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EDWARD G. WASEY DIES AT HOME

Proficient Lawyer and Business Man Succumbs to Pneumonia

Funeral in Detroit

Survived by Family

After being graduated from Detroit Central high school in 1898, he attended Williams College for two years going on to the University of Michigan, finishing the law school there in 1902. He was a member of Phi Delta Phi Fraternity and the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

Began Law Practice

Commissioners Plan to Hear Objections

Boy Scout Board Names Officers

Report local declining flowers for the year.

Many Interested Attempt Made to Identify Loot

Community Chest for Village Would Insure Fair Distribution, Claim

Continued interest is being shown here today by citizens in the proposed adoption of the village of an annual community fund drive and the establishing of a community chest from which all donations to charity would come.

Despite the amount of talk in the village concerning the proposal of a fund drive, many of those who were inclined to believe in the plan have been reminded by advocates of the plan that it would be impossible in a community of this size where persons well known and responsible would serve on the executive committee.

Water to Speak to Council Groups

Fuels Auto Bandit by Quick Thinking

Motorist Throws Would-be Thug to Pavement on Woodward

Services to be Held for Woman Today

St. James Church Scene of Memorial for Mrs. Frank Miller

Attempt Made to Identify Loot

Police today were to accompany Birmingham citizens who have been robbed recently in an effort to identify part of the loot recovered in that city and to identify the address of the store where the loot was recovered.

More than 700 pounds of valuables have been returned from Toledo, according to reports there. Cultler intended to dispose of them. His arrest by Detectives Coward and Little, following the breaking of a plate glass window on Perry street.

Police declare that man had admitted participation in most of the burglaries in that city since October. They also say he has a prison record.

Several persons already accompanied to Pontiac in this village were reported to have failed to claim any of the loot. The shipment returned from Toledo will be viewed today.

High School Secretary for Detroit M. A. A. will be invited to speak to the combined meeting of the H-Y clubs at Lincoln High School, Ferndale, on Friday night, Jan. 20.

General purpose of the meeting will be to confer on how to proceed for the purpose of the clubs, which is to "create and maintain throughout the school and community a spirit of Christian character." A supper will be given at the Ferndale club with proceeds to go to the Detroit club.

A discussion as to the advisability of enlarging the number of members of the club was held. It was probably decided whether to put on a special campaign for new members during February, and on continuing the method of observing Father and Son week.

In a hold-up at the same spot on Woodward last week, Dr. S. H. Clark and his wife, of Pontiac, were victimized.

Contract Award Delayed

Actual Start on New Township Building Delayed a Week

Awarding of contracts for construction of the new Troy Township office building, delayed for a week at the meeting of the board last night. Other business took up the time of those at the meeting in the village office.

Bids were opened last Wednesday and tabulated by E. E. Bissell, Birmingham architect who designed the building.

Plans call for a two-story building with basement. The design is a rectangular building with distinctive residential restrictions which have been placed on the subdivision in which the site for the new building is located.

Officers for township ofials will be located on the first floor and a wing will be provided for a historical group and township records. The upper floor will contain an assembly room and justice court. The building will be located in the basement.

The site, which is on the Seven Mile road, east of Woodward street, was purchased from Joseph Germain of Detroit for \$11,000 and comprises approximately four acres.

Township voters, at the general election last fall, approved a tax rate of 1.50 cents per \$100 of the assessed valuation for the purchase of a site and for contracting and furnishing the building.

The bids, opened last week, ranged in amount from \$28,985 to \$37,112. Chas. Brothers of Birmingham was the low bidder.

Heads Group

Work Starts on Plans for Actual Pavement

Preliminary Construction Expected to Begin in Spring; Village Will Not Be Taxed for Improvement

Plans for widening and paving Woodward avenue through Birmingham to 100 feet are being prepared today by the state highway commission under the direction of Commissioner Frank Rogers.

Work will be started and completed during the summer, according to all present indications. This will be decided definitely as soon as the state books are audited and the question of finance is settled, according to Mr. Rogers.

The state will defray all expenses for the improvement and work toward obtaining the slight amount of necessary right of way to be begun within a few weeks.

Unanimous Approval

Night Fire Damages Parked Automobile

Fire-damaged touring car belonging to Claude Belz, of this village at 790 p. m. Wednesday, parked at Harmon and Woodward avenues. The origin of the blaze is unknown, according to firemen who extinguished it with chemicals. The top and cushions were destroyed. The loss was uninsured.

Authority Will Speak Here on Government

H. T. Hillery

Mr. Hillery is active today as chairman of the city-village committee studying the proposed change of the form of government for Birmingham.

He has served as special investigator for Royal Oak before it changed its form of government and is familiar with work along this line.

Edmund W. Booth Dies After Illness

Bloomfield Relatives Mourn Loss of One of Best Known Newspaper Men

Edmund Wood Booth, one of the best known newspaper men in Michigan, died at his home in Bloomfield Saturday from complications.

Mr. Booth was the brother of George C. Booth, Charles B. Booth and Mrs. Alice Booth Miller, of Cranbrook, and the son of Mr. Henry Wood Booth, of Cranbrook, Col. Booth had been ill only a short time.

Edmund Wood Booth, editor and manager of the Grand Rapids Press, and member of the well-known Booth family of newspaper publishers, was 67 years of age.

McBride Building Nears Completion

Building Considered Finest in Business Section of Birmingham

Practical completion of the new McBride building at 129 1/2 South Second street, today indicates the hard work company owned by J. H. McBride will occupy the building.

The building is considered the finest in the business section of Birmingham.

Constructed at an approximate cost of \$85,000 it has all the modern securities of a place of business.

Two offices of the second floor of the building will be rented. These are considered the most modern in the village.

Plans were made when the structure was started last summer to carry on construction so that additional floors could be played on the building when this becomes necessary.

Three more floors may be added at any time, Mr. McBride said.

The first floor which will be used by the hardware company, is finished with a floor of the most modern of fixtures. Most of the basement will be used to display the hardware. The front of the basement will be occupied by a barber shop.

Attorney Checks Signed Petition

Will Instruct Commission on Presentation to Voters Here

A petition signed by more than the required number of names advocating the increase in the size of the village commission to seven members is in the hands of Village Attorney Frank L. Doty today for checking, following his presentation to the commission at the meeting Monday night.

The petition was signed by 83 persons. Of these 70 were found to be registered voters.

Mr. Doty will instruct the commission at its next meeting what must take in presenting the petition to the voters.

Advocates reported they had no difficulty in obtaining sufficient names favoring the change in the village charter, which governs the present form of government. Citizens here believe in general, they declare that a commission of seven members is the best plan for most at this critical time of its growth.

Mr. Rogers recommended to Gov. Green that the action of the commission be taken at once. This he pointed out would avoid tearing up the main artery without interruption.

Mr. Rogers pointed out that the plan would be approved by the voters in the next election. He pointed out that the plan would be approved by the voters in the next election.

This is the first time in the history of the village that the plan has been passed upon by the voters.

WE HAVE MOVED
TO THE NEW BUILDING
ROBERT A. ALLEN & CO.
TELEPHONE BR. 1900

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Dazed Mumbler Is Harmless, Merely Trying to Remember.

Protect Radio from Smut, Speakers Plead.

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