

Ground Broken At Village Site

Construction of a retirement village for teachers was started recently at Salline. The Michigan Education Home Association is the sponsor of the residence which will eventually provide housing for 1,000 retired Michigan teachers.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the village were held Sept. 17. First to be built on the 254-acre site will be four private residences. The larger units, designed to initially accommodate 200 residents, will be built next year.

THE FACILITIES will include efficiency, two- and three-room apartments. In addition, a center-commons will provide dining rooms, kitchen, administrative offices, club rooms and parlors, hobby club, beauty and barber shops, a country store, and health facilities.

This fall the association will conduct a state-wide capital fund drive in an effort to raise \$14 million for construction. One of the region chairmen is Clifford S. M. A. T., superintendent, Walled Lake Consolidated Schools.

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Harvard Expedition Uncovers Ancient King's Burial Tomb

A magnificent example of architectural construction—the burial tomb of a king, erected in the seventh century before Christ by the Lydians—has been uncovered by the Harvard-Cornell expedition in its continuing studies of the ancient capital of Sardis, in Turkey.

Mrs. Sherry M. Lattimore, Harvard graduate student from Bloomfield Hills, was a member of the group.

Evidence of a Lydian alphabet at that date appears in a repeated monogram, translated as "Gugu," along a wall. This was the name given the notorious Lydian king, Gyges, in Assyrian annals, according to Prof. George M. A. Hanfmann of Harvard, field director of the expedition. The structure was the burial mound of Gyges, founder of the great Lydian Kingdom.

Gyges owed his accession to a strange whim of his predecessor, King Kandaules, who forced Gyges to gaze secretly at the queen in the nude. The queen noticed Gyges, however, and told him he must either kill her husband and become king, or himself be killed. He killed the husband and became king.

HIS BURIAL mound was found in the center of the vast Royal Cemetery, some 10 miles from Sardis. It is a small artificial mountain of clay, earth, and limestone, some 700 feet in diameter and 120 feet high.

Professional miners, directed by Crawford H. Greenwalt, Jr., of the University of Pennsylvania, dove toward the center of the mound, working around the clock with a small-gauge railroad and running generators and ventilators for light and air.

The tunnelers found, hidden within the great mound, an earlier mound some 300 feet in diameter. Circling the base of the inner mound is a six-foot-high wall of beautiful masonry crowned with a large circular bolster.

his own burial mound during his lifetime, as other Lydian kings are known to have done. Gyges died at Sardis while fighting the Kimmerians, Crissian horsemen who invaded Asia Minor.

After the invaders were driven out, Gyges' successor decided to magnify the memory of the late king by enlarging his burial mound to its present colossal dimensions.

One puzzling feature of the mound is the network of ancient tunnels encountered. The excavators believe the tunnels were dug several centuries later by Romans in search of the Lydian royal treasure buried with the king.

In the southern half of the mound these ancient tunnels stopped without reaching their goal. But there may be others in the northern, as yet unexplored part. Next summer the expedition hopes to reach the final resting place of King Gyges.

A NEW civic center of Roman times also is coming to light, in excavations south of the main ancient avenue of Sardis. Here, Dr. Gustav F. Swift, Jr., of the University of Chicago has discovered a colonnaded street 20 feet wide.

It traversed the city from east to west and apparently joined the main "Marble Avenue." The diggers uncovered the sculptured head of a youth mounted on a shaft of herm. It is thought to represent either a mythical hero or one of the Greek monarchs who ruled the region after Alexander the Great.

John H. Kroll of Harvard and Steven Lattimore of Princeton excavated the entrance court to one of the most gorgeous structures of the eastern Roman empire, the huge gymnasium complex.

Behind the court, they uncovered part of the "alabaster" room in which athletes oiled themselves. An inscription discovered in the entrance court states that two healthy ladies, Flavia Politta and Claudia Antonia Sabina, gave funds to gild the entire work.

This probably means, the French scholar Louis Robert says, that the entire ceiling of the room was gilded. Along one wall of the "oil" room are niches with elaborate wash basins. In front of them was a marble base from a statue.

Dr. Homer B. Kline, 865 Tottenham Rd., a member of the Otterbein College Board of Trustees was in Westerville, O., for the annual meeting of the board.



St. James Eagle Scouts

Two boys, members of St. James Church Scout Troop 1018, received their Eagle Scout awards at a Court of Honor last week. They are Bob Wandel III (left) and Trevor Hall, Jr. Bob, a sophomore at Seaboard, is present senior patrol leader of Troop 1018, a scout lifeguard and was inducted into The Order of the Arrow last summer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Wandel II, 597 Wellesley Drive. Trevor, who has also received the God and Country Award, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Hall, 1371 Pierce. He loves the outdoors and has done a great deal of camping.

'Roughnecks' Graduate From School in Texas

A school near Spearman, Tex., proudly refers to every one of its graduates as roughnecks. And that, according to the publication Petroleum Today, is exactly what they are.

The unusual institution is formally known as the Rotary Drill Crewmen School. Its principal purpose is to train "roughnecks," an offhand term for those men who work on and around drilling rigs that can poke holes 20,000 feet and more into the earth in the search for oil and natural gas. As a result, the operation has been dubbed the "School for Roughnecks."

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