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SURF WATER PIPES NOW FINISHED

Manager Starr, After Year and a Half of Work, Locates Village System

18 MILES OF PIPES

(Starr Declares Present Pipes Too Small to Care For Much Larger Growth)

For the first time in the history of Birmingham, it is believed, there exists in the office of the Village Manager a complete survey of the present water works system of pipes and mains as can be obtained. It represents the work of Manager Starr for the past year and a half, and is shown in detail every inch of pipe in the streets of the village, comprising a total of 18.16 miles.

Covering a piece of drawing paper about four by six feet, are drawn lines and curves stretch out even to the inflexible array and grids of the engineer, the underground sections of iron pipe that carry into the homes of Birmingham in winter and not so much in summer the water supply of the Village.

The last map, made in 1920, showed that mains existed on certain streets, but gave no exact location. Said Manager Starr this week in explaining his new survey, "The old map did not reveal the location of about 15 fire hydrants and various other information about the Village water works system which should be recorded in the office."

Who asked what he thought of the system of pipes installed beneath Birmingham's streets? Manager Starr replied, "It is regrettable, but true, that the size of most of the pipes comprising the water works carrying system here are far too small for efficiency. Too many hydrants have been laid, due, no doubt, to the former belief that Birmingham would never become a community of very large proportions. There will come a time not far off when many of the present pipes must be replaced by larger ones."

Starr's survey showed the following in miles and feet: 2 inch, 1350 feet; 3 inch, 290 feet; 4 inch, 1,050 feet; 6 inch, 39,020 feet; 8 inch, 3,670 feet; 10 inch, 750 feet. Mains not in the Village yet surveyed by the pipes are: 2 inch, 4 inch, 6 inch, 8 inch, 10 inch, 1,660 feet, a total of 3,824 miles.

3 MEN RESPOND TO APPEAL FOR FUND

First Salvation Army Drive In Oakland County Notes \$3500

The three day drive of the Salvation Army Birmingham and Oakland County to raise funds for the Christmas campaign was, according to Captain Youngman, all that had been wished for. The quarter for the County was \$3,500. To date more than \$2,000, that amount has been received with the committee still being received by the committee charge.

Captain Youngman feels that Birmingham made an excellent showing on the list of contributors as this is the first year that Birmingham made any attempt to work here. Applications were made throughout the residence district by a committee headed under the chairmanship of Miss Mary Walker. On Saturday, December 8, the girls in the community liberally beset the business district and all Saturday shoppers gave willingly and liberally.

The Salvation Army hopes next year, when they have this year's program to use as a guide, to realize even more from Birmingham. Captain Youngman declared that Birmingham was a credit to the community, while considering the time of year when the undertaking here. The coming year he hopes to see the community in October, which time he considers the best for charity.

RUSSIAN SONGS AT COMMUNITY HOUSE

The appearance of Stefan Koskovich at the Community House last Sunday was hailed at a great success. About 50 music lovers were in the small hall room for the performance of the Russian songs.

Mrs. George T. Hendrix, acting manager of the Community House, presiding at the attendance, this is the most popular afternoon program yet held in the Community House.

A large part of the program was rendered in Russian and though not comprehensible to most of the audience, the wonderful voice of the singer and the splendid selection of melodies kept these enthusiastic listeners riveted to the program. The songs were performed on the violin by Mrs. Woodward, Birmingham, and variety to the program with some excellent selections on the violin.

When tea was served by Mrs. Frank Miller, after the program, Mrs. Woodward, Birmingham, was the most pleasing guest as well as a familiar hostess. Those who were able to attend the most graceful Mrs. Hendrix and her committee for arranging this excellent program.

SANTA CLAUS TO BE AT K. P. LODGE

BIG FESTIVAL PLANNED FOR CHRISTMAS DAY; MUSICAL PROGRAM PROMISED

Monday, December 25th, Santa Claus is scheduled to visit his kinders on the roof of the Knights of Pythias Hall and come down the chimney with his large pack and distribute toys and good things to eat to thirty children who have been invited by the Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters, to be their guests on this occasion.

Of course, there will be sparkling trees and many other things which would make everybody wish they were kids again; besides the committee has arranged a program which will be of interest to both the young and old. Factors of two of the local choirs will be singing, also some selections from the K. of P. Quartet, and readings, violin solo, etc. To be the featured attraction will be a Christmas tree, which will be decorated by the members of the lodge. The committee in charge has worked hard and it is hoped that a number will attend Knights, Sisters and friends. The ladies are invited, as well as the young folks.

CAROLERS WILL SING XMAS EVE

Groups of Folks Will Go About the Village Xmas Eve To Cheer Residents

As has been the custom for several years, groups of singers will go about the village on Christmas Eve and about the houses, singing carols and playing music in the homes of the residents. The groups will be made up of the following: The Community House at half past three Monday afternoon. At this time the groups will be assigned to the streets of Birmingham. Each group is to be accompanied by the local carolers. Each group is to be accompanied by the local carolers. Each group is to be accompanied by the local carolers.

LIGHT THE CANDLE

Robert Hanna-A County Down Man Local Resident, Who Died Here Last Week Was Born In Ireland

Robert Hanna, the fourth child of the late Robert Hanna, of County Down, Ireland, was born on December 12th, 1924. He died here last week. He was a local resident and was born in Ireland.

QUARTON SEEKS HELP FOR NEEDY

SHOES, CLOTHING, FOOD AND MONEY SOUGHT FOR XMAS CONTRIBUTIONS

In and near Birmingham there are a number of families in destitute and needy circumstances. In each family are several children. Unless the people are helped, they will be a burden to the community.

The Three Fates—Always Weaving Patterns—Complete This Romance

"Way back in 1874, when Brooklyn was no larger than a part of New York State as it now is, the Three Fates first began to weave a pattern in the lives of three young women. They were Wednesday evening of this week, Wednesday evening of this week, Wednesday evening of this week."

CELEBRATE THEIR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY—NOW LOOK TO 75th

By Helen Walker

Tomorrow will mark the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lamb, when they will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on the 12th of December, 1874, in the village of Pontiac, Michigan.

Mr. Lamb was born in Paris, Indiana, 77 years ago, and after living in various places in the West, he came to Pontiac in 1890. He has since been engaged in various occupations, including farming and business.

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Local Attorney Obtains Favorable Verdict For Widow Of H. A. McGraw

GILLESPIE'S COURT

The second step in what may terminate in a long legal battle was won Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. Mary Ellen McGraw, widow of the late H. A. McGraw, who died in Pontiac last week.

Local Quartette Given Entire WCX Program On Jan. 4

First Baptist Church Singers Will Broadcast Concert From 7 To 8:30 P. M.

Buy Yourself a Christmas Present

WHEN you can obtain 52 issues of your "Home Town Paper" for the trifling sum of \$1.50, you really afford to be without a Christmas present.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the kind expressions of sympathy for the loss of our dear friend, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lamb, who died on the 12th of December, 1924.

D. R. SUGGESTS A COOPERATION SERVICE HERE

Railway Company Would Issue Low Fare Tickets On Pontiac Line

Public Utilities Commission To Give Out Final Decision On Increase

Accompanied by Luther D. Allen and Robert Y. Moore, representing the Township of Bloomfield, Village President J. H. McBride Monday afternoon went to Lansing where he appeared before the Public Utilities Commission at the D. U. Park offices.

WOMAN'S LITERARY CLUB TO ERECT XMAS TREE AT COUNTY INFIRMARY

The Women's Literary Club met in regular session at the Community House Tuesday afternoon.

YULETIDE SPIRIT TAKES OVER CLUB

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LIBRARY BOOKS VALUED AT \$6,000

INVENTORY OF BOOKS IN BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY REVEALS 4800 BOOKS ON SHELVES

EXCESSIVE COST OF RISE

REASON: THE STEAM PLANT installation of the new well at Lincoln and South Woodward avenues and the substitution of an electrically operated motor which had to be determined and a permanent pump ordered and installed, it is said.

WELL OPERATIONS CHARTERED-RISE

NEW ELECTRIC MOTOR TO SUPPLANT / BROKEN DOWN STEAM EQUIPMENT

The discarding of the steam plant used by Layne & Bowler Co. in the installation of the new well at Lincoln and South Woodward avenues and the substitution of an electrically operated motor which had to be determined and a permanent pump ordered and installed, it is said.

BETTER ROADS

"Money Spent On Dirt Roads Would Build Good Pavements," Declared Bell

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