

### Preschooler's Development Is Parley Theme

ROCHESTER—The developing of socially desirable traits in the preschooler will be the theme of the third annual Conference on the Preschool Child to be held Saturday, March 17 on the campus of

Michigan State University Oakland, Rochester. Co-sponsors of the conference are The Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service of Michigan State University and the Division of Continuing Education of Michigan State University Oakland. Staff members of the Merrill Palmer Institute, Wayne State University and MSUO will participate in a day-long program of addresses, panel discussions and small discussion groups. Registration time is 9 a.m.

Dr. Owen Morgan of the Merrill Palmer Institute will give the keynote address: "Developing Values in the Family Setting," at 9:30 a.m. Registration may be made through the Division of Continuing Education, MSUO, Rochester, Mich.

### B'ham Man to Speak At Direct Mail Day

Dick Hanel, director of special services for the J. Walter Thompson Co., Detroit, will be a featured speaker on Direct Mail Day in Detroit March 23 at the Statler-Hilton Hotel.

Hanel, who resides at 1298 Brookwood in Birmingham, will talk on "Direct Mail as a Means of Moving People to Action."

His address will be one of several Direct Mail Day activities. Others include: An afternoon-long panel discussion on "New Directions in Direct Mail Creativity."

A luncheon address by Harry Magnus, executive manager of the Associated Third Class Mail Users, Washington, D. C. An all-day exhibition of 1961's prize-winning direct mail campaigns, always one of Direct Mail Day's most popular features.



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### Past, Present Join in Scout Ceremony

The number "60" played a prominent part in a Scoutman ceremony Tuesday evening in the log cabin on Faculty Way at Cranbrook School.

Two brothers were presented with scout awards by their father and their great-uncle.

NOT ONLY THAT, the boy's father, H. E. Hickman, is Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 1026 to which the boys belong. Their great-uncle has also been active in the organization.

The sum total of Boy Scout activity in the family adds up to more than 50 years.

ANOTHER HONORED guest was Birmingham merchant Victor Peck, whose record in scouting will soon tally up to an impressive half-century of service.

The two brothers, William, 14, and Landon, 12, received the Eagle Scout award and the Life Scout award, respectively.

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### Variety Show-Stoppers

FRANKLIN VALLEY—Clowning it up at the third annual potluck supper and all for the sake of good fun are Franklin variety show. George Cowie is program chairman of the association. Mrs. Howard Al Perry, Bob Scott and John Merchand. The Dusters were chairman of the event held at quartet entertained other residents Saturday at the Eagle Elementary School.

### The 'Sacred' Tree Still Stands

By KEN WEAVER Managing Editor

The "sacred" apple tree on Westchester Way will remain standing. It will have larger reflectors, to warn motorists that it stands there in the right-of-way so they won't come smashing into it; but it will be there.

At the written request of a physician, city commissioners discussed two weeks ago the possibility of removing the tree, if it were deemed a traffic hazard.

Before making a decision, they asked that property owners be consulted.

SEVERAL RESIDENTS wrote, some saying keep the tree, others

saying remove it. "Aside from its pleasing appearance," said one home owner, "we feel it is the one and only deterring factor—traffic wise. Our street is used by many as a race track. Though we're always afraid someone will wrap a car around the tree, without it, they'll go faster. There are many youngsters on our street, and anything that will slow traffic and thus promote safety is well worth retaining."

AT LEAST one commissioner—Carl F. Ingraham—disagreed with this kind of reasoning, however. Ingraham said he could not subscribe to the practice of permitting hazards to exist as a means to avoid accidents.

The commission's decision, he said, should be based not on whether the apple tree is picturesque and adds to the "atmosphere" of the neighborhood but rather on whether it is a traffic hazard.

COMMISSIONER Robert Page, a staunch advocate of preserving local trees, said he felt Westchester tree "symbolizes" the suburban, residential character of the area.

"How many people has this tree killed?" he asked. Although Mayor Florence H. Willett felt the tenor of the letters received indicated most of the residents felt the tree should go, Page felt they indicated it should be saved.

"I'm surprised," commented Commissioner Ralph A. Main, "that when we construct a street, we leave a tree right in the middle of it."

"IT'S NOT in the middle of the street but in the middle of the right-of-way," said the man who owns the property behind the tree, Herbert W. Schmetzky, 260 Westchester Way.

It the tree goes, he said, please remove the stump completely. "Oh, we have a wonderful stump remover in our forestry department you should see in action sometime," said Mayor Willett.

"I probably will," Schmetzky replied.

Calling for a survey of traffic hazards in the city, he said: "Why pick on my tree?"

COMMISSIONERS will await recommendation from the city administration. In the meantime, larger reflectors will be installed on the tree as a precaution for night drivers on Westchester.

And so, the "sacred" tree still stands.

### Birmingham Approves New Traffic Regulations

Several changes in traffic regulations were approved by Birmingham city commissioners last week. Recommended by Chief of Police Ralph W. Moxley, the changes involve prohibited parking, parking on school days and restricted parking.

Prohibited Parking School Days. Restricted Parking—15 Minute Parking, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. (including Sundays and Holidays).

Two Hours Parking, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. (Except Sundays and Holidays). Cole Street—North side, from Commerce, 360 feet east to the end of Commerce.

Elm Street—East side, from Bowers to a point 140 feet south of Bowers. Hunter Boulevard—Access Drive on east side of Hunter, from Maple to a point 448 feet north of Maple.

Purdy Street—East side, from Daines to Brown. Willets Street—North side, from a point 72 feet west of Chester to the River Rouge.

Willets Street—South side, from a point 155 feet west of Chester to the River Rouge.

THROUGH STREET 1. Harmon Street—From Lake-side to Woodward.

J. R. Tobin Becomes Reserve Unit Chief. At simple but impressive ceremonies conducted March 1, Commander John R. Tobin, USN, assumed his new duties as commanding officer of the U.S. Naval Reserve Training Center, Pontiac.

Flying since 1936, Tobin flew with the Royal Air Force in England during 1940-42 before becoming a U.S. naval aviator. Serving during World War II and Korea, he was awarded seven service medals and four battle stars while flying patrol bombing missions.

In Pontiac, Tobin will have primary responsibilities for supporting the training program for Pontiac area Naval Reservists in Division 9-104(L). Included in this area are over 26 communities.

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