'em tranquilizers with their morning oatmeal?"
Why not, indeed?

Who ever dared say that 'education' would guarantee, (like a laxative) complete freedom from drudgery?
Or from pain or strain!
Education? It never was meant to be gained with ease.
That's why many laugh and turn to other things . . .
It's for the ones who love it.

The surface?
It's easily scratched and discovered with no effort at all.
The subtle items?
That's where the pain becomes delight.
Socrates' students? None of 'em ever took 'notes',
But, it's from them we take heart,
And they lived not in 'happiness';
Sometimes they existed in acute pain . . .

Just give us Education.
That's what America really needs!

R. E. V.

2 Happy Hams On a Holiday

Thousands of hours of planning, millions of dollars, and even the best scientific brains can't prevent all traffic problems.

And probably the most unlikely and unscientific and unusual traffic situation occurred Sunday.

Two pigs—baby pigs—escaped early Sunday from the City-Country school in Bloomfield Hills. Since it was a nice day, the pigs decided to see the country-side. In general, Bloomfield Hills, in particular, Woodward avenue.

Fifteen traffic snarled minutes later, state police arrived, expecting to find anything but two pigs.

AFTER A BRIEF struggle, in which Michigan's finest suffered some embarrassing moments, the pigs were captured.

They were taken to a local veterinary clinic, where they were treated for shock, or whatever pigs are treated for after having experienced such a pedestrian problem.

School officials arrived shortly, and came home with the bacon.

No Answer Yet

City engineers still are studying how to solve a vacant lot drainage problem at Edgewood and Davis. A recommendation is expected for the Birmingham city commission's consideration at the July 11 meeting.

'Young People' Play At Community House

Anyone for fun? For free? It will be available for kids of all ages—preschool to postgrad—at four p.m. on Thursday afternoon, July 14, at the Birmingham Community House.

Melvin Whittle and Martha Hurd, directors of the Young People's Studio Theater, and their skilled students will present Mrs. Hurd's popular adaptation of "August and the Fire King."

TICKETS, which are free, must be picked up before the performance. They are available at the Community house, the Baldwin public library, the Bloomfield Art Association, the YMCA, Grinnell's and the recreation department office in the municipal building.

Members of the play's cast will be Margaret Farnsworth, Susan Dreyfus, Starlet Brussel, Chato Hill, Becky Black, Greg Geiger, Douglas Ward, Tom Farnsworth, Gordon Mayer, William Sabo, Gary Sklar and Candy Wilson.

Among the dancers in the second act will be Pat Squibb, Whitney Walker, Margo Grahn and Jane Thompson.

MELVIN WHITTLE will direct the play, assisted by Richard Bagg. Susan Neff and Susan Cloutier will serve as aides to the director.

Dances for the performance have been arranged by Clare Levine, sets designed by Patricia Marsh and costumes designed by Fay Brussel and Aline Wilcoxon.

Theatre Guild Schedules 3 Performances

The Young People's Theatre Guild, the workshop department of the Young People's Studio Theatre of Birmingham have scheduled several performances for the summer. Included are "An Evening with Noel Coward", "You Can't Take It With You", "Clearing in the Woods" and "Loud Red Patrick."

THE PERFORMANCES will all be staffed, instructed, directed, and presented by members of the Young People's guild. The positions such as director, stage manager, technical director, house manager, and others will rotate with each presentation, giving all a chance to view, first hand, each aspect of the theater.

EVEN THOUGH PLANS for next year are being made now, none of the planners are neglecting their theatrical experience. Bill Sabo, president; Gordon Mayer, vice-president; Becky Black, public relations; Whitney Walker, choreographer; are all appearing in the performance of "August and the Fire King."

BACKSTAGE ARE Sue Neff and Sue Cloutier, secretaries of the Young People's Theater Guild, helping Melvin "Doc" Whittle, managing director of the Young People's Studio.

On the board of advisors for both the Young People's Studio Theater and the Theater Guild are Dr. Lee Dreyfus of Wayne University radio and TV; David Wayne of screen, TV, and stage; Martha V. Hurd, writer of "August and the Fire King;" Richard Bagg, dramatics teacher at Seaholm high school; and Melvin Whittle, producer-director.

F. M. VAN SICKLE

Missile Man CSU Speaker

The publications branch manager for Chrysler's Missile Division, F. M. Van Sickle, 983 Winbledon drive, will be guest lecturer at Colorado State University's Summer Institute in Technical and Industrial Communications.

Van Sickle will speak on the "Administration of the Technical Publications Group" at the four-day institute which opens Monday, July 11.

As director of technical publications and information activities for Chrysler's Missile Division, Van Sickle is responsible for the preparation of technical art, photography (including filming missile tests) and visual training aids, manuals, handbooks and other printed material pertaining to the missile program.

Evergreen

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has spent millions of dollars to install a sewer to handle the Evergreen's flow.

THE STATE water resources commission (WRC) expects to go into the Detroit-Oakland stalemate when it next meets in Lansing July 28. The WRC instituted court proceedings several years ago to force Oakland communities to cease river pollutions.

A number of court action postponements have been granted as the communities slowly have worked out the pollution abatements.

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Fire

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called the fire department. "The Seagers' yard was all lighted up," she said, "and I saw the Seagers standing outside the house."

"It's the most disheartening thing I've ever seen," said Mrs. George Renfrew, 987 Arden Lane, while looking over the damage.

MRS. WELLS CHAPIN, 942 Arden Lane, said her husband stamped out some small brush fires at the edge of Seaholm's practice football field where the Fourth of July fireworks were held. She said the wind must have carried fireworks remains to the edge of the woods bordering the field.

"We sat in the stands and worried the whole time about falling embers setting fire to something," she said.

Charles Mortensen, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the holiday display, at the Seaholm field, said every possible precaution was taken.

"Everything was completely inspected and nothing overlooked in planning the event," he said. "The fireworks seemed to be dropping straight down and we had a gentle wind, just enough to move the paper ribbons," he said.

THE MOST RECENT FIRE of comparable destructiveness in Birmingham was last April 24 when an incinerator set the roof of a house at Willow Lane and Redding road ablaze, said Fire Marshal Scott.

Mrs. Seager and her daughter will be living with friends in Troy until the home is ready for occupancy.

Downtown Walk Repairs Going Out for Bids

Birmingham's downtown sidewalk repair program went into the bid-seeking stage this week as city commissioners resolved final details, including cost-sharing.

City Manager L. R. Gare has warned that the Labor Day completion deadline might be missed on this $20,000 renovation of Woodward and Maple sidewalks in the business section.

The program will eliminate all double steps now at curbs, and most single steps. Badly damaged or deteriorated walks will be replaced.

COMMISSIONERS Tuesday night agreed that where steps cannot be eliminated, the step shall come 2 feet in back of curb.

The city will pay for the new step. Abutting property owners will be assessed for other walks which needs replacing.

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Here's 'Y'—on Swimming

". . . and don't forget these other important YMCA water safety rules," says Birmingham "Y" secretary Owen Manchester. "They are: 1) Pick a safe place to swim; 2) Keep within the limits of your swimming ability; 3) After hard exercise, relax a bit before you hit the water; 4) Always race toward shore or parallel to it, never away from shore; 5) If you can't swim, stay out of small boats; 6) Don't take a sailboat out unless you understand sailing; 7) Avoid swimming during electrical storms."

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