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(Little Editorials picked up by the Staff in and around Birmingham.)

Rev. C. H. McCurdy, St. James' Episcopal Church: "Not more than five years ago I can well remember how few boys passed my house on their way to high school who were smoking. But things are different now; quite a few of the boys have taken up Lady Nicotine."

Clarence Vliet, supt. of Birmingham schools: "When I served as clerk on the draft board during the recent World War in Detroit, I was astounded at the jeraway physical condition of the average American boy. It's no wonder to me that men's clothing styles completely cover their bodies—while, on the other hand, women, with a higher percentage of physical perfection, conform to different styles of wearing apparel because, it would seem, they have fewer physical imperfections."

Ernest Valley, of Ridgedale avenue: "The thing ought to be done to help traffic on the new Woodward avenue. First, something should be done to prevent street arrests being made in Berkeley, and second, police ought to make the slow-moving vehicles take the outside stretches of pavement."

Mrs. Martha Dewey Wilson, township treasurer: "About one-third of all the taxes that are collected in Bloomfield center are turned over to the Birmingham school district."

George B. Boutwell, of Lakeview avenue: "I think that the editorial in the Eccentric last week on 'May God Help Clarence Jones' was good one. It coincides entirely with my belief in handling some of society's youth-ful offenders. Here's case has not an average one; it was an exception and deserved special consideration."

Clark C. Wilcox, president of the Parent-Teacher Council: "The reception given the cohort of the Solis Narima Band and the universal satisfaction expressed with the performance demonstrated that Birmingham appreciates this entertainment which is brought within walking distance and presented in its own auditorium. We should not have to drive thirty miles in an evening in order to see something besides moving pictures."

Mrs. E. B. Roby of Southfield avenue: "I am enjoying the winter here in St. Petersburg, Florida, so much. The city is beautiful, and the weather is most delightfully warm."

Leigh Lynch of Dowdexter road: "Something ought to be done about keeping the children off the streets at night. At 10 and 11 o'clock I often notice them hanging around the ice cream parlors. Couldn't the Parent-Teacher Association take this matter in hand? It seems to me that organization should be the one to manage the situation."

Reverend F. E. Logge of the First Presbyterian Church: "When I was considering joining a service club I carefully weighed the respective merits of the different ones and came to the conclusion that the Rotary Club would be my choice. It is built on firm principles of service and has a very high code of business ethics, while the other clubs impress me as being poor organizations more than anything else."

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

134 Chalmers Ave., Detroit, Mich. November 4, 1925.

To the Editor: Undoubtedly the Birmingham people have been greatly interested in the recent municipal election in Detroit. As the Detroit News has the greatest circulation in Birmingham, the citizens know pretty well what happened. Never before have two papers, the "Times" and "Free Press" so deliberately distorted and "twisted" facts. Also, never before, the Catholic church played politics of the worst kind, lining up with the worse forces of the underworld and the thousands of ignorant, colored voters who could easily be purchased—and were purchased in many cases. But it is safe to say from a complete Smith victory. Two fearless men—Sherman Littlefield and Philip Callahan—the latter being a Klan member, were placed in the council. Also Fred Castator and Robert Ewald were returned to their seats. John Lodge, of course, is trusted by all. He wears no man's collar. There is a majority of men on an trust in the council. Then, too, the amendment providing for new judges went through. This was a fearful blow to the Smith faction.

Let me make a prophecy. Unless he is more clever than he has been, J. W. Smith will be removed by our Governor before his term is up. Mr. Bowles took his defeat like the Christian gentleman that he is. I am glad that I had the honor to work for him in a small way. It will not always be thus—only until men become real men. Sincerely, James R. McKnight.

To the Editor: The only possible inference to be drawn from your leading editorial of last week, "May God Help Clarence Jones," if he had you been in Justice Gillespie's place, you would have released on probation one who in a responsible position had betrayed a

trust and had incurred a penalty of imprisonment. Any one who loves his fellowman must grieve when a young man succumbs to temptation, must sympathize with his relatives and friends, must have compassion for the erring one.

But our Editors are supposed to have an unusual influence in molding public sentiment and should use much caution in uttering an opinion which can be construed as a criticism of one of our leading judges in a case where that judge is in much better position than any private citizen to render a just decision.

The operation of our criminal law is intended not only to affect the ones who commit crimes but also to protect the public through its deterrent effect. This, Judge Gillespie plainly had in mind when pronouncing sentence.

For several years this country has been suffering from an outbreak of crime of intense severity. The operation of justice has been hampered by the prevalent expression of a sort of mawkish sentimentality, much of it from unexpected sources. It appears that there is no crime too heinous to find some who would palliate it. It is not a poor time to commend compassion for its law breakers, who is plainly endeavoring to do his duty.

The young man just sentenced is a British subject, resident of this country about a year. He was reared under British law. He must have known, what nearly every one knows, that Great Britain shows little compassion for its law breakers. In England today there are millions of unemployed, much poverty and suffering. And yet crime there is but a small per cent of what it is in this country of great prosperity and endless opportunity. WHY? There is but one answer. Punishment of all criminals there is SWIFT, SURE AND RELUCTLESS!

Yours truly, John B. Howarth Birmingham, November 9, 1925.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—in the Circuit Court of the County of Oakland, in Chancery.

Albert W. Tind and Miss J. Todd, plaintiffs, vs. Lina Cone, Unknown wife of Lina Cone, defendant. Cause No. 10,123. Heard and decreed by the Honorable Judge George McElroy, Alexander Seitz, and Sarah Seitz, etc. doat, and the names, residences and whereabouts of their heirs-at-law, devisees, legatees and assigns are unknown.

On motion of Kewling & Bogue, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

It is Ordered, that the above named defendants, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, cause their appearance to be entered on the docket within three months from the date of this order, and that if they fail to do so, the plaintiff's attorney to plaintiff; Bill of Complaint to be served upon said defendant within ten days of the date of this order, and a copy of said bill and order of this court to be served upon said defendant, and that the time prescribed for their appearance be extended as follows:

It is Further Ordered, that within twenty days from the date hereof, the plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be published in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper published and circulating in the County of Oakland, and that publication be continued once in each week for six successive weeks, and that the names, residences and whereabouts of their heirs-at-law, devisees, legatees and assigns be ascertained and reported to the court before the time prescribed for their appearance.

Witness my hand and seal of said Court this 11th day of November, 1925. GLENN GILLESPIE, Circuit Judge.

Contra-signed: BURTON F. DAUBERTY, Clerk of Court.

FILED: That the above entitled Bill of Complaint to the title of the following described real estate, as set forth in said Bill of Complaint, and to the certain clouds on the title thereto, to-wit: Real estate situated and being in the Township of Trol, Oakland County, Michigan, to-wit:

The East one-half (1/2) of the Southeast quarter (1/4) of Section twenty-nine (29), Township 33 North, Range 12 West, containing a strip of land thirty-three (33) rods and three (3) feet in width, off the North side thereof, also the East one-half (1/2) of the West one-half (1/2) of the Southeast quarter (1/4) of Section Twenty-nine (29) containing a strip of land thirty-three (33) rods and three (3) feet in width, off the North side thereof. All of which property is owned by J. W. Smith.

KEWLING & BOGUE, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Business Address: 209-213 First Nat'l Bk. Bldg., Detroit, Mich. Dated: November 11th A. D. 1925. 29-36

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