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FORTY-NINTH YEAR—NO. 31

CITIZENS STUDENTS HOLD CEREMONIES

600 Gather In Baldwin High School Auditorium In Homage To War Heroes

More than 600 citizens and high school students gathered in the auditorium of the Baldwin High School last Thursday from 11:30 a. m. until noon in solemn remembrance of the fallen heroes of the war.

Clergymen of the village officiated and prayer was offered for the men who died in the world war which was closed eight years ago that day.

Rev. Father W. W. Ryan, pastor of the Holy Name Church, was the principal speaker on the program. Stressing the theme of sacrifice being the basis of religion, Father Ryan lauded the heroism of men during the war and declared that it was a Christian's unselfishness that prompted the young men of the country to give their lives and health in the struggle.

Mail Christmas Parcels Early Is Cobb's Plea As Rush Starts

"Mail early for delivery before Christmas." That is the earnest plea of James W. Cobb, postmaster, and he expresses a plea equally heartily by every member of the post office force who annually struggle under the strain of Christmas mail.

Warning of the rush, Mr. Cobb said, "If you want Santa Claus to get your presents to your friends, get them out just as soon as you can. I know this is not an original thought, but if you only leave the matter to the post office around Christmas time, there are thousands of parcels and millions of cards."

"Of course we will increase our forces during the holiday period. We will have several more on the parcel post delivery and several more in the office. But it's the people who can do the most. And I know they're willing to help."

The regular Christmas rush and overflow are aggravated here by the size of the post office. "Last year we piled the bundles in the alley," Mr. Cobb said. "That's all right if the weather is not too bad, but if it is, well, we'd our car."

Hints Are Given

A few of the hints suggested by Mr. Cobb for actual mailing follow: "Unbrass, canvas, golf sticks and that sort of thing should be reinforced their full length by strong strips of wood tightly wrapped and tied to withstand transportation."

"Cut flowers should be placed in strong suitable boxes of wood, tin, or heavy corrugated cardboard. Wrap with strong paper, securely tied with strong twine. Tissue paper immediately around the flowers will help keep them moist."

Enclose candy in strong outside wrapping, or beeswax.

"Pack or wrap drawings, paintings, or unmounted maps in strong material, to avoid damage. If they are not flat, roll them around a wooden core and then wrap and tie them carefully, and place them in a strong pasteboard tub."

Points and edges of sharp-pointed and sharp-edged tools or instruments must be carefully guarded to prevent injury to clerks in handling or damage to other mail. Crate suitably or thoroughly wrap them so that they cannot cut through the wrapping."

"Articles likely to spoil within the time reasonably required for transportation and delivery will not be accepted for mailing. Wrap or pack them carefully, according to their contents, and plainly mark all such (Continued on Page 12, Part 2)

Firemen Save Garage Threatened By Blaze

Quick work on the part of Birmingham firemen Saturday morning saved the garage of Frank W. Atkinson, 411 Harmon avenue, when flames from burning leaves in the yard threatened to spread.

MAN HIT BY AUTO, IS SLIGHTLY INJURED

Japanese Receives Hurts At Woodward Avenue And Long Lake Road

K. Vatonoki, a Japanese, employed by C. W. Winingham, 802 Long Lake road, was slightly injured Saturday night, when struck by a southern interurban, Mrs. Margaret Ross Hudson street, Pontiac. The accident occurred on Woodward avenue at Bloomfield Center.

FOOTBALL TICKETS GO ON SALE MONDAY

Members of the Junior Washington Group are in charge of the football tickets for the Royal Oak Birmingham game to be played here Thanksgiving Day. The group is divided into two teams, the team that sells the greater amount of tickets is to be given a party by members of the losing team. There are approximately 15 persons on each team. Every indication at this date for the game points to a record attendance. Tickets will be placed on sale next Monday.

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1926

FOUR GENERATIONS—AND ALL HAPPY



Four generations are shown in this charming family group. Standing is Mrs. Frederick Farrington Holt, of Linden road, and seated at the left is her mother, Mrs. George Packard, of Chicago. At the right, seated, is her grandmother, Mrs. Frances Jane Howe, also of Chicago. The little girl at the left is Frances Jane Holt, and her younger sister, at the right, is Carolyn.

Glimpses BIRMINGHAM

at and about BIRMINGHAM BY RAYMOND GIRARDIN

A shayer of about six, who wore a red cap and a stocking that drooped for a garter, pushed a mangy dog ahead of him into a ramshackle truck parked at a downtown curb. Because it was his father's truck he could sit at the wheel and pretend he was driving his dog over the rocky road to Dublin, if he wanted. His father didn't care because he was busy carrying potatoes in large baskets from the rear of the truck into a grocery store. Neither of them noticed a youngster of the same age, but with a cleaner face and lace about his collar, who pressed his nose against the back window of a large sedan in front of the truck. Nor did they know that the gentlemen boy was merely another actor in an age-old play in which a truck boy causes unhappiness to a gentleman boy because the latter has neither a mangy dog nor a father with a truck.

with the faded clothes and faded ambitions apply singly and in pairs at the police station here for a night's lodging. They are the drifters, the moochers, the hoboes that constantly are a step or two ahead of a vagrancy charge. They are the knights of the road who, but for their accouterments, might be called romancers. They would be just as silly under this name as is anyone else. At dawn they arise from the floor and start on again—hewen knows where. How unsocial, these dead leaves in the world to be played with by a cold wind.

Life may be divided into three classes. . . I used to know that fellow . . . bacteria, plants and animals. . . I don't remember his name. . . protoplasm goes around a nucleus like excelsior around a piece of glass . . . he doesn't see me anyway. . . where I know his name though. . . man has been placed in the Metaxoa group . . . only do not have to mention his name . . . Here He Comes. . . How are your haummmmmph . . . where have I seen him before . . . where did I know him . . . O, I've been here since August . . . like Birmingham . . . have not seen you in a long time . . . Metaxoa . . . name, what the dickens is his . . . knows my name, darn it. . . he

sees I forgot . . . next time you get to Chicago call me up. . . football tickets, call Midway. . . why doesn't he tell me who to ask for, the kid. . . Bye . . . whew . . . Metaxoa . . . why was I thinking about that . . . stacker of wheat. . . A correspondent reports that a line I asked about in last week's column may be identified with Meredith's "Egotist." Co-incidentally I was reading the book at the time the note arrived and the quotation is not to be found. It is, as I remember, "giving off the odor of rosewood and wetty ashes." I am still anxious to hear from anyone who can place it.

Plan To Open New Garage January 1

The new brick and steel garage being built by William McCallum at 217 south Woodward avenue is progressing today and according to announcement made by Mr. McCallum it is expected to be completed by Jan. 1, provided the weather does not interfere.

Permits were granted by the village commission after they found that the building met requirements. Mr. McCallum said and it is expected that steel work will be completed by Dec. 1.

The building occupies 34,000 square feet and will house 100 motor buses to be used by Star Motor Coach and the Public Service Transit company. The buses will operate between points in Oakland County south of Birmingham and the Ford Motor company in Highland Park.

Landlady: You seem to be musically inclined, Mr. Jones. I so often hear you singing when taking your morning bath.

Roomer: I do enjoy music, indeed, Mrs. Smith. But the reason I sing when taking my bath is that the door won't lock.

—American Sheep Breeder and Wool Grower.

PUBLIC AUCTION FAILS TO DRAW

Insufficient money was offered for the fixtures of the restaurant at 126 west Maple street owned by Wesley and Miss Mable Wittenberger at a public auction Tuesday morning. They were retained by William G. Olsen who foreclosed on a chattle mortgage for \$1490 last week. The restaurant has been closed since that time.

DEMOLAY INITIATION PLANS NEARLY READY

One Of Largest Classes In History Of Hasenberger Chapter Ready To Join At Next Meeting

Plans are complete for the conferring of the initiatory and DeMolay degrees to one of the largest classes ever given in the Hasenberger chapter of the Order of DeMolay Tuesday night at 7:30. A change in ritual has necessitated considerable preparatory work on the part of the two degree teams. The teacher which will confer the DeMolay degree is composed of Claude Stroh, reverend president; Bennett Brown, right commissioner; Henry Way, left commissioner; Maxwell Gali, lord constable of France; Clifford Harper, marshal of committal; Tom Klingensmith, grand master; William Spence, preceptor of Normandy; Russell Stephens, master general; Lawrence Kamin, preceptor of Foxtau; Burton Stalker and Basil Quigg, guards.

The initiatory degree team includes A. Shanley Rosso, master councillor; Clifford Harper, senior councillor; Ralph Wilson, junior councillor; Rudolph Zabel, senior deacon; Walter Haack, junior deacon; Bennett Stephens, senior steward; William Spence, chaplain; Howard Tuggey, scribe; Louis G. Lower, treasurer; Vernon Bere, almoner; Burton Stalker, sentinel; Basil Quigg, marshal; Millard Farnsworth, standard bearer; Russell Heacock, Russell Stephens, Howard Ingham, Ralph Thompson, Lawrence Smith, Lawrence Johnston, and Ivan Haack, preceptors.

Plans are being considered for the annual dance to be given by the chapter between Christmas and New Year's and a play is contemplated for some time in the future. The charter presentation is to be made about January 1.

Louis G. Lower, the first DeMolay, addressed the chapter Saturday evening-over state WDAF. His subject was "Your Greatest Assets—Mother and Dad," which was particularly appropriate to last Sunday, Parent's Day.

SCHOOL GROUPS HAVE \$2,500 BANK BALANCE

New Office Created To Care For The Savings From Organization Activities

A balance of more than \$2,500 is shown for the month ending Nov. 1. It has been raised by the Bank fund. This fund, started last year, takes care of the treasuries of different organizations of Baldwin High School.

It is looked after by Miss Olga Reichert, teacher of bookkeeping. Money is turned in her, and as it is needed for expenses, she checks it out, on requisitions signed by faculty advisers.

"We find it much more effective this way," Miss Reichert said, "than just letting somebody keep the money in his pocket."

The Baldwin High School group of 1927 leads the fund, with \$1,198.81. This money, \$776.73 of which was in 1926, has been raised by a movie, which brought in \$158.45, the "Ark," \$169.87, magazine subscriptions, \$109.97, and miscellaneous receipts to the amount of \$57.58. Expenses have been \$72.79.

The 1927 Baldwinian receipts are next, with \$479.40, and the 1928 Washington group has \$218.64 in 1926 Baldwinian has \$208.19 in

PART TWO

OAKLAND COUNTY'S GREATEST WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

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DEMAND FOR WAR IS MANUFACTURED, DR. MARQUIS SAYS

Flays Cruelty of International Struggle In Sermon at Detroit Church

ADDRESS IS BROADCAST

"Youth does not want war. The people taken as a whole do not want war. The 'popular demand' for war is a manufactured demand," said Dr. S. S. Marquis, pastor of Christ Church, Cranbrook, in his sermon on "False Prophecies and Unfulfilled Prophecies of the Great War" at the Central Methodist Church, Detroit, Sunday evening.

Dr. Marquis was occupying this pulpit in the absence of Dr. Lynn Harold Hough, who was preaching at the University of Chicago. The sermon was broadcast through radio station WJX.

"The masses are worked up to a frenzy for war through a propaganda of falsehoods, intrigues and promises which are never fulfilled," he continued. "Here are some of the falsehoods and intrigues and promises which are never fulfilled, but which are being used to win the enthusiastic support of the masses."

"One: It was to be a short war, all over in 90 days. That failed. No Followup Of Trenches. We heard much about the follow-up of the trenches as the war progressed. The allies would be hit together by individual and international ties of friendship. Just the opposite occurred."

Dr. Marquis noted that men of a socialistic turn of mind were offered false hopes of progress and industry were taken over by the various governments. This, they were led to believe, would result in greater social and industrial changes for the better after the war, he said.

"It was to be enriched by great mechanical, chemical and other kinds of discoveries as a result of the war. Great progress was made in poison gas and other instruments for taking human life. Advance was made in surgery and aircraft to the benefit of the human race."

"It was truly prophesied from almost every pulpit that great moral and religious awakening would come in the trenches and spread through the world as a result of the war. 'The contrary happened, however.'"

"World Is Paralyzed. It was to put iron in the blood of man and give a man a lift. Instead of that it left the world in a state of paralysis from which it has not yet recovered."

Dr. Marquis spoke of the 9,000,000 war orphans, the 6,000,000 widows, the 10,000,000 refugees and 28,000,000 wounded men resulting from a war which was "for the protection of weak nations and peoples."

"It was war to end war," Dr. Marquis quoted. "What comment can we make?"

"War is like a game of chess," he said, "in which the young men are used as pawns." For centuries rulers, professors, politicians, diplomats, old men as a class, have been the instigators of war.

"They have made the rules of the game and have seen to it that they themselves are not put in exposed positions. They issue orders from a safe distance behind the lines, or sit at home in swivel chairs and see that arms and ammunition are furnished at a profit to the makers thereof."

"These are all facts which should be taught the youth about this war for all generations to come."

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RAH! RAH! TURKEY DAY SPECIAL

Oakland County's Annual Football Classic

ROYAL OAK H. S. vs BIRMINGHAM H. S.

Barnum Field, Birmingham, Thanksgiving, Nov. 25, 10 a. m.

Birmingham and Royal Oak have been natural rivals for years. Birmingham has the edge so far on games won this year, having lost but one game, while Royal Oak has lost two.

Be a Birmingham Booster--Be There! Admission 25c and 50c