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CURRY OUTLINES 'CLEAN-UP' WORK

Says Birmingham Should Have Concerted Energy in Beautifying the Village

"CLEAN-UP"; PAINT-UP"

BULLETIN

Monday, April 17, has been designated officially as "Clean-up Day." in Birmingham. This announcement was made late Thursday afternoon. All residents of the Village are requested to place their refuse at the curbstone, so that nothing may hinder the rapid collection of same. Tin cans, bottles, etc., will be collected. Under no conditions, Manager Brown stated, would ashes, garbage and similar material be removed.

By Mary E. Walker

"The best evidence of community pride is the interest shown in such matters as clean-up campaigns. I heartily endorse such a campaign for Birmingham, and the sooner, the better," said Rev. David H. Curry of the local United Presbyterian church, in an interview this past week.

"In thousands of American cities it has become an annual civic institution," he said, "and it is the duty of the people to promote economy and production in every way possible —to conserve health and property as well as the more civic ideals, and to promote business and prosperity, as well as community pride, that all may be enabled and urged to advance our national and personal prosperity. Cleanliness, thrift and civic pride are the essentials not only for homes and towns beautiful, but for those that are kept safe from the ravages of disease, fire and the elements."

It is true that in thousands of towns and villages in America the idea which was first worked out by Allen W. Clark, a St. Louis man, in the spring of 1912, is being successfully developed year after year. There are unlimited possibilities in a clean-up campaign in any city. Birmingham is at present slipping out of its winter coat, and taking on spring. Like most communities in this latitude, the first few days of spring find it presenting its most unlovely appearance. Fortunately, however, the desire of decency-loving people becomes an urge and a passion as the spring verdure appears.

Birmingham people need little urging to perform the task suggested by Rev. Curry. The reputation of being the cleanest village of its size in the state of Michigan is a distinction jealously guarded and upheld by all within its limits. Indeed, except for the marshalling of forces for a concentrated drive, the clean-up and paint up campaign is hardly necessary here. The average home owner in this village is intensely interested in making his property attractive and the acknowledged beauty of the residential districts is a tribute to his unremitting toil and care.

The success of the clean-up and paint-up campaign in its entirety, lies in the whole-hearted manner in which the community itself adopts the provisions. The applications of paint and varnish here and there, the delving into forgotten corners with spade and hoe, the liberal use of rake and broom; all these certainly produce spick and span results. Slovenliness is to be tolerated no more in civic appearance than in personal appearance. The rundown, unkempt and unsightly town must always lag in the march of progress. Pride in one's city is deeply implanted in the human breast and humiliated, indeed, is the man who has to apologize for the appearance of the place in which he lives.

There are many worth-while suggestions to be worked out in a clean-up and paint-up campaign. No man, woman or child in the community need be without some part in the successful accomplishment of the tasks to be performed in its connection. The village officials, the local schools, the churches, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Real Estate Board, the Birmingham Eccentric, housewives, the local merchants, and all other organizations can come in for their share of helping to uphold the widespread, enviable reputation of "Birmingham the Beautiful."

Rev. Curry suggested that the place to start the campaign was in the Eccentric, because, as he said, it is a momentous fact that a red-blooded and aggressive newspaper does more for its city than any other one thing. It is the newspaper that exposes corruption and inefficiency in every walk of life. It is the newspaper that prods spurs and whips every worthy element of community life into greater activity.

The second step suggested by Rev. Curry was to approach the local Real Estate Board and inspire them to activity, and to putting the matter in a concrete form before the Village Commission. After that the School Board could be consulted as to practical steps in enlisting the aid of school teachers and pupils. Rev. Curry claimed, were the backbone of the campaign in Detroit last year, and the students who would be the real working force of the plan, he advised, getting representatives from various organizations in Birmingham together to solicit their cooperation, possibly to offer prizes to the most deserving child at the close of the campaign and organize committees to do actual work in the fields assigned to them.

A big feature of the week, according to Rev. Curry, could be the help given by the Boy and the Girl Scouts under capable leadership. He went still deeper into the matter by suggesting a plan by which the local merchants could help. Hardware stores could advise as to garden tools, paints, varnishes and household tools with which to fix up the back fence or the broken windowpane. Feed stores could give some valuable hints as to proper garden and grass seeds and offer incentives to the children to plant them. And as to other business places, he believes that each would have some definite part in the campaign, to make it the most successful big thing ever attempted by the people of the community as a whole.

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VILLAGE COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting of the Village Commission held Monday evening April 3, 1922, at 8 o'clock.

Present: President McBride, Commissioners Brown and Bell; Manager W. H. Brown and Clerk Hazel E. Clark.

Minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

It was moved by Commissioner Bell that we borrow $900 from the First State Savings Bank for 1 month; also credit to the General Fund also $250 to be placed to the credit of the Water Fund from the First National Bank for 4 months and $200 to be placed to the credit of the Street Fund from the First National Bank for 4 months.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Brown that the pay roll and bills be allowed as read: Waterworks Equipment Co., $15; J. W. Deters Co., $194.37; Crane & Co., 36c; Eugene Dietzgen Co., $39.78; Wm. Thornton & Co., Backstrap Co., $14.09; E. W. Kieth, $55; Federal Petroleum Co., $2.58; The Richmond Backus Co., $11.12; Ed. Wiser, $5.85; Gregory Meyer & Thom Co., $41; W-S Truck Co., $52; D. B. Wilkinson, $11.25; Motor Sales Corp., Tel. Co., $17.29; Pontiac Daily Press, $2.49; Hawthorne Electrical Co., $19.20; Mrs. R. V. Wells, $20; Birmingham Eccentric, $148.80; David Bliesath, $8.50; J. H. McBride, $21.65; Arthur Payne, $16.50; Birmingham Fire Dept., $100; First National Bank, $6; Grand Trunk Railway, $1.04; Detroit Edison Co., $361.65; Earl Gaskill, $8; James Anderson, $12.25; David Anderson, $4.75; Hans Olsen, $9; Lloyd McQuarter, $14.25; Roland Bloodgood, $8; Neil Black, $4.50; John Deer, $6.50; Frank Dodds, $5.50; Wm. Lee, $4.50; Rau Bath, $35.06; Ros Whitten, $3.20; Lester Allen & Co., $24; John Berry, $75.50; W. O. Mead, $30; Arthur Guild, $4; John Gilley, $2.50; Thomas Campbell, $4; Post Office, $4; The Milne Co., $1.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Brown that the interest on Note No. 31 in the Water Fund be paid and the note renewed for 3 months.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Brown that we pay the interest on sewer bonds due from the special funds.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Bell that Ordinance No. 96 Prohibiting the running at large of domestic fowl, (Printed elsewhere in this paper) be adopted.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Brown that the resolution on Main Sanitary Sewer in First Alley west of South Woodward, be adopted as read.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Brown that Mr. Gafill, Village Attorney, be sent to Lansing to represent the Village at the hearing of the Michigan State Telephone Co. Public Utilities Commission for rate increase on Oct. 3 next.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by President McBride that the Village Manager procure a survey of both sides of Woodward Avenue from the D. U. R. tracks to the Triangle, and present width at Maple Avenue, and present the same at the next meeting of the Commission.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Brown that we appropriate $500 to start the work of removing the sand dumped by the city at recent storm and that the contract be left open for a day or two.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Bell that the Treasurer's report of Fred Quarton as Assessor at a salary of $500 per annum be confirmed.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

It was moved that the meeting adjourn until Monday evening, April 10, 1922, at 8 o'clock.

Yeas: 3. Nays: None.

ORDINANCE NO. 96

An Ordinance Prohibiting the Running at Large of Domestic Fowl.

The Village of Birmingham Ordains:

Section 1. That any person who shall suffer or permit any horse, cow, duck, goose or other domestic fowl owned by him or legally within his control to run at large, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be liable to a fine of not more than Five Dollars together with the costs of prosecution.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances contravening the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication as provided by law.

FIRST RESOLUTION OF THE MAIN SANITARY SEWER IN FIRST ALLEY WEST OF SOUTH WOODWARD AVENUE

Moved by Commissioner Brown that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby determine that it is expedient and advisable that a 12-inch main sanitary sewer with necessary manholes and house connections be constructed beneath the surface of the first alley west of South Woodward Avenue and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the north line of Lot 10, Grober Addition, and extending south along the center of said alley 200 feet to a point in the South Lincoln Addition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all the lots and parcels of land fronting and abutting on east side of said alley above described will be benefited by said improvement, and shall constitute the district assessment district upon which a special assessment shall be levied to defray the cost and expense of constructing said sewer, manholes and house connections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village of Birmingham shall bear one-quarter of the cost of that portion of said main sanitary sewer and that the lots and parcels of land embraced in the special assessment district shall be assessed three-quarters of the cost of said main sanitary sewer according to the benefits derived therefrom and that the special assessments shall be divided into five installments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Manager shall cause to be prepared and submitted to this Commission for its approval a map and diagram of said lands and premises constituting said special assessment districts showing the boundaries and divisions of said lands and premises therein, the proposed route and location of the said sewer and the same size, as to depth and depth, grade, dimensions and all details together with an estimate of the cost and expense of constructing said sewer, manholes and house connections and its appurtenances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Commission shall meet at the City Hall in the Village of Birmingham on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1922, at 8:00 o'clock P. M., to hear any objections and objections to the proposed improvements and the method of special assessment.

(Signed) HAZEL E. CLARK, Village Clerk.

NEW CHICKEN ORDINANCE

At their meeting Monday night members of the Village Commission passed an ordinance, printed elsewhere in this issue of the Eccentric, making it unlawful for the owner of any chicken, duck, goose, etc., to allow the same to run at large at any time during the year. An infraction of this ordinance will result in the paying of a fine, it was said.

COMMISSION AWARDS JOB OF RESTORING DAMAGED TREES

Gerard Putters, local landscape gardener, has been awarded the contract to trim and restore the trees of Birmingham from damages sustained by the severe sleet storm of last week. He began work this morning. According to Mr. Putters, it will require six weeks to complete the job. The Village Commission, Monday night, made an appropriation of $600 as the first sum toward this work. The Village will care for all trees between the sidewalks and curbs, it is said. All trees located in the yards of local residents will have to be taken care of individually, according to Manager Brown.

James Losche, a local resident, for several years engaged in the trucking and expressing business in Birmingham, has sold his business to Noble Hedding, who will continue it.

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LOCAL GIRLS PROVE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS OF S. E. MICHIGAN

Score 543 Points Against Opponents; Allow 130 Points Against Themselves

DEFEAT EAST LANSING TWICE

Coach Harriet Wilson Deserves Great Credit For Her Untiring Efforts To Round Team In Shape

The Birmingham girls' basketball team is perhaps to East Lansing last Saturday and played their old rivals, East Lansing High, in the M. A. C. gym at the close of the Class B tournament for boys, and defeated them by a score of 23-17. This is the second defeat for East Lansing by Birmingham this year, the score of the first game, which was played at Birmingham, being 30-14, and establishes the portion of the local team as undisputed champions of southern Michigan. The Birmingham team has an unbroken record of victories this year with the following scores:

Birmingham 97; Wyandotte 0; Birmingham 78, Rochester 2; Birmingham 44, Holly 7; Birmingham 53, Pontiac 6 (there); Birmingham 36, Tecumseh 20 (there); Birmingham 33, Windsor 16; Birmingham 53, Flint-8; Birmingham 58, Farmington 8; Birmingham 30, East Lansing 14 (there); Birmingham 28, Central M. E. Ind., 26; Birmingham 33, East Lansing 17 (there). Birmingham, total score 543; opponents, total score, 130.

The following girls have been awarded places in the first squad: Margaret Berz, right forward; Helen Rosso, left forward; Florence McKinney, jumping center; Herma Reynolds, running center; Norma Clarke, left guard; Thelma McQuarter, right guard (captain); Maxine Taylor, jumping center; Helen Hutton, left guard; Edith Roach, right forward; Orlou Schlaack, left forward.

It is needless to say that such an unbroken record of athletic victories could not be made possible only by hard, continued practice by the members of the squad who have never failed to respond on the floor when in a pinch and have been necessary to put forth unusual efforts to insure a victory for Birmingham. The last victory at East Lansing was especially gratifying to the team and to Coach Harriet Wilson for she so ably looked after the team for the past two years, since it made up for the game lost at Lansing last year on personal fouls.

Several members of the present team will graduate this year, but enough will remain to form the nucleus of a successful squad next year, and it is quite certain that several players will be developed most rapidly this year will round to next fall in first class form.

It is hoped to make the public award a letter this year at the basketball party which will be held in the Baldwin gym on Friday evening, April 21.

TOWNSHIP OFFICERS ELECTED ON MONDAY

But 265 Voters Attend Polls At Annual Election; Amendment To Place Treasurer On Salary Carries

Two hundred and sixty-five residents of Bloomfield township went to the polls last Monday and voted into office Township officials for the ensuing year. They also voted to put the Township Treasurer on a salary of $1,500 per year. According to Clerk James W. Cobb, this election brought out the largest attendance in Bloomfield township that ever registered at a spring election. Every candidate elected was of the Republican faith.

Precinct No. 1, taking in the territory south of the Pike road and west of Woodward avenue, cast the heaviest vote, a total of 124 electors attending the polls. Sixty-four votes were cast in precinct 2, forty in precinct 3, and thirty-seven in precinct 4. The amendment to place the Township Treasurer on a salary carried, receiving 185 favorable votes out of the total number cast.

Following are the officers elected: Supervisor, L. D. Allen; clerk, James W. Cobb; treasurer, Mabel A. Smith; highway commissioner, Fred Haaker; justice of the peace, F. B. Harper, Harry Rainey; board of review, R. J. Coryell, W. W. Henry; highway overseers, Lawrence Nelson, William Forman, Moore, Jacob Lamb, Thomas Jr.; constables, Albert Allen, Nicholas Mooney, Homer Gaskill, William Thornton.

GRAND TRUNK CONTEMPLATES NO SUBURBAN IMPROVEMENTS

A news story, appearing in the Tuesday, April 4, issue of the Detroit Free Press, crediting the Grand Trunk Railway with contemplated activities that would soon give Birmingham a two-track system of freight and passenger commutation service to Detroit, is without apparent foundation. In an interview with the Eccentric Wednesday night, H. E. Whittenberger, of 417 Greenwood avenue, general manager of the Grand Trunk lines, made this fact known.

That the Grand Trunk is willing to make extensive improvements in Detroit, from Dequindre to Hale streets, Mr. Whittenberger said was true. These improvements may cost about $4,000,000, he said. He said that more extensive service to Detroit's northern suburbs has always been the ultimate goal of the company, but that such a dream would not, perhaps materialize for many years.

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EASTER SUNDAY TO BE FITTINGLY OBSERVED IN LOCAL CHURCHES

All Denominations To Have Appropriate Services In Commemoration of Resurrection Of Our Saviour

A formal reception of members into the congregation of the Starr Avenue United Presbyterian church will be part of the Easter Sunday program of that church. Baptismal service will also take place that morning, followed by the regular Communion service.

Good Friday, Holy Communion will take place at 7:30 a.m. in the Methodist Episcopal church. Easter Sunday evening "The Crucifixion" by Stainer, will be given by the choir. A short sermon will also be a part of the service. Easter Sunday school services will be conducted for the kiddies and the day will close with an Easter cantata in the evening.

Appropriate music and exercises and a short sermon will comprise the morning service Easter Sunday at the First Presbyterian church. Members of the congregation will receive flowers at the close of the service. Baptism of infants and reception of new members will also be a part of the morning program. At twelve o'clock an organ recital will be given by the Sunday school. "The Resurrection," a cantata, will be rendered in the evening by the choir under the capable direction of Mrs. Earl Potter.

Dr. Gleiss of Detroit, will be the guest speaker at the services at the Episcopal Baptist church Easter Sunday morning. Special music has been arranged and features of the morning and evening services have been especially planned to be appropriate for the occasion. Ted Brown will be the soloist for the morning service. Wilbur McAlpine will give several vocal selections in the evening. Everyone is invited to attend both morning and evening services.

Rev. Wm. Dunn will deliver the Easter Sunday address at the Birmingham Gospel Tabernacle. "The Resurrection" will be his topic. The Sunday school exercises and the Easter service will be combined and open to the public. Reception of new members will probably take place at the evening service at which time special music will be rendered and it is expected that several evangelists from Detroit will be present to give an address.

Special Easter services in St. James' Episcopal church have been planned and the early service will be at 6 o'clock. The morning service at 10:30 o'clock and there will be Sunday school at 9:45. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon the dedication of the new candelabrum will be a part of the service. Music and other appointments for the occasion have been arranged for.

With an address prepared dealing special musical features planned for the day, members of the Birmingham United Presbyterian church are busy for Easter Sunday, according to Rev. David Curry, pastor. The altar will be one of the most attractive in some time. The church will be banked with Easter blooms and greenery and each member of the congregation will be given a flower at the close of the service. A selected committee has been working out plans for that day, with Rev. Curry as chairman.

WOMAN'S LITERARY SOCIETY

Mrs. Norbert Opp, of Ferndale avenue, opened her home Tuesday afternoon to the ladies of the Woman's Literary Club. Current events read and the discussion which followed made it one of the most interesting and valuable meetings of the entire year.

"Improving Our Home Grounds" was the theme of a well prepared paper read by Mrs. Ralph Coryell. Mrs. Donald Hall read a paper containing some practical suggestions on "Proper Music and Reading Material in the Home." Both papers were followed by a general discussion of the respective topics. Musical numbers of the afternoon included a vocal selection by Mrs. Hall rendered by six members of the Birmingham Choral Club, accompanied by Mrs. Harriet Singers at the piano.

The next meeting, April 11, the club will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Allen Bigelow, on West Maple avenue. It had been planned and was announced that the meeting on this date would be in the evening. Owing to conflicting dates of entertainments in the Village, the time has been changed to the afternoon. The evening meeting will not be an open one, it was announced this week by Mrs. Iva Marlotte, president of the society. All members are urged to attend, as groups of attractive, special features will be a part of the program and much effort is been exercised to make it one of the memorials of the season, and of enjoyment to everyone.

"PECK'S BAD BOY" IS TO BE SHOWN NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

Because of the discontinuance of electricity last Friday night, due to the storm, the movie entertainment scheduled to appear under the auspices of the local Masonic lodge, was postponed until next Monday night, April 10, according to Clarence Cummings, chairman.

"Peck's Bad Boy" will be the feature of the evening's performance. A moving picture film showing the activities of local people at Wing Lake, New Year's day, when the annual Winter Sports Carnival was held, will also be shown. The performance will start promptly at 8 o'clock. A large crowd is expected to be present.

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Local Y.M.C.A. Plans For "Camp Boyville"

Will Meet Tuesday Evening To Prepare For Summer's Vacation At Elizabeth Lake

GIRLS INCLUDED, TOO

Thirty Local Youths Spent Ten Days There Year Ago; Work Is Of Uplifting Nature

The local Young Men's Christian Association expects to have Wallace Wright, general secretary of the Northwestern Branch, of Detroit, as a speaker Tuesday evening, April 11. Mr. Wright has had a broad experience as a speaker and has a real message for the local boys. His address will be given to about one hundred "Y" boys, members of the Birmingham Association, and the Board of Directors, who have their regular monthly meeting at that time, in the Baldwin high school.

The board will take up the matter of the summer program which will center around Camp Boyville at Elizabeth Lake. This camp in its initial opening last summer proved to be of the highest order and, as it develops, may be one of the finest camps in the state, according to Robert Lynd, local "Y" director. A number of entirely new features are planned for this year, it is said, and in order to make the ten days spent in this camp of lasting benefit to the boys who attend.

Boyville emphasizes character as the most important thing in worth. Religious education, including every phase of a boy's life is the program objective. Daily Bible study in small groups, nature study including flowers, trees, birds, campcraft, dishwashing, bed-making, neatness, loyalty and thoughtfulness for the other fellow, are all a part of the training. Recreation in many forms, life-saving, swimming and the care of camp fires with a serious good-night talk, are all features specially enjoyed.

Leadership is the thing that is carefully selected. Virile men and older boys of strong Christian character, as leaders, make Boyville a camp of the highest merit.

Some thirty local boys and five leaders enjoyed this camp last summer and, according to Mr. Lynd, are already asking for particulars regarding the 1922 session. It is expected that a few days of the summer will be reserved for local girls and their leaders to enjoy the camp. This section will be under the capable direction of a group of local women and a trained leader.

Charles Shain, president of the Birmingham Young Men's Christian Association, feels that the advantages offered by this camp should be seized by parents who are looking for a first class camp for either son or daughter. Definite announcement regarding dates and program will be made at a later date.

GREENWOOD CEMETERY ASSOC. HOLDS MEETING

Elects Officers For the Ensuing Year; Make New Rules For Grass Cutting

Grass on lots in Greedwood cemetery which have not had dues paid up to date will go uncut until such obligations are met, it was decided made Saturday afternoon, April 1, when the Association members held their annual meeting in one of the class rooms in the First Methodist Episcopal church.

Other business transacted included the election of new officers for the coming year. Charles Smith was appointed to fill out two terms, and instructed to start work immediately on the grounds. It was decided to hold regular monthly meetings the third Monday in each month instead of the first Monday in the month as has been done for several years.

The officers, as elected Saturday were: Mrs. Frank Schlaack, president; Mrs. H. Satterlee, secretary; Miss S. E. Trowbridge, secretary; Miss M. E. Utter, treasurer. The executive committee will be composed of Mrs. Blanchard Blumberg, Miss Mabel Keyser, Fred Quarton and Luther Heacock. Mrs. Martha Dewey Wilson will act as auditor. The new collectors are Mrs. Eva O'Neil and Miss Anna M. Parks.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Emily Alis Bassett

The death of Mrs. Emily Allis Bassett occurred at her late residence at 416 Pierce street, Wednesday afternoon, April 5, at 2:30 o'clock, following an illness of several weeks. Death was caused from pneumonia.

For the past 16 years Mrs. Bassett had lived on Pierce street. She was born in Canada, however, and came to this part of Michigan many years ago. She was very well known in this vicinity through her active church work for many years. Deceased was a member of the First Presbyterian church here, at the time of her death.

Surviving are five children: Mrs. E. E. McKinney, Mrs. Kate Cook and Miss Carrie Bassett, all of Birmingham; Mark F. Bassett, of Minnesota, and James Wylie Bassett of Highland Park. There are also two sisters, Mrs. May A. Reynolds of Redford, and Mrs. Eva Jenks of Southfield Township.

Funeral services will be held today, Friday, at 11 A. M., from the late residence. Rev. J. R. J. Milligan, of the First Presbyterian church of Pontiac, will officiate. Burial will be made in Greenwood Cemetery in Birmingham.

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BARCROFT, MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY, LAUDS LIFE IN SMALL VILLAGES

AUTHORITY TO TALK ON "DIVORCE EVILS"

Will Give Free Address In Baldwin Auditorium Evening Of Thursday, April 13

Prof. Evan Hallock, connected with the Law Department of the University of Michigan, has arranged to speak before the people of Birmingham the evening of Thursday, April 13, at the Baldwin auditorium under the auspices of the Birmingham Branch of the American University Women. "Divorce" will be the topic of his address, and he is conceded to be one of the best speakers on the subject in this country.

In a recent address Prof. Hallock brought out the following points: "Since the close of the war the increasing number of divorces has become such a menace to society and civilization as a whole that the interest of thinking men and women has become aroused to a great extent and is becoming widespread throughout the country."

One of the chief points in this problem, he believes, is the lack of any federal divorce law in the country, each state having its own and joining with the other to form a correlating link of a uniform chain. He believes that, due to this existing condition, many of the disastrous occurrences of today could be laid.

The public has been extended an invitation to hear Prof. Hallock and it is expected that the auditorium will be filled with interested listeners the evening of April 13, Thursday.

MASONIC FRATERNITY TO HOLD DANCE SOON

Chapter Will Entertain At Odd Fellows' Temple On Evening of April 18th

Members of the Masonic fraternity in Birmingham and the surrounding territory will be the guests of Birmingham Chapter No. 93, R. A. M., at a post-lenten dancing party, Tuesday, April 18, in Odd Fellows hall.

Invitations to the dance, which will be limited exclusively to Masons and their families, will be mailed within the next few days and it is expected that a record crowd will attend. In making the Masons its guests the Birmingham Chapter is setting a new precedent in dancing parties of this kind in Birmingham and it is hoped that the party will be a big get-acquainted affair for the Masons of this jurisdiction.

Quite extensive plans have been made by the committee in charge of the affair, which is headed by George Forrester. Ike Fisher's orchestra from Ann Arbor, which has been so popular with the Married People's Dancing Club, will furnish the music. There will be some light refreshments and novelties, which the committee is holding as a surprise.

Moreover, there won't be all foxtrots on the program. The older members of the fraternity whose dancing days date back to the old square dances, waltz and two-step will have a chance to try these steps again, says the committee.

VILLAGE ENGINEER DIRECTED TO SURVEY SOUTH WOODWARD

Howard H. Barnett, Village Engineer, under orders from the Village Commission, is completing a survey of South Woodward avenue, between Lincoln avenue and just south of Boughner Bros. garage, to determine the establishment of a permanent building line and to fix the exact location of curbs for the street when it is increased to a greater width.

According to a provision made some time ago, all the additional width of 20 feet was to have been taken from the west side of the street. The present commission, however, believes it would be better to take 10 feet from each side, and is working with this idea, although no definite ruling on the matter has yet been passed.

To insure the acquisition of the additional property without more than necessary trouble, the building line must be established now, so that further building within this prescribed property will be prohibited.

Mr. Barnett will report his findings to the Commission next Monday night.

QUARTON APPOINTED ASSESSOR

Fred V. Quarton of West Maple avenue, former Village Commissioner, was appointed to the office of village assessor by the Commission Monday night. Mr. Quarton will receive a salary of $500 per year for this work. He will succeed Frank Schlaack to that office. As soon as the Village Commission completes its business during the same time fixing the tax rate per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, Mr. Quarton will go over the village thoroughly to make his assessments.

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Tells Local Men Little Towns Offer More to Civilization Than Large Cities

PLAN WITH THOUGHT

Says Birmingham and Other Nearby Places Need Rapid and Better Transportation Facilities

Declaring that every community should offer "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness," Frederick T. Barcroft, nationally known engineer and municipal adviser, of Detroit, told members of the Birmingham Real Estate Board Wednesday noon, at their weekly luncheon, that only insofar as Birmingham offered these possibilities to the home-seeker would Birmingham take its rightful place in Michigan—and in the world of living things. Mr. Barcroft's address was "Development of Towns."

Small Town Best

"If you wanted a playmate or plaything for your boy you certainly would not buy him an elephant," humorously pointed out Mr. Barcroft in emphasizing the advantages of small community life. "Rather would you buy him a little dog. Of course, it is necessary that we have the large cities, but for real living—a chance to enjoy to the fullest 'Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness,' I believe that the small town affords a man the best opportunity to accomplish this. Birmingham, of many of Michigan's small communities, is ideally located between Pontiac and Detroit. It has a wonderful chance to draw on either of these two cities for increased population. In proportion to what Birmingham has to offer will depend the rapidity with which it increases in size and betterment."

About Cemeteries

"It may sound rather odd to you gentlemen of I should lay special stress on the use of cemeteries for mental stimulation," continued Mr. Barcroft, "but such is my contention, nevertheless. I believe that a cemetery, kept with other civic improvements, is necessary to good community life. When I am rather weary and burdened with the trials of adjusting to artificial municipal conditions in any town, I take a walk through some nearby friendly graveyard. There in, perhaps marked by a monument, rest the remains of some citizen who has left a real living mark on the life of the community. I try to remember that the dead still have a claim upon me, and that those who are yet to come also have a claim upon those who are still alive, are somehow patiently waiting for me to do my best in upbuilding the community in which I am working. The men who are interested in the beautifying of Birmingham can do nothing of more lasting value than to remember that not only they—the living—but those that have gone from the midst of those who are yet to come have a God-given claim upon their best endeavors. The planning of any community, as it rests in the hands of the public officials in power at the time, should always, to my mind, be based upon these premises."

Shameful Expenditures

Mr. Barcroft declared, based upon years of experience and research work, he has come to the conclusion that perhaps the major portion of the public officials' yearly expenditures are extravagantly wasted because of lack of systematic planning. He cited cases where sewers were laid, only to be taken up in a few years to make room for larger ones; of cases where pavements have been laid and then torn up for pipes or car tracks; of others where the streets have been paved, but a few years or added to tide a community over a year or two, were later abandoned for larger and still costlier experiments.

"Too much haste—not enough thoughtful planning, these things make our taxes high," he said. "I am of the opinion that every public improvement made should be long thought out; too many conferences and suggestions cannot be had to properly incorporate into actual practice the first class railroad—of Grand Trunk system," stated Mr. Barcroft. "If Birmingham, together with other communities, would band its forces together in the interested cause for Grand Trunk commutation service, I believe that you could get it. Railroads are run for profit, of course. The officials of a railroad are always open to suggestions that will make them more money. If you would gather the correct data, showing how it would pay to put on a commutation service from Detroit, I certainly think that you would create a profound impression on the railroad men who have it in their power to give you such a convenience. You will have to go to men with your troubles—they will never come to you."

James Campbell was chosen chairman of the meeting to be held in the Arbor Hotel next Wednesday noon. The speaker has not yet been decided upon. Every member of the Birmingham Real Estate Board is invited to be present, and also to bring a guest.

ATTORNEY GAFILL IN LANSING ON PHONE INCREASE HEARING

John J. Gafill, village attorney, left for Lansing Wednesday morning for a two or three-day session with the Michigan Public Utilities Commission relative to the hearing on an increase in rates sought by the Michigan State Telephone Company. According to the Village Commission, Mr. Gafill was instructed to make a plea in behalf of Birmingham for a continuance of the present rates.

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