



### Milestone in Deer Management

Back in 1952, Michigan had its first large-scale special deer season. More than 100,000 deer were killed in the northern Lower Peninsula. Many people talked about the herd being "exterminated." Some still voice this skepticism today. Say what they will, the state has reached a new milestone in deer management under the Conservation Department's program of regular and special seasons. Sometime last November, a Michigan

hunter killed the one-millionth deer. Over the last 11 years in which antlerless deer hunting has been extended to most of the Upper Peninsula, sportsmen have harvested an average of almost 93,000 whitetails annually. Looking ahead, hunters can take even more deer each fall without hurting the future of their sport. During the 1963 season, hunters could safely harvest 125,000 bucks, does and fawns.

### TWO DAYS LEFT

## Deer Harvest High But Record Unlikely

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Sports Editor

As Michigan's 1963 deer season enters into its final two days, reports indicated that a record harvest of whitetails was unlikely. However, the season's total was estimated to reach, and possibly exceed, the 100,000 mark. This in itself indicates that 1963 was a very good year for deer.

Field observations at checking stations located on roadsides and at the Straits of Mackinac predicted that the number of white-

tails bagged would surpass last year's total of 96,000.

EXPERTS SAID that a good deal of rain plus the fact that not as many antlerless deer permits were issued as were planned, would prevent a record harvest this year. If as many "any deer" permits had been issued as were originally scheduled, and if weather conditions had been good, then it is possible the kill would have reached the 120,000 mark, a figure set by Conservation officers before the season began.

Yearlings made up the greatest number of bucks checked at stations, an indication that the herd had been in good condition at the onset of the season. Estimates had the herd as large as 800,000.

THIS YEAR'S total counted at the Straits exceeded by some 2,000 the kill of a year ago. With only two days left, 1963 figures were up on last season's.

The season ended in the western half of the Upper Peninsula Nov. 24. Saturday is the close of the deer season throughout the state. Many hunters reported that deer seemed to be bigger this year than in recent seasons. Bucks had greater antler spreads and the average weight of deer killed in various camps topped totals of 1962. Opening weekend saw only a few bears taken and later figures still showed the bear kill to be down from last year.

### AT OAKLAND HILLS

## Network to Televisify Carling World Golf

The first annual \$200,000 Carling World Golf Championship, to be played at Oakland Hills Country Club in Birmingham, will be broadcast on the CBS Television Network.

The network signed a four-year contract, starting with the first tournament in August of 1964, and it is anticipated that the live coverage will also be carried by the Canadian Broadcasting Company. Negotiations are under way for a delayed telecast throughout Great Britain and Europe of the Carling World, a tournament to be composed of the finest United States and foreign golfers.

THE FIRST annual Carling World Golf Championship, a 72-hole tournament with 18 holes of play each of four days, will run from August 27-30. Oakland Hills, the site of the 1964 tournament, has been the host club for four U. S. Open Championships, the last one in 1961. In 1965, the Carling World will be held at another United States course, 1966 in England, 1967 in Canada and then return to the United States in 1968. Only courses of recognized championship calibre will be used.

The Carling World Golf Championship will have a first prize of \$35,000 with other prizes scaled according to PGA rules. Each qualifying player, regardless of his final position, will be awarded a prize.

A FIELD OF approximately 140, nearly 40 of them top foreign golfers, will compete. The golfers will qualify for the tournament in one of nine zones around the world. The nine zones include the United States; Canada; British Isles and Eire; Europe; North Africa and the Near East; Africa; Asia and the Far East; Australia and New Zealand; and the Americas and the Caribbean; and South America.

A total of four hours will be devoted to the Carling World on CBS Television leading off with a 15-minute special half-hour program Friday

night, Aug. 23, then followed by live coverage of the tournament Saturday and Sunday. Detroit area coverage will be on WJBK-TV.

### Recreation Round-Up

CHILDREN'S SWIM CLASSES The Saturday morning swimming classes for elementary children at Barnum, Derby and Seaholm pools will not be held this week due to a delayed telecast throughout Great Britain and Europe of the Carling World, a tournament to be composed of the finest United States and foreign golfers.

REGISTRATIONS for the boys hockey leagues will continue at the Municipal Rink from 1 to 5 p.m. today and on Saturday morning during the try-outs. All boys 9 through 17 years of age are eligible for the program. Call 647-0064 for further information.

### SKATING CLASSES

Registrations for beginner and figure skating classes will be taken at the Ice Rink office as long as there are openings. Beginner classes begin on Dec. 3.

### SANTA CALLING

Through the cooperation of the Birmingham Senior Men's Club and the Community House, the Recreation Department has again arranged to have phone lines connected to Santa's workshop at the North Pole. Children may call between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 16-20 at MI 4-7222 to talk with Santa.

## Two Birmingham Youths are 2nd In NFL Contest

Two Birmingham youngsters carried runner-up awards in the regional competition of the national NFL-Ford sponsored Pass, Punt, Kick contest.

The regional contests, held during half-time of the recent Los Angeles-Ram-Detroit Lion football game at Tiger Stadium, determined the four boys who will compete for national honors.

THE EIGHT national finalists will battle it out at halftime of the NFL title game played later this year. The four winners will receive autographed footballs and trophies. James V. Johnson, 203 S. Williamsbury, was runner-up in the eight-year-old bracket, and Robert E. Brown, 32041 Auburn Dr., was second in the 10-year-old group.

## Accidents

(Continued from 1-E) 90 per cent of the automobiles are in southern Michigan. Since 1954, auto traffic in this part of the state has increased 27 per cent and the number of deer killed by cars in the area has jumped 316 per cent.

THE FARMLAND deer herd is growing at an explosive rate—about 14 per cent per year. It now measures about 45,000. Before 1970, it could reach 100,000.

In the first six months of 1963, the kill was a whopping 40 per cent over last year's total for that period. Throughout southern Michigan, the accident kill was up 23 per cent.

With the southern deer herd increasing at such a high rate, and the number of accidents growing, motorists will have to keep continually alert on southern Michigan highways or else pay an average of \$200 damage per deer-car accident.

## Buck Fever

"Buck Fever" proved catching among amateur hunters this past week as Michigan's whitetail season drew to a close.

Robbie Robertson, 16, of 1000 Forest Lane, Birmingham, downed a large 180-pound, five-point buck on his family's property in Montgomery County, south of Atlanta, Mich.

Dr. Carl Raasak, of 16280 13 Mile, Beverly Hills, though, hit the jackpot when he shot a 12-point buck in the Upper Peninsula. The animal dressed out at 240 pounds and its estimated weight was around 300 pounds. It is believed to be one of the largest taken in the U. P. this whitetail season.

EARL SHELLEY of Birmingham dropped a big buck near Comins, Mich., hunting out of the Couch Camp. Al France, 1300 Kingsbury, Bloomfield Hills, got his set of antlers at Lost Lake Woods near Lincoln, Mich.

Any other local hunters want to brag about their luck this year? Although the deer season ends Saturday, The Eccentric still welcomes a report of bucks bagged by hunters from the Birmingham-Bloomfield area.

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## Birmingham Senior Leading Scorer on Mich. Tech. Squad

Bill Massey, a senior from Birmingham, is one of six returning lettermen on this year's co-defending champion Michigan Tech basketball squad.

The Huskies, who lost heavily through graduation, may switch the six-foot Massey from guard to forward in order to take advantage of his scoring punch.

Massey is the number one scorer returning from the NCAA team of a year ago, when he dumped in 306 points for the season.

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