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COMMENCEMENT WEEK SERVICES BEGIN IN BALDWIN SUNDAY,

Rev. W. W. Ryan To Deliver Annual Baccalaureate Sermon Here

47 PUPILS GRADUATE

All Churches Except First Baptist To Unite In Ceremonies

By Helen V. Walker.

Announcement has been made this week of plans for the Commencement week program which starts Sunday evening at 8 o'clock with the Baccalaureate service in the Baldwin auditorium. Rev. W. W. Ryan of the Holy Name Church will deliver the address. The churches of the community, with the exception of the First Baptist Church, will eliminate their Sunday evening service and unite in the high school. Mrs. Neva Fossenkemper, formerly a teacher in the high school, will give several solos on the violin.

The senior class is in charge of the Class Day exercises which fall on Thursday evening, in the auditorium. The entire entertainment will be handled by the senior class, including the music. The valedictory address will be delivered by Miss Marie Young and the second honorary position of salutatorian is given to Miss Marion Trumbull. Rollin Smith, as president of the class, will also give a short talk. Other officers of the class are Robert Schorr, vice-president; Miss Marie Young, secretary, and Stanley Hunt, treasurer. "Deeds, not Dreams," has been chosen by the class as a motto, with maize and blue colors, and the Marechal Neil Rose the class flower. The program for class day will be chosen by the class singing a class song, composed by one of their members, Miss Dorothy Pote.

"Kings and Common People," is the subject for the Commencement address to be delivered by Prof. W. D. Henderson of the University of Michigan, on Friday evening. Rev. Mr. Charles H. McCurdy of the St. James Episcopal Church will give the invocation. Prior to the presentation of diplomas by superintendent of schools, Clarence Vliet, Rollin Smith, president of the senior class, will present a gift to the scholarship fund which will be received by Mrs. C. J. Shain, a member of the committee in charge of the fund.

The class, which has 47 members, is not the largest to graduate from the high school, being surpassed in numbers by the class of 1923. This class has six members which were eligible to graduation in February, who have remained to receive their degree in June, the Baldwin high school having no exercises at the mid-semester.

The graduates as they will appear for diplomas are: Orlou Bayley, Freda Faye Bisdorf, Warren E. Bray, John Conrad Burkman, Daniel Welcome Campbell, Eloise S. Carnahan, James Stuart Cobb, Luella Irene Cook, Katherine Madonna Dixon, Morris Benjamin Draper, Jr., Ina G. Evans, Clinton B. George, Doris Groves, Richard Wm. Haack, George Fred Hannaman, William Joseph Henry, Stanley Bowers Hunt, Winifred Hinman Huntoon, Florence M. Langerman, Evelyn Harriette Lockwood, Olive Maxwell, Karin Louise May, Marion Bell McClelland, Closson Bogue Miller, Irwin Hoffman Neff, Jr., Raynale Gerald Parks, Winfred Ernest Peck, Essie Luella Pettit, Dorothy Lee Pote, David Maxwell Purdy, Francis Edward B. Roehn, George Knowlton Rollins, Albert Shanley Rosso, Robert Williams Schorr, Edgar S. Sells, Wilbur B. Shippey, Rollin M. Smith, Florence Marie Terry, John Levington Thurber, Marion Elizabeth Trumbull, Helen Elizabeth Van Every, Bernice Irene Vaughn, Thornton Piers Walker, Mary Priscilla Westcott, Mary Oliver White, Grace Adelaide Wiley and Marie Thelma Young.

One hundred members of the Junior High School, members of the ninth grade taking the leading roles, will give a pageant, "America, Yesterday and Today," in the Baldwin auditorium Wednesday evening. This annual pageant will mark the passing of the ninth grade of the junior high school into the senior high school. Immediately following the pageant the members of the ninth grade will appear and be presented their ninth grade certificates by the superintendent of schools, Clarence Vliet.

BINGHAM NEW MANAGER FOR REAL ESTATE CO.

Charles A. Bingham, local insurance man, following his appointment as Birmingham manager for the Walsh, James & Wasey Co., real estate brokers and subdivders, this week moved his office from the Lewinson Building to the company's office on South Woodward avenue. Mr. Bingham will continue to handle insurance, he said.

ELECT OFFICERS FOR GREENWOOD CEMETERY

At a recent meeting of the members of the Greenwood Cemetery Association, the following officers were elected for 1924-25: Frank Schlaack, president; Miss Mary Satterlee, vice-president; Miss Mabel Kepner, secretary; Mrs. Will Blumberg, treasurer; Miss Mary E. Utter, perpetual care treasurer; Miss Anna Parks and Mrs. Florence Evans, collectors of dues; Mrs. V. Quarton, Luther Heacock, Miss Susan Trowbridge and Mrs. Thomas Nayin, members of the board.

"The Doggondest Game O' Baseball I Ever See", Remarked Silo To Us

REMINISCENCES

(Bits of Information Gathered from Local Citizens and Available Historical Records. Send Us Anything You May Have Of a Similar Nature.)

Do you remember when, in the early days people would take the ox-team and start out visiting, pick up the nearest neighbor, and drive on, taking in every one along the road, finishing up at the last house along the route, where the hostess would serve refreshments, usually doughnuts and coffee? Mrs. Wilks Durkee, whose husband kept the old tavern three miles west of Birmingham, used to make corn cake, baked on a pan before the fireplace, turned and baked again.

When guests came to the Hunters (the first settlers in Birmingham) to spend the evening, arriving in sleighs drawn by oxen, Mrs. Hunter would kill chickens and about midnight have a "thumping supper."

Early winters in Michigan were sometimes very hard for the new settlers. At times people had to live on corn meal. In the spring time the shad would begin running from the lakes into the small streams. Then a man would start out on horseback, telling everybody he met, "The shad are running."

Everybody then would start for the lakes to fish, and satisfy themselves with plenty to eat afterwards. John Burke told of spearing fish in the spring time at the outlet of Wing Lake.

People found clothes so dear and hard to get that men and boys wore aprons made of deerskin to protect their clothing. These would keep clean and white, unless one ate much meat. Then the men would rub their hands on their aprons, which would become discolored.

It grew to be a saying among the Indians, when they saw a man with a clean apron, "No pork, no pork."

The baseball history of Birmingham was definitely decided Decoration Day when members of the local Exchange and Rotary clubs met in combat on the Barnum Field and, after two hours of the rarest kind of baseball tactics, officially umpired by James Anderson, local chief of police, the score stood 29 to 13, in favor of the Exchangeites.

The game was really stopped for three reasons; first, it becoming apparent that the Rotarians could not pile up enough runs to win; second, the Exchangeites were so tired out from running around the bases that the services of an ambulance were imminently needed; and third, because the full nine innings were used up.

The game was staged to decide which club would buy a thicken dinner for both. Inasmuch as the Exchangeites lost considerable weight in piling up their total runs, the Rotarians were incumbent upon themselves to do all they can to replace said weight.

Silo Subdivision, retired farmer, who happened to be present at the game, said, "I been amungst those prezunt at a good many games of Amerikee's fav'rite sport, but I'll be doggoned if ever I see one played the way these 2 teams did Decoration Day.

"Course I'll admit that the Xchange club had more well fed fellers than the Rot'ry boys did, and several members of the Xchange club are said to have been professionals at sum time in their life, all of which was disfavorable to the Rot'ry men.

"I have the following remarks to say about the Xchange team: Cy Osborn, captain, who wore white pants and played as ketcher, noes how to ketch, throw and sumtimes hit. Doc Rice, who pitched part of the game, and Walter Stanley, who ketched, are both reg'lar perfeshunalls, to my noshun, only Doc throwed 'em too fast and Stanley struck out twice. Ted Sheridan, as 3rd baseman, could hit, but he brought in two many runs. Ralph Moulthrop, shortstop, hit a coupla homeruns, but was too hard on the Rot'ry club's fielders. Ralph Wilson had on a reg'lar uneeform for centerfield, but was too fat to get round the bases as he only made two runs. Bob Moore had on a golfer's suit in left field and made four runs because he made four good hits. Bob Chissus escaped the holes in right field, and while his team was at bat made five runs and quit making more 'cause he got tired out. Harry Starr, at second base, played good ball, and made five hits, but only one run as he didn't have no blueprints of the bases.

"As fur as the Rot'ry club is concerned, they did purty well for a bunch o' businessmen. Jim Cobb missed a throw from Averill, who pitched four innings, and the ball hit Jim in the jaw, and Jim told me afterwards that he'd have a belluva time readin' addresses on envelopes for a week to cum. Joe Stroup and Glenn Begole, who alternated from 1st base and ketcher respectfully to pitcher, played bum games fur them, as they say the only reason they ain't on the Tigers is 'cause Ty Cobb never asked 'em. Clarence Vliet, as centerfielder, never caught a fly but he made three hits out of 4 times to bat. Phil Williams only missed every fly that flew to right field, but Phil didn't have no support and is excused. Bill Story played a brilliant third base for a coupla innings, but he quit when he sprained his leg goin' after a fowl ball. George Jackson played most as ketcher and, with the help of the backstop, kept most of the Xchange team in the ballgame. The left fielder was an unknown local feller, who was substituted in place of Elmer Huston who, with Tom Cobb and Fred Crawford, kept away from the multitudes in Jim Anderson's Pierce street.

"Doc Shaw kept score. Doc don't belong to neither club, but he donated part of a lead pencil markin' down runs and dodgin' fowl balls. Jim Anderson made some awful decisions, but same was sustained 'cause Jim is chief of police and carried a gun."

And Silo chewed off a big piece of his plug as he concluded, "Effect the ketch-as-ketch was stiff and sore Saturday mornin'."

NATIONAL OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT CLOSES

Golfers From All Over Country Competing For Honors At Oakland Hills

SPLENDID WEATHER

Today's results in the National Open Golf Tournament, which began yesterday morning at Oakland Hills Country Club, will decide the winner of the national open golf championship this year. All during th week golfers from all over the country have practiced and played off matches. Even during the rainy days contestants of national reputation, among whom are Walter Hagen, Gene Sarazen, Bobby Jones, John Farrel, Jock Hutchinson, Mike Brady, Al Watrous, Harry Hampton and Ernie Ford, appeared for play in rainy day outfits.

Wednesday, East met West in the final warming up stunt preceding the tournament. Results showed ten points for the East against the West's eight. The outstanding figure in the contest was Wilfred Cox, "pro" from Brooklyn, who came through 69 strong points below par. He and Pat Doyle opposed Laurie Ayton and Dewey Weiner, westerners, in the final foursome; by his brilliant playing he won the necessary point which made the easterners victorious. The five others besides Cox whose score showed less than 75 were, Eddie Loos of Chicago, 72; Jim Diegel of Detroit, 70; Johnny Farrell, Laurie Ayton and Davey Robertson, 74's.

Preliminaries over, tournament officials laid their plans for the championship play scheduled for yesterday and today.

As yet no one has been able to answer the question which has been asked over and over ever since the tournament was planned, "Who's going to win the national open?" During previous years there have been six or seven outstanding favorites. One of them may win, or be usurped by someone just below the leaders. Among those "just below" are Jock Hutchinson, Bobby Cruickshank, Cyril Walker, Leo Deigel and several others.

Traps in front and at the sides of the greens were furrowed for yesterday's and today's play, while sand in those at the rear of the greens was kept smooth. Cups were placed in the best conditioned portions of the greens to improve putting.

Last night the visiting newspapermen were banqueted at the club. Members of the officials of the United States Golf association and of the Detroit district association will be feted.

OFFICIALS ASKED TO OPEN UP ANN ST.

Edgar C. McBride, of Pine Lake, owner of a good deal of Birmingham property, appeared before the village commission Monday night with the request that a street be opened which will connect Ann streets between Daines and Frank streets. Mr. McBride told the commission that he would give the land facing Frank street if he would not be assessed for the street opening costs. Other lands to be affected are owned by Simpson and Nye. The commission took the matter under advisement.

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MACHINERY COMING FOR VILLAGE WELLS

Equipment Here For 12-Inch Well; Will Operate It Monday

REPAIR STEAM PUMP

The 12-inch electrically driven centrifugal pump, ordered several weeks ago by the commission to be placed in one of the present wells at the water works Station while the steam pump is to be repaired, arrived Friday and will be installed and working by next Monday, according to manager Starr.

Part of the machinery for the new 18-inch well being sunk by the Layne & Bowler Co. north of the village on water works station on West Maple avenue has arrived. Starr said that this well will be fully developed as soon as the balance of the equipment is on the ground. Layne & Bowler are under contract to furnish Birmingham with a 350-gallon per minute well.

Boy Scouts To Take Charge Of Village Flag This Summer

Local Youths Will Display Old Glory Starting On June 14

The raising of the village flag on Memorial Day at the flag staff at Maple and Woodward avenues was marked by a very effective service by the Troup B-1, of the Boy Scouts of America, under the supervision of Local Scout Leader, Rev. W. C. McKnight. While the troupe bugler, George Schorr, sounded the salute, the flag was raised by flag bearers, Robert Wilson and Milton Thompson, to full mast, and lowered to half mast until 12 o'clock noon, to honor our dead soldiers.

The entire troupe re-assembled at the flag pole at 7:30 in the evening and, with the setting of the sun, and the boys standing at salute, the flag was lowered. Bugler Schorr sounded retreat on the bugle during the service. The flag when properly folded was returned to the village hall. The flag has never been kept folded properly, it is said by the boys in the troupe, and the officials of the police department were instructed by the scouts in the folding of the flag.

At the request of President C. J. Shain the scouts will be in complete charge of the village flag during the summer, raising it each morning and lowering it in the evening. Flag Day, June 14, is the day set for the first.

First Woodward Paving To Be Done Early This Fall

Groesbeck Expects Strip From 8 To 10-Mile Road Completed Then

Wider Woodward avenue from the Detroit city limits to Pontiac. Ten-mile road will be a reality by State Fair time this fall, is the substance of a statement just made by Governor Alex J. Groesbeck. Work will commence at once with the laying of the west side of the great roadway from the Eight-mile road through the village of Pleasant Ridge.

Frank Rodgers, state highway commissioner, announced last week that the R. D. Baker Construction company of Birmingham was the lowest bidder for the first stretch of pavement. Their estimate was $186,000 for a 40-foot pavement two miles in length, to be built on the west side of the road. The contract will be awarded at once.

Traffic will not be interrupted while this part is being laid, but will proceed as usual over the present roadway until the new pavement is completed. Plans will then be made to switch to the west side of the street, so the street car tracks can be moved and work commenced on the east side.

Thad D. Seeley of Pontiac, who has in hand the securing of the right of way, says that the next three weeks will actually see the work under way.

"The biggest part of the work has been done," says Mr. Seeley, "in spite of the fact that a huge amount of work still remains to be done. Some idea of the task still remaining can be realized from the fact that there is still three or four miles of twenty-foot frontage to be dealt with. We are, however, making good progress. Between Pontiac and Birmingham but little remains to be done."

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SPREAD ASSESSMENT ON PIERCE PROJECT

Cost Per Foot For Curb, Gutters And Gravel Amounts To $2.87

START WORK AUGUST

Following the final hearing on the installation of curbs and gutters, as well as hard-surfacing the road with gravel, on Pierce street, village trustee Charles Plumstead Monday night was directed by the commission to spread the special assessment roll.

The work to be done begins at Brown street and extends south to Lincoln avenue. According to the assessment roll, the cost per front foot for the improvement will amount to approximately $2.87. Thirty days' notice will be served on all property owners along the street to pay the assessment in one lump sum, or to be spread over five years, according to personal desires.

"We plan to start work on this project about August 1," manager Starr said yesterday, "and will have it completed by fall. One thing must be done, however, is the removal of all old iron pipes and lead ones installed by property owners. The installation of curbs and gutters and new gravel on Pierce street will be in the nature of a permanent improvement, so that all precautions must now be taken to eliminate future digging up of the street."

Evidently "Billy" Gave The Girl Reporter a Big Dish of Ice Cream

By Phyllis Myhrs

One feels like a desert traveler who has come upon a cool, welcome oasis, when he enters. As he sinks into one of the chummy little booths which range along either side wall, the smooth marble counters, table tops and floors give the impression of airiness. There is the atmosphere of an arched southern salon about the place. The walls with their splashings of blue and gold and silver paint above a tawny paneling make one think of sunny waves against a sandy shore. In fact, one fairly breathes of the ocean and California when he goes into Billy's place.

And this is just as its proprietor would have us feel for all the time he motored down the coast and came over across to California on his recent trip he searched for an inspiration for such a place. He feels that his new venture combines all artistic ideas from all over southern and western United States.

Six years ago it will be remembered that "Billy" was doing business in his "hole in the wall" where Whittenberger's now stands. A little later he replaced what used to be "Bill" Deer's barber shop on West Maple avenue. Now his "southern creation" occupies an entire ground floor on West Maple avenue. An idea from the south made real by a bit of remodeling and decorating by Dale Carter, local decorator and paperhanger, has given to Birmingham a business place unlike any possessed by cities even twice as large.

LOCAL BOYS WIN PLACE IN U. OF M. TENNIS GAME

In an All Campus Tennis Tournamnt at the University of Michigan this week, two local boys, James McKnight, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. McKnight, and Arthur Hartwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hartwell, of Brown street, secured second place in the double finals. This is the same place held by the couple last Spring I believe that many a toiling man and hard working woman hear above the grind of the city about them, the voice of God and the music of heavenly harmony. Thousands of people in our land, too poor to buy a radio outfit, have in their private closets a

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C. C. STEWART PARADES IN MASONIC FESTIVAL

After eight years of successive attendance at the annual conventions, Clare Stewart of Birmingham was the lone representative of the Moslem Chanters at the Shriner's Imperial Council in Kansas City, Mo., Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The 300 members of Moslem Temple's uniformed bodies, Chanters, Band and Patrol, eliminated trip this year in an effort to save money for the completion of Detroit's new Masonic Temple. Mr. Stewart was the only Detroit representative and took part in the three parades alone, carrying a banner marked, "Moslem Chanters, Detroit."

ST. JAMES WILL HOLD FIELD-DAY TOMORROW

Local Church To Stage Annual Affair At Pine Lake; Games, Contests

TO GIVE OUT PRIZES

An unusual setting is offered this year for the annual field day and picnic of members of the St. James Parish, tomorrow. The adjoining summer homes of Mr. and Mrs. Tunis Story at Pine Lake are to be opened to members of the parish for games, contests and a luncheon at noon and picnic supper at 6 o'clock in the evening.

More than the usual interest has been manifested in the preparations. Automobiles will leave the church at 11 o'clock to furnish transportation for participants who have made no other arrangements. Mrs. W. W. Carpenter of Townsend street is in charge of the transportation.

A committee composed of Mrs. Fred D. Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Illett, Miss Mary Taliaferro and Mrs. George Moore, is arranging for entertainment which will consist of games, races and contests. Prizes for every entrant in any of the events have been contributed by Mrs. T. R. Donovan of Bloomfield Hills.

The luncheon at noon is in charge of Mrs. W. B. Brown of Southfield avenue. The picnic supper is in charge of a committee including Mrs. F. W. Boynton, Mrs. R. D. Baker, and Mrs. H. J. Connine. The lunch has been solicited, with the exception of the sandwiches which will be furnished by the guests.

The picnic grounds may be reached by following the Square Lake road from Bloomfield Center west, approximately five miles, to a stone entrance marked "Interlochen," which leads to the right. The two cottages are located on the left in the lake and may be reached by following the good roads. Mrs. Tunis Miner and Mrs. William Story will act as the hospitality committee.

OUR NEW BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Grace Carey Howard, of Pontiac, began her duties this week as bookkeeper at the Eccentric office. She will supplant in that place the services of Miss Lydia Mikkola, whose marriage to Melville Glasson of Highland Park takes place tomorrow.

THE PULPIT OF THE PRESS

A Series Of Weekly Preachments By the Clergy Of Birmingham.

GOD AND THE RADIO

By Rev. Julian T. West of the First M. E. Church of Birmingham

Perhaps, the most wonderful invention ever conceived by the human brain is the radio. How marvelous to think that the air around us is continually filled with human voices, some talking, some singing, some preaching, some lecturing, some entertaining and—wonders of wonders—at night while we are sleeping, all kinds of messages are being carried over us through the night as silently as the flight of birds. And to hear them, all we need is the right kind of a receiving set and the inclination to tune in. Now, why should it be thought fanatical to suppose that our world is full of voices from the spirit world—from the world of God and angels—which may be our loved ones? To get them, all we need is a receiving heart and the inclination to tune in. An obedient heart is the receiving instrument and true prayer is tuning in.

Is it logically conceivable that the Detroit Free Press has a great broadcasting station by which it can send out messages and its music all over the United States, and that God has none by which to reach His world and to communicate with His children?

I believe that the loving thoughts of God toward his children are "radioed" out through all the world, bringing strength and joy and hope. I believe that many a toiling man and hard working woman hear above the grind of the city about them, the voice of God and the music of heavenly harmony. Thousands of people in our land, too poor to buy a radio outfit, have in their private closets a

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GUN CLUB HOLDS ITS MEMORIAL DAY MEET

Marksmen From State And Canada Compete For Prizes Here

SCORES ARE OFFICIAL

Over 100 guests and members attended the annual shoot of the Birmingham Gun Club on their grounds southeast of Birmingham on Decoration Day. The shoot was the first official one in the state and drew sportsmen from all over the state and Canada. The shoot started with an hour of practice in the morning at 9 o'clock and continued, after a luncheon served at noon by Edgar Parks, until dusk.

Although approximately 50 local marksmen participated in the shoot, the high score in each important event was held by one of the visiting shooters. The feature event of the shoot was the 100 bird target match with 80 participants. Four gold watches were offered by the Gun Club to the high man in this match, which was divided into four classes. In the "A" class, Dr. L. J. Britton of Britton, received the gold watch after settling a tie of 92 out of 100 shots with two other shooters. In the second class, B. S. Gaylord of Owosso was presented the gold watch with a score of 91 successful shots out of 100. Dr. C. G. Brown of Detroit and E. W. Clark of Jackson, received the third and fourth prizes with scores of 88 and 86 respectively.

In the Handicap event, which followed, 55 shooters tried their luck with W. G. Cavers of Detroit, the winner, holding a score of 46 out of 50 shots. Mr. Cavers was also the winner in the double target event.

ERNEST PHILLIPS KILLED IN WRECK

Local Man Dies When Train Runs Amuck In Indiana On Sunday

While returning from a week-end trip to Chicago, Ernest Phillips, 32-year-old son of Mrs. Perry G. Phillips of Quarton road, was instantly killed as the result of a collision Sunday night on the Wabash railroad just outside Attica, Ind. Eastbound passenger train number two is believed to have hit a split rail and crashed into the freight which was standing on a siding. The wreck occurred at 11:45 Sunday night. The dead, which included Phillips, and the twenty injured, were taken to Lebanon, Ind., and Danville for care.

Ernest Phillips was born at his mother's present home on Quarton road, completing his schooling in the Birmingham schools about thirteen years ago in the high school. He was employed at the Ford Motor Company in Highland Park. He was on his way to return to work when the accident occurred. Besides his widowed mother he leaves a brother, Liniol Phillips, who also lives on Quarton road.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon from the Daines & Bell Chapel, at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. Stevens of the Seventh Day Advent Church, officiating. Interment will be in Greenwood cemetery.

ALWAYS try to phone the Eccentric your classified ad before Wednesday noon of each week. Our number is 11 — 12. adv4tf

CALL MASS MEETING TO DISCUSS WIDER WOODWARD AVENUE

Manager Starr Will Present Plan To Make Street 100 Feet Wide

NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT

President Shain To Preside Over Meeting In Baldwin High School

Following a meeting Wednesday noon between village manager Harry S. Starr and a group of local committees appointed to look into the matter of formulating a plan for widening Woodward avenue through Birmingham, it was decided to call a public mass meeting to further discuss the proposition next Tuesday evening, in the Senior Session room of the Baldwin high school, from 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock.

Those present with Starr Wednesday were: Clarence Vliet, Charles J. Shain, J. H. McBride, Louis Hascall, George R. Averill, Elmer Huston and Ralph Moulthrop, each of whom has given considerable study to the question of aiding the state in carrying out Birmingham's share of the widening of "America's Most Dangerous Highway" through the village.

Unless next Tuesday's meeting brings forth a better plan for widening the street, manager Starr's idea will be presented to representatives of the state for their immediate acceptance or approval.

"The plan proposed contemplates making Woodward avenue through Birmingham 100 feet wide between property lines, and the construction of an additional street on the present Grand Trunk right-of-way, after the tracks are removed," manager Starr explained when showing his map Wednesday. "In mentioning the word 'street' I mean all the space between property lines, because street lines and property lines are the same thing.

"The state plans to construct two 40-foot pavements, one on either side of the D. U. R. interurban tracks, on a 200 foot right-of-way," continued Starr. "This 200 foot street entering Birmingham from the south will continue, according to my plans, 200 feet wide as far north as George street. At George street Woodward avenue will vary from 200 and 100 foot right-of-way and will continue on Woodward avenue and also on the Grand Trunk right-of-way to a point in intersection approximately 500 feet north of Oak street.

"The pavement on the east side of the car tracks from Lincoln avenue to George street will vary in its width, but on the west side it will be paved from the car tracks to within 10 feet of the property line. From George street north the pavement on Woodward avenue will be 80 feet wide between the curbs, and the space between the car tracks will be paved. A 10-foot pavement will be laid north along the Grand Trunk right-of-way.

"Woodward avenue is now 100 feet wide in the business district, with 66 feet of pavement. No property will have to be taken in this district, which runs from Willetts street south to the Boughner Bros. Garage, but the sidewalks will have to be cut to 10 feet in width. From the business district to George street, 17 feet will have to be taken from the property on both sides of Woodward avenue. From George street to Lincoln avenue, the amount taken from the west side would range from 17 feet at George street to 34 feet at Lincoln avenue, and the balance of the 200-foot right-of-way will be taken from the east side.

"From Willetts street north the amount of property taken from each side will vary from two feet to 17 feet, on account of the fact that the present street lines are not parallel and vary in width from 66 to 95 feet. From Willetts street north the west street line will angle out to meet the 200-foot roadway at about the north line of the Sunny Crest subdivision, and the east line will follow approximately the present east street line until it intersects with the proposed street on the Grand Trunk right-of-way."

At the meeting next Tuesday night, which will be presided over by village president Shain, a map of Woodward avenue, 35 feet long, will be shown with Starr's plan outlined. A big attendance is requested at the meeting, which is open to all citizens.

M. A. C. Students On Inspection Trip To Local Estates

Annual Tour Being Made Under Guidance Of Emerson Brown

Under the guidance of Emerson Brown, a local landscape gardener, a class of 27 from the School of Landscape Architecture at Michigan Agricultural College, spent yesterday visiting the surrounding estates. The class was accompanied by their professor, C. E. Halligan. This trip to Birmingham has become an annual affair at the college. Arrangements were made with the owners of large estates in Bloomfield Hills for the class to visit their property to make a study of the practical work.

Birmingham is listed with two other districts around Detroit, which come on the program of the school. Today the class will visit the Henry Ford estate at Dearborn and tomorrow an inspection will be made of the Grosse Pointe district. These three sections lying around Detroit are visited annually and are considered by the class instructors to be the most perfect specimens of landscape architecture in this section of the state.