

Three sorority chapters hold Yellow Rose Ball

In the depth of the great depression, 32 years ago, Walter Ross founded the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. At the time, many fine young women who would ordinarily have gone to college were obliged to remain at home. In many instances they were the sole support of their families as many fathers and brothers were out of work.

Mr. Ross' dream of their having as much as possible the intellectual experience of college in the liberal arts and social life of the campus was enthusiastically received.

As the depression eased many college graduates found in Beta Sigma Phi a challenging continuation of their college experience and so they also affiliated.

Now, after 32 years of success, Beta Sigma Phi has 150,000 members in 7000 chapters in 14 countries.

Contributions from local clubs assist in cancer research, scholarships at Canadian uni-

versities, cystic fibrosis research, and to Girls Town, U.S.A., modelled after the famous Boys Town.

In Charlottetown there are three chapters of Beta Sigma Phi: the first is Ritual of the Jewels Chapter which is called Alpha, and two Exemplar Chapters, XI Alpha (which was the first exemplar chapter formed in the city) and XI Beta, the second chapter formed. These three combine their efforts in sponsoring the annual Yellow

Rose Ball. Founder's Day, April 30, brings the chapters together for a formal banquet.

Executives for the three chapters, 1965-66 are: XI Alpha—president, Mrs. Robert Large; vice pres., Marion Shaw; corresponding secretary, Mrs. William Beer; recording secretary, Mrs. Russell Ewingand treasurer, Mrs. Lloyd Wellner. XI Beta—president, Mrs. Temple Hooper; vice president, Helen Cox; recording secretary, Mrs. E.S. Matheson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Edward Hodgson; treasurer, Mrs. Walter LePage. Alpha: president, Mrs. David Boswell; vice president, Mrs. Jack Simpson; recording secretary, Mrs. Kenneth Jenkins; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Harold Stewart and treasurer, Mrs. Harold Muise.

March of dimes canvass to aid disabled workers

TORONTO (CP) — The Ontario March of Dimes, for which 40,000 "marching mothers" will canvass half a million homes on the evening of Jan. 31, reports it passed a milestone in 1965. For the first time since it was incorporated in 1951, the earnings of disabled workers and savings in welfare payments added up to more than the organization itself took in.

During the year, the Rehabilitation Foundation for the Disabled, as the March of Dimes is called in Ontario, received about \$453,000 from United Appeal campaigns. The "marching mothers" collected another \$306,000. When other donations come in, the amount collected for the year is expected to be about \$760,000.

But what the foundation regards as most impressive is that the disabled workers it helped earned a total of \$565,666 during the year. This resulted in a saving in welfare money of \$306,000 for a total of \$771,666.

The foundation, which was originally known as the Ontario chapter of the Canadian Foundation for Polio, turned to helping the disabled after the fight against polio was virtually won.

It concerns itself with all disabled and handicapped people 19 and over who cannot be helped by workmen's compensation, veterans' affairs and other government welfare agencies.

Through 10 branch offices, the

foundation finds those who are disabled, gets them to clinics and rehabilitation centres and, in some cases, arranges for suitable accommodation, housekeepers and furnishings.

In a few cases, the handicapped person may need only a friendly word. In others it may involve thousands of dollars to cover needs — an artificial limb can cost more than \$700.

Once physical comfort and mobility have been restored, the individual is ready for interviews and tests to determine his work capability.

Those not competitively employable are sent to "sheltered" workshops in Port Arthur, Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury, Timmins, Ottawa, Kitchener and Toronto. Eighty-nine people in such workshops last year earned a total of \$175,000.

Another 103 are working at regular jobs and their earnings in 1965 amounted to \$257,500.

Newest project of the foundation is Operation Reliance Inc., an industrial plant in suburban Toronto. It's staffed by disabled persons and used for training of their potentially employable persons. It operates at a profit, and the 32 workers there last year earned \$133,166.

Another aspect of the foundation's work is a program under which volunteer women visit those who are so severely disabled they cannot go out to work. They teach them how to make luxury gift items to be

sold under the trade name of Marina Creations.

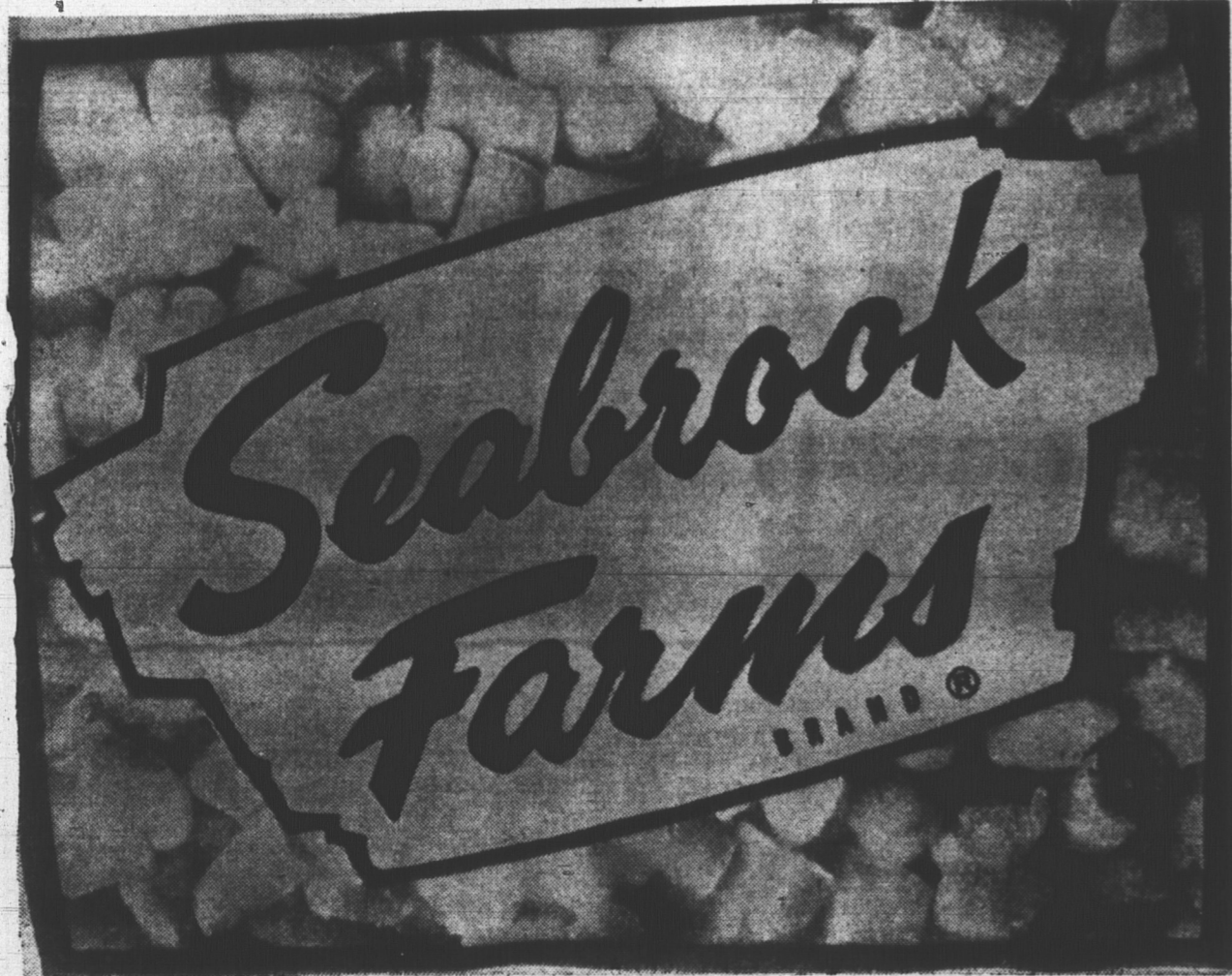
RETAINS THIRD PLACE
TOKYO (Reuters)—Japan retained its place as the third largest steel producer in the world after the United States and Russia by turning out 41,170,000 metric tons of crude steel during 1965, the Japan Iron and Steel Federation announced Tuesday.

PLANS SHIP BOYCOTT
COPENHAGEN (Reuters) — The Danish Seamen's Union announced Tuesday it will boycott Denmark's newest and biggest ship, the 92,000-ton tanker A. R. Moeller because official permission has been given for a deck crew of 10 instead of 12.

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