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TO BEGIN WORK ON NEW WELL AT ONCE

Manager Starr Directed By Commission Monday Night To Make Test

SEEK SUMMER SUPPLY

Village Manager Harry S. Starr was directed Monday night by the Commission to begin operations on the new well and pumping unit recently approved by the electors at the annual Village election. Work will begin at once.

According to Manager Starr, the casing in the 6 inch test well sunk over a year ago by the Citizen's Water Commission on North Woodward avenue, just across from the D. U. R. barns, will be withdrawn about 20 feet, and new drilling operations started in the same hole. In this manner an exact record of the kinds and depths of soils and gravel can be obtained and accurate calculations made as to the probable quantity of water to be had.

After the well has been re-drilled it will be pumped out. Data will be kept as to the number of gallons of water at hand in a given period, at the same time a record made of the number of feet that the water level is lowered in the well, and in this manner the dimensions for the new pump may be figured.

Manager Starr said that at least 500 gallons per minute, or about 720,000 gallons per day, would be added to Birmingham's water supply if they are successful. Water from the new well will be pumped directly into the mains. Mr. Starr stated that the work will be pushed with all possible haste and that it is hoped the usual local summer water shortage will not occur this year. In case not enough water is found on the proposed site, other parts nearby will be tested, it was said.

DESIRE FURNISHINGS FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE

Birmingham's Community House, long felt as a need in the town, is completely remodeled and will be ready for occupancy as soon as various furnishings have been installed, according to announcement made this week. Although it is the property of the local St. Stephens Episcopal church on Maple avenue, it is contemplated that it will be available to the public as a meeting house at times, while at other occasions it will be rented out for social festivals.

A plea for several kinds of interior furnishings has been made, among which are easy chairs, small tables, a what-not, mirrors, lamps, rugs or carpets, an office desk and filing cabinet. Persons having any of the above items for contribution are asked to communicate with Mrs. John J. Gafill of Southfield avenue.

CLAN OLSEN BALANCE SEX POPULATION OF VILLAGE

It is quite evident that the Olsen clan in Birmingham is intent on balancing the male and female populace of its place of habitat—as witness the arrival of two little Olsens in our midst on March 15.

At 5:30 o'clock on that day Virginia Ida Olsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Olsen of Willetts street, made her first cries on the Western Hemisphere.

And then, at 11:30 o'clock—just six and a half hours later—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Olsen of Bates street, were told that the name "Sheldon Melville" would be appropriate for their new son.

A queer coincidence in both cases was that Dr. P. D. Hilty acted as attending physician.

HERBERT HOOVER NEXT WEEK

In the next issue of the Eccentric we will begin the publication of a series of articles by Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, on the subject of "American Individualism." They contain a valuable formulation of Public American Political theory, and is exceptionally timely in the light of present-day conditions, and should be read in every home in this community.

We advise every reader to look for this series and not to miss any one of the six articles. They comprise what will be one of the most-talked-of features printed in any American newspaper in a generation.

Last week, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ware of Detroit, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gaskill of East Maple avenue.

Recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doherty of Lincoln avenue, were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Doherty and family, Mr. and Mrs. Daisy Viles and son, Harold, and Evelyn Cook, all of Detroit.

Saturday last, Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Armstrong of Southfield, were guests at dinner at the home of Alex Purdy of the 12-Mile road. This event was in honor of Mr. Purdy's 74th birthday.

Recent callers at the home of Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Thompson of Ferndale avenue, were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stock and Mrs. Bishop Henderson, all of Detroit.

Mrs. Julian West's class, "The Friendly Forum," held their meeting at the church Tuesday evening. A "pot-luck" supper was served. No special program was provided but a very good time was had by all.

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LOCAL LEGION POST SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

From only 2 paid members to over 100—all this accomplished in one week's time—is the record of the Charles Edwards Post, Number 14, local American Legion organization in their drive for new members.

The drive started last Wednesday night, two teams being appointed, each to get as many new members as possible. The team that gets the most new members by March 28, when the drive closes, the other team will give a banquet and entertainment in their honor. The banquet is scheduled for April 4.

Loren Stauch heads one team while Bob Carson is leading the other. Both captains have issued an appeal to all ex-service men to join the local Post so as to make it one of the finest organizations in this district. J. F. MacGregor is Commander of the Post.

MRS. LEIGH LYNCH NEW PRESIDENT OF A. A. U. W.

The Birmingham branch of the American Association of University Women met at the home of Mrs. C. E. Kennedy of Ann street, Saturday afternoon. Various reports were given about helping the national association in the rebuilding of the Louvain library in Belgium, and the financing of a clubhouse in Washington for headquarters.

The creation of a permanent sinking fund for the International Exchange of Scholarships was discussed. The purpose is to have students, who qualify, be able to study in Europe and other countries even as they are able to take scholarships in the various states.

The program of the day was in charge of Mrs. Helen Pierson. A report of the international and world association was given, Mrs. F. Holt telling of the university women in China and Mrs. Robinson of the women in Great Britain.

An election of officers followed and the offices left vacant by Mrs. Charles Shain as president, Mrs. W. A. P. John as secretary and Mrs. Clinton Sears as director, were filled by Mrs. Leigh Lynch, Mrs. M. C. Cushing and Mrs. Thomas Thurber, respectively.

The State Association will meet in Birmingham, May 5. More will be heard about it later.

PERSONALS

The local chapter of the Pythian Sister will hold their regular meeting at the Castle Hall, Monday evening, March 26. Six candidates will be instructed in the mysteries of the order of Pythias. The degree team from Oxford will exemplify the work. Light refreshments will be served after the meeting and all members are urged to attend.

Dr. N. S. Shaw of South Woodward avenue, is expected to return home within the next few days from a five weeks trip to Alamo, Texas.

C. H. Jackson of Madison avenue, left Wednesday for a short trip to Toledo. He is expected to return home this week.

The Ladies' Church Society of the Presbyterian church enjoyed a "pot luck" dinner at the church Wednesday noon, on accasion of their annual meeting.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shortridge (nee Mary Stokes) March 4, a baby girl, named Mary Louise.

Rhea Schlaack daughter of Mrs. Charles Schlaack of South Woodward avenue, has been selected to appear in the play, "Jane Climbs a Mountain," to be given March 21 to 24, by the Junior girls of the University of Michigan. The play will be shown at the Whitney theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stump of Armada, were visitors at the home of Mrs. J. E. Brown of North Woodward avenue, last week.

Mrs. Francis Brown, who during the winter months made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Orson Hunt of Townsend street, is again residing at her home on Southfield avenue.

Frank Nixon, S. B., of the University of Chicago, was the week end guest of Patience Killinger, of Ann street, last week.

Mrs. William Corey, of North Adams, Michigan, is visiting with Mrs. Russell Henize, of Hamilton avenue.

Next Sunday, Mrs. Emily Hoover of Tiffin, O., was the guest of Mrs. Carl Brown of Argus avenue.

Mrs. Thompson Ardussi, residing near Saginaw, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ardussi of North Woodward avenue.

The regular meeting of the Philathea Class was held at the home of Mrs. Leland Bunyan of Hazelwood avenue, Tuesday evening. Aside from the regular business of the evening, the club heard a very interesting talk about Mrs. Nixon in Santa Ana, El Salvador, by Lulu Jackson, Miss Jackson, a former member of the class, has for two years done missionary work in Central America. Her lecture was illustrated by pictures of the school and various views nearby. The hostess served light refreshments at the close of the evening.

After the regular meeting of the Epworth League Department of the local Methodist church, the members of the League took part as the choir for the vesper service this week. After a short song service, a pretty pantomime, "The Rock of Ages," was presented. This was followed by a short sermon on "Foundations" by Rev. West, pastor of the church.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reaney of Lincoln avenue, Thursday, March 22, a seven and one-half pound baby girl.

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TABLE TALKS ON TAXATION AND KINDRED TOPICS

By "One Who Listened In"

While many objections to the method of taxation advocated by the Singletaxer occurred to those who were listening to his arguments, it was agreed that they should be set aside for the present, for he had promised to answer such objections as remained unexplained when he had finished.

The basic principles of his argument at previous meetings were that there are two distinct funds from which the cost of running the government, the benefits of which are shared by all, can be taken—from either or both. First, the Labor Fund which is created by the application of Labor, the active factor in the production of wealth, applied to Land, the passive factor. No true wealth is created in any other way. Any seeming wealth that is not created by the application of Labor to Land is not true wealth as defined by leading economists.

Stocks, bonds, mortgages, notes, paper currencies, even government bonds are not wealth although they represent wealth to their owners. They are but evidences of indebtedness, the destruction of which would not decrease the wealth of the world one iota. Second, the Rent Fund which is not created by the labor of individuals, but comes from the value that attaches to Land, including all natural resources which were created not by man but by Nature. This is a value that grows with the increase of population and the march of civilization. The question is: from which of these two funds should we take through taxation the money necessary to defray the cost of running the government, local as well as state, county and federal.

"Stated concretely," said the Singletaxer, "we believe that the communal wants of any division of the body politic should be paid out of the Rent Fund which is created by all the people collectively and not by individuals (and is therefore a communal fund) instead of out of the Labor Fund which is created by individuals, and should be left to its creators to enjoy, and would by degrees shift the burdens of taxation from things that are produced by labor (brain as well as brawn) through gradually exempting labor products from taxation, exempting them by increasing percentages until the entire burden falls on the rental value of land, a single tax on land value, from which the term Singletax arose. This exemption would of course include houses and other buildings—all improvements, in fact. It should be remembered that the term Rent in the sense we use it refers solely to ground rent or site values, not the rent of buildings which is really interest on investment of capital."

"When rents increase it is rarely through the increased value of the buildings but of the land which becomes more and more valuable through the pressure of increasing population. It is true that the cost of building frequently advances but the owners of buildings know that a term of years a building will depreciate through natural wear and tear faster than its replacement value increases."

"On the practical application of the Singletax I will touch at our next meeting," said the speaker. "I fear that you will be bored if you get too big a dose at any one sitting. Many medicines bring the most favorable results when taken in homeopathic doses."

LEGION WOMEN'S MEETING

As the women's auxiliaries of the American Legion are responsible for the furnishing of bath robes, pajamas, slippers, towels, etc., for the disabled soldiers in the Roosevelt hospital, Battle Creek, Mich., the local branch of the auxiliary are endeavoring to supply some of these needs.

On Tuesday evening, April 3, a business meeting and also a towel shower will be held at the home of Mrs. Ernest Bailey, 227 Hamilton avenue. All those who are members or who are eligible for membership are kindly requested to be present at this meeting and to donate a towel. Any contribution for this cause will be gladly received.

Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Crawford of East Maple avenue, returned Saturday from Florida where they have been spending the last few weeks.

Tuesday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Halstead of Lone Pine road, left for Miami Beach, Fla., where they will remain until April. From there they go to Saint Orange, N. J., to visit their daughter, Mrs. Forrest Tweedy.

J. P. Gray of Oakland avenue, left Monday for New York city on a purchasing trip. Mr. Gray is connected with the Gray Shops, in the Stowe Bldg., Detroit.

Miss Lulu Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Jackson of Merrill street, returned home last week from Central America. Miss Jackson has spent the past two years at a mission school at Santa Ana, El Salvador.

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NOTICE OF LETTING OF DRAIN CONTRACT

Notice is Hereby Given, That I, Cassius J. Crawford, County Drain Commissioner of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on the 11th day of April, A. D. 1923, at the Village Hall in the Village of Birmingham, in said County of Oakland, at two o'clock, Eastern Standard Time, in the afternoon of that day, proceed to receive sealed bids for the construction of a certain Drain known and designated as "Lincoln Drain," located and established in the Township of Bloomfield in said County.

Said drain is divided into one Section as follows, being the average depth and width of said drain, as hereinafter set forth:

Section No. 1 beginning at station number 0 at the lower end of said drain and extending to station number 21 plus 20, a distance of 2120 feet, and having an average depth of 8½ feet.

In the construction of said drain the following quantities and character of tile or pipe will be required and contracts let for same: 600 feet of 10 inch, 1,720 feet of 12 inch, 450 feet of 8 inch.

The construction of said drain will include the construction of the following manholes and catchbasins having the location and of the type and size called for which contracts will be let.

6 manholes and 9 catchbasins.

Separate bids will be received on cement and vitrified tile drain pipe. All bids shall be accompanied by a certified check of $500.00 made payable to the County Drain Commissioner, to be forfeited if one neglects to enter into contract and furnish the required bonds within the time specified. Such check shall be forfeited to the county drain commissioner as liquidated damages.

Sureties will be required covering the completion of drain also covering County and Highway crossings which may arise while drain is under construction.

Said job will be let in one section in accordance with the plans now on file with the other papers pertaining to said Drain, which may be seen at the County Drain Commissioner of the County of Oakland, to which reference may be had by all parties interested. And sealed bids will be made and received accordingly. Contracts will be made with the lowest responsible bidder who has adequate security for the performance of the work. Bids will be received on a price to be fixed by me, reserving to myself the right to reject any or all bids. The date for the completion of said contract, and the terms of payment therefor, shall and will be announced at the time of letting of the job.

Notice is Further Hereby Given, That at the time and place of said letting, or at such other time and place therefter, to which I, the County Drain Commissioner aforesaid, may adjourn the same, the assessments for benefits and the lands comprised within the "Lincoln Drain Special Assessment District," and the apportionments thereof will be announced by me and will be subject to review for one day, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the Special Assessment District of said Drain:

SECTION 36

The east 150 feet of a 20-acre lot lying between Lincoln Ave. E. Lines and Pierce Ditch, in the SW ¼, a parcel of land on SE ¼, bounded N by Lincoln Ave. E by Parks, S by Oakland Villas Annex, W by Rossman Ave.; A parcel of land in NE ¼ of NW ¼ of SE ¼, bounded N by Lincoln Ave., E. Spitzig & Hanna, E by Spitzig and Madison Ave., S by Oakland Villas Annex, W by Rosseau; Parcel of land on SE ¼ of NW ¼, bounded N by Lincoln Ave., E. Parks, S by Spitzig; Parcel of land on SW ¼ of NW ¼, bounded N by Lincoln, E by Hanna, S by Parks, W by Parks; Parcel of land in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of SE ¼, bounded N by Lincoln Ave., E. & S by Oakland Villas Subs., W by Pierce St., Lot 1, A. J. D. Park's Add. Lots 1 to 8, inclusive of Oakland Villas Annex; All of Oakland Villas Subdivision.

Village of Birmingham at large.

Now, Therefore, All unknown and non-resident persons, owners and persons interested in the above described land, and you, Lucius B. Shepherd, Jesse Lyons, and Fred Hauck, Highway Commissioner of the Township of Bloomfield, and Mrs. Hazel E. Clark, Clerk of the Village of Birmingham, are hereby notified that at the time and place aforesaid, or at such other time and place as shall after to which said hearing may be adjourned, I shall proceed to receive bids for the construction of said Lincoln Drain in the manner hereinbefore stated; and also, that at such time and place, between nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon the assessment for benefits and the lands comprised within the "Lincoln Drain Special Assessment Districts will be subject to review.

And You and Each of You, Owners and persons interested in said described lands, are hereby cited to appear at the time and place of such letting as aforesaid, and be heard in respect to the said proceedings and your interests in relation thereto, if you so desire.

Dated this 13th day of March, A. D. 1923.
CASSIUS J. CRAWFORD,
County Drain Commissioner,
County of Oakland.
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BIENNIAL SPRING ELECTION AND ANNUAL TOWNSHIP ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, Mich. (Art. 2, § 4)

County of Oakland, State of Michigan

NOTICE is hereby given that the next ensuing Biennial Spring Election and Annual Township Election, will be held at the usual voting place in said township, within said Township, on

MONDAY, APRIL 2, A. D. 1923

for the purpose of voting for the election of the following officers, viz.:

State—Two Justices of the Supreme Court, full term; two Regents of the University; one Superintendent of Public Instruction; one Member State Board of Education; two Members State Board of Agriculture.

District—Two Circuit Court Commissioners.

County—One County Commissioner of Schools.

Township—One Supervisor; One Township Clerk; One Township Treasurer; one Highway Commissioner; one Justice of the Peace, full term; one Member Board of Review, full term; Four Overseers of Highways, District 1, 2, 3 and 4; Four Constables.

Polls will be open for voting at 7 o'clock a. m. Sec. 1. On the day of any election the polls shall be opened at seven o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as may be, and shall be continued open until five o'clock in the afternoon, and no longer; PROVIDED, That in townships the board of inspectors of election may, in its discretion, adjourn the polls at seven o'clock noon, for one hour; and that the township board in townships and the legislative body in cities and villages may, by resolution adopted fifteen days prior to the election and published with the notice of the election, provide that the polls shall be opened at six o'clock in the forenoon, and may also provide that the polls shall be kept open not later than eight o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

The Polls of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 5 o'clock p. m. Sec. 2. Inspectors of election, unless the Board of Election Inspectors shall, in its discretion, adjourn the Polls at 12 o'clock, noon, for one hour.

Dated March 14th, 1923.
JAMES W. COBB,
Clerk of said Township.
48-49

During the Easter vacation, Miss May Thompson of Highland Park, will be the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Harrington of Ann street.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Huston of this city, who have been spending the past season in Tampa, Fla., are expected to return home this week.

Miss Betty Field, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Field of Brookside drive, entertained Doris Bay of Detroit, as her guest last week-end.

M. J. Guthrie of Lincoln avenue, left Sunday for Dayton, Ohio. He is connected with the Walker Publishing Co., of that city.

Pure Cocoa, per lb. 10c, at the Quality Grocery, 124 W. Maple Ave. adv48

PRIVATE SALE
of all Household Furniture, including Steinway Upright Piano, beginning Friday, March 23. Reason for selling, departure to California. Phone 797. 615 Floyd St. adv48*

Hallman Buttons have a Hemstitching machine at Field's Store. 24-hour service. adv19tf

NEWSY NOTES ABOUT PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS

The Council of Parent Teacher Associations has decided that after the end of this week there will be no more milk served in the schools for this year.

On behalf of the three associations, the Council wishes to thank everyone who has contributed to the success of this work in either time or money. The benefits derived from the serving of milk have been of inestimable value and the Parent-Teacher Associations are well satisfied with the work done.

The milk bottles placed in the various stores to solicit funds will be taken up at this time.

The Barnum School P. T. A. held a most enjoyable evening meeting on Saturday, March 17. Games, music, a radio and refreshments all contributed to a jolly evening. About sixty members were present and it is hoped that the success may be repeated in the near future.

Franklin News

Mrs. Floyde E. Facer and daughter, Lucile, were visiting friends in Detroit over the week-end.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church held their monthly meeting in the church parlor Thursday, for dinner.

Glenn Wesley and James Bowden of Pontiac, were at the homes of their parents Saturday.

A number from here have attended the McCombe-Clare special meetings at Pontiac, Central M. E. church.

The funeral of George W. Gordon was held at the M. E. church Wednesday at 2:00 p.m., Rev. Carley officiating. Mr. Gordon, who died at Montesano, Wash., was formerly a Franklin man, keeping store here about thirty-five years ago.

Mrs. Dale Spicer has been entertaining her brother, Edward Luscomb of Pontiac.

About thirty relatives and friends from Detroit, Southfield and Franklin, motored to Oxford March 18th, to celebrate the 26th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Volney B. Miller, former residents of Southfield. A bountiful pot-luck dinner was served at 2 o'clock. All returned towards evening wishing them many returns of the day.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Golden Rule Club will be held Friday afternoon, March 30th, at the home of Mrs. Bert D. Wood.

Mrs. Frank Sams and Mrs. Munson, two of our Sunday school teachers, attended the Junior Sunday School Convention at Royal Oak last Wednesday.

SPRING IS HERE—MAYBE

Tuesday and Wednesday of this week brought forth the first real Spring weather of the season. People changed their winter walking stride for one more leisurely and galoshes were conspicuous by their absence. Side curtains on open cars, which have adorned these motor vehicles all winter, were not in evidence. Some of the local "sitters" were also reported to have been in their favorite seats in front of the village hall. Motorcycle officer Clayton Stokes was seen tuning up his machine for Spring business. Yes, it looks like Spring has arrived with its alleged zephyrs. At least it is here until it starts to snow again.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

This column will be devoted to the publishing of letters of general interest to the residents of Birmingham and nearby. All communications must be signed in full by the writer. Letters should preferably be written with typewriter and on one side of paper only.

To the Editor:

It is quite evident that prohibition has done nothing to reduce the consumption of tobacco in the United States. On the contrary government reports show that we are now using more than ever. There is one view of the question to which very little attention is paid: that is, the extent to which the use of tobacco affects population. In this connection, the following extracts from Dr. John Lizar's able work on "The Use and Abuse of Tobacco, pages 34-36," may be interesting to some of your readers:

"Emasculation, as an effect of tobacco, may well astonish the gay Lothario. I have been consulted by men from thirty to forty years of age, who, having married in early life, have had two or three children soon after marriage onwards to thirty years old, but have been surprised that they were completely lost in declination for intimate association with their wives. On interrogating them, I have invariably found that they were habitual smokers, and on convincing them that tobacco was the cause of their temporary impotency, they have instantly thrown away tobacco forever and in a few months after have returned to me saying that they had become fathers again. I have found unmarried men similarly affected with the want of the sexual vis et animus.

"I have invariably found that patients addicted to tobacco smoking were in spirit cowardly and deficient in manly fortitude to undergo any surgical operations, however trifling. By its general consumption, we must become changed in both corporal and mental faculties—we cannot fail to be enfeebled in body and mind, and become a deteriorated race."

H. W. B.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Steelman of the Villa road, spent several days last week in Detroit.

NOTICE
Having sold my business to the Wilson Drug Co., anyone owing accounts to me will please call and settle same with Mrs. Minnie McClellan at what was formerly known as Cobb's Drug Store, as soon as possible.
JAMES W. COBBB. adv48

Good Friday Union Service On March 30

Three Local Churches To Hold Services From One To Three O'clock

THREE SERMONS

The Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches of Birmingham will co-operate in holding "Good Friday" service in the First Presbyterian church on March 30, from one to three o'clock. The time will be divided into three periods, each lasting 40 minutes.

A pastor of one of the participating churches will preside at each respective period. Within each period will be grouped prayer, praise, special numbers and a talk by one of the pastors. These talks, based upon the words spoken at the cross, have been arranged and will be given as follows: first period, Rev. Julian West, "The Word of the Multitude"; second period, Rev. T. J. Edwards, "The Plea of the Penitent"; third period, Rev. W. C. McKnight, "The Message of the Christ". It has been the custom during the past two or three years for the merchants of the community to close their places of business between the hours of twelve and three on Good Friday, and it is hoped they will do so again this year. A cordial invitation to all who desire to attend this service is extended.

STUDEBAKER SALES AND SERVICE OPENS

F. J. Wurster, of Detroit, who, for the past seven years, has been connected with the Studebaker Corporation in the sales department, announced late last week the opening of a Studebaker sales and service garage in Birmingham at 207-209 South Woodward avenue, in the front half of the Callahan garage. The new firm will be known as the Craig-Wurster-Stapleton Studebaker Sales and Service.

Mr. Wurster and Mr. Craig will be the active members of the local agency, Mr. Stapleton being engaged in business in Detroit. Mr. Craig, before coming to Birmingham, was the Studebaker dealer at East Jordan, Michigan. Mrs. Lula Hazzard will also be connected with the sales department here.

PERSONALS

The regular meeting of the O. G. Club was held at the home of Sadie Moore on Oakland avenue, Tuesday evening. Two new members, Florence Kitchen and Eleanor Haack, were received. After the business of the evening, a very pleasing luncheon was served by the hostess.

Katherine Bromley of Bloomfield Hills, left Wednesday for Miami, Fla., where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Robinson. She will not return for about six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Groves of Argus street, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Monday, March 19. They will name him Gerald Edward.

The teachers of the Baldwin high school were entertained last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin C. Hart of Townsend street. About thirty were present and all joined in making the evening a pleasant one. Games and stunts were the order of events, the most noteworthy being a sham lawsuit put on by the male members of the faculty. Cake and ice cream were served after which all emerged into a pouring rain, homeward bound.

There will be a story hour at the Baldwin Public Library Saturday morning at 10:30 sharp. All the little children are invited to come.

Rev. Charles McCurdy of the St. James church spoke at Christ church, Auburn, at the special Lenten service Thursday evening on "The Church in the Hour of Crisis."

A costume party of unusual pretiveness was held at the home of Frank Gordon of Southfield avenue, Tuesday evening, in honor of Mrs. Gordon's birthday anniversary. Bouquets of spring flowers, tulips and hyacinths were scattered throughout the house and were used as centerpieces for the small tables which were set for dinner. After a very fine dinner, the ladies were cleared for bridge. Various prizes were given for winners at cards but Loren Stauch as a "little blonde girl" certainly won a prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Rollins of Bloomfield Hills, will leave tomorrow for California.

Sunday last, Mrs. Chas. Bowen, of Pierce street, entertained at a dinner in honor of the twenty-first birthday anniversary of her youngest son, Arthur. She was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Pauline Conley one day old, little Juanita Orlon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Brown of Pontiac.

On occasion of her fifty-eighth birthday, Mrs. William Campbell of Lincoln avenue, entertained her children and grandchildren at her home Tuesday evening. A dinner was served in the dining room, the old family table being decorated with a beautiful centerpiece of tulips and hyacinths. Music furnished entertainment for the evening. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Gibbons and son, Billy, of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stokes and son, Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doherty and children, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gibbons and daughter, Jean, of Birmingham.

Married at the Methodist parsonage, Wednesday, March 21, Mr. Alameron Mitchell to Jessie Caswell, both of Birmingham. Rev. Julian West officiated.

GORDON'S SCHOOL OF DANCING A BIG SUCCESS

Monday nights at the Majestic, Pontiac; Tuesdays at the Bir-Wood Inn, Birmingham. Mr. Gordon started a tremendous class last Monday evening at the Majestic, Pontiac, and another at the Bir-Wood Inn, Tuesday evening. A continuous stream of pupils are flocking to both places. Private lessons may also be had at your home by appointment. A large corps of instructors have been added. Mr. Gordon would like to hear from a few good lady instructors who know how to lead. Phone Birmingham 7013-F15 for appointments. adv48

NEW COMMISSION TAKES UP DUTIES

Begin Official Work Without Flowers Or Speeches Monday Night

MAKE APPOINTMENTS

Without pomp or ceremony, but with a good deal of seriousness, J. H. McBride, re-elected Village President, and Charles Bingham, new Commissioner, sat themselves down with Commissioner David A. Bell in the Village Hall Monday night and began the first lap of their tenure of office as officials of the people of Birmingham. For about two hours the new members of the Commission, together with Manager Starr and Clerk Hazel Clark, remained in session, attending to various matters concerning the welfare of the Village.

After listening to various presons who had business before them, the Commission made several appointments in the Village personnel.

Fred Quarton, Village assessor for last year, was re-appointed again for this year at a salary of $500 per annum, plus extra fees for levying all special assessments.

Charles Plumstead, of East Maple avenue, who so efficiently handled the Village funds as Treasurer last year, was re-appointed at a salary of $1,800 per year. Dr. A. W. Newitt, former Village Health Officer, was appointed to succeed Dr. George Ryquale, at a salary of $100 per year plus charges for special work.

Fred Aldred, of Forest avenue, at present a village employee, was appointed Building Inspector under the new building code recently adopted by the Commission. He will perform this duty along with his other work, it was said.

GAFILL RESIGNS AS VILLAGE ATTORNEY

The resignation of John J. Gafill of Southfield avenue, for more than two years Village attorney, was received and accepted by the Commission at their meeting Monday night. Various cases now undisposed of, and with which Mr. Gafill is familiar, will probably be prosecuted by him later, according to arrangements made by the Commission when they accepted the resignation.

Although Mr. Gafill's successor has not been appointed, it is believed that an attorney from Pontiac, or some other nearby point, will be engaged. This is necessary because of the few lawyers who live in Birmingham, none of whom care to accept the offer to look after the legal affairs of the community.

BASKETBALL SEASON CLOSES

The end of the basketball season in the various schools in this district will be marked by the tournament to be held at Ypsilanti, this evening. Beginning a basketball tournament, this will be a state championship gymnastic meet, Detroit Western, Pontiac and Ann Arbor Highs entering. Adrian, Royal Oak, Highland Park, Lansing, Jackson, Battle Creek, Port Huron and Ann Arbor are entered in Class A district basketball, while Monroe, Hillsdale, Howell, Redford, Flint, Bay City, Saginaw, Owosso, Ypsilanti Highs are entered in Class B.

Birmingham and Ypsilanti Central are looked upon as winners in the latter class. The season, which is now drawing to a close, was a very favorable one for the local five until the last few games, when they met defeat.

LOCAL PEOPLE ON TOUR

Tomorrow a group of Birmingham people will leave on a tour of the east with a party conducted by D. Porter of Oakland avenue. They will visit New York, Washington, Philadelphia and Baltimore and will be gone for about ten days. Among the people in the party are Esther Smith of the First State Savings Bank, Madaline Frederick and Mabel Brown of the Adams school, Miss Fleeman of the Barnum school, and Ethel Basett of Shain's Drug Store.

WOMAN'S LITERARY CLUB

The meeting of the Women's Literary Club Tuesday last, was held at the home of Mrs. R. J. Taylor of Southfield avenue. A purely social time was enjoyed. Prizes were given for the best anecdote related and for the manufacture of a bubble gum animal. Mrs. Hilty received the prize for the former, while Mrs. C. C. Osburn carried the honors for the latter. A very pretty luncheon served by the Free Press was an attractive feature. Dainty refreshments were served.

The next meeting, which is to be held in the Episcopal church parlors, is to be devoted to the "Passion Play." The meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Earl Potter, a witness of the Play at Oberammergau last summer.

Mrs. Ida Colton of Ionia, who has been residing with her daughter, Mrs. A. Fletcher of the Hunt road, this winter, was called to Freeport about three weeks ago by the illness and death of her brother, Myron Parkinson. From there she was called to Grand Rapids by the illness of a nephew, Bert Phillips. She is expected to return this week.

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