

Nature Notes Written As Springtime Nears

Now when "the March wind doth blow", we like to disregard the remainder of the old adage. And if "we shall have snow" let us hope it will fall elsewhere.

For the first robin has already appeared, if indeed he has ever left us. Some of the more adventuresome of his well-loved species remain with us all winter. At any rate the first robin came calling at our house on March 2, and since that time it has been in worm-eating ways have made this bird the most conspicuous victim of the poison of elm disease sprays.

We are certain many "Nature Note" readers will be interested in an excellent study recently published by the Cranbrook Institute of Science, "Bird Mortality in the Dutch Elm Disease Program."

It is written by George Wallace and Richard B. Miller of Michigan State University and our own Walter Nisely, men who have spent many painstaking hours collecting data on this controversial subject. Mrs. Freche incidentally Walter is still off on his latest bird-banding mission to British Honduras but he will be home by April to conduct his usual field-trip program.

TO RETURN to spring and to robins, today your serbe had a call from Mrs. Donata Desautels on Derby Road, Birmingham.

And as we hang up the receiver we felt a decided lift to know that in this weary world there is yet a human voice who take on so happy a lift because on March 4 she enjoyed a flock of 15 to 20 robins feeding in her back yard.

Children, who hearts are still in tune with the infinite, experience spring in the way most adults have forgotten. Miss Five and Miss Eight-Year-Old are busy out Rochester way discovering a lot of Nature's secrets including an English parrot nest already holding three newly-laid eggs. This on Feb. 28. Need we remind you again that the English sparrow is a sparrow but an introduced member of an Old World family of finches?

We mention this frequently because we dislike to imperil the reputation of such of our fine avian friends as the tree, the song, the field and the white-throated sparrow.

WE WOULD ALSO like to note the arrival of another feathered friend, the male red-winged blackbird. On the morning of March 1 he greeted us with a lusty call from the marsh adjoining the old farmhouse. The book says "the female will follow in about two weeks". And she will. Each pair of birds is a true sign of spring and this miracle is happening all around us. Box elder and willow, poplar and maple; each tree sets its buds in autumn and then variates them against the hazards of winter.

With the first hint of spring they are all set for a kind of sudden bursting. As you read these lines the red maple will already be in bloom. Stop, look and listen, you do, you can easily see two separate kinds of flowers; the pollin-bearing in female and the pollen-laden or male.

2 Residents Head New Bham Firm

Two Birmingham men, Alexander J. Riker, 2317 Dorchester and John R. Taylor, 220 N. Cleary, are heading a new Birmingham office of First of Michigan Corporation.

Riker is resident manager and Taylor his associate in the Wholesale Building office of the investment firm.

Riker, son of Dr. and Mrs. Austin D. Riker, 4050 Commerce, Orchard Lake, has been associated with First of Michigan Corp. for almost seven years. A lifetime resident of Oakland County, he is a graduate of Cranbrook School and the University of Michigan.

HE HAS ALSO attended the Investment Banking Institute at the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania and has taken courses in investments at Michigan State University Oakland in the Adult Education Program.

Taylor attended Detroit University School, Culver Military Academy, Harvard University and Wayne State University. A Birmingham resident for nine years, he has been associated with First of Michigan for four years. He is currently president of the Basis Club of Detroit and is a member of the Bloomfield Village Protective Association. Taylor also attended the Investment Banking Institute of the Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania.

Invited by Navy
LIEUTENANT Wayne J. Wilson, USNR, of 22675 Bingham Road, Bingham Farms, will attend a first homecoming of Naval aviators at the Golden Anniversary of Naval Aviation celebration in Pensacola, Fla., June 6-11.

In Basic Training
Birmingham, are undergoing basic combat training with the Third Training Regiment, Infantry. They are stationed at the United States Army Training Center, Fort Meeks, 460 Cranbrook, both of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Meeks, and Mr. and Mrs. Basil E. Meeks, 460 Cranbrook, both of

ELECTION NOTICE BIENNIAL SPRING ELECTION MONDAY, APRIL 3, 1961

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Notice is hereby given that a Biennial Spring Election will be held on Monday, April 3, 1961, at the respective polling places hereinafter designated:

Precinct No. 1: Fire Hall, Municipal Building, 45 East Long Lake Road.
Precinct No. 2: St. Dunstan's Play House, Lone Pine Road.

FOR THE PURPOSE of voting for the following officers, viz: STATE OFFICERS: Two Regents of the University of Michigan; Superintendent of Public Instruction; Member of the State Board of Education; Two Trustees of Michigan State University of Agriculture and Applied Science; Two Members of the Board of Governors of Wayne State University; and State Highway Commissioner.

NON-PARTISAN OFFICERS: Two Justices of the Supreme Court.

CITY OFFICERS: Three City Commissioners, One Justice of the Peace, One Constable.

AND TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION PROPOSAL:

"Shall a Convention be held to consider Revision or Amendment of the Michigan Constitution for subsequent submission to the Electors of this State for their approval?"

ALSO ANY ADDITIONAL AMENDMENTS OR PROPOSITIONS THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED.

NOTICE RELATIVE TO OPENING AND CLOSING OF THE POLLS

SECTION 720. On the day of any election the polls shall be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon, and shall be continuously open until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and no longer. Every qualified elector present and in line at the polls at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote.

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

ROBERT J. STADLER,
City Clerk

1-2-3
CLEAN UP!
FERTILIZE!
CRABGRASS CONTROL!
STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT!!!
(and the ground is cold)

- WHAT WITH?
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AGRICO (UREA FORM) 10-6-4
STADLERS XXX 10-4-4
STADLERS (LIGHTWEIGHT) 20-10-5
PLUS (OTHERS)
 - CRABGRASS CONTROL.**
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- TIPS ON THE "BIG THREE."
- Cleanup BEFORE crabgrass control is applied.
 - If low-cut mowing is done reset the mower to two inches immediately after mowing so it won't happen again.
 - Fertilize accurately. Ask for card showing "How to adjust any spreader for any material."
 - Remember the amount: —2# of NITROGEN to 1000 sq. ft.—100 lbs. of 10-4-4 covers 5000 sq. ft.—22 lbs. of 20-10-5 covers 2200 sq. ft. (The bag may show it covers twice as much. Don't believe it.)
 - Crabgrass controls are best applied by the criss-cross method. Put one-half on east & west, the other half north & south—or vice-versa.
 - Low-cut mowing is planned to disturb the thatch and accumulated debris in the lawn. The method mentioned in No. 2 is to be done only at the first mowing. The loosened material should (if not caught) be raked or swept up.

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2. FERTILIZE!
3. CRABGRASS CONTROL
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Pages Congratulated
Birmingham City Commissioner and Mrs. Robert Page receive congratulations from Mayor Florence H. Willett (right) for Page's winning a Good Citizenship Award from Ford Motor Co. Page received a plaque reading: "In knowledge that each of us benefits from the community service of his neighbors... this award attests to the appreciation of Ford Motor Co. and of your fellow employees."

Area Men Invited To Naval Event
Lt. Jc. James B. Fitzpatrick of 1647 Washington and John J. Fordermeyer, Jr., of 1140 Orchard Way, both of Birmingham, will attend a first homecoming of Naval aviators at the Golden Anniversary of Naval Aviation celebration. It will be held in Pensacola, Fla., June 6 to 11. The two men are among 78,000 naval aviators who have been invited to the celebration.

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