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"MINUTE MEN" WILL PATROL WOODWARD AND OTHER COUNTY HIGHWAYS

Important Conference Of County and Municipal Representatives Takes Decisive Step To Reduce Fatalities

The "Minute Men" in the shape of private citizens armed with report cards will soon be checking the reckless motorists on the Oakland county good roads and particularly on Woodward avenue.

This was decided definitely at the meeting of city and county officials of the various districts lying along the Woodward traffic artery, which was held Wednesday evening in the Birmingham village offices, at the call of J. H. McBride, president of the Village Commission.

While no exact plan of establishing and operating the "minute men" was settled, the appointment of a committee to confer with Sheriff James S. Butler and to organize the system, was made, following a long and well thought out discussion of the various traffic problems. A suggestion of the plan used recently in St. Louis, Mo., for a "citizens" police force seemed to be the best received and it is quite probable that this system will be adopted, possibly with modification.

The plan, briefly, is this. Reputable citizens will be appointed as "minute men." Their appointment will carry no police powers and they will be armed with no authority except that of reporting traffic violations. They will be supplied with cards or report blanks upon which to record the violations and these cards will go to the sheriff. A letter of warning will then be sent by the sheriff to the owner of the motor car, calling his attention to the violation. It may be that, in cases where the same offender is reported two or three times, the investigator will be asked to swear to a complaint and to appear in court as the complainant against the traffic offender.

This card system has been tried in several cities with varying results but it seemed to be the opinion of the representatives of the various county and municipal bodies at the Wednesday meeting that it had the best possibilities for immediate results.

Additional publicity also will be given to the "safety" program in the shape of road signs, now being obtained for Oakland county, and in the general cooperation of the county and city officials along Woodward avenue.

Mayor Thaddeus Seeley of Pontiac, struck the note of publicity following a concise statement of traffic conditions on Woodward avenue by Sheriff Butler. Mr. Seeley pointed out that the state laws were drafted to regulate frequent traffic conditions as well as to permit sufficient state aid financially in the matter of widening Woodward avenue, the one highway for which more needed to reduce the death and accident toll that traffic exacts on this thoroughfare. Pending such legislation he said, publicity and the cooperation of the citizenry could accomplish most.

Sheriff Butler pointed out the fact that he has six motorcycle officers and one deputy driving a motor car in general 700 miles of good roads that lie within the limits of Oakland county. Naturally, said Mr. Butler it was folly to expect such a force to really control traffic and to prevent "speeding," driving double and those violations which really cause the bulk of the mishaps.

As was expected, the long motor truck came in for a general scoring. Mr. Butler said that these all were within the state law, which specifies 10 feet as the maximum length. Mr. Butler pointed out, however, that a truck was no greater menace than a passenger car, provided it was driven carefully. His sentiments on this point were echoed by George Dow, mayor of Royal Oak, who said that the human element was a big factor in the safety or danger of the highways.

Several other suggestions as to wider roads, divided pavements, elevated street car tracks and other similar plans were made by various residents at the meeting. The publicity campaign and card system were the only ones that appeared to be feasible at the present time.

President McBride, who presided at the meeting, appointed the committee and the first meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, at noon luncheon in the Board of Commerce at Pontiac.

The following is the committee: J. S. Butler, sheriff of Oakland county, chairman; Phillip Beauvais, city manager of Royal Oak; F. E. Caldwell, treasurer of Ferndale; F. C. Comie, Royal Oak township; C. F. Wessinger, village manager of Pleasant Ridge; J. C. Blower, city manager of Pontiac; Harry Starr, city manager of Birmingham; Luther D. Allen, Bloomfield township; Wells Brown, Oakland County Automobile Club.

ELEVEN MORE DAYS TO PAY TAXES WITHOUT A PENALTY

Charles Plumstead, village treasurer, has collected approximately $10,000 of village taxes up to date. This is slightly more than one-fifth of the total amount, which is $76,000. Only eleven more days remain in which to pay. After Aug. 15 a penalty of one per cent will be added.

NEW SWEET SHOP OPENS

A new store has been opened at 314 Merrill street, near the corner of Merrill and Chester streets, by J. H. Wolfinson, formerly of Royal Oak. The shop, which was ready for business the latter part of last week, carries a complete line of candies, novelties and school supplies. The location of the shop is an ideal one, since it is almost across the road from the High school, and in a direct line with Baldwin high school.

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Sink Withdraws In Favor Of Glaspie

Senator Tells The Eccentric He Withdraws To Keep Party Harmony

IS OAKLAND'S TURN

State Senator Charles A. Sink, representing Washtenaw and Oakland counties in the Michigan Legislature, has decided not to run for reelection on the Republican ticket and sends to The Eccentric a letter explaining his reasons for stepping aside in favor of Representative Glaspie, who filed his candidacy into the political arena some weeks ago.

Glaspie is an Oakland man and has been a member of the lower house three terms. Senator Sink, who steps aside in favor of Glaspie's candidacy, is from Ann Arbor, and has served only one term in the Senate. Under an old agreement, the office of State Senator has been held two terms by each county.

Glaspie is sponsor of the Glaspie law regulating trolley roads, which allowed the Detroit United lines to charge a mileage rate from the Six-mile Detroit city line to Royal Oak, Birmingham and other outlying suburbs, that created a considerably higher fare than had previously existed.

Senator Sink's communication, in full, is as follows:

"In the fall of 1922, Washtenaw county Republicans supported the nomination of an Oakland county candidate, Frank L. Covert, who unfortunately for the Republicans, in the triangular campaign of that year, was defeated by a Democrat.

"Two years later, in 1914, Mr. Covert was again supported in his candidacy by Washtenaw county Republicans, making two consecutive nominations which Washtenaw county legislators granted to Oakland county. In 1916, in spite of this fact, but in recognition of Mr. Covert's valuable services, and in the belief that a legislator can be of still greater service a second term, the Washtenaw county Republican committee, under the chairmanship of the Hon. George W. Sunday, of Ypsilanti, generously waived Washtenaw county's rights under the agreement and supported the nomination of Mr. Covert for a third consecutive time.

"For this reason many staunch Republicans, not only in Washtenaw county but also in Oakland county as well, have been urging the writer to accept a nomination for a second term, believing that Oakland county could desire to waive their present rights, just as Washtenaw county yielded to them in 1916. Repeated requests which were very similar, the writer at this time having served but one term in the Senate.

"On the other hand it has developed that there are equally staunch adherents of Oakland county who prefer to overlook the nomination feature of the agreement and to insist, strictly on the basis of each county being represented for alternate periods of two terms each. Under this interpretation, since my opponent, Governor Alex. Sinclair, the Hon. George W. Millen, was a resident of Washtenaw county, it is impossible for me to become a candidate, with an Oakland county candidate, for the third, without placing myself in a position, where in the minds of some, I would appear guilty of practicing a gentlemen's agreement. This I positively decline to do.

"Accordingly, not only in order to avoid precipitating a contest which might arouse bitterness between supporters of the respective candidates in a district which has hitherto always been harmonious, but also in view of the splendid qualifications of the candidate presented at this time by Oakland county, by having served three terms in the lower house, take pleasure in yielding to this latest construction of the agreement.

"I therefore urge Republicans of both counties of the Twelfth District to unitedly support the candidacy of the Hon. Andrew B. Glaspie of Oakland county. And in the course of this I have full confidence that, at the expiration of two terms, the writer, if he chooses to become a candidate at that time will receive the united support, not only of the Republican committees of the two counties, but also the rank and file of Republicans in general throughout the District.

"I also take this opportunity of thanking the voters of this District for the honor they conferred upon me in electing me their representative in the Senate. And in particular do I thank those staunch friends and supporters who have been instrumental in circulating my petition at this time. I trust that all will appreciate the delicacy of the present situation which compels me to decline their support at this time."

TRANSPORT TRUCK DRIVER HEAVILY FINED

L. G. Smith of Dundee, a driver for the Lincoln Highway Transportation Co., of Ohio, was arrested last week by Officer Dexter for overloading a truck.

Smith was hauling a load of motors from Pontiac to Toledo. It is alleged the truck was overloaded to the extent of 8120 pounds. At the trial, Friday, Justice F. S. Buck's court, Attorneys Whipple, Collins & Whipple of Detroit, appeared for the defense, and James Lynch of Pontiac, represented the county. Smith paid a fine and costs amounting to $84.20, also

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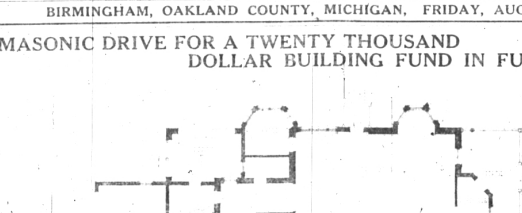

Local Masons are busily engaged on a three-day drive among the members of that fraternity living in Birmingham and vicinity, to complete subscriptions for a stock issue of $20,000, which is to take care of the remodeling of the old Masonic home on South Woodward avenue, into a modern temple.

The drive started Thursday and will continue through Saturday, with ten divisions of two men each, working in various districts. The committees include Joseph Hindshaw, J. S. Hershberger, W. H. Storey, Bert Peabody, O. E. Harper, Harry Howe, T. L. Lascombe, Louis Ramm, John Brown, Charles Kanome, Clyde Wood, Elmer Meeker, Clarence Cummins, John P. Mason, Earl C. McCollum, Jame F. Wooster, Wylie Bell, Roy E. Brown, Aaron Lockwood, Percy Lancaster, Harold Cocson, A. Buehing, Elmer Hoag, Lawrence Wendell and Frank Stone.

Several thousand dollars were previously pledged and the campaign committee is confident it will go over the top by Saturday evening. The Temple Association, which is directing the work and looking after the remodeling, has already, under way, arrangements that the subscribers may take stock and tender their notes in payment, with payments covering a period of four years without interest. Bids will be issued immediately after subscriptions are turned in. It is issued under authority of the Secretary of State, for associations operating without profit.

The work of remodeling the present Masonic home is well under way and will be completed in the near future. The main floor, a plan of which has been reproduced, will carry out the beautiful decorations, at present in evidence.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED AT BALDWIN LIBRARY

List Includes Some Of the Most Popular Of the Late Best Sellers

Books of fiction recently added to the Baldwin Library are: "Robin," by Florence Holle or Barnett; "In the Days of Poor Richard," by Irvine Bachelder; "Mortie Julia," by Booth Tarkington; "The Glimpse of the Moon," by Edith Wharton; "Sinners," by Elizabeth O'Hanlon; "The Missing Finger," by Mary Roberts Rinehart; "The Purple Mask," by Louise Jordan Miln; "The Heritage of the Desert," by Zane Grey; "The Three Musketeers," by Alexandre Dumas; "Man to Man," by Gregory; "Adrienne Toner," by Ann D. Sedgwick; "The Country Beyond," by Curwood; "The Red Signal," by Mary Roberts Rinehart; "The Indian Drum," by McHarg; "The Harbor Road," by Bassett.

For the juniors: "The Outdoor Girls in the Saddle," by Hope; "Polly of Pelham's Pay," by Lillian Elizabeth Roy; "Dick and Dolly's Adventure," by Carolyn Wells; "Merry Junior," by Grace Livingston Hill.

Nonfiction: "Heart Throbs," "Expensive Hobbies of Individuality," by Henry H. Sylvester; "Low Cost Suburban Homes," by Wright.

D. U. R. MAKES MAPLE AVENUE A SAFETY STOP

In a letter to the Detroit United Railway Company, recently, the Village asked that the company's motormen be enjoined to respect the Birmingham speed limit of 12 miles an hour within the village. In answer to this letter the company stated that it was anxious to conform in every way to the village traffic rule and would be pleased to notify motormen to keep within the speed limit. It was also stated that cars should not pass each other at the intersection of Maple and Woodward avenues, except in cases made by all cars before crossing the street at this point.

According to Harry S. Starr, village manager, there has been a marked improvement in the observance of traffic regulations.

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SPEEDERS FIND THE GOING HARD

Ten Motorists Pay Fines For Ignoring the Village Motor Traffic Laws

POLICE ARE ACTIVE

Speeders and reckless drivers are taking Birmingham as a city place to keep off their tracks. Nine Detroit motorists paid fines in Justice F. S. Buck's court for speeding and reckless driving during the past week. The names:

A. Hale, arrested by Officer Bird for speeding; fined $10.

Albert Otto, arrested by Officer Dexter for speeding; fined $10.

J. Dorsch, arrested by Officer Dexter for speeding; fined $10.

R. Sederberg, arrested by Officer Bird for speeding; fined $10.

H. Lee, arrested by Officer Dexter for speeding; fined $10.

H. L. Armstrong, arrested by Officer Stokes for speeding; fined $10.

Joseph Sekowski, arrested by Officer Stokes for reckless driving; fined $15.

Hugh Flanagan, arrested by Officer Stokes on a speeding; fined $15.

Frank Palizie was arrested by Officer Stokes and arraigned on a double charge of reckless driving and resisting an officer. After examination he pleaded guilty and was fined $50 on the first charge and $25 on the second.

PAY YOUR TAXES NOW

Ninety-five per cent of village taxes have been paid as yet, according to Charles Plumstead, village treasurer. To-day, Aug. 11, is the last day of grace. After this date a penalty of one per cent will be added. Users of water are also slow in paying their bills. Hazel Park, village clerk, says that $700 has received but a small amount of the $5,000 due. After Tuesday a time of 25c will be added to all bills yet unpaid.

INSTALL TILE MACHINERY

The Brier Hill Concrete Products Co., of East Maple road, has installed a new automatic machine for the manufacture of concrete building tile. It will have an output of 5000 tile per day. The machine cost $1500.

DOG KENNEL IS NO OBJECTION, SAY SOME

Village Commission Receives A Counter Petition From Eldred Miller

Eldred Miller, whose dog kennel at George and Woodward avenues, was declared a nuisance last week by the Village Commission and ordered abolished, following the presentation of a petition signed by twelve nearby residents, presented a counter petition at the Commission meeting Monday night, with a list of names attached. He stated that the date set for the removal of his kennel did not give him time enough to make the change. He also asked that he be permitted to keep four or five pups on hand. The Commissioners took no definite action upon the matter other than to adhere to the original time limit.

VILLAGE SIGNBOARD TO BE ELECTRIC LIGHTED

Commission Appropriates Fund To Illuminate Big Adv. Erected By Realtors

That big sign at the corner of Lincoln and Woodward avenues reading: "Birmingham, the Village of Homes Where Children Thrive" is to be lighted with electricity. The Birmingham Estate Board of Realtors erected and a time-clock attached to automatically control the lights, and the Village Commission has granted the Board $75 a year to pay for the electricity. But a new task is there be set the police department, for the clock has to be wound once a week and this duty has fallen to the lot of the police.

WENDORPH WINS PRIZE

C. H. Yaxley, some time ago, offered $5 as a prize to anyone who should provide him with the most suitable name for his cottage at Walnut Lake. Now it is announced that J. A. Wendorph captured the prize by submitting the name "Naomi," an Indian title meaning "Fairest of all." Mr. Wendorph's entry was chosen from among several hundred names submitted by contestants.

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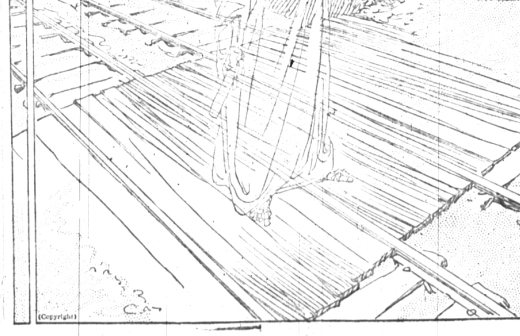

ELABORATE PREPARATIONS MADE FOR THE WESTERN OPEN GOLF MEET

Oakland Hills Course Is Being Groomed For the Three-Day Tournament Of International Golfers

For their Mecca during the month of August the golfers of the country will turn their eyes toward Birmingham. On the splendid and sporty course of the Oakland Hills Country Club all of the great and near-great golf champions of this country and some with foreign titles, will compete in the annual "Western Open" tournament, August 23, 24 and 25.

The annual open championship of the Western Golf Association is one of the big events of every season in the Scotch game and the plans of the Oakland Hills Club for the entertainment and accommodations of the golfers and galleries from all of the western clubs are most complete and elaborate.

Bus Transport Provided

Bus transportation facilities are to be provided from the street cars to the links and parking accommodations for the 1,000 motor cars, have been arranged adjacent to the club. The gallery committee has also arranged to provide a roped-off space for spectators at each tee and at the important greens, to insure comfortable and good viewpoints for the spectators as well as to prevent interference with the players. Refreshments will be served at a large restaurant tent and shelter tents and other conveniences will be located about the course.

It is expected that the gallery will number several thousand during the three days of the tourney and the entries will comprise some of the best known players in the game.

Walter Hagen, the first professional that Oakland Hills ever had and holder of the British national championship, will be among the contestants. Al Watrous, Canadian open champion; Mike Brady, Jock Hutchinson, Jim Barnes, "Chick" Evans, Abe Mitchell, Jesse Guilford, and a host of other well known golfers will pit their skill in this match. In fact, according to the committee, the entry list this year is larger than ever before and includes practically every leading amateur and professional in the game.

The club will hold open house, he club membership will act as hosts to the visitors and every effort will be made to make this tournament the most successful in the association's history.

The Committees

Following are the committees of Oakland Hills Club in charge of the event:

General chairman—W. E. Biggars.

Transportation—P. G. Findlay, chairman, Guy P. Henry, Walter J. Bemb, A. L. McCormick, R. O. Gill.

Parking—Howard Baldwin, chairman, Robert M. Toms, Max O'Leary, Howard C. Baldwin, Walter Gehrke.

Admissions—Frank H. Dodge, chairman, Arthur S. Dumont, H. H. Esselstyn, M. L. Lasley, M. S. Dennett, Charles Macklin.

Entries: N. A. Hawkins, chairman, Joseph Mack, A. W. Wallace.

Gallery—J. H. DeVisser, chairman, Jack Burns, Geo. R. Keller, Roger F. Hill.

Scoring: A. L. Moses, chairman, J. S. Andrews, R. K. Vinton, J. W. Adderley, W. A. Ryan, Charles T. Lathers, H. A. Wallace.

Entertainment—H. A. Lovely, chairman, N. A. Hawkins, Joseph Mack, George Keller, Harry Mack.

Publicity—Henry T. Ewald, chairman, Guy C. Brown, Otis Morse, H. Costello, J. Fred Woodruff, George Costello.

Locker and Caddy: S. Wells Utley, chairman.

House: R. B. Harmon, chairman, H. William Klare, Thomas P. Henry.

Players Accommodations: H. William Klare.

Greens: Joseph Mack, chairman, Guy S. Greene, Jack Burns.

Club president, ex-officio, Chester M. Culver.

Pioneer Physician Has "Gone West"

Dr. Charles Raynale, Septuagenarian, Dies After Protracted Illness

WAS LOVED BY ALL

Dr. Charles M. Raynale, native and resident of Birmingham, and one of its most honored citizens, died at his home here, Sunday afternoon, after a prolonged illness. He was in his 76th year. Surviving are his wife, Hannah B., and his son, Dr. George P. Raynale.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, under Masonic auspices, and burial was in Greenwood cemetery. Pall-bearers were Doctors Shaw, Newitt, Crawford, Johnson, Rainey and Walker.

Dr. Raynale was born in Birmingham in December, 1846. A dwelling that formerly occupied the site at the northeast corner of Bates street and Merrill Maple avenue was his birthplace. In 1869 he graduated from the Detroit College of Medicine and was for 53 years actively engaged in the medical profession.

Always kindly and unselfish, concerned with the welfare of others, it is said of him that he never refused to answer a call for aid from any person, rich or poor, at any hour of the day or night. He was well known in Birmingham and throughout Oakland county, being associated in legal measure with the early history of the vicinity, and had many friends.

When his son, George, was called into army service during the war, Dr. Raynale, who had retired, again took up his practice and served the community during an influenza epidemic. The long hours and hard work broke down his health and are thought to have hastened his death.

His father, Ebenezer Raynale, was also a physician, coming to Birmingham in 1827.

Birmingham business places generally observed the ceremonies of the funeral Wednesday afternoon by closing their places of business between the hours of three and four o'clock.

ANNEXATION ELECTION OF LITTLE INTEREST

No Opposition Develops To Village Embracing Quarton Lake Estates

The proposition to extend the boundary lines of the village by annexing the Quarton Lake Estates will be voted on next Tuesday at a special election called for that purpose. No opposition has developed up to the present time, to extending the village limits, and all advocates of municipal progress and internal development are reminded of the election in order that they may help promote the successful culmination of the extension proposition.

The polls will open at 7 o'clock in the morning and close at 8 in the evening. Persons who are registered but have changed residence since then, may vote by calling at the office of Township Clerk James Cobb and having the necessary change recorded. There are many reasons advanced for annexing the Quarton Lakes properties and even others, by all who favor the growth of the village. Owners of property in the subdivision are said to also generally favor annexation, in order to get the benefit of Village water and other facilities.

COMMISSION ORDERS MORE STREET LIGHTS

Sidewalk Construction Program Suspended To Ease Drain On Taxpayers

The question of street lighting and sidewalk construction was discussed by the Village Commission at its meeting, Monday night, and Manager Harry Starr was instructed to proceed with the installation of lights at the following locations: Stanley and Lincoln; Watkins and Lincoln; Townsend and Southfield; Merrill, first alley west of Hill school; Willetts, bend in street; Euclid and Park; Lawndale and Madison; Oakland and Worth; Elm and Chestnut.

It was decided that no new sidewalks would be built at present, unless they were petitioned for, the Commissioners feeling that it would be a heavy burden upon the taxpayers to force them to pay for sidewalk construction on top of so many other expenses. It was said, however, that sidewalks could be needed in some places and that the Commission would be glad to receive petitions at this time if the property owners desire to have sidewalks built.

GIVE CHURCH SUPPER AT COUNCIL CORNERS

The North Community Baptist church will give another of their famous suppers from 6:30 to 9 o'clock. Adults will be charged 50c each and 25c for children. The affair will be held in the church basement on the corner of Main and First streets, August 15th. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Comstock and Mrs. Goushaw.

The next thing on their program will be a baked goods sale to be held in the new bank building at Royal Oak.

BURGLAR IS SENTENCED

George C. Dawson of Adams road, who pleaded guilty to breaking into and robbing the office of Mellen-Wright-Moulthrop Lumber Co., July 20, and was bound over to the circuit court, has been sentenced to a term of from six months to five years at Ionia. Dawson was formerly in the employ of the company. He was arrested at his home by a Burns detective who obtained from him a full confession.

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A petition asking that sewer be constructed on Lincoln avenue from Stanley to Watkins street, has been presented to the Commission by L. C. Moore, signed by half of the property owners of the district.

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The residence at 204 Ravine road, formerly owned by the Detroit Edison Co., and occupied by Mrs. Betsy Graves Reynolds, has been sold to Fred John Riker, who is connected with the Maxwell Motor Co., in Detroit. The place is being remodeled and will become the future home of the Rikers.

The Ladies' Church Society of the First Presbyterian church will meet Wednesday, August 16, at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Huston at Maceday Lake. All wishing transportation kindly notify Mrs. Huston not later than Monday, Aug. 14.

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