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## 2 ARMED BANDITS LOOT LOCAL STORE IN DAYLIGHT ROBBERY

**Lock Manager of A. & P. Store In Rear Room, Obtain Cash and Flee In Auto**

**RUSE FOOLS CUSTOMERS**

Police were without definite clues today as to the identity of the two bandits who locked A. L. Larsen, manager of the Atlantic & Pacific grocery store, Woodward avenue and Brown street, in a back room of the store at the point of a gun Monday afternoon, rifled the cash register and Larsen's clothes of more than $30, a gold watch and a fountain pen, and escaped in a machine which was waiting at the curb.

Two customers who entered the store as one of the bandits was stripping the cash register thought he was the company supervisor and joked with him while they awaited the arrival of the manager. They are John P. Thomas and Ben Phillips, both of 214 Purdy street. They did not realize their mistake until the robbers left the store without haste and Larsen called to be released.

C. G. Grimmel of Royal Oak, company supervisor, had removed more than $100 from the store a few hours before the hold up. The robbers overlooked $17 that was hidden near the register.

**Headed For Detroit**

Police believe the men headed for Detroit. Sergt. Clark Green and Patrolman William Green of the Birmingham Police Department scoured the roads but found no trace of the men. Two automobiles from the sheriff's office were sent out immediately with Deputies Clayton Stokes, Fred Macfarlane, L. W. Hubbell, Angus Dahlman and Assistant Prosecutor Clarence A. Smith.

Woodward dragnet was set by members of the State Police who responded at once to the call, as well as police from Pleasant Ridge, Ferndale, Royal Oak and other municipalities along the highway. The bandits managed to slip through, however.

Entering the store, the men, who are described by Larsen as being about 25 years old and well dressed, demanded a certain kind of cookies. When Larsen turned to comply a gun was forced into his back and one of the thieves marched him into the rear room. "Talk and you will be a dead man," he told him.

One of the thugs remained with Larsen while the other went through the register. This completed, he told Larsen to give them the remainder of

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## TWO MEN JAILED AS ALLEGED PROWLERS

**Prisoners Held For Investigation May Be Able To Shed Light On Burglaries, It Is Hinted.**

Two men are in jail today as alleged prowlers following their arrest last night and Tuesday night by Patrolman Richard Lawler after citizens had notified him that they were acting suspiciously.

A man who gave his name as Clarence Creed, about 28 years old, Cleveland, was arrested last night near the home Mrs. M. G. Ewar who told police he was trying to enter her home on Maywood road. She also said he had been in the neighborhood before.

Creed said last night that he had come to Birmingham but a few hours before his arrest and for the first time. Police declare he was in a dazed condition and that they would question him again today.

Felix Marco, 30 years old, 2257 east Palmer street, Detroit, was in jail today charged with investigation following his arrest early Tuesday after a chase by police on Woodward avenue. He was to be questioned again today in connection with an alleged skeleton key police say they took from him. He also was to be asked how he came into possession of a key to the room at a tourist hotel. Marco has consistently refused to answer these questions since his arrest, according to Sergent Clark Green. Marco is said to shed some light on recent burglaries, it was hinted.

Patrolman Richard Lawler arrested him after neighbors notified the police department that a man, acting suspiciously, could be found on Woodward avenue. They declared he had been standing in front of a house on east Maple avenue for nearly three hours and that they followed him to Woodward avenue. Police say the man ran from a downtown restaurant and was not overtaken for several blocks.

Difficulty has been encountered in questioning him, according to Sergent Green, because of the man's broken English. He is said to be a Russian.

Police declare the skeleton key they say was taken from him was filed and could have been used to unlock the door of a house.

### A DELAY

Because of various unforseen complications over the right to publish "Hoofbeats," Perhios Patoskey's stirring new novel to run serially in The Eccentric, the first installment will not be run until the next edition. The Eccentric regrets the delay, which was unavoidable. Readers are urged not to miss the first installment.

## Nor'easterners Approve Rink

Final approval was given for the new ice skating rink at the southwest corner of Worth and Rivenoak by members of the Northeastern Civic association at their meeting last night at the Adams school. The rink will be 185x140 feet in size.

Consent of all property owners has been obtained, according to the report of Chairman Lawrence Thomas and the village commission may be asked to help with necessary grading, it is understood.

The rink should be ready for the

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## CAST IS ANNOUNCED FOR PLAYERS SHOW

**Principals Ready for Opening Performance November 27**

When the new Village Playhouse opens Saturday evening, Nov. 27, two plays will be presnted, "The Travelers," a farce by Booth Tarkington, and A. A. Milne's "The Camberley Triangle."

Miss Betty Penny, assisted by Mrs. Arthur Neff, is coaching the large cast in the former play, which consists of Mrs. M. Spencer Withee, N. J. Hadjeski, G. Essen Olsen, Harry G. Muehlmann, Waldo E. Fellows, Mrs. L. B. Lynch, Mrs. Frank S. Packard, Herbert M. Zerbe, Howard L. Simpson, George W. Smith and Mary Taliaferro.

Mrs. Herbert M. Zerbe is property man and Loren T. Robinson is stage manager, assisted by Fletcher D. Richards and William G. Wall.

"The Camberley Triangle," by A. A. Milne, is directed by Mrs. Robert F Tillotson and the cast is composed of Mrs. Loren G. Stauch, M. Spencer Withee and Robert L. Gosselin.

## HIGH SCHOOL DEBATES BEGIN HERE TONIGHT

**Baldwin Meets Ferndale On Coal Mine Question For Opening Contest Of Season.**

Baldwin High School debating team opens its season at 8 p. m. today when it meets Ferndale High School in the first of the state league debates. The contest will be held in Room 212 of the Baldwin High School.

The proposition of debate is, "Resolved: that the United States government should own the coal mines."

The Birmingham team takes the affirmative side and team members are: Elizabeth Hascall, Myrna Sewell, and Carpenter Hewitt. The students of Birmingham have been coached by Miss Vera Kadon and Melvin Hart principal of the school.

Members of the team have been working hard on the subject of debate and their practice of the different tricks of elecution have been constant according to reports from the high school. All are confident of success in tonight's debate.

The negative team, which will not be active tonight, is made up of Leland Gunn, M. Patterson and Norman Currin.

All debating teams of the state hold their first meet tonight. By process of elimination a state championship team will be decided by members of the faculty of the University of Michigan who are sponsoring the debates.

## NEW BANK PERSONNEL IS BEING CONSIDERED

**Application For Charter To Be Made To State Commission In Week.**

First step in planning the active personnal of the new bank of Birmingham was seen today when members of the organization committee, consisting of R. J. Coryell, E. G. Wasey and C. E. Hooke, hinted that consideration was being given to the hiring of a cashier.

The man who takes the position must have a wide banking experience they say, and be especially well qualified for the post. Several applications already have been received and qualifications are being studied, they declare.

No decision has been reached as to the site, according to Mr. Wasey. The bank will be near the heart of the village as possible, he said, but nothing definite is ready for announcement on this as yet.

Application for a charter will be filed with the state banking commission this week, or next, it was learned. Granting of the charter would come after the commissions have been made by the commission and results found to be satisfactory.

### SHOOTS SONG BIRDS, MAN DRAWS FINE

A robin, a woodpecker, and a bluejay, were the spoils of a small hunting trip by P. T. Johnson, 4135 Lincoln avenue, Detroit, recently. But the hunt was completely spoiled when Robert McClure, State conservation officer, happened along.

Johnson was arraigned Tuesday before Justice of Peace Floyd S. Buck, fined $35 and his shotgun was confiscated. Mr. McClure warned against shooting song birds as they are becoming fewer every day.

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## BIRMINGHAM MAN TO TALK WITH QUEEN

**Howarth to Renew Acquaintanceship; Other Bloomfield Folk Will Be Present**

John B. Howarth was to confer today with Edward T. Fitzgerald in Detroit, concerning the plans for the dinner for Queen Marie of Rumania to be given at 8 p. m., Saturday in the Book-Caddilac Hotel.

Mr. Howarth is a member of the small committee appointed by Mayor John W. Smith, of which Fitzgerald is the head, to supervise the city's entertainment of the queen during her two-day visit in Detroit.

Mr. Howarth is acquainted with the queen, having met her at Aix-les-Bains in 1919. At that time she visited the Y. M. C. A. Camp where he was in charge. Her sister, the Infanta Beatriz of Spain, and her daughter, Maria, were also there.

**Luncheon Escort**

A luncheon was given her by the women of the Y. M. C. A., Mr. Howarth escorting the queen and sitting at her right, with the Infanta Beatriz next to him. He prizes a place card autographed by the queen and her sister and daughter as a souvenir of the affair, as well as an autographed picture of Marie herself, dressed as a nurse, which she gave him as a memento.

"She was very interested in Y. M. C. A. work," Mr. Howarth said, "and expressed a desire that the work might be started in Rumania. She thoroughly enjoyed the games that the boys played as a part of their

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## PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR DRIVE TO HELP COUNTY CRIPPLED CHILDREN

**Churches, Clubs and Individuals to Cover Village in Campaign Beginning Monday.**

**GOAL IS FIXED AT $1500**

Plans for the annual drive have been announced by officers of the Birmingham chapter of the Oakland County branch of the Michigan Society for Crippled children.

All Birmingham will be canvassed during an intensive Monday and Tuesday next week in the attempt to raise the qutoa of $1,500 which has been set.

The village has been divided into sections by Joseph Stroup, Oakland County chairman, each section to be canvassed by one of the numerous organizations in Birmingham.

The noonday luncheon clubs will have charge of the east side of the village, the Exchange club canvassing Oakland avenue and that section north of Oakland and east of Woodward avenue, the Rotary club taking Maple avenue east and all north of it to Oakland avenue, and the Young Men's Service club looking after the territory south of Maple and east of Woodward avenue.

**Church on West Side**

The west side of the city will be looked after by the churches and clubs. The Methodist Church will take care of the section between Pierce street and Woodward avenue, far south as Lincoln avenue. The Presbyterian Church will look after the canvass south of Lincoln avenue.

The territory between Southfield and Pierce street will be under the care of the Women's Literary club, and the American Legion will provide canvassers for the section west of Southfild and south of west Maple avenue.

The Baptist Church will have that part of the town north of Maple to Harmon and Pine streets, and the Episcopal Church will take the next section north, from Harmon and Pine to Quarton road.

The territory immediately north of Quarton road will be canvassed under the direction of the University Women's club.

**Individuals to Canvass**

A number of outlying districts will be canvassed by individuals. Glenn Routier and Harold Klein will have charge of Beverly Hills, Wiley Bell and Howard Bell will work in Troy and Elmer Huston and David Ladd will take care of Big Beaver.

Workers will meet at 9 a. m. Monday in the First State Savings Bank and receive instructions for their work, commencing the campaign immediately afterwards.

Membership in the society carries with it a minimum subscription of $1 annually. Other memberships, however, can be taken out, according to

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## METHODIST PARSONAGE IS SCENE OF WEDDING

**Miss Gladys Winegar And John Simpson Are Married Monday.**

Miss Gladys Winegar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Winegar, of Chapin avenue, Monday became the bride of John Simpson. Mr. Simpson has been in Birmingham for some time, but his home is in New Jersey.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. M. Atkins, at the Methodist parsonage at noon.

The parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Winegar, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Winegar, of Detroit, were present at the nuptials.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson will make their home for the winter in Louisville, Ky., probably returning to Birmingham in the summer.

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## Hunt Man Slayer

Birmingham police were stopping Detroit bound traffic late last night in an effort to locate Henry Williams, negro, 30 years old, in connection with the fatal shooting yesterday of Miss Jennie Merrill, negress, 32 years old, at her home on Harvey street, Pontiac.

Called to the home after the shooting by neighbors, police found Miss Merrill lying in a pool of blood. She had been shot several times. The officers were without a clue as to the motive.

Neighbors said Williams left the house after the shooting and they believe he headed for Detroit.

## HIT AND RUN DRIVER SOUGHT IN FATAL AUTOMOBILE MISHAP

**Louis Tetrini Instantly Killed While Repairing Tire on His Car Parked on Woodward**

**POOR DESCRIPTION GIVEN**

Police and Oakland County authorities were continuing their search today for the hit and run driver who instantly killed Louis Tetrini, 30, laborer, living on the Six Mile road, as he was changing a tire on his machine early Saturday at Woodward avenue and the Thirteen Mile road.

Witnesses were able to furnish authorities with meager descriptions of the death car. They observed only that it was one of a well known make and said it was traveling at a great rate of speed.

Tetrini was accompanied by Mike Oligiagi and Louis Bianzi, both of Detroit. They were seated in the car when the accident occurred. All were on their way north for a hunting trip.

The victim's body was hurled by the force of the impact against the side of his car and death resulted instantly from concussion of the brain according to Coroner Earl Gordon who is handling the case.

The dead man was married and had a small family.

## 40 FOOT PAVEMENT AGREED ON LINCOLN

**Property Owners Prefer Wide Street; Construction To Cost $40,000**

Lincoln avenue, from Woodward avenue to Pierce street, will have a pavement 40 feet wide.

This was decided upon Monday night at the meeting of the village commissioners when a number of the affected property owners discussed the matter and agreed upon it. The work will cost approximately $40,000, according to estimates made by village Manager Harry Starr. Of this 40 per cent will be paid by the village and the remainder by abutting property owners. The total assessment frontage will be 3,571 feet.

A hearing on the assessment roll will be held in four weeks. Assessment per foot frontage will run slightly more than $11. This improvement does not include installation of house connections for sewer and water which must be laid before the pavement is started.

The commission originally asked

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## DETROIT EXCHANGITE HEAD TRACES GROWTH ACTIVITIES OF CLUBS

**Walter L. Coneley Says Ideal Is To Be Of Mutual Help In A Business Way.**

**TELLS OF BOYS' WORK DONE**

Tracing the history of Exchange clubs since their foundation in Detroit 15 years ago, and outlining the things they have done to may accomplish for a community, Walter S. Conely, president of the Detroit Exchange club, addressed local Exchangites Tuesday noon at the Lone Pine Tea House. Mr. Conely, who assisted Charles Berkey, founder of Exchangism, in establishing the first club in Detroit in 1911, was the guest here of Melvin Hart, president of the local club.

"As with some other similar clubs, Exchange started in Detroit 15 years ago with the idea that its members could be of mutual help to one another in a business way," stated Mr. Conely. "It was not long, however, until we began to feel the need for doing something for our community, so we engaged in work for boys. We have established a summer camp for boys, and one of our members, Rev. Lynn Harold Hough, is leading this movement in Detroit. Each winter we give a dinner for 500 boys in the Delray district, bringing them into contact with influences that uplift and mould their characters along proper lines.

**Respect For Law**

"Exchangism has demonstrated to its members the value of doing for others. Hundreds of clubs throughout the United States are now part of

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## MOTHER 4 HOURS, TAKEN BY DEATH

**Former Manager Of The Late Almeron Whitehead's Home Victim Of Relapse**

Mrs. Sarah Martha Groves, wife of Wiley E. Groves, 113 Park street, died in the Pontiac City Hospital Sunday, four hours after the birth of a daughter. The relapse was sudden as she was apparently doing well. The child is living.

Mrs. Groves, who was Miss McCord before her marriage three years ago, was well known in Birmingham. Her pleasant personality, her generosity and self sacrifice won for her hundreds of friends who mourn her death.

She was 39 years old and between the time of her arrival in this country, from Midvale, Ireland, 18 years ago, until her marriage, she was in charge of the home of the late Almeron Whitehead, president of the First National Bank and former publisher of The Birmingham Eccentric.

Mrs. Groves was buried yesterday at 2:30 p. m. in Greenwood cemetery following funeral services at the Park street home by the Rev. Mr. H. H. Curry, pastor of the Congregational Church. Her pall bearers were former friends of her and her husband. They are Robert Parks, of Pittsburg; Ralp Fulton, of Fort Wayne; Earl Randall, of Rochester; Stanley Rosso, Percy Burnett and Melbourne Roberts, all of Birmingham.

Mrs. Groves is remembered by her many friends as an active church

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## JACK MINER, FAMOUS ORNITHOLOGIST, WILL GIVE TWO TALKS HERE

**Comes As Guest Of William T. Barbour, A Longtime Friend; To Speak To Rotary Club.**

**ADDRESSES MEN, BOYS ALSO**

Jack Miner, famous bird lover and authority on birds of the western hemisphere, will visit Birmingham Monday. He will be the guest of the Rotary club at noon, at the Lone Pine Tea House, and will deliver a talk on birds to the boys and men of Birmingham at 7:30 in the evening in the auditorium of the Baldwin High School.

Mr. Miner, whose services are very much in demand and consequently expensive, is visiting for the day in Birmingham gratis through his great friendship for William T. Barbour.

The talks he will give at both meetings are the ones that have added to his fame. Besides being kind to birds, Mr. Miner has made an extensive study of them and his powers as an ornithologist are well known to persons interested in the study. It is expected that many men and boys will afford themselves of the opportunity to hear the author at his public lecture in the high school.

**Well Known**

The name of Jack Miner is known far and wide for his bird sanctuary at Kingsville, Ont. He has a farm there of 200 acres, which he has made into a most beautiful spot, a resting place for migratory birds.

All kinds of non-preying birds are welcome at the sanctuary, but Mr. Miner has a particular fondness for wild geese. He built two ponds on his property, one near his home and one farther away in 1904, and placed two pair of Canadian honkers in the far pond to decoy the wild geese. For four years he was disappointed, but finally, in 1908 a flock of 11 wild geese joined the tame pair.

Since then every year has brought a larger number of wild geese to this haven of peace and rest, this free hotel for birds, kept going by the love of one man for all bird life.

**Goose Not Stupid**

"Why do people say the 'stupid goose'?" Mr. Miner wonders. "The Canadian wild goose is a big handsome fellow, with a black neck, head, tail and feet. He flies about 50 miles an hour, lives as long as human beings, and is faithful to one mate. I once had a widowed goose who mourned her mate for four years, until the sight of her misery became unbearable, and it seemed merciful to kill her."

In order to study the migration of these wild geese, Mr. Miner evolved a system of banding the geese and tying a light bit of aluminum loosely about one leg. On this piece of aluminum are his name and address and a Biblical verse. The story is told of a soldier, sent to go to the front, who killed a bird bearing this verse: "For

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## Hills Village O.K's Charter

The charter for the new Bloomfield Village is in the hands of Gov. Alex J. Groesbeck today following its acceptance by members of the charter commission at their meeting Monday night.

After the charter meets with the governor's approval a caucus will be held by the villagers at which time names of candidates for officers in the village will be put up. They will be voted upon January 24.

The form of village charter accepted is similar in form to that of Birmingham.

## AFTERNOON ROBBER GETS SMALL HAUL

**$30 Taken From Purse Of Mrs. Mack Hunt By Daylight Thief**

A thief who entered the home of Mack Hunt, 112 Brown street, between 11 a. m. and 2 p. m., Tuesday, escaped with $30 from the purse of Mrs. Hunt which was on a table in the dining room. Mrs. Hunt was in the basement doing some work at the time but did not hear any suspicious noise.

The robber apparently entered the house through the rear door which was unlocked, according to Mrs. Hunt. The front door, she says, was locked.

The robbery occured at approximately the same time as the robbery of the Atlantic & Pacific grocery store a few doors from the house, according to calculations. Police do not believe, however, that both crimes were committed by the same men.

None of the neighbors have reported noticing anyone acting suspiciously.

Nothing else in the house was disturbed, Mrs. Hunt said.

## HITCH SEEN IN STREET IMPROVEMENT PLANS

**Uncertainty Of State Work On Woodward Makes Village Work Uncertain.**

Many of the 17 streets in Birmingham scheduled to be paved next year will have to wait for the state decides to widen Woodward avenue next summer, Harry Starr, village manager, said.

"It would not be wise," Mr. Starr said, "to tear up the streets which will be forced to carry most of the traffic from Woodward. I don't believe streets running into Woodward should be torn up either. It will make it too difficult for some residents to drive to their homes."

Vinewood, Harmon and Oak streets in the northwest section of the village are on the schedule of streets to be paved during 1927. Mr. Starr pointed out that homes on these streets would be almost inaccessible if Woodward avenue was also closed.

Adams road and Lincoln avenue will be paved next year, but Adams would be an important street in caring for north and south bound traffic which would normally take Woodward avenue, Mr. Starr explained. Lincoln avenue would be one on which street cars would naturally branch off Woodward at the south of town, he said.

## SOUTHERN VILLAGE PARK IS DISCUSSED

**Petition To Be Drawn Up To Improve Territory Under Question As Recreation Center.**

A petition is being drawn up today by Village Attorney Frank L. Doty which will be circulated among property owners in that part of Birmingham known as the "Eco City subdivision" asking that the village commission improve the land there intended to be used as a park.

Questions as to whether this property, equal to about 16 lots, is a park, has been brought up several times of late. Some of the property fronting on the disputed land say the subdividers told them that it was to be used for park purposes. On this ground the commission claims it should be used only for such purposes.

However, the subdivider claims that it has never laid out as a park. He is unwilling to give the land to the village.

## First Methodist Women Planning Old Time 'Country Store' Bazaar

Fresh vegetables and airtights, silks and kippered herring, nails and mop-sticks will be on sale to the general public in the "country store" booth which will feature the bazaar to be given by the women of the First Methodist Episcopal Church Tuesday afternoon, at the church. Mrs. H. C. Murray, of Heffricta street, will have charge of the booth, with Mrs. A. T. Schooley assisting.

A candy booth, a doll booth, of which Mrs. C. D. Cole, of Ridgedale avenue, who will have charge of it, says: "Keep away from it if there is a child in the family and you would save money," an apron booth and a fancy work booth are also promised.

Old fashioned rag rugs and hand tied quilts will be in the last group, as well as needlework of almost every description.

Mrs. Thomas Jones, of Wallace street, assisted by the Queen Esther club, will oversee the candy booth, and Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Jessie Wightman, of Oakland avenue, will preside over the colorful array of aprons.

A grab-bag sale will be under the direction of Mrs. Bird.

Luncheon will be served at noon preceding the bazaar and as a culmination to the activities there will be an old-fashioned Methodist chicken pie supper at 6 p. m.

Mrs. Harriett Evans, of Park street, is general chairman of the bazaar, and Mrs. L. J. Slusser has charge of the food. Mrs. Slusser will be assisted by Mrs. R. D. Lynd, of Ferndale avenue; Mrs. J. E. Maunders, of west Maple avenue; Mrs. John E. Martz, of Lakeview avenue; Mrs. George G. Steelman, of Rivenoak

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## HOWARTH SUPPORTS SHAIN ON CHARGE OF RECKLESS SPENDING

**Declares Propaganda for Zone Ordinance Financed by Home Owners Association**

**BINGHAM ALSO A BACKER**

J. B. Howarth, Birmingham realtor and treasurer of the Home Owners association, an organization active in backing the recent proposed zoning ordinance, rallied to the support of Village President Charles J. Shain today in denying that money belonging to the village was spent in promoting the distribution of propoganda for the ordinance.

This is one of the charges preferred against Shain in a petition asking a recall vote. The special election for this purpose will be held Dec. 9. William McCallum was prominent in the circulation of the petition.

"As treasurer of the Home Owners association, I am in position to state that the advertising and the circulars favoring the zoning ordinance were issued and paid for by that association and not from the village treasury," Howarth said.

**Figures Available**

"I have the figures from the village offices showing that the entire amount of village money spent in connection with the zoning ordinance, from the time it was first conceived by a committee of citizens who donated their time in drafting the ordinance up to the day of the election, was a trifle over $1,300. This included the printing of the ordinance in The Birmingham Eccentric, as required by law, attorney's fees and stenographic bills.

"This sum also included the printing of the ordinance in booklet form and delivereing a copy to each voter. The village books are open to inspection by anyone for verifying this statement."

**First Denial**

This statement is the first denial of the charges made by McCallum that the money was misspent. Silence has been maintained by Shain since the presentation of the petition.

McCallum refused to talk for publication, saying that he would have nothing to say for at least another week.

The Public Interest association, composed of Shain backers, through its campaign manager, Charles E. Bingham, also has issued a statement. Explaining its stand on the question, Mr. Bingham says:

"The Public Interest association is a new organization to safeguard

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## SENIORS TO PRESENT 'PINAFORE' ON FRIDAY

**Many Expected To Attend Gilbert And Sullivan Opera At High School.**

"H. M. S. Pinafore," the opera chosen by the senior high school music students for this year, will be presented at 8 p. m. tomorrow in the auditorium of the Baldwin High School. A large crowd is expected.

The opera is under the direction of Miss Ethel Tilton and Miss Evangeline Pursell, who have worked for six weeks with their cast ready for the performance.

Ero Saarinen, the son of Eliel Saarinen ,the architect, designed the set, which, it is said, is unusually well done.

"Pinafore," one of the most delightful and popular of the Gilbert and Sullivan light operas, has its setting on board "H. M. S. Pinafore," just off the coast of England.

There is of course, a love element, between the captain's daughter and one Ralph Rackstraw, a humble sailor. Her father, Captain Corcoran, of the Pinafore, and Sir Joseph Porter, "admiral of the queen's navee-e-e," supply the necessary opposition, and Buttercup, poor little Buttercup, sweet little Buttercup, dear little Buttercup, lends a hand, or a heart, and aids in straightening things up.

Into this plot there is woven music that is literally a joy forever. The gayest, lightest, most lovely and enjoyable songs are to be found in the "Pinafore" score. Few can resist "For I am the captain, of the Pinafore," and "Buttercup" and some of the slightly more serious numbers.

Monzelle Hoffman will play Josephine, with William Spence as Ralph Rackstraw, Jack Whittlesey as Sir Joseph Porter, Clarence McMullen as Captain Corcoran, Elizabeth Luscombe as Little Buttercup, Catherine Dwyer as Hebe, William Dawson as Dick Deadeye, and Ben Brown as the boatswain.

Tickets will be on sale at the door, for those who have not already purchased theirs.

### Y Directors to Meet

A proposed father and son banquet and the winter drive for members is expected to be discussed by directors of the Y. M. C. A. when they meet for dinner at 6:15 p. m. Tuesday at the Chateau Tea Room.

**NEXT EDITION ON WEDNESDAY**

**The Thanksgiving edition of The Eccentric will be published Wednesday, Nov. 26, rather than on Thanksgiving Day, which is the regular publication date. As a consequence the deadline for all news and advertising is advanced to Tuesday for this week only.**