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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 2nd day of March, A.D. 1925.

Present Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of James R. J. Williams, Deceased.

Robert D. Lopez, administrator of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time be also fixed whereon he will receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by, and hereby and court.

It is ordered, that four months from 6th day dated be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is further ordered, that the 6th day of July, 1925, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

ROSS STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
DAN A. McCAFFEY, Register of Probate. 46-48

Wednesday night in the home gym, local basketball girls beat Royal Oak with a score of 30 to 7, while the boy's quintet met the Royal Oak five and clinched victory for a majority of two points, the final marking being 19 to 17. Tonight the local basket ball quintet have invited Port Huron over for a "knock-out, drag down." This is expected to be an exciting encounter as the opposing team has come out victorious over a number of the best teams local boys have lined up against.

## Graduate Of Baldwin High School Radio Operator at M. A. C. Station

Through the talent and industry of George "Red" Rollins, a former high school student, the Birmingham high school special departments are basking in a little glory that comes through a recent appointment at M. A. C.

Rollins was, because of his splendid knowledge of radio, given the position of radio engineer and operator of the Michigan Agricultural College radio broadcasting station WKAR. This is by no means a small or insignificant station. The equipment was the same used by the Detroit News, WWJ, until the installation of their big new station, several months ago. The broadcasting set was a gift of the News to M. A. C.

Rollins is the son of Mrs. Helen Rollins of Springfield, Mass., and before he was graduated from the Birmingham high school, last June, he had made his home here with a brother, Dexter Rollins, on Pierce street. He attended the local school for two years and was a member of the radio class and was active in the high school radio club. He specialized in science in the high school and is following the same line of study at M. A. C. During the summer months he pursued his radio work by acting as commercial radio operator on a Great Lakes steamer.

GEORGE ROLLINS

## "Babe" Hanna When Here, Now "Pete" In Ann Arbor, Is A Star

By Helen V. Walker

By adding some eight or ten inches to his stature and expanding in all directions to some degree, "Babe" Hanna, formerly the tiny mascot of the Birmingham high school team, has stepped into the limelight as a very real player. Following a big basket ball game recently between Ann Arbor, on whose team "Babe" is captain, and Saginaw, the Ann Arbor paper says: "With 14 goals from the field and one front the foul line, Capt. 'Pete' Hanna, almost single handed, defeated Saginaw Eastern basketball game played here last night, the purple and white five winning by a score of 38 to 20."

"Babe" as he was known during his school life in Birmingham, has, as a title given him at birth, the name of Donald. This was soon revised on his arrival at the Ann Arbor schools to "Pete". He is a senior in the high school in Ann Arbor and has played on the team since the family moved there several years ago. His title "Babe" was given him because of his small stature and for several years he was the idol of the basketball teams as their mascot and was almost as popular with the basketball fans as was the worthiest player.

The Saginaw paper also was free with its praises of Captain Hanna in his game on the floor. "Inability of Saginaw high to stop Captain Pete Hanna, star Ann Arbor forward, resulted in Saginaw taking a beating from Ann Arbor Friday night. . . . Hanna was more than enough to beat Saginaw alone, so far as scoring was concerned. He scored 29 points, establishing the best individual scoring performance that the Saginaw valley has seen in many years and what is believed to be a record for the season against a class A team. Hanna showed Saginaw some of the pretty art dribbling that any high school boy ever exhibited in these parts."

While acting as mascot to the local team it would seem that "Babe" was acquiring some of the technique and style of the players. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hanna, of Ann Arbor, formerly of Birmingham.

## ALL BUT 2 SIGNED FOR LINCOLN EXTENSION

All but two of the abutting property owners along the proposed extension of Lincoln avenue, west from Southfield avenue to Cranbrook road, have agreed to the opening of the street, according to Charles Plumstead, village treasurer, who has had the work in charge. Mrs. C. K. Latham and Dr. Ives have not yet signed up because, according to Mr. Plumstead, they want to be released from special assessment later; this assurance cannot be given them, it is said.

If the matter is taken into court through condemnation proceedings, village officials believe that no damages will be awarded. Mrs. Latham, who owns a corner lot, believes that she is entitled to receive something for releasing enough of her property to start the street opening at Southfield avenue; she is willing to give the lands providing she is not assessed for the highway.

## MARCH 12, DATE SET FOR UNION P.-T. A. MEETING

Next Thursday, March 12, is the date set for the annual union meeting of the Birmingham Parent-Teacher associations. To be held in the Baldwin high school, the meeting will begin with a pot luck supper, followed by an interesting program in the session room. Miss Carrie L. Dicken of Ann Arbor is the principal speaker. She will discuss what it is possible for a P-T. A. to accomplish. She has been interested in this work for years and is one of the state authorities on these organizations.

Mrs. J. C. Huston of Pierce street is arranging the program, and the supper is being managed by Mrs. Hector Grant. The 200 that are expected at the supper will be members of the four local associations.


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## Service Club Elects Cook To Presidency

New officers who will remain at the head of the Young Men's Service Club for the next six months were installed at the meeting of the club last Wednesday noon in Taft Hall, following their election the previous Wednesday. J. B. Howarth talked to the young business men after the installation of their officers. He gave them a history of taxation that all important political campaign, "plank" just now. He carried the story of taxes back to the first need for the raising of money for public purposes, bringing the story down to the present day when taxes are one of the important phases in the public's life.

Grover E. Cook was installed as the new president of the club. Cook is a pharmacist in the Shajn drug store and was formerly vice president of the club. Percy Burnett of the First National Bank is the retiring president. Stanley Treadwell of the Wilson drug company took the chair of vice president, vacated by Cook. The secretary's book that have been presided over for the past six months by Russell McBride were given to the new secretary, Claude Morrow of the Detroit Edison Company, and Clarence Russell of Olsen's Market assumed the duties of treasurer in the place of Charles Peck, former treasurer.

Election of various committees and boards to direct the functioning of the club is expected at an early meeting of the club, which meets each Wednesday noon in Taft Hall.

## HOWARD SENTENY, STUDENT, INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

At 4:00 p.m. Monday, while crossing from the high school to the Hall walk in front of the D.U.R. Station, Howard Senteny, local Junior High student, was run down by a southbound machine owned and driven by Sidney Morris, of East Warren avenue, Detroit. As a result of the accident young Senteny's right leg was broken above and below the knee.

In an unconscious condition he was taken to the office of Roy Raynale and Gordon, on the First National Bank Block, by Mr. Morris. After receiving local treatment he was transferred to Pontiac City Hospital where his condition is reported as improving.

Young Senteny, 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Senteny, of Hunt Road, Maple Crest, was waiting for a south-going interurban when he remembered an errand he was to do and, without looking for oncoming traffic, he started for the sidewalk. Unable to stop in time he struck the machine. Mr. Morris struck the boy, who was running diagonally across his path. Howard, who is in the seventh grade here, will probably remain out of school until the September term.

### Lily Mae Stites

Lily Mae Stites, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leth E. Stites of 534 Fairwood Ave., Ferndale, was born Nov. 18, 1924, and died very suddenly Feb. 20, 1925, after one day's illness.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Charles H. McCurdy and Rev. S. A. Haynes at the home of her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Curry, of 509 Bates St., Monday, February 23, 1925. The burial was at Roseland Park Cemetery.

Mrs. L. E. Stites, nee Isabelle Curry, graduated from the Birmingham

## Mitchell Backed At Legion Convention In Pontiac Friday

Of the 250 members of the American Legion and the women's auxiliary of the legion who attended the convention of the Sixth district and the banquet on Friday night in Pontiac, ten were Birmingham people. Several local members of the legion were also active in the preparations for the convention, holding positions in the various committees. This was said to be the largest and most successful sixth district convention held since the organization of the American Legion.

Resolutions backing Brig. Gen William Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service, in his fight for a bigger and better air defense, and urging the calling of another international armament conference, were adopted by the convention. Other resolutions passed urged the replacement of the present U. S. Marine hospital at Detroit; maintenance of the army and navy standards, set in the National defense act of 1920 and the 5-5-3 ratio, and immediate improvement of Selfridge field.

The convention lasted all day Friday of last week, using as its headquarters the American Legion home on Auburn avenue. Fifty women from the various posts of the district attended the meeting of the auxiliary in the afternoon. It was an enthusiastic meeting, with the reports of accomplishments and discussion of future work. Women from here who took an active part in the afternoon activities included Mrs. Merel Taylor, Mrs. Bert Noss, Mrs. Harold Corson and Mrs. Wylie Pearsall.

Among the men from here who were at the convention and who were interested in the preparations were Joseph McGregor and Harold H. Corson, members of the Credentials committee; Wylie Pearsall, of the committee on By-laws, and Merel Taylor and Loren Shippey who did not act officially.

All members of the legion are now urged to make an enthusiastic showing, next Wednesday evening when the local branch of the American Legion holds a meeting here in the Town Hall on Bates and Merrill streets. Several matters of direct importance to the legion are on the books for discussion.

## LOCAL ENTRANTS IN ORATORICAL CONTEST PREPARING SPEECHES

Rehearsals and rebuilding of speeches by the three local high school entrants in the annual Oratorical Contest began this week under coaches Melvin C. Hart, Miss Chloe Hardy, and Mrs. Ayrs Howarth. "Lincoln the Constitutionist", was chosen by Miss Margaret Hewitt, and Carpenter Hewitt, while Albert Guthrie is working on "Constitutional Government." District contests will be held on April 17, at which time the local contestants will compete in the home auditorium.

A great amount of interest is being manifested throughout the country in this Contest which is sponsored and underwritten by newspapers all over the United States. In Michigan, The Detroit News is at the head of the movement described as a "clean cut newspaper contribution toward better and more intelligent citizenship."

All educators, local and remote, as well as powers all over the country, laud the Oratorical Contest as a fine means of educating the youth of this country in the United States Constitution and its amendments. President Calvin Coolidge, who was inaugurated in the Nation's Capital Wednesday, says of it "The National Oratorical Contest sponsored by National representsents the most effective method of enlisting the interest of the young men and women of America in the study of our Governmental institutions."

## MT. CLEMENS STUDENTS GO WILD OVER VICTORY

Physical constitutions of the older residents of Mt. Clemens would be tested to the limit if they witnessed a game of basketball, if their local team feel about all victories as they did in the case of defeating the Birmingham team two weeks ago. The hilarity of the Mt. Clemens team reached such heights, after they had won the game, that they climed into the court house in the public square in Mt. Clemens and began ringing the court house bell for several minutes, very fiercely.

Old ladies in the town, who in their many years had never known such an occurrence, fainted. The telephone operators were unable to give any satisfaction as to the cause for the bell ringing and were even unable to keep up with the shower of calls that came through trying to find what "it was all about".

It was almost a panic that seized the Mt. Clemens people and police finally entered the court house and ushered out the young enthusiasts who were taking turns pulling the bell rope.

## Some Very Clever Acting Last Week By Village Players

Before an audience of 100 of its members last Saturday night all the members of the Birmingham Village Players presented two one-act plays and further proved that a good deal of historic ability is present in Birmingham.

"The Return of Buck Gavin," written by Thomas Clayton Wolfe, was ably given by Waldo E. Fellows in the title role, supported by Mrs. John J. Graff as his sister, Mary, and Archie Utter, as the sheriff. This play, which admirably portrayed mountaineer life in Kentucky, was splendidly acted. Mr. Fellows stepped into the presence of Mrs. Graff, while the latter sat disconsolately mourning the loss of a brother, killed by officers. It was revealed that "Buck", who was present when his brother was shot, fled to the mountains in a successful attempt to elude the officers of the law; unable to stay any longer, "Buck" came to the cabin of his sister, and was about to take some flowers to the grave of his brother when Mr. Utter, brandishing a wicked looking revolver, entered the cabin. The dialect of the mountain people was very well known in the lines of the actors.

"Fancy Free"

"What appeared to be a take-off on the "eternal triangle" was transformed into a delightful sketch from "Fancy Free", from the pen of Stanley Houghton was presented. Mrs. Loren G. Stauch, as "Fancy", sat in the waiting room of a fashionable hotel with "Alfred," the part taken by Hal G. Trump, both of them trying to write a letter to her husband, telling of "Fancy's" elopement with "Alfred." The discourse between the two provoked a good deal of laughter.

The ludicrousness of the situation was emphasized when Dr. George P. Bayrinde, as "Ethelbert", the supposedly innocent husband of "Fancy", strode into "Alfred's" presence. The latter began to make certain attempts to get "Ethelbert" out of the room, as "Fancy" was expected to return momentarily. In a burst of confidence "Alfred" told "Ethelbert" that "Fancy" was in the hotel with him and asked advice. Being young "Ethelbert" made no trouble about the situation. Laughs followed laugh and then the audience actually roared as "Fancy" acted by Mrs. Lucas Case, appeared as "Ethelbert's" "friend." Followed a few moments of lively repartee between the two women, during which "Alfred" going down as "Fancy" claimed her husband, and "Delia" capturing "Alfred."

The acting was cleverly done—everyone present voting the Village Players a success. Refreshments were served after the plays by Mrs. M. S. Glover, assisted by several other members.

"The Return of Buck Gavin" was directed by Mr. Fellows, while Miss Betty Penny, of Euclid avenue, directed "Fancy Free".

## MRS. MANN RE-ELECTED TO P.-T. A. PRESIDENCY

Only a short program followed the election of officers at the March meeting of the Baldwin parent-teacher association held last Tuesday evening in the high school. The office of president was vacant owing to resigning some decision of Mrs. R. H. Mann, who was re-elected to the office, but who was in question about being able to accept, in the event she is unable to fill the chair, in the fall, a new president will be elected. B. F. Wendel was elected vice president, Mrs. R. C. Streb, second vice president, Mrs. R. H. Mann, third vice president. Miss Olga Westenfelder was elected secretary and Miss Rhoda Densmore, treasurer.

R. H. J. Corpell was the speaker on the program that followed the election and told the members of the problems of the school board in a brief way. B. F. Wenzel, accompanied by Mrs. Arthur Peck, gave several vocal solos.

## ELY TO TALK ON "TAXES" TO LOCAL CIVIC LEAGUE

"Taxes", that subject which is attracting the attention of every voter at this particular season, is to be the substance of a speech by Frank G. Ely to members of the Woman's Civic League, at a meeting of the league next Monday afternoon. Mr. Ely is city assessor of Pontiac and is said to be the best informed man in this section on this particular subject.

Following the meeting, which is to be held in the community house, the Civic League will go to the polls in a body to cast their ballots at the spring election. The league is making no especial effort this election to bring the voters to the polls as they have on several occasions in the past.

## MRS. C. C. OSBORNE TO HEAD LITERARY CLUB

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Infirmary on March 11. This will provide the one occasion during the year when the club puts forth an effort for the comfort of the inmates of the infirmary, which has been an annual custom. Mrs. Hewitt will be assisted by Mrs. James W. Cobb and Mrs. W. D. Uptegraff. Two reading glasses, one for each the old men and the old women, are also to be included in the gift to the infirmary.

The brief program following the luncheon included several musical numbers by Mrs. Herbert Zerbe and by Mrs. Earl Potter, each accompanied by Mrs. Robert Chisnell at the piano. Mrs. Zerbe sang "Pale Moon" and "To You", and a group of three songs, "A Racoon Lullabye", "Dreaming" and "Happy Song" were given by Mrs. Potter. Mrs. Leland Bunyan gave two delightful readings, "Folk Story" and an anonymous poem.

Mrs. Starr's remarks on the election issue stimulated many questions from members of the Literary Club who will cast their ballots at the approaching election. He assured members that there would be no appreciable difference in the temperature of village water should an elevated tank be installed. He also went into details regarding the economy and saving in operation in the event of such an installation.


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## VILLAGE OFFICIALS EXPRESS DESIRE FOR HEAVY VOTE MONDAY

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week. "We hold office to look after the municipal interests of those who elected us, and to do the best we can for the good of all. We have worked hard during the past year, have lived within our income, and are always trying to do better with the rapid growth of the community. The propositions on which you will vote next Monday are things that vitally concern your welfare—we sincerely hope that you love Birmingham well enough to attend its annual meeting."

### Two Offices to Fill

Officer of village clerk Hazel Lawler and commissioner Charles A. Bingham are to be filled. Mr. Bingham is the only candidate to succeed himself, while Mrs. Lawler is opposed by Mrs. A. R. Looney. It is generally conceded that Mrs. Lawler will be re-elected.

### Two Bond Issues

Previous issues of the Eccentric have set forth details of the bond issues for an elevated tank and enlargement of the water mains of the town. The sum of $29,900 is needed for the elevated tank, while $12,900 is the cost of taking care of the water mains. No objections have been offered to the latter, and it is believed it will easily carry. A few people have raised objections to the elevated tank, although according to village manager Starr and members of the commission, the objections offered are founded on ignorance of engineering practice and sound business principle.

### Charter Amendments

The three proposed amendments to the village Charter are expected to meet the approval of practically all local residents. Members of the commission point out that the Charter was adopted seven years ago, and that, as the village has grown and consequently has been confronted with new problems, it naturally follows that changes in the village Charter are necessary from time to time.

Summed up briefly, the Charter amendments are as follows: (1) to amend the Charter so that all special assessment bonds may become general obligation bonds, and thus meet with a reader sale and less interest charge.

(2) to raise the amount that may be assessed against property for special improvements from 25 to 50 per cent. (For more complete details on this see reference in editorial column on page two.)

(3) to place members of the Library Board in nomination by petition instear of caucus. It is felt that a more representative expression of the electors' choice will be made if this amendment is approved.

## LOCAL SCOUT TOOOP B-1 WINS SILVER CUP.

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B1 will be contested for each year and the troop winning it three consecutive years will keep it permanently. Each year the name of the winning troop and the date are engraved on the cup, which is the gift of the Birmingham District committee, composed of 36 members.

The accuracy and punctuality of the troops, that is a part of their work, was apparent on Thursday night. The contest was just three minutes late in starting and ran just two minutes over the scheduled time for closing. Men acquainted with the scout work were enthusiastic in their praises of the local troops and highly endorsed the work of the new troop B-3 under Howard Crull, which has been organized only a few months and did such excellent work with their brother scouts, B-1.

Following the regular scout meetings of the two troops last Wednesday evening the Scouts had a united meeting and listened to a splendid talk by Edward G. Goldie from Detroit, and Lloyd L. Stanley of Madison avenue. Mr. Goldie is with the Safety Council in Detroit and talked to the boys on their duties at home in safeguarding their families. He mentioned especially small safety appliances that the boys could make that would furnish protection to their families about their daily life. Mr. Stanley discussed scout duty.

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## SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON WOODWARD PAVEMENT IS STILL POSSIBLE

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has held some discussion on the subject, to date they have not engaged any person to secure options on the east side of Woodward avenue through the village. They may do so within the next week or two.

### Special Assessment District

Further investigation into the matter of a special assessment district along Woodward avenue, from Detroit to Pontiac, revealed that such a possibility, though almost imperative under the present State highway law, may be eliminated if a certain bill passes the present State Legislature. It is known as the "Ming Bill", and its passage will allow the State to pay the entire cost of any State trunk line highway. The present law under which such State highways are constructed does not permit the State to pay from its treasury more than 75 per cent of the total cost of a road, it is learned; this proves conclusively, it would seem, that the possibility of creating a special assessment district to help pay the cost of widening Woodward avenue has been an ever-present possibility to date—this presenting a situation contrary to that voiced by State officials as to "who is paying for a Wider Woodward avenue".

The Eccentric reiterates its statement of last week that it does not wish to obstruct the widening of Woodward avenue through Birmingham, but it is compelled to make reports to the people of this vicinity the fact that a special assessment district may be created to assist in meeting the cost of the project.

### State Pays 75 Per Cent

Most of the residents of Michigan, including this reporter, have been assuming that the cost of any State trunk line highway was paid for entirely by the State; a inquiry directed to the Oakland County Road Commission this week revealed the fact that the State law does not permit State funds to pay more than 75 per cent of such cost. All the territory benefited by the widening of Woodward avenue is liable to a special assessment, and it is entitled to have some light shed on this matter by the State highway department.

### Local Situation Explained

Here is a brief summary of the exact situation of the widening of Woodward avenue through Birmingham:

The village commission does not intend to allow the State to Right Birmingham in the building of a trunk line, so they recently called State officials here and told them that Woodward avenue through this town must be 150 feet wide. The State officials requested figures showing what the cost of such a road would be, and suggested that Birmingham hire a man to get options on the west side and options on the east side of Woodward avenue. When this is done the matter will be presented to Governor Groesbeck and the State highway department, and a decision given.

State officials have already expressed a willingness to build an 80-ft. pavement on Woodward avenue through Birmingham, but this was refused on the grounds that Birmingham should be treated to a wide highway, as have other communities along the way.

## WILL HOLD TOWNSHIP PRIMARY TOMORROW

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nue, South of Lone Pine Road and North of Lincoln Avenue vote here.

Precinct No. 2—Woodward and Maple Avenues. Room 6, First State Savings Bank Bldg. All living East of Woodward Avenue and South of Lone Pine Road vote at Precinct No. 2.

Precinct No. 3—At Circle School West of Woodward Avenue on Long Lake Road. All voters living north of Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Township vote at Precinct No. 3.

Precinct No. 3—Clark & Lowman Real Estate office, Eco City, at Woodward Avenue and Humphrey Avenue. All voters living south of Lincoln and East of the Southfield Road vote at Precinct No. 3.

Because next Monday, March 9, is the annual village election day in Birmingham, both local banks will be closed all day.