



Kirk-in-the-Hills as Seen from the Air

This is the second in a series of outstanding architectural accomplishments in the Birmingham-Bloomfield area. The pictures were made by pilot-photographer Sidney C. Coale of Pine Lake. This one presents a view of Kirk-in-the-Hills in Bloomfield Township. Land for the Presbyterian church was donated by the late Col. Edwin S. George. The huge

structure was hit by a \$1,000,000 fire in 1957 but has been completely restored. Photographer Coale manages to fly and photograph at the same time by using a specially modified camera and airplane. In the foreground can be seen W. Long Lake Road and Island Lake in the background.

Mars Getting Closer to Earth Astronomer Says

Mars and earth are getting closer together. Mars now is about the same distance from us as the sun and will reach its shortest distance from the earth around the first of February, explains University of Michigan Astronomer Hazel M. Losh. As it draws nearer to the earth Mars becomes steadily brighter. It has been rising earlier and earlier until it now comes up around 11 p.m., Professor Losh notes. HOWEVER, JUPITER is by far the brightest object, barring the moon, during the November evenings, the Michigan astronomer

says. Jupiter appears directly south as the evening dusk sets in. Professor Losh also notes that Venus has disappeared as the bright evening star in the western twilight. "On November 12, Venus passed the Sun, emerging after that date as a morning planet, and will be conspicuous as the bright star in the east" before sunrise during December." Another planet is rapidly setting, Professor Losh says. Saturn, in the constellation of Capricornus, or the Sea Goat, will disappear by 9 p.m. by the end of the month. In the meantime, the sun is rapidly moving southward, appearing daily in shortened arcs across the sky. Says Professor Losh, "By the end of the month, the day will have shortened to about nine hours and 20 minutes with only about 15 minutes to go to reach the shortest day of the year in December."

Pontiac Hospital Chief Suggests Patient Yule Gifts

Walter H. Obenauf, M.D., medical superintendent of the 3,048 bed Pontiac State Hospital, feels that because of the community interest in the needs of the mentally ill—particularly at Christmas time—that a suggested gift list be made available to the public. Dr. Obenauf advised that already for several weeks requests for the kind of presents mental patients should or could use have been rapid, by coming in to the hospital's community relations department from the ten counties serviced by Pontiac State Hospital. These counties are: Oakland, Macomb, Genesee, Huron, Lapeer, Livingston, Sanilac, St. Clair, Shiawassee and Tuscola. The hospital superintendent stated that the following list of desirable items was compiled through a mutual effort of hospital patients, volunteers and staff. CHRISTMAS CARDS for patients to mail out of hospital or to exchange with other patients, personnel and hospital volunteers.

age and of both sexes) are requesting: toys, table games, clothing, candy and cookies. The hospital would appreciate delivery of gifts by December 19. Unwrapped gifts accompanied by gift wrapping paper and ribbon will expedite the selection of a suitable gift for the individual patient. The psychiatric Attendant Nurses Association is dedicated and desirous of wrapping and personalizing the donations for patients in addition to their own Patient Fund activities. Donations may be sent to Ted Panarello, director, community relations department, Pontiac State Hospital, Pontiac.

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