

This Week State and County News Briefly Told

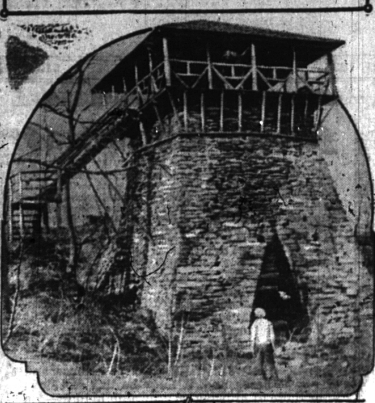
Detroit—Five employees of the Kroger Grocery & Baking Co. were fired upon by Patrolman Isaac Calhoun of the Chene station Sunday night, because they failed to stop at his stern drive command when he saw them drive away from the Kroger warehouse on Dequindre street, near Grand avenue. One of the men, John S. Wharton, day watchman at the warehouse, was shot in the back and is now in the Receiving Hospital.

Detroit—William DeLand, manager of the Detroit Branch of the Secretary of State's office at 3130-3138 Cass avenue, issued a warning to the public against patronizing the automobile license dealers that have sprung up in increasing numbers in the territory adjacent to the branch office. These dealers, Mr. DeLand said, charge a dollar more for obtaining a license than the automobile owner would have to pay at the state branch office, and the service furnished for the dollar is no faster than the purchaser can obtain at the state branch.

Ann Arbor—The new state tuberculosis hospital for which the last legislature appropriated \$500,000 to be located in Ann Arbor. This was announced by State Senator Charles E. Green, of Richmond, secretary of the legislative committee appointed to decide upon the site. The decision was influenced by considerations of administration efficiency and availability of medical talent here, Senator Green said.

Bilford—Yeggs who awoke yesterday forced an entry into the

Dance Now On Historic Spot



Where Colonial guns were forged in 1785 at Pine Grove Furnace, near Carlisle, Pa., a moonlight dancing pavilion, using radio music, has been built on the ruins. The pavilion is used also as a fire observatory by state foresters.

American Railway express and postal storage room at the Pere Marquette depot here, cracked the safe in the office, and after ripping open four large mail bags, tore wrappings from hundreds of Christmas packages, their proceeds to the D. Boye Elevator company offices and ransacked it thoroughly. About \$70 in cash, a number of checks and gifts, the value of which could not be estimated, but is expected to reach a large figure were taken. The room was found in great disorder when Martin Olzak, who carries the mail between the depot and the post office, arrived with the early out-going mail. Sheriff Frank Schram was notified immediately and deputies are now investigating. Postal authorities have also been notified.

Pontiac—The Metropolitan club started its final week of work yesterday, its goal being the happiness of 200 or more whole families and 800 children on Christmas day. Policemen and firemen were preparing to finish up their campaign in whirlwind style. Old Newsboys on Saturday brought in more than \$1,274.41 from news paper sales alone.

Flint—Fire which was discovered shortly after 3 o'clock Monday morning in the Montroy Cafe on Saginaw street, the city's principal business street, caused damage estimated at close to half a million dollars and caused injury to 10 firemen, three of them seriously.

Ferdale—Another stench bomb outrage took place here Sunday night when containers of evil-smelling liquid were thrown into the home of Frank J. Barnett, a non-union electrician living at 288 LeRoy street and in the house at 4333 Silman avenue.

Ferdale—While members of the Oak Park Community Improvement association were meeting Saturday evening at Jefferson School for a discussion of the proposed incorporation of the village of Oak Park, James Shanley, president of the Leggett Farms Civic association and other members of that organization stood in the

school corridor objecting loudly because of their exclusion from the meeting. The meeting was an invitation to the residents of the affected territory were invited, according to Charles Raine, who presided.

Pontiac—Approximately \$1,000 in money and checks were taken from the Cash clothes shop, 50 south Saginaw street, in a hold-up which took place before the store's closing time Saturday night. Manager Edward Siegel and L. E. Durfee and Jay Buchanan, were forced into the rear room from the sales room, while pedestrians passed the front door, less than 20 feet away.

Pontiac—Members of the Exchange club in two hours Saturday evening raised a total of \$325 for the Sabatier Army Christmas fund. This sum was \$126 in excess of the amount raised last year and raised two years ago.

POLICE ORDERED TO WORK OVERTIME

Anderson Suspends Leave Days; Move Called a Precaution

To combat an unexpected influx of criminals from Detroit and Pontiac, Birmingham police today have ordered 800 of their men to work overtime. All men were ordered suspended until after the holidays by Chief James Anderson.

Merchants throughout the village have been asked to aid of one night light burning in their stores and a request has been broadcast by Chief Anderson to residents to co-operate with police by reporting at once anything of a suspicious nature.

Police in all nearby cities have lengthened their working hours because of an outbreak of lawlessness which, they say, is always apparent at this time of the year.

"We are not doing this because of any scare, but as a precaution," Sergeant Clark Green said. "I am experiencing an unusually severe crime wave at present, and it behooves us to take every precaution against the law breakers entering Birmingham."

The have also asked the merchants to keep a sharp lookout for suspicious persons in the streets during the day. I feel certain that with these added precautions on the part of both the merchants and the police, Birmingham will be safe from holiday thieves."

BIRMINGHAM MAN KILLED IN DETROIT AUTOMOBILE CRASH

(Concluded from Page One) her be obtained from other dwellers in the apartment house, they said. Mrs. Colner was not known at the Collingwood address, and police believe the address to be fictitious.

P. D. Kautz, a night clerk at the post office almost directly across from where the accident occurred, heard the crash and witnessed part of the accident. "The car, apparently, had been in the crash, just in time to see the automobile career on its side and slide down the street, striking a street light and breaking the pole."

Reconstruct Crash "From the tracks in the street after the accident, we were able to reconstruct what had evidently happened. There is an island in the middle of the street and the street pavement curves to round the corner of the island."

"The car, apparently, had started around the curve, swinging close in to the curb. Striking a patch of ice, the car skidded against the parkway, struck the curb and overturned. Its momentum carried it down the street on its side until it hit the light post."

"The top of the automobile, a coupe, was torn off, against the light post and the force of this blow turned the car over on its wheels again. The automobile did not stop until it was about 100 feet past the lamp post. When I got there no one was in the car. They, apparently, had been centered about the parkway between the light post and the place where the car finally stopped."

At Cabaret. The injured persons were carried into the post office by Kautz and others whence they were taken to hospital. While they were in the post office a woman who had heard of the accident entered and recognized Dolson and Miss Pal-

"DON JUAN"



John Barrymore in "Don Juan" at the Grand Opera House.

mer. "Didn't I see you at the Oriole Terrace a little while ago?" Kautz queried the woman as she entered.

Miss Palmer admitted that she had been at the Oriole Terrace with the other members of the Accident Investigation Bureau Friday for further questioning. Later, however, she was informed that Kautz had collapsed.

The formal investigation has been postponed until Colby has recovered sufficiently to make a statement.

Dolson, when questioned by hospital authorities, at first denied that he was in the accident and gave two names other than his own. One of the names hospital authorities said he gave was Robert Owen, 1400 McKay avenue. They said he also described himself as Fred Dolson, of Saginaw, Mich.

Mrs. Dolson was notified of the accident and went to the hospital immediately to see her husband. His physician issued orders that no other person might see him. Dolson, who is the father of four children, lives at 2541 La Salle Gardens north, in a house recently purchased from Colby.

STORE BURGLARS GET STIFF TERMS

(Concluded from Page One) Henry Samuels, 25, 3785 Brush street, 1 1/2 years, and Charles Myrick, 29, 8757 Cardon, Detroit, 2 to 5 years. Myrick was a first offender, and Samuels, an officer. Shot guns, alarm clocks and coffee percolators, worth approximately \$100, were taken by the police. The men made their escape with the loot from Birmingham, in a high speed car. They gained entrance to the store by forcing the front door early in the morning.

FIFTY PUPILS READY FOR CHRISTMAS PLAY

(Concluded from Page One) of more than fifty children from the school. In addition to the play the St. James children will further celebrate Christmas by cooperating with Miss Griffith of the Community House by preparing and distributing Christmas dinners and toys and caroling on Christmas Eve. For days these children have been busily mending and painting toys for this distribution which they hope will make a Merry Christmas for many less fortunate children.

COMMUNITY HOUSE TO BE CENTER OF CHRISTMAS SEASON FESTIVITIES

(Concluded from Page One) Brook. Four families of a Southside neighborhood, the Utters, Fowlers, Gullies and Martinakals, are appropriating families to take under their wing for the Christmas period. A little girl from Rochester sent 100 pennies, a large sum in weight and importance. Those pennies will make their way down through the entire year, for the gift accompanied the gift. Other organizations not formerly listed are the Church School, Service League of St. James, under the

leadership of Mrs. Charles E. Buck, Christ Church Sunday school, The Boy Scouts, The Masons, Phinlan club, The Pythian Sisters and the Girls' T.B.M. class of the Presbyterian Church. The Church is sending all the toys from their exercises to the Community House for distribution on Christmas Eve.

The Birmingham Dairy is furnishing all the milk to be used on Christmas Eve for the hospitality to be dispensed during the afternoon and evening.

The Mix families are assuming charge of a family each as are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mock, Mrs. F. C. Bagby, and Mrs. G. E. Hicks. Betty Peabody and Lois Spreng contributed a bushel of apples after they had been used in their festivities. This is an incomplete list as best of what has been received at The Community House.

Christmas Eve is to be made very jolly. Open House with hot chocolate and cakes will extend from five in the afternoon until midnight. All the carollers from all the groups are to meet here, to be conveyed about town and returned here. Carollers will leave the Community House at 5:30 and return for their celebration at 8:30. The tree will be formally lighted by "Village President Charles J. Shain at 5:30 or 6:00 on Christmas Eve to stay lighted until Twelfth Night when the delightful ceremony attendant upon the closing of the Christmas season will again be observed at the Community House.

Phone House All who wish the Carollers to

stop at their door will kindly telephone the House and leave word. The girls of the night school classes had a jolly evening Monday when class work gave way to cake, coffee, and Christmas songs. Classes will be discontinued for the two holiday weeks.

Baldwin Theatre advertisement listing weekly program including 'The Temptress', 'Mare Nostrum', 'The Quarterback', and 'Gloria Swanson'.

The Big Parade advertisement for King Vidor's Picturization of Laurence Stallars' stirring World Story, coming to Oakland Pontiac, Mich. on Monday, Dec 27.

Merry Christmas advertisement for Bingham, Sparks & Bingham, 132 South Woodward Avenue, featuring a large illustration of a Christmas tree and gifts.

Christmas Joys To You advertisement for StROUP'S MARKET, featuring a list of Christmas Eve wishes and a list of directors.

Hallock Grocery advertisement for Christmas greetings, featuring a list of officers and directors of The First State Savings Bank.