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Casper J. Lingeman Told Rotarians of Woodward Assoc. Aims, Ideals

BENEFIT TO EVERYBODY

Every business and professional man, as well as every resident of Birmingham and vicinity is vitally concerned with the growth of this territory; the spiritual and physical welfare of every man, woman, or child in this district may be enhanced by bringing into the community new people—people whose social graces and whose financial expenditures should prove valuable to all.

Lingeman Is Speaker

This was the essence of an address before the Birmingham Rotary club Monday noon when Casper J. Lingeman, well known Detroit realtor, spoke in the interest of the Greater Woodward Avenue Association, an organization "whose existence is solely to assist in the speedy completion of the Wide Woodward Avenue project, and then to let the world know what great home-building possibilities lie here for all."

Although Mr. Lingeman was delayed in arriving at the Lone Pine Tea House in time to address the entire membership of the club, a number of the Rotarians stayed to hear him.

New Values Created

"The country between Detroit and Pontiac, which lies adjacent to the Wider Woodward highway, must necessarily profit by an influx of new residents," said Mr. Lingeman. "Any district that witnesses an increase in population also gets an increase in financial and social welfare.

Tell People About It

"Personally, I know of no place in Michigan that offers the wonderful possibilities for home-building as that in and around Birmingham. However, of what advantage are all these fine assets unless an organized effort is made to inform the people of Detroit and other places about them? It is one of the purposes of the Greater Woodward Avenue Association to advertise the North Woodward district with the view to getting new people out here.

Competition Keen

"I know that the year 1926 will witness the greatest drive ever staged to bring people out of Detroit to build their homes; I know that districts east and west of Detroit, as well as in Windsor, will put on an advertising campaign in the Detroit newspapers that will bring many Detroiters to new homes. Unless the communities between Pontiac and Detroit band themselves together in an organized effort to get some of the people who seek the life only found in a smaller suburban community, this district will be slow in growth."

Mr. Lingeman pointed out that by bringing new residents here not only would the local business men be materially benefitted, but the same benefit would apply to persons engaged in selling their labor to building projects.

Raise Funds Here

Within a few weeks a campaign will be put on in Birmingham to raise funds locally to assist in the advertising program through the medium of Detroit newspapers and other suitable media.

BOUTWELL'S TEAM WINS LOCAL ROTARY CONTEST

Six months ago the Birmingham Rotary club started an attendance contest, dividing the club into three teams of ten members each. The two losing teams were to pay for a dinner for the entire club, with the winners as guests.

That's the reason why, next Thursday evening, January 14, the club will hold a "stag" dinner at Northwood Inn, Royal Oak. The team chairmaned by George B. Boutwell, of Lakeview avenue, will eat at the expense of teams under William M. Story and Joseph E. Stroup.

JUVENILE VIOLINIST

Broadus Earle, the six-year-old violinist, who is now on a tour of the United States and Canada will appear on January 15 at the Baldwin auditorium. His presence in Birmingham is sponsored by the Order of Eastern Star. There will also be a film comedy, "Clothes Make the Part," with Leon Errol. The seats are reserved.

MASONIC ANNIVERSARY

Rather elaborate plans are under way for the observance of the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Birmingham Lodge No. 44, F. & A. M., which will be held during the week beginning January 17. Robert K. McClellan, Worshipful Master, has already sent out letters to local and nearby Masons, asking their attendance.

Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock, all Masons, as well as the general public, are invited to a free address at the Baldwin high school by the noted Coadjutor Bishop Warren L. Rogers, of Ohio, a former resident and preacher in Birmingham. Vocal music by the Stellar Quartette will also be given.

On Thursday evening, January 21, a Pageant, written by Clarence Vliet, local supt. of schools, depicting the history of Masonry, will be put on in the lodge rooms. This pageant will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 o'clock. Third degree Masonic work will also be part of the program for that afternoon and evening.

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Religious Census Of Children To Be Held

Included in the business taken up at the meeting of the school board on Monday night was a consideration of the request presented in a letter by the churches of Birmingham that they be allowed to take a religious census of the school children to ascertain the number affiliated with churches and Sunday Schools. Blanks will be passed to the children to fill out. After some discussion the board gave its consent, provided that the children be allowed to take home the cards before filling out, which should not be compulsory.

Another matter to be decided was the disposal of the Paulus house on Oakland avenue which with its lot belongs to the school board. The members concluded to sell it and will advertise for sealed bids each of which must be accompanied by a $500 certified check. The conditions of the sale are as follows: the house must be bought and moved by April 15; the purchaser will consist of a cash down payment of 25% followed by the balance in 25% installments every twelfth month for three years; and the security must be proved and satisfactory to the board.

The board also decided to reserve a room on the first floor of the Pierce school for orthopedic treatments to be administered by a nurse employed by the Oakland County Society for Crippled Children.

BRIGGS INTERESTED IN HOTEL PROPERTY

Old Peck Hotel And East Maple Lands Sold For $68,500

The Briggs Investment Company of Detroit, an organization in which Walter Briggs, manufacturer, is said to have an interest, has purchased Woodward and East Maple avenue property from Mrs. Frances Peck at a price said to be $68,500.00. The property consists of an old hotel, having a frontage on Woodward avenue of 55 feet, and 81 feet on East Maple avenue, including the stores occupied by H. W. Baxter, jeweler, Gus Bahanus, shoe shine parlor, and E. B. Mowers, shoe repairer.

Build New Stores

Plans were started this week to tear down two of the old buildings on East Maple avenue, and put up two one-story stores, which will be done in about six weeks.

Just what will be done with the Woodward frontage and the balance of the East Maple property is unknown at present.

VALUE OF OAKLAND COUNTY'S PROPERTY PLACED AT $1,427,186

Oakland County owns $1,427,186 worth of real estate, according to an inventory which has just been taken by the county board of auditors. The Court House property and building is the most valuable bit of realty possessed by the county and is inventoried at $480,000. The jail comes next with a valuation of $385,000.

One hundred acres of the County Farm lying west of West Boulevard with the new infirmary are estimated as worth $327,186 and the old jail property and building on west Huron street are listed at $160,000. Other real estate owned by the county consists of 37 acres belonging to the poor farm valued at $18,500; county garage, $14,000; 80 acre site for the tubercular hospital in Waterford Township at $27,000; and the juvenile detention home on Auburn avenue $15,000.

MISS JANE TODD, FORMER RESIDENT HERE, IS DEAD

Funeral services for Miss Jane Todd, of Marquette, Michigan, were held from the Barnes & Bell Chapel here Thursday of last week, with burial in the Perrin cemetery.

Miss Todd, who lacked but a month of being 88 years old, was born just east of Birmingham, on her father's farm, now known as East Maple Gardens. With her brother, Roberts Todd, she moved to Marquette 50 years ago where she kept house for him. James Todd, who lives in Birmingham, is also a brother.

Rev. Bryce of the First Presbyterian church of Marquette accompanied the body of Miss Todd to Birmingham and conducted the funeral services.

MRS. MUDGE PRESIDENT OF LEGION AUXILIARY

At the home of Mrs. Harriet Mudge on North Woodward avenue the Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion held its regular monthly business meeting on Tuesday evening. The installation of officers for the coming year took place. Mrs. Willis Brewer of Pontiac, the sixth district committewoman, acted as the installing officer.

New officers are: Mrs. Harriet Mudge, President; Mrs. Jose Taylor, Vice-president; Mrs. Young Moore, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Rose Noss, Historian and Publicity Officer; Mrs. Alice Bailey, Chaplain. Mrs. Margaret Ogden of Pontiac was the guest of the Auxiliary for the evening. After the meeting Mrs. Mudge served refreshments.

BASKETBALL GAME

This afternoon the Baldwin high school basket ball team will play the Central high school team of Ypsilanti. This is to be the dedication game of the new high school gymnasium. The Birmingham boys expect to go up against one of the hardest battles of the year and, as they have worked hard and faithfully, they are boping for the backing of every member of the student body as well as the townspeople.

Dance every Saturday night at Patchett's Hall. Smith 4-piece orchestra. adv.34tf

OPINIONS VARY ON W. MAPLE ST. WIDENING

Hearing Held Monday Night By Property Owners Interested

Whether or not West Maple avenue, from Woodward to Southfield avenues, will be widened to 46 feet of pavement, with a 10-ft. sidewalk on each side, thereby requiring the cutting down of all the trees that line the street, will again come up for further discussion, and possible settlement, Monday night, January 25. This was decided upon Monday night by the village commission when suggestions and objections to this proposed widening project were given a first hearing.

Opinions Vary

Citizens representing most of the property owners on both sides of West Maple avenue appeared before president Shain and commissioners Bingham and Bell Monday night. Summed up, the concensus of opinion favored widening from Woodward avenue to Bates street, with a major portion of the expense borne by the village treasury.

West Maple avenue is now 36 feet at its widest portion, manager Starr pointed out to those present. The cost of adding approximately five feet to each side of the street, plus the cost of laying new sidewalks, grading, etc., was fixed at $4.52 per foot, this being 75 per cent of the total cost; manager Starr said that 25 per cent ought to be enough to assess against the village-at-large

Methodists Favorable

Louis Hascall and W. Eugene Smith, representing the Methodist church, favored widening to Southfield avenue, but asked that no expense be levied against the church property. Mr. Smith was greatly in favor of the widening, stating that it would be a great improvement to provide safe travel over its streets through the business section.

Thinks Cost Too Much

John B. Howarth, in the interest of the Episcopal Church and Mrs. Johnson, favored the widening as far as Bates street. Harold Corson and L. H. Smith believed in widening through to Southfield avenue, adding that the village should bear 50 per cent of the cost, instead of manager Starr's proposed 25 per cent.

A letter from the local board of education favored the widening through to Southfield avenue. W. G. McBride declared himself in favor of the widening as outlined by the village commission, while John Hazen opposed it on the grounds of "extra taxation but no benefit to my property."

Clizbe Objects

The most vigorous opposition to the project of the widening through to Southfield avenue was made by W. D. Clizbe, who contended that the large shade trees along the street lines would be destroyed. Mr. Clizbe consented that widening as far as Chester street would be acceptable to him, while he hinted of resorting to legal assistance should the widening be carried to Southfield avenue.

OBTAINS FIRST LOCAL POSTOFFICE PERMIT

The first U. S. Postoffice permit ever granted through the Birmingham postoffice was given this week to the Birmingham Hardware Co., when Lester Slusser, proprietor, applied for it.

This was done when Mr. Slusser, who next Wednesday starts a tenday hardware sale preliminary to remodeling his store at the corner of West Maple and Woodward avenues, sought to send five thousand advertising broadsides through the mails without the trouble of affixing a stamp to each one.

The result is that The Eccentric, which will print the broadsides, will merely imprint the postoffice department's permit number on each sheet as it goes through the presses, Mr. Slusser making a cash payment to Postmaster James W. Cobb when the broadsides are mailed. This eliminates the use of individual postage stamps.

BANK DECLARES DIVIDEND

The First National Bank of Birmingham, Mich., declared its regular 2% quarterly dividend and an extra 2% to stockholders of record December 31, 1925, and transferred $25,000 from undivided profits to surplus, making $100,000.00 Capital Stock and $75,000 Surplus.

PYTHIAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Birmingham Pythian Association was called Monday night, January 4th, owing to the illness of the president, G. E. Palmer, and secretary, Chas. S. Wilcox. The meeting was adjourned to 8 o'clock p. m., Saturday, January 9th. It is hoped that all interested will attend this meeting and take part in the election of officers and the establishment of the building policy for the coming year.

MID-WINTER SPORTS

The Birmingham Gun Club will be represented at the National Mid-Winter Trap to be held at Pinehurst, N. C., next week. Fred J. Douglass of Madison avenue, and E. E. Daniels of Pierce street, both from here, will leave next Sunday night for the scene of the Shoot.

WILL ADDRESS ADAMS P.-T. A

Miss Blair of the Detroit Board of Education will address the Adams Parent-Teacher Association next Tuesday evening on "The City-Owned Book"—a talk on free text books. The contest between the rooms having the largest attendance of parents is still going on.

The Pierce school P.-T.A. will meet on Tuesday afternoon and the Baldwin P.-T.A. will meet in the evening in their respective schools.

S. D. DUNN DEAD

Stephen D. Dunn died suddenly this week at his home on Kason avenue, Highland Park. He will be buried this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, from the Hamilton Undertaking Parlors on Cass avenue. Mr. Dunn was a former resident of Birmingham, having lived on Oakland avenue.

"HAPPINESS IN A HOME" MAY BE FOUND OUT HERE

"The job of the Greater Woodward Avenue Association is not only to assist in completing Woodward avenue between Detroit and Pontiac and then broadcasting the fact that two 40-ft. ribbons of pavement offer easy and safe travel, but by far the real job is to tell the world that HAPPINESS IN A HOME may be found adjacent to each side of it," Casper J. Lingeman told local Rotarians here last Monday.

"Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills—what words to conjure with! Why, even a small home out here becomes a thing of beauty when set on the lands that an artistic Nature has bestowed upon this district."

DR. HOUGH TO SPEAK HERE

Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, Detroit preacher, will be the guest and principal speaker at a banquet to be given by the Men's Club of the Birmingham Methodist church, Thursday, January 28th. The affair will be held in the church on West Maple avenue.

MRS. NORTON FAVORS 'WORLD COURT' PLAN

Local Woman Addressed Woman's Literary Club Here Tuesday

Mrs. S. V. Norton of Lone Pine road was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Woman's Literary Club in the Community House on Tuesday afternoon. The World's Work department was with Mrs. J. M. Case as chairman for the day was responsible for the appearance of Mrs. Norton.

She discussed very comprehensively peace, both political and economic, and its manifestation in the various countries. She spoke of the meeting at Locarno which fostered a different feeling from that shown at previous peace gatherings, briefly explained the conditions of unrest in China, Turkey, and Syria, and presented a very clear picture of the workings of the World Court of which she seems to be a staunch supporter. Mrs. Norton also explained why the United States has not joined the Court due to the belief that it is connected with the League of Nations. At the close of her talk she answered questions asked her by several of her hearers.

Organize Health Committee

A representative of the State Health Department at Lansing, Miss Florence Rickett, addressed the meeting for a few minutes. She is in Oakland County to organize a co-operating county health committee to work with the department at Lansing. Each county, township, and small town will have a chairman. The town chairman will select a committee which will canvass the homes where there are pre-school children. This work is in connection with the Sheppard-Towner Act passed to prevent the alarming infant mortality rate. Under this act $30,000 is the appropriation for Michigan and Miss Rickett said that there are twice as many mothers today as a year ago who are making use of the information afforded them by the passage of the act. She asked that a chairman be selected in Birmingham as soon as possible.

Mrs. Frederick Ross, who is on the Sunshine Committee, made a report and the members voted to give $15 to the Near East Relief fund. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting which was open for all who cared to come.

At the next meeting the Community House board in cooperation with the Literary Club will hold an exhibition of Oriental rugs. Besides the speaker there will be a native worker with his loom.

SKATING CLUB READY TO ISSUE MEMBERSHIPS

Many local and nearby people have already taken out memberships in the new Birmingham Skating Club, according to W. Whiting Rayl, who, whose firm, Walsh, James & Wasey Co., is sponsoring the use of Quarton Lake for winter sports.

Badges are printed this week which will be issued to all members, allowing them the use of the Lake this winter. Charles Randall, assistant cashier of the First National Bank here, is treasurer of the club, and will issue the badges. Memberships are one dollar for adults, and 25 cents for school children over eight years of age. Children under eight years are admitted free.

HARRY KRULL PROMOTED IN DETROIT COMPANY

Harry Krull, of 525 Lakeview avenue, has been appointed assistant secretary of the Union Title & Guaranty Co., of Detroit. In this position he will have charge of the final disposition of all legal questions concerning title searches.

Mr. Krull was graduated from the Detroit College of Law and has had 14 years' experience in making abstracts and the examination of titles. He became associated with the legal department of the Union Title & Guaranty Co. in September 1923, where he was giving final approval on all examinations of title.

Mr. and Mrs. Krull moved to Birmingham a year ago last July. They have one son, Daniel, two years old.

TO ATTEND CONVENTION

Clarence Vliet, superintendent of Birmingham schools, will attend the annual meeting of school superintendents to be held at Washington, D. C., during the week of February 20-27.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Robinson of New York City were the guests over the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Stolberg of Henrietta street. Miss Bessie Trombly who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Stolberg, has returned to her home in Chicago.

"THRIFT WEEK" WILL BE OBSERVED HERE

Birmingham Schools, Churches, Banks And Citizens Behind Movement

IS SPONSORED BY Y. M. C. A.

By Robert D. Lynd, Local Y. M. C. A. Secretary

Charles J. Shain, president of the local Y. M. C. A., and Robt. Peck, the chairman for Thrift Week observance, announce that the local Y. M. C. A. will promote Thrift Week here this year beginning with Franklin's birthday, January 17, and continuing through January 23. Assurance of the hearty cooperation of the banks, churches, Women's Clubs, schools, luncheon clubs, and other organizations of the village has been received.

Clarence Vliet will have general charge of the school observance. Fourteen prizes have been offered by the banks to be used by the school committee. Chas. Randall will arrange for a school visitation day to the banks.

Franklin Provides Theme

The story of the boy, Benjamin Franklin, who came into Philadelphia on foot with all his worldly belongings wrapped in a pocket handkerchief and went out as one of the world's leading citizens is a romance that provides a fitting setting for this Thrift Week observance.

It is peculiarly fitting that on the birthday of this great exponent of Thrift we should begin a week of special emphasis on the great value of thrift. Just as Thrift was the foundation of Benjamin Franklin's success, prosperity, and happiness, so will it be the basis for the successful life in this day and age.

National Thrift which occurs during the week of January 17-23, each year is fostered by the Y. M. C. A. and indorsed by forty-seven of the leading industrial, religious, and educational organizations of the country. Every large city observes this week and a great many of the smaller cities and villages are more and more seeing the value of a special emphasis on the idea of Thrift.

Thrift Success Creed

The Thrift Success Creed is "Work and Earn", "Make a Budget", "Record Expenditures", "Have a Bank Account", "Carry Life Insurance", "Own Your Own Home", "Make a Will", "Invest in Safe Securities", "Pay Bills Promptly", and "Share With Others."

Thrift is not miserly hoarding. How to share with others, intelligent support of worthwhile enterprises which build character in the youth, all of this has an important bearing on Thrift. Systematic saving is a fundamental part of Thrift. Spending wisely and keeping within one income is as important as saving. Providing for our loved ones by insurance is real moral obligation. Owning a home in this community is a first class investment and home owners are the bulwark of our civilization.

Safe investments, avoidance of fake get rich schemes, is a vital part of real Thrift. Maintaining good credit by meeting obligations promptly is very necessary.

MRS. ALBERT ROSSO TO BE BURIED TUESDAY

Mrs. Emily Millar Rosso, wife of Albert E. Rosso of Park street, died suddenly Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock at the Henry Ford hospital, Detroit. Funeral services will be held from the late home next Tuesday, with burial in Clinton Grove cemetery, near Mt. Clemens.

Mrs. Rosso went to the hospital for treatment last Saturday, and expected to return home tomorrow. She is survived by her husband, and five children, Robert Neil, John Harley, Helen Elizabeth, Albert Sharley, who live at home, and Mrs. Martha Lyola Hoffman, of California. Three grandchildren also survive, as well as two sisters, Mrs. Florence Sowerby, of Detroit, and Mrs. Mattie Stevens, of Mt. Clemens, and a brother, Edward Millar, of Utica.

Mrs. Rosso was a member of the Order of Eastern Star. She was born December 11, 1865, near Mt. Clemens, and lived in Birmingham for the last 20 years.

STUDENT LOAN FUND MOVIE NEXT FRIDAY

Richard Barthelmess in "Shore Leave" will be presented under the auspices of the Student Loan Fund at the Baldwin High School next Friday night, January 15.

This picture is based upon the Broadway stage hit by Hubert Osborne and portrays the romance of a young Boston society girl, Smith, and a little dreadnaught, Connie Marvel, a small New England seacoast town. Connie falls in love at first sight but Smith, who is sick on one of the United States battleships cannot see him ashore. She is unable to forget him and starts out to find him. The quest provides the story of "Shore Leave."

For the first time in the history of the Navy, scenes of a motion picture drama were filmed on board a battleship at sea. Barthelmess was offered the use of the United States battleship, Arkansas, during a cruise from New York to Newport News and while on board many of the scenes were made.

"Our Gang," a comedy will also be shown on the same evening.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN IN "THE GOLD RUSH" HERE

After a considerable amount of trouble the Senior Washington group has succeeded in bringing Charlie Chaplin in "The Gold Rush" to the Baldwin auditorium tonight, January 8th.

The story with a rugged background of Alaskan northwest opens in a cabin where three men, the Lone Prospector, Big Jim, and Black Larsen, are held up in the storm. They become hungry to the point of starvation and in desperation draw lots to decide who shall brave the storm in quest of food. Fate chooses Larsen and he sets out. He shoots two officers of the law and, forgetting his two starving companions, stumbles onto the claim of Big Jim.

A dance every Saturday night at Patchett's Hall. Smith's Orchestra. Follow the crowd. adv.38tf

Apples and sweet cider for sale at mill in rear of 113 Brownell St. Stanley Peabody. adv.27tf

Adam Gray Favors Cutting Down Trees

That the village of Birmingham must reconcile itself to the removal of many of its trees, especially in the business section, is the opinion of Adam Gray of Oakland avenue, who has lived here for the past 25 years.

"I lived on South Woodward avenue, where the Detroit Edison Company office is located, for 12 years, and I think that I am appreciative of the beauty of trees," said Mr. Gray. "Yet, when one considers that Birmingham is undergoing a transformation from a small village to a thriving suburban city, one must change his ideas to meet changing times.

"There comes a time in the life of a tree when, after it has grown to very large proportions, it becomes a menace to safety. Such is the case with many of the trees on South Woodward avenue. Falling limbs in time of stormy weather is but one proof of the danger of large trees.

"I believe that our village commission could do a great deal to further the Wider Woodward movement in town if they went out and cut all the trees down between, say, Oakland avenue and Henrietta street. This district is certainly good for nothing but business frontage. The same could be done with most of East and West Maple avenues.

LEVINSON RETIRES; WAS HERE 28 YEARS

Birmingham Dept. Store Founder Makes Snug Fortune; Leaves For California

Twenty eight years ago Morris Levinson came to Birmingham and attempted to embark upon a career of merchandising. His first store was an old building on East Maple avenue where Bell Bros. Garage is now located. Tomorrow, Saturday, he will retire from active business in Birmingham, after having made a snug fortune by his industry.

Refused Place To Rent

"I was induced to come to Birmingham by Alex Purdy, a former resident of this village," said Mr. Levinson this week. "I well remember that, when I tried to rent a place, one man refused because he thought I would not last three months. But I did locate on the East Maple avenue site. Then I moved to a store, an old frame building, where the First State Savings Bank is now located; I remained there until nine years ago, when I built my present store on South Woodward avenue."

Used Horse And Buggy

Mr. Levinson used to go about Birmingham and the surrounding country in a horse and buggy, selling his merchandise and taking orders for future delivery.

He still owns the building in which Mr. Davidson will carry on the business of the Birmingham Department Store, as well as the Quarton and Blakeslee blocks on West Maple avenue.

Mr. Levinson will leave Sunday to join his family for the winter in California.

N. E. VILLAGE CIVIC CLUB TO MEET MONDAY

Every property owner living east of Woodward avenue and north of Maple is urged to attend the meeting of the Northeastern Civic Association in Adams school on Monday night. The Board of Directors will meet at 7:00 and the public meeting starts at 8 p. m.

This association was formed to guard the interests of northeast Birmingham, and at Monday's meeting several subjects of vital interest will come up for consideration. The closing of Oakland avenue at Adams school will be one question discussed. There are a dozen questions of interest to every owner that will have to be taken up sooner or later, and some of these will be brought up. Women as well as men are eligible to membership, and wives are urged to attend Monday night, as well as men.

HUDSON MALE QUARTET HERE NEXT WEDNESDAY

Splendid entertainment will be offered to the people of Birmingham next Wednesday evening, when the Hudson Male Quartet under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association will make their appearance in the Baldwin High School auditorium.

These soloists have perfected a remarkable ensemble that is second to none in America, and their organization has met with great success at concerts. The repertory of the quartet includes difficult arrangements among the classics and popular quartet songs of the present day. The solo work is very fine. Harry E. Parker, the first tenor is a soloist of national distinction, is a resident of Birmingham, living on Oakland avenue.

REV. WAKEFIELD IMPROVED

Word has been received that Rev. C. E. Wakefield, former local Methodist preacher, is well on the road to recovery at his home in Toledo, Ohio. Rev. Wakefield, who is well known in Birmingham, recently passed through a most critical illness.

FATHERSON BANQUET

John Wenzl, chairman of the program committee for the Father and Son observance in Birmingham announces that the Community Banquet will be held in the Baldwin Auditorium, Thursday evening, February 11. Arrangements are being made for a very interesting program.

East Maple Hearing

Monday evening, January 18, is the date set by the village commission to hear objections and suggestions to the proposed widening of East Maple avenue, from Woodward avenue to the village limits at Adams avenue. A large delegation of interested property owners is expected to take part in the discussion in the village clerk's office.

COMMISSION TELLS OF PLAN REQUIRING $350,000 IN BONDS

Would Give Library Its Own Site, And Seeks New Land For Village Offices

TO VOTE ON IT IN MARCH

Believing that the rapid past and imminent almost phenomenal growth of Birmingham calls for a broader outlook upon municipal requirements, the village commission this week disclosed its plans to seek approval to a $350,000.00 bond issue at the annual village election in March.

This plan calls for the use of the recently acquired municipal block of land, bounded by Bates, Merrill, Martin and Chester streets, for public library purposes only; the purchase of another block of land, bounded by Pierce, Martin, Merrill and Henrietta streets, as a site for a proposed municipal building; and the purchase of a site for a fire hall, and the erection of a building on it.

Conflicting Opinions

This plan is the outgrowth, partially, of conflicting opinions between the library board and the village commission as to the soundness of erecting a library in conjunction with or near a municipal building.

Title Dispute Settled

In the decree relative to the clearing of the title on the present Baldwin Public Library property, which houses the offices of the village, the title was rested with the village commission, provided, however, that the village give the library the use of the municipal block of land recently purchased, and then assist in obtaining funds with which to build a new library building.

Tentative plans for the proposed new library call for a combination library and community hall. According to Mrs. Reta Starr, of North Woodward avenue, president of the library board, plans are now being prepared for the new library edifice at an unofficially estimated cost of approximately $150,000.00.

Sell Present Building

President Shain said this week that the village would not sell the present library building for perhaps a year or two. Whatever money is realized in this sale would be applied to the municipal building program, he stated.

The cost of the proposed fire hall and site is estimated at $50,000.00, and the amount required for the new block of land will probably be $110,000.00, it is thought.

Twelfth Night Revel Closes Yule Season

With one last burst of merriment the village bade goodbye to Christmas when nearly 100 students witnessed the Twelfth Night Revels at the Community House on Wednesday night. Mrs. Isabel Coates opened the ceremonies by telling the story of Twelfth Night to the assembled guests who lined the room in rows two and three deep. More and more people kept crowding in as the evening wore on until it seemed as if the windows must burst for sheer relief.

Then in skipped the Master of the Revels, none other than Mrs. Raymond Reilly wearing a pointed hat, cape slung over one shoulder, a red girdle, and black tights, and strumming a lute which looked suspiciously like a mandolin. Two small pages accompanied her. The Lord and Lady of the Manor, M. J. Kates and Mrs. F. H. Markette, paced in followed by Mistress Phyllis Shain, Mrs. Marian Bingham, and Mrs. J. N. Hadjisky as ladies-in-waiting, a clown and jester, Mr. Hadjisky and Mr. Reilly, and a white Yogue — small pages known in the every day life of Birmingham as the Blue Birds. The Lord and Lady ascended the throne and from a large, impressive scroll of pseudo parchment Mr. Kates read the proclamation of revelry.

For the benefit of their admiring audience three small and sprightly tumblers, Gerald, Edward and Mary Louise Rocheleau, saw life upside down. The pages gave a folk dance, under the direction of their leader, Mrs. Fred Farrar, and sang carols. A member of the ballet from the Bonstelle Playhouse danced and the Master of Revels turned into a troubadour and sang some old French and English songs. The serving of cider, apples, doughnuts, and cheese brought the mummery to an end. Mrs. W. W. Raymond and Mrs. T. E. Donovan were in charge of the refreshments which were served by Mrs. Leslie Lamborn, Mrs. Charles Shain, Mrs. John Williams, Mrs. A. N. Wasey, and Mrs. Arthur Hartwell.

The costumes worn by those taking part were medieval in spirit if not exact as to actuality. Mrs. Arthur Hartwell's wedding dress turned out with cotton batting ermine and a tall peaked hat made a truly regal figure of Mrs. Marlotte, while Miss Marion Bingham wore a dress in which Mrs. Farrar led the prom during her college days.

Mr. Farrar took charge of the stage setting. The lights were transformed into lanterns that cast a mellow glow. An evergreen tree stood on one side of the throne which was placed under an embroidered red canopy, a piece of beautiful Chinese workmanship loaned for the occasion by Miss Griffin. The fire on the hearth was kept burning during the evening with greens. On the other side of the room a long table groaned, figuratively speaking, under its weight of wassail bowl, cider keg, tankards, candlebra, and heaped-up edibles. Truly a Twelfth Night long to be remembered in the annals of the Community House.

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