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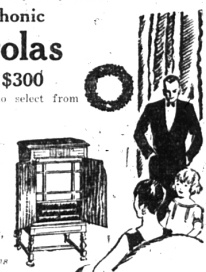
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Churches of Birmingham today have their plans complete for ceremonies appropriate to Christmas, and practically every church in the village is planning a special service. Special programs at the schools also are being arranged and many of the luncheon clubs of the village are bringing out the Christmas spirit in their programs.

Pageants are planned by the St. James Episcopal Church, the First Methodist and the First Presbyterian churches. Special music is to be featured at all the churches and, practically every church in the village is planning a special service. Special programs at the schools also are being arranged and many of the luncheon clubs of the village are bringing out the Christmas spirit in their programs.

Schools of the village held their annual Christmas plays before the vacation started. Christmas generally will be observed Sunday. However, because Dec. 25 falls on Sunday, the following day is designated a legal holiday.

CITY-VILLAGE STUDY GROUP GETS STARTED

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of the committee, was not present at the meeting. Commissioner Hulbert told those present that Mr. Campbell, perhaps because of previous convictions on the subject, would not take part on the work of the committee. A telephone communication with Mr. Campbell later in the evening, seeking information as to whether he would take part, brought forth the following reply to representatives of the Eccentric: "Tell them you don't know—that'll be all right with me."

The meeting was called to order by President Ellery who briefly outlined the subject of the new city-village committee, saying that it seemed best to gather together seven or more private citizens to work with the commission in the investigation of the respective merits of the city and village forms of government. He referred to the inability of the planning commission to form a committee, and stated that, in view of the purely political angles that might develop unless guarded against, he did not blame the planning commission for turning the task over to others. Considerable time was spent following this action in regard to the absence of Mr. Campbell from the committee. It developed that the entire committee agreed that Mr. Campbell, in view of his anti-city convictions, ought to be on the committee. Louis Hassall then made a short talk in which he mentioned Mr. Campbell's interest in township taxation matters, and added, "Mr. Campbell has spent several years digging into facts and figures regarding the tax situation in Bloomfield Township. I believe that this committee is entitled to his information and constructive help during the investigations to be made by this body. I believe that, should Mr. Campbell further refuse to join this group, he should be made to keep peace and refrain from taking any part in the election of a winner in the spring. Birmingham has too much at stake to take any chances with a political party in March, and thus blight the opportunities that lie in store for our community."

It certainly agree that Mr.

Campbell should be a member of this city-village committee," stated Mr. Hulbert. "I have gained much myself from many talks with Mr. Campbell, and have followed his advice successfully many times."

Mr. Hulbert produced a number of statistics relative to taxation and made the claim that Birmingham, by becoming a city, would effect a great increase in its share of state, county, and school taxes. The authenticity of his statistics was not proved. Mr. Moore offered to bring his tax books to the next meeting of the committee, which will be held Wednesday evening, Jan. 4.

The entire committee seemed agreed in the belief that the crux of the city-village controversy is contained in the subject of taxes. Chairman Parker was authorized to appoint sub-committees to investigate (1) taxation in general; (2) relative costs of conducting city and village administrations; (3) determination of the State's obligation to pave Woodward avenue if Birmingham becomes a city.

Mr. Hulbert said he believes a great difference has existed, and may still exist, between the assessed valuation of property in Birmingham and outside in Bloomfield Township. He intimated that should the tax assessments be made to be equalized, he would do so with such disfavor upon the city form of government plan. "But I do think that we ought to stay a while until such differences in valuations are equalized," he declared.

Supervisor Moore pointed out that Birmingham, by becoming a city, would pay just as much in taxes toward state and county government as at present. He said, however, that by becoming a city Birmingham would save its share of township taxes which it now pays as a village. This year it amounts to over \$64,000.

Charles E. Lewis, of Aspen road, who was chairman of the legal sub-committee of last year's city-village committee, was added to the present committee at last night's meeting.

Wherein A U. of M. Student Becomes Quite Disillusioned

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dent's friend, because as their nomination for the Hall of Fame Little's publicity man could sell Skis Sahara, Sheeks!

Not Just Personal

Please understand that opinions I here give are not entirely personal. My contacts with fellow students at the University are not in any way limited and are justified in stating that much of the gist of that which is to follow is purloined from casual student observation as well as being interfraternity debate, the latter type of argument probably bearing the greater weight.

No sooner had Dr. Clarence Cook Little taken the strappings of the University than he tossed the first bomb to clear any haze that might be between him and the public spotlight. We won't forget his birth-control crusade as soon as he would have us believe. Michigan newspapers did not seem to fall in accord with his doctrines, strange as this may seem in consideration of later journalistic contentions. It is a regrettable fact that Dr. Little failed to read sufficient notices during this period, and as a result his precepts continued for several months, during which Harvard's prestige as a factory for good college presidents was seriously jeopardized.

University of Michigan student publications found material for quips in their new president's teachings, and accordingly he is certainly no mark of respect for the austerity a college administrator deserves. From this point, chronologically, we mention Daily, one of the leading college newspapers in the Midwest, has displayed what is a distinct antagonism toward the president of that great university which they must, perforce, emulate. Editorials appearing in the columns of that publication circulated widely, and during the current year newspapers of other campuses have cast sly aspersions with regard to Michigan's University leader. This is for no good.

Banning The Auto

At the beginning of the fall term of this year it was announced that student automobiles would be abolished. This plan came, it is said, from the Board of Regents, who apparently passed the buck to Dr. Little and asked that he reason with the students, showing to them how much better it is to walk, or take buses and trains home, than run the fearful risk of driving their own car. Our president has professed great joys of what he termed justification for the ban. The Daily has spurned it as bunkum, and of course the Daily moves the student spirit quite effectively. At a recent football banquet, Dr. Little struck while the iron was cool, and spoke depressingly of standing antagonism toward the auto ban when he should have been eulogizing the football team. Afterward, having impressions of irate students casting aspersions upon their tactless president's head. This is for no good.

He is a Diplomat

Once, when the majority of the university co-eds had gathered for an inter-sorority conference, Dr. Little seized what he saw as an opportunity and passed around a questionnaire which asked if Michigan women students did not feel that the abolition of automobiles had brought about a far more democratic spirit on the campus. The result of this investigation of the feminine reaction to the ban was couched quite thoroughly. Dr. Little is a diplomat.

Contempt Lurks

Upon another occasion I found myself in need of an automobile for business purposes. Familiar

with the severe penalties inflicted upon felons who violated the law, I approached ascertain Mr. Emery, assistant to the Dean of Men, and told of my desire. This was about 1 p. m. About 3:30 of the same day I came out of conference with Mr. Emery feeling like an Ellis Island immigrant with the measles. I had told him every detail of my past together with my father's, omitting only my father's antipathy for grapefruit. This autobiography was squeezed out of me by rapid fire questioning which leaves one quite breathless before the oscillating bushy eyebrows of this Mr. Emery. Evidently of any consequence in the state probably passed upon my eligibility as an applicant for a permit. I became the proud possessor of a permit several days later. This permit said quite specifically that I could drive on such and such a date for several hours at a time! What a triumph! But in the back of my brain there lurked just as there lurked in the brains of so many other students who of business necessity had to drive cars, that indefinable contempt for the authorities of the college. This was for no good.

Those Two Teams

Shortly after the beginning of the fall term Dr. Little broached a plan for two football teams at the University instead of one. His reasoning in this matter advanced the idea that, with the two teams, one would always play at home and the student would never have to leave the campus to witness the games. He apparently figured that we found no particular delight in following our grid heroes to their victories! He forgot that the out of town trips with the team were traditional exploits, prerogatives of joy for every student in a college boasting of any spirit at all. We laughed, and the matter was dropped. BUT, less than a month ago, the erudite Dr. Little opened up his little bag of surprises and out tumbled the announcement that 1928 would bring Michigan two football teams. What could we do but groan? We groaned. Next year will not find the spirit of old when the men in blue carry the zigzag for Michigan on his mammoth new gridiron. Next year will not see the old enthusiasm when the first touchdown is made. Next year will not feel the joy of victory or the sorrow of defeat after a great battle. Our hearts will follow our grid heroes to their separate teams. This duplicity in football affection can do our great college good no good.

One can not overlook the tremendous building appropriations granted the University by the State legislature during the past two years, some four million dollars just as a starter. I believe, and very close to a million a year thereafter garnered from the mill tax.

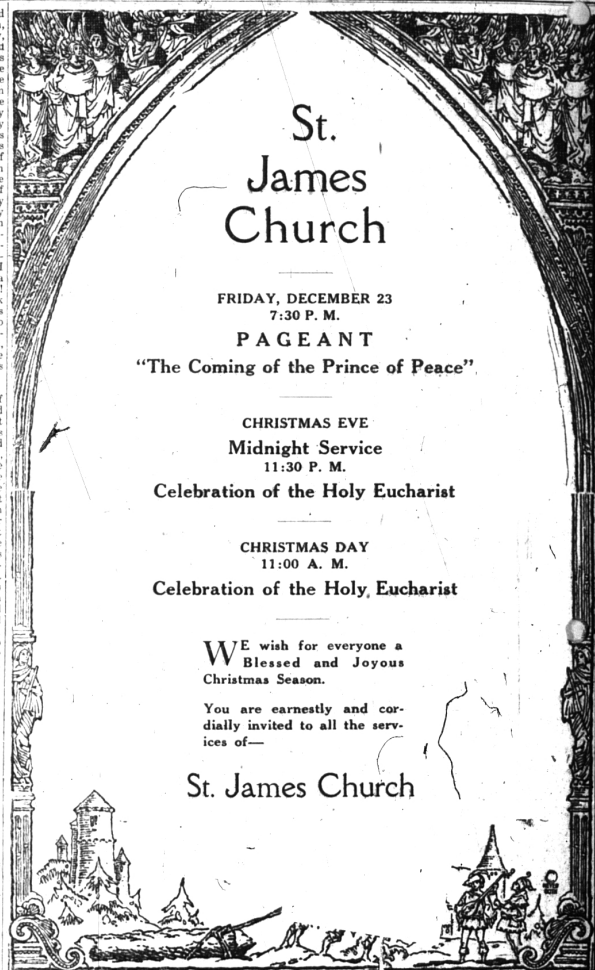
Important Burton

Many sources attribute this generosity of the legislature to the influence and sagacity of Dr. Little. But let us not forget the late President Marion Lelloy Burton, immortal in the hearts of Michigan students. It was the untiring work of Dr. Burton that first brought legislation to the realization of the needs of the state university. In his work with state law makers, as well as with his countless friends on the campus, President Burton's genial personality, keen humor and impeccable reasoning power placed him among the greatest minds of the country. It is Dr. Little's very good fortune, and paradoxically, his ill fortune, to find himself standing in the shadow of so fine a person as his predecessor. Dr. Burton's good fortune because Marion Lelloy Burton's work cannot be undone in a night, his ill fortune because the sun flower is only more gaudy than the rose.

CHANGE ASKED

IN DRAIN PLANS

No immediate action was to be taken on a petition received at night by the village commission from the Birmingham Park Improvement association asking that something be done so that the River Rouge will not be used as part of the county drain. The latter declared that this would be a menace to the property north of the Square Lake road.



St. James Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23
7:30 P. M.

PAGEANT

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Midnight Service
11:30 P. M.

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

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Manager James W. Parry today has instructions from the village commission to check the names on a petition received at the commission meeting Monday night, asking for the widening of Hamilton avenue five feet. This action of the property owners follows the decision against widening the street 10 feet, recently made by the commission, because of the excessive cost. The property owners asked that a 32-foot pavement be laid and the land be taken from either or both sides of the street, depending upon the advice of the manager.

AN IMPORTANT
Message For You
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