



For Safer Highways

Two of the 700 vehicles of the Michigan State Highway Department and the State Police officially designated as emergency first aid mobile units are shown here after identifying markers have been placed on the vehicles.

(Above) E. D. Sulino, state safety engineer; John C. Mackie, commissioner of state highway department; Arthur A. Foster, civil defense coordinator; and J. T. Farhart, director of the automotive and equipment division, note placement of the Red Cross marker and first aid supplies carried by highway department vehicles.

(Below) Lt. Jack Foster, state police training bureau, points out the emblem on a state police car to Even Thompson, Red Cross first aid and water safety representative, and Joseph Childs, commissioner, Michigan State Police.

255,000 Fingerlings Planted In Season Fishing Buildup

Conservation Department workers last week planted approximately 255,000 largemouth bass, muskellunge, and walleye pike fingerlings in a continued effort to boost warm-water fishing in problem lakes of Michigan.

Besides increasing game fish numbers for future angling, the releases carry much hope for maintaining a balance among other fish populations to produce bigger-sized catches. At a larger size, all three species will serve as "weed pullers" by feeding on small fish which might otherwise overgrow the planted lakes.

Scheduled for largemouth bass deposits last week were Mud lake, Clare county, 5,000 fingerlings; Hall lake, Barry county, 10,000; Mud lake, Montcalm county, 40,000; Evans lake, St. Joseph county, 30,000; Kaiser lake, St. Joseph county, 20,000; Pond Lily lake, Jackson county, 20,000; Bass lake, Lanier county, 3,000; Margaret lake, Lapeer county, 2,000; Grass lake, Oakland county, 10,000; and Argyle pond, Sanilac county, 2,000.

All of these waters are prone to fish die-offs during the winter, except Mud lake in Clare county, in which was chemically treated by the Department to remove excessive populations of stunted panfish.

Happenings

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outline of the plot is funny. An ill assorted house party is, without a word of warning, placed under quarantine because, fortsooth, one of the house stragglers have been seized with a contagious disease, and the entire party is, in consequence, placed under police surveillance.

30 YEARS AGO

July 21, 1932

For the first time in the history of the state, the long-standing controversy as to whether water or chemical is the most efficient fire-fighter was brought to a direct test at the 58th annual convention of the Michigan State Fire Association at Monroe last Thursday, and resulted in a distinct victory for the water adherents as represented by the Birmingham fire department. Twice the Birmingham

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Praise

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in which you are covering the proposed Constitution article by article, is a service which no other newspaper in the immediate area is rendering.

SINCE Con-Con has been one of our major interests over the past five years, and since the major purpose of the League over all the years is to encourage participation by all citizens on an informed basis, you can appreciate that this is indeed a sincere accolade to The Eccentric.

Thank you for supplying your readers with a wealth of information on one of the major projects of state government... a project upon which they must make a decision in the near future.

MRS. G. N. WILFINGER, President, Birmingham League of Women Voters

Giving to All May Help Solve Government Mess

To the Editor: Reading Hank Hogan's column in the July 12 Eccentric brings to mind a story illustrating the reverse side of the coin in this matter of fund-raising.

A year or so ago during the financial drive of the League of Women Voters (their drive incidentally is in the fall, not the spring) a potential contributor was contacted by phone.

TO THE request made for a contribution her answer was a definite YES, that she had given to the Republicans, she had given to the Democrats, and she certainly would give to the League.

When the League member went to pick up the contribution she asked her benefactor, "Did I understand you to say you contributed to both the Democrats and the Republicans?"

"I certainly did," she replied. "Things are in such a mess that I'm contributing to everyone I hope that someone will find a solution to our problems."

A LEAGUE MEMBER

Kind Actions Evoke Pride

To the Editor: It is impossible to find words which adequately express my appreciation to our many friends for the establishment and support of an educational fund for our children.

Since "education" was Mack's first love, he, too, would be happy to know that so many cherish his memory by wanting to help educate his children.

I would also like everyone to know how much I appreciate the many beautiful expressions of sympathy in cards, letters and kind-nesses.

These thoughtful tributes to the memory of our loved one have filled our hearts with solemn pride.

GERTRUDE E. FERGUSON AND FAMILY (Mrs. Malcolm V. Ferguson)

department, under the direction of Chief Vernon Griffith, used a booster pump and water under pressure to put out a blaze in a kerosene-soaked room in less time than took Adrian firefighters, under Chief H. A. Whiting, to extinguish a similar blaze with chemicals under pressure.

Grading operations for the new cement pavement to be laid on Cranbrook road from Lane Pine to Kingswood School will begin either Friday or Saturday, it was announced yesterday, by James W. Taylor of the Taylor Brothers Construction Company, the contractors. The work of installing the sewers for the project will be completed this week, Mr. Taylor said.

15 YEARS AGO

July 17, 1947

Battle strategy for the city's campaign against the starlings was altered Monday night when the general staff — composed of city commissioners — approved a new plan recommended by the staff's special adviser, in stalling counter-measures, City Manager Donald C. Egbert. "We've got to change our plans because the ammunition we were depending on won't arrive," he explained to the commission. He was referring to the Roman Candles with which the city had planned to fire at the noisy birds to make them retreat — as far away from Birmingham as possible.

"Trap 'em, that's what we've got to do now," the manager declared, "with 10-foot cubic cages." Egbert said he scouted efforts of the Ontario Government to rid the Jack Miner Bird Sanctuary of starlings. "They suggested we try these cages," he stated. According to Egbert's recommendation, the cages will be open at the top so the birds can enter and eat the food which will be placed at the bottom of the cage. Then the cage door will be slammed shut.

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