

# Teaching the Young Idea How to Quilt



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—By News Staff Photographer.

There is plenty of opportunity to learn the fine art of quilting during the second annual exhibit of The Detroit News Quilt Club held in the Naval Armory. Mary Malissa, 7-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith, 264 Cortland avenue, decided to pick up some useful hints by watching the work of Mrs. Kersten, 9397 Charlevoix avenue, a News Quilt Club fan. The exhibit closes today with hours from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Admission is free.

## Quilts Draw Thousands; Exhibit Closes Tonight

With more than 10,000 people visiting the second annual exhibit of The Detroit News Quilt Club during its first 24 hours in the Naval Armory, the 1,200 entries continue to draw crowds from Detroit and towns in the state. This is the final day of the exhibit.

Quilting fans again lined up before the doors Saturday morning at 9:15 even though the opening hour was scheduled for 10 a. m. Some women carried their lunches prepared to spend the day in the big room crammed with the racks of quilts and samplers that came from as far as Alaska, Texas, Massachusetts and California.

Celebrities in quilting circles continued to arrive, too, and one of the most welcome Saturday was Mrs. Nellie Caldwell, Howell, Mich., known to thousands of quilters in the state as "Grandma." Mrs.

Caldwell came to see the quilt entered for her by a group of 35 women who met during the summer on Belle Isle to complete one for her, since her hand, hurt some months ago, prevented her from entering one herself.

### ITS THIRD RIBBON.

Mrs. M. V. Ferguson, 14117 Apolline avenue, attended the exhibit Saturday to see her prize saw-tooth piecwork quilt hanging on the prize rack wearing its third premium ribbon. Mrs. Ferguson won with the first quilt she ever made.

The Governor's quilt held the interest of a large circle. It was entered by Mrs. Florence Stein, 708 Lawrence street, and is made of blocks bearing the signatures of the governors of 47 states. The missing state is governed by a man who does not like red, and he gave that as the reason for refusing to sign the block. Any color but red would turn the trick, he insisted, but he simply could not put his John Hancock on that shade.

A huge bus arrived at the Armory carrying 100 women from the Brightmoor Mothers' Club, all Detroit News Quilt Club members who came in a body to see the exhibit.

Such crowds arrived during the Friday and Saturday shows that extra police had to be detailed to handle the traffic situation in front of the Armory and on East Jefferson avenue.

### WHEEL CHAIRS THERE.

Accommodations were made by The News to care for invalids who wished to attend the exhibit and several wheel chairs were on hand to enable those unable to stand the strain of walking about the aisles an opportunity to see the complete show.

The radio announcing system in the Armory has been attracting its share of enthusiastic praise by the women. "Chief" James Ward is in charge and Saturday was mistaken for Ty Tyson, News announcer, by one woman who declared she could not be fooled by the voice. She knew it was Ty and insisted on meeting Ward personally to tell him how she enjoyed his World Series broadcasts.

Doors of the Armory will be open from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. today.