

# 'War Baby' Influx Only One Of State's Education Woes

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More than one-quarter of Michigan's eight million population are children of elementary and high school age this fall, according to Supt. of Public Instruction Lynn M. Bartlett.

With about 2,275,000 students enrolled in Michigan's public and private schools at the start of this school year, Bartlett notes that the state's education problems will not decline with the end of the "war baby" influx.

"The social crises of the past year have presented grave and challenging problems to our schools," he said. "The coming year promises even more."

lies largely in the taxpayer's pocketbook.

MICHIGAN elementary and secondary public schools this year are employing 2,700 more teachers than last year at salaries averaging \$200 more than in 1963.

Taxpayers also are paying for 3,200 more classrooms, largely through bond issues which are up 20.9 per cent from the 1962-63 school year.

State aid for education is up almost \$30 million this year, but Bartlett notes that the share of school costs paid from local taxes is on the rise. Last year local districts paid 43.5 per cent of their costs as compared with 43.5 per cent in 1960-61.

Wisdom of the choice for the No. 2 spot on the Republican state ticket was vindicated Nov. 3.

State Sen. William G. Milliken of Traverse City won the nod over House Speaker Allison Green of Kalamazoo in a decision which was largely a choice between intraparty philosophy.

MILLIKEN, majority floor leader of the past term in the Senate, is closer to Romney's moderate political views. Green, a very powerful man in the House for several terms, leans more to the conservative side but doesn't quite qualify in the "Old Guard" group.

Officially, Romney made no personal choice known at the GOP state convention contest between the two men. Unofficially, how-

ever, his aides made it apparent he preferred Milliken.

Leakage of his preference occurred only after the September primary when Romney felt his strong showing indicated he did not need the balance of philosophy which Green would have provided for the ticket.

Even many high-ranking Democrats gave Romney the upper hand before the election, barring a full-strength landslide victory for President Johnson. On this basis, Milliken at 42, continues to head up the political ladder in Michigan.

Green, on the other hand, was given little chance to defeat the very popular James M. Hare in the Secretary of State race.

EXPANDED promotion apparently has done its job for the tourist industry in Michigan.

State Tourist Council Director William T. McGraw predicts that this year's travelers to Michigan will leave \$800 million in the state. Last year the estimated 11 million tourists spent \$727 million here.

McGraw credits a very hot weather mood of the summer, the busiest season, with a good part of the increase in tourist activity, but he said more extensive local and regional promotion also accounted for some of it.

Of the amount spent by tourists this year, McGraw said the estimate available was that the state itself would collect more than \$50 million in taxes.

THIS INCLUDES sales taxes, state gas tax, use tax on lodging, liquor and cigarette taxes and hunting and fishing license fees.

The contribution of tourists to Michigan's economy, both public and private has been increasing steadily over the years. On the basis of an average 10 to 15 per cent increase annually, McGraw and other experts in the field are predicting tourism will be a \$1 billion a year business by 1966.

## Honor Court Cites Scouts In Troop 1005

Boy Scout Troop 1005 honored their top members at a Court of Honor recently held at Quanton School. Sponsor of the troop is Christ Church Cranbrook.

Bill Richards became the troop's Scoutmaster. Staff Scouts were Doug Campbell, Bob Kilpatrick and Bob Reid.

MERIT BADGES were awarded to Douglas Campbell, freemanship, cooking, first aid; Bruce Denuyl, swimming, canoeing; Bob Kilpatrick, home repairs, sailing, rowing, pioneering, canoeing; Bob Reid, marksmanship; Bill Richards, animal industry; Dick Siegesmund, soil and water conservation, forestry, wildlife management; Dave Stevenson, Basketry, woodcarving, rowing.

Dave Stevenson became a first class scout, while second class honors were given to John Nitackie, David VanVurst, Dick Weber and Tony Wise.

Participating in the tenderfoot investiture were Harry Anderson, Kurt Anderson, Tony Bocci, Steve Eicher, Tim Gray, Jack Jackson, Randy Leestma, Don McCulloch, Scott McDonald, Bob Meek, John Nyland, Mike Olson, Phil Rymes and Bob Zimmerman.

## Airman Visiting European Ports

William M. Kestly, airman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Kestly of 4166 Rouge Circle, Birmingham, is visiting ports in the European area following participation in the largest amphibious combat training exercise in the Atlantic since World War II.

He is serving aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Guadalcanal. The operation, called "Steel Pike," featured U. S. and Spanish Marines landing from landing craft and helicopters of a combined U. S. Spanish Fleet of 94 vessels, which included ships of the United States Military Sea Transport Service and chartered ships of the U. S. Merchant Fleet.

THE MOCK ASSAULT on the beaches of Southern Spain was staged by Marines of the Second Marine Division, Second Marine Aircraft Wing and Force Troops, Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, along with a battalion of Spanish Marines.

"Steel Pike" showed the ability of the U. S. and Allied amphibious forces to rapidly transport large numbers of troops and all their equipment, get them ashore and maintain them for as long as necessary. It also trained the forces of both countries in conducting joint operations.

During the operation, helicopters from this ship transported large numbers of Marines over and behind enemy lines using a technique called "vertical envelopment."



## Award for Achievement

Cpl. Brian F. York (right), 18769 Wiltshire, Lathrup Village, receives a Detroit Free Press Military Achievement Award from Lt. Gen. W. H. S. Wright, chief of the Office of Reserve Components, Washington, D.C. The award was part of a Veteran's Day ceremony in Detroit honoring 64 outstanding enlisted men of the Michigan Army National Guard and U. S. Army Reserve. York, a reservist, received a medalion encased in a clear plastic block.

A new mental patient entering a hospital in 1932 could expect to batch of one tranquilizer drug depend at least 30 years there. To quires 38 employees, 14 department about two-thirds of new admissions, 114 operations, 134 test sessions are cured or discharged to says, 24 days of work, and 31 dis-outpatient care in 12 months or ferent raw materials before the drug can be put on the market.

## Water Accident Toll Highest In Five Years

With one month still to go, Michigan is experiencing what could be its worst annual water accident toll in five years, State Police records indicate.

There have already been 252 deaths and 210 persons injured in 554 water accidents through the first nine months of the year. In the last three months of 1963 there were 37 accidents reported which claimed 22 lives.

The high toll in the years 1960-63 occurred in 1961 with 262 deaths and 231 injured in 560 accidents.

THIS YEAR's three-quarter total showed 18 more deaths and 14 more accidents compared with full year tolls for 1963 of 244 drownings in 540 accidents. The 210 injured is six fewer than 216 for all of last year.

The breakdown of drownings through September 30 includes 130 swimmers or waders, which is already a five-year high, 33 boat operators, 32 boat passengers, 27 who fell from bridges, banks, docks or piers, nine who fell through ice, six who drowned trying to rescue others, two skin or Scuba divers, one water skier, one who fell into a tank and another who fell into a caisson. Official reports detailing four other deaths were not yet available.

## Universities to Aid AEC's Laboratory

A group of midwestern universities, expected to include Michigan State University and the University of Michigan, will have the major policy-making role in the operation of the Atomic Energy Commission's Argonne National Laboratory near Chicago.

The plan, approved in principle by the AEC, calls for organizing a corporation of midwestern universities to establish policies and programs of the laboratory. Purpose of the plan is to stimulate scientific growth in the Midwest through closer cooperation of universities and the laboratory.

## College President Named to Committee

Dr. Edgar L. Harden, president of Northern Michigan University, has accepted membership on a mid-western educational advisory group which deals with interstate relationships in higher education.

Dr. Harden accepted an invitation to join the Advisory Committee on Higher Education working with the Standing Committee on state cooperation.

Higher Education of the Midwest Conference of the Council of State Governments. The mission of the Advisory Committee is to "attempt to bring to bear on higher educational problems in the 12-state area some professional judgment on how best to proceed in encouraging inter-state cooperation."

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