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SIXTH DIST. REGION COLLECTS LAST WEEK VILLAGE LAST WEEK

Local Post Host to Delegates From Eight Posts and Woman's Auxiliary

LOCKROV TOASTMASTER

Shain, Vliet, Brewer, Gannier, And Others On Program At Masonic Temple

Birmingham's Masonic Temple on South Woodward avenue was the scene of the Sixth Congressional District's quarterly American Legion and Woman's Auxiliary Convention on Friday afternoon and evening when representatives from eight Legion posts put in their attendance. The affair was under the leadership of the Charles Edwards Post, George L. Wimsatt, Commanders and Joseph McGregor, Welfare Officer, in charge.

During the afternoon reports were given of state and national conventions, after executive committee and the different branches of the Legion work, including a report on the children's bill. Ottor Lake, of Miss Ann Cross.

Welcome By Shain

Following a roll call started at seven o'clock, Mr. Wimsatt introduced V. L. Lockrov, who as toastmaster, called on the various village presidents, who welcomed the convention to the village. Mr. Shain told the Legionnaires that an extraordinary citizen was watching most carefully the acts of the American Legion and would respond to its various calls indefinitely as long as the Legion proved that it was working for the benefit of all without exception. He added that the word "executive" man ought to be supplanted by the word "benefactor" in pointing out that all citizens of the United States are still serving their country—even in peace.

Vliet Main Speaker

Taking as his subject, "An American," Clarence Vliet, superintendent of the public schools, stressed the importance of education in the lives of boys and girls, to the end that they may become the best of America. He pointed out the need for physical training, and said that Birmingham's schools devote 20 per cent of the pupils' time to physical education.

Physical Examinations

"We intend to stress the examination of school children by doctors before continuing their studies," "One case we had to contend with here was a child who came to school with a fever, for which his parents were depending upon some kind of mental faith cure. Another case was a child who had his hands; when I consulted the child's parents I was told his blood was extremely good, but necessary to make 'An American' that means to be taken to insure its mental and physical development.

All People Related

"One of the great problems in this country is that of the assimilation of immigrants. It is most important that we know what gets into our bodies for in America we have different customs and traditions to live up to than in many of the countries of Europe. Every man, woman and child of today represents the apex of the mist that has grown out of our inequality. If you were to take your picture, arithmetically, back for 600 years you would find the multiplicity of your ancestors would make you the descendant of about one billion common people. This would prove that those whom you may sit with in most any part of the civilized world are really your cousins."

The Real Problem of the Schools

"The real problem of the schools today is not what the boy gets into his vest but what the girl gets into her high school or college. With the vast majority who never get into the grade schools," concluded Mr. Vliet.

Other Speakers

Other speakers in the program were Frank Vincent, of Milford, Col.; Augustus Gannier, of Bay City, Mich.; and W. J. Stritt, of Pontiac, Mrs. J. L. Stritt, of Detroit, Mrs. May Sweet of Highland Park, Miss Ann Cross of the High School, Paul Eger of Lansing, and Mrs. Eva Spaulding.

Joseph McGregor was named secretary-treasurer of the district at the business session. Mrs. Doris Thompson and Edna Johnson were named social entertainers for the convention. The next convention will be held in the afternoon at the High School. George F. Pullin catered to the banquet.

CLARK & LOWMAN TAKE DISTRICT LAWSUIT TO STATE SUPREME COURT

Defeated a few weeks ago when they sought damages to the extent of \$100,000 from the local school district, Frank A. Clark and George Lowman, builders of the addition to the Baldwin high school, this week appealed the case to the Supreme Court at Lansing. It will be heard next spring, they believe. This case originally grew out of the partial collapse of the Baldwin high school in 1922, which was heard in the Circuit Court at Pontiac a few weeks ago, at which time the Court ruled that no damages could be collected from the school district as the evidence pointed out that any neglect was in the hands of the contractors. A. M. Moore is representing Clark & Lowman, while Felton & McGee are attorneys for the school board.

BALLOON DANCE—Pacheta's Hall, corner Perry and Dodge roads, Saturday, November 14, 8 o'clock. Tickets, 25c.

The Story of Martha Baldwin And Awakening of Birmingham's Soul

MARTHA BALDWIN

Local Officials Confer With Berkeley Commission About Adjacent Lands

MAKE B'HAM 12 SQ. MILES

North, East, South And West Limits Described; Township is Interested

To the end that Birmingham may work to a definite goal relative to its ultimate municipal boundaries, the village officials Monday night went into the subject in detail, even contracting with members of the Berkeley Village Commission, who were present at the invitation of president Victor Peck, of the Berkeley commission.

Although their decision is arbitrary and subject to future change, Birmingham's officials believe that this village should definitely set its limits as follows: on the north, the north quarter road is the boundary line; on the east Monier road south of the Lasher road; on the west the Lasher road; on the south a variation between the 13-mile and 13 1/2-mile roads; on the north, the west of the Lasher road.

Total of 12 Sq. Miles

The total territory includes about 12 square miles, that then extends north and south and four miles east and west. These limits were described by a map showing the topography of the land, which allows for drainage chiefly.

This news is said to be of great interest to the remainder of the residents of Bloomfield township, who are waiting to see what much Birmingham will annex so that the rest of the township may incorporate and gain more power in restricting new subdivisions.

Seek To Help Out

Monday night's meeting was attended by a large number of citizens, many of which Walter Baird is president. These men discussed with president Shain and commission members the various subdivisions and the best method of assisting the numerous subdivisions between Birmingham and the north.

Local Amateurs Show Much Ability in Three One-Act Plays On Saturday

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Where They Came From

"The strange part of this—not so strange, after all—is that 38 per cent of all criminals come from the church-going class," said Rev. Crossland. "This leaves but two per cent of our criminals whose fraillies may be debited to the church."

PAVE WEST 12-MILE ROAD

Surveyors have been at work for the last week on the 12-mile road from the city to the west. The work is being done for the paving which will be done next spring.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On Saturday morning, November 14, a breakfast will be given from 7 to 10 o'clock. The Ladies Aid group is sponsoring this entertainment, and it will be held at the High School on West Maple. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. J. H. Stritt, 1214 S. 12th St. Group cards and enjoy a B & A breakfast.

FOR SALE

1200 sq. ft. and 175 per month including water and gas. Good location. Call Mrs. G. C. Jewell, 2800 1/2th St. or Mrs. J. H. Stritt, 1214 S. 12th St.

LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD ON ALBION GRID TEAM

Victor Peck, of Birmingham, a junior at Albion college, played right guard on the Albion eleven last Saturday in the contest with the Michigan team.

THEY PREB. PASTOR TAKES LOCAL DIPLOIT

Rev. F. E. Logee Preached First Sermon In Local Church; Is From Ohio

SUCCESSORS W. C. MCKNIGHT

Last Sunday morning the new minister of the First Presbyterian Church, Reverend Floyd Emerson Logee, delivered his first sermon before a large congregation. Like the other candidates who spoke at the church during the previous summer, Mr. Logee was asked to make a trial appearance by an investigating committee of six, comprising members of the congregation, trustees and others. He made a very favorable impression, and his appointment as pastor was announced last week.

LOCAL MAN'S FATHER HONORED IN DETROIT

Services Mark Presentation of Painting Of Late W. E. Robinson To School

WAS SUPT. OF SCHOOLS

Loren T. Robinson, of Oakland avenue, last Friday witnessed services in Detroit which honored his father, the late W. E. Robinson, who far more than any other citizen of the city has done for the education of the city's youth.

Passed Away Last July

Mr. Robinson, who was superintendent of Detroit schools, died last July. During the years which he spent in the Detroit schools, several innovations were inaugurated. It was Mr. Robinson who introduced the first kindergarten classes and the first school for the deaf. He was Detroit's first superintendent, holding office from 1886 to 1897.

Married in 1916

Mr. Logee was married in 1916, his wife graduated from the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago and then served as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Alabama, for two years. They have two children, Maria, aged four, and Emerson, aged eight years.

ANNUAL GROTTO INDOOR CIRCUS

At Pontiac Armory week of November 14 to 16. Featuring Miss Albrook, Miss G. C. Jewell, Miss J. H. Stritt, Miss G. C. Jewell, Miss J. H. Stritt, Miss G. C. Jewell, Miss J. H. Stritt.

Rev. Logee succeeds Rev. W. C. McKnight, who accepted a Detroit pastorate last spring.

Rotary and Y. M. C. A. Secretary

Mr. Logee was named secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Pontiac, Michigan, and will be in charge of the Y. M. C. A. at Birmingham, Alabama, for two years.

Rotary, Atkins, and Ryan New Rotarians

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VILLAGE COMMISSION DEFECTS STATE'S PLAN FOR A U-WAY HIGHWAY PROJECT

Local Officials Approve West Line Through Town, But Refuse To Approve Seeley's Blue Print Here On Monday

PLAN WOULD USE GRAND TRUNK FOR HIGHWAY

Meeting Of Engineers Called For Next Monday Night To Learn Groesbeck's Decision For Solving Problem Here

Perfectly satisfied with the proposed west side part of way line established by the State Highway department for the wider Woodward avenue project through Birmingham, but unwilling to go on record as favoring the entire blue print as submitted by Thad Seeley Monday of this week, members of the village commission Monday night refused to place their approval on any part of the plan, holding that such approval would be tantamount to endorsing Groesbeck's plan.

For the blue print which Mr. Seeley submitted for the approval of Birmingham depicted the solution of Woodward avenue in the village in two 100-ft. streets, one over the present Woodward avenue and the other over the Grand Trunk railroad's roadbed when it is abandoned upon removal at some future time.

JUST A BIT 'GREEN

Perhaps, the most gaudy, loud, howling, and bawling color picture any masculine eye has ever seen in Birmingham, is the one brought forth by Charles J. Shain, of Birmingham, in his speech at the meeting of the village commission Monday night. "I've got you recently lose an election because 'some of my gang over at the store tied this broker together with me and I'm going to wear it until they become tired of tryin' to make a greener out of me.'"

Expected Blue Print

The blue print which Seeley tendered to the village Monday had been expected, in part, for some time. It was understood that Seeley had been preparing a map showing the proposed west line of Woodward avenue through Birmingham. However, the blue print not only showed the west line of Woodward avenue, but also the 100-ft. proposed highway of the Grand Trunk roadbed. So the other side of the street was to be arranged for a meeting between Mr. Seeley and his engineers and the village directors Monday night. At this meeting the village will tell Mr. Seeley that they approved the west line only, but do not plan to approve the Grand Trunk roadbed.

How West Line Goes

Mr. Seeley's plan for the west side of Woodward avenue begins at Oak street where approximately 35 feet back of the present property line at Vinewood the west line would take 30 feet of property which conforms with the angle section of the western boundary line about 50 feet north of the local 15 feet will be required. From Harmon street the west line would take about 15 feet off the front of the store owned by the present Shain. From Harmon street the west line would take about 15 feet off the front of the store owned by the present Shain. From Harmon street the west line would take about 15 feet off the front of the store owned by the present Shain.

Business Section Untroubled

From the postoffice the west side of Woodward avenue will be untroubled by the business section located on the pavement now marked in front of the First Church of Christ, and the west side of Lincoln avenue about 17 feet will be taken, meeting the present west line of the street. This west line west line is agreeable to the village commission.

East Line "Not So Good"

Now, when it comes to the proposed east side right of way, the State has included on the blue print, the village commission balks. For this east side line would, if accepted, make Woodward avenue a 100-ft. street, with 70 feet of pavement. (Continued on Page 7)

Killed Sunday Night By D. U. Interurban

Charles Harkness, 60 years old, former of Niagara, Ontario, Canada, but lately of Royal, Ontario, was instantly killed when a D. U. Interurban car struck him on the head as he hurried his 50 feet from the street to the sidewalk. According to George Stevenson, Birmingham, the car was traveling at a high rate of speed when it struck Harkness, who was walking on the sidewalk. The car was traveling at a high rate of speed when it struck Harkness, who was walking on the sidewalk. The car was traveling at a high rate of speed when it struck Harkness, who was walking on the sidewalk.

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