

BIBLE SCHOOL IS READY TO START

Expect More Than 200 Pupils To Enter Classes in Barnum Building

More than 200 pupils are expected at the opening of the vacation bible school, in the Barnum school building, Tuesday at 9 a. m. The school is for children from 4 to 12 years of age.

Plans are complete today, and the staff has been engaged to teach the students. The school will be open five days a week until the end of July. It is being offered through the Y. M. C. A. and four of the churches in Birmingham, the First Methodist Episcopal, the First Presbyterian, the First Baptist, and the First Protestant, who are financing it.

One change has been made in the faculty previously announced. Miss Cook, a sister of Francis Cooke, new principal of the Adams Junior High school, will have charge of the kindergarten in place of Mrs. Postans, who was injured recently in an automobile accident. Miss Cook comes from Bloomfield Hills.

Ocosso, although she is living at present on Merrill street. Worship, world brotherhood, Bible stories, music, expressional activities, and recreation will make up the daily program at the school. Mrs. C. H. Bishop, of Pierce street, is general chairman for the affair. Mrs. W. E. Aldinger will be supervisor of the school, and Miss Grace Wiley will have charge of the pre-school children. Mrs. Fred Kimp and Miss Frances Skinner will have the junior grade and Miss Mildred Green and Miss Ella Adams will assist.

SOCIETY FOLK HURT IN CRASH

(Continued from Page 1) Letter, 24 years old, 1228 Lakeview avenue, and George Lyons, 22-137 Pleasant avenue, all of Grosse Pointe Shores, were taken from their homes, suffering from minor bruises, after the accident. Mr. Otis, who, with Kirk Neal the faculty previously announced, Miss Cook, a sister of Francis Cooke, new principal of the Adams Junior High school, will have charge of the kindergarten in place of Mrs. Postans, who was injured recently in an automobile accident. Miss Cook comes from Bloomfield Hills.

RESOLUTION ON OAK ST. PASSES

Village Assessor Instructed To Create Special Assessment Rolls

Robert McClellan, village assessor, pursuant to instructions from the Birmingham village commission following its meeting Monday evening, today will begin work on making a special assessment of \$31,237.10, representing five-sixths of the cost, for the construction of a 22-foot concrete pavement with curbs and gutters on Oak street, from the River Rouge to a point about 700 feet west of Chesterfield avenue.

The assessment will be made on all taxable lands bounded by Redding road east from the intersection of Chesterfield road and Redding road, west to the intersection on Edison avenue and the west shore of Quanton Lake to a line 220 feet south of west Maple avenue, west to Chesterfield road, north to the north line of Pleasant view, and east 700 feet to the north to the south line of the W. Beatty property, then east by the street to the point of beginning. This district will be known as Special Assessment District 108 and the lands therein are benefited by the proposed improvement. The commission, in its second dramatic session, secured the pavement, also provided that the village of Birmingham shall pay from the general fund the amount of \$6,247.60 which is the remaining one-sixth of the cost.

The special storm sewer assessment roll number 107 on Prairie avenue was ratified and confirmed by the commission and orders were issued for the collection of the roll.

The Brownell street paving program was approved and orders for collection of the assessments were issued. The Taylor Construction company was awarded the contract for the paving of Hanna street on a motion by Ralph L. Corbett, commissioner. James W. Parry, village manager, was authorized by the commission to proceed with sidewalk construction at 15 cents a square foot.

AGED RESIDENT TAKEN BY DEATH

John Stryker Succumbs to Illness of Six Days, Family Survives Him

After an illness of only six days, John Stryker, 65 years old, died at his home 725 Pierce street, at 10 p. m. Monday. Mr. Stryker had been in good health, working every day, until Tuesday of last week. Death was due to heart trouble. Funeral services were to be held at 2 p. m. today from his home, the Rev. T. J. Edwards, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Acacia Park cemetery.

Mr. Stryker was born in New York, but he had been living in Birmingham for 40 years. He was a tool maker at the Ford Motor company, in Highland Park, and was engaged in his trade when he became ill. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Carrie B. Stryker, two sons, George Stryker, of New York, and Abraham Stryker, of Pierce street, and two daughters, Mrs. Bernice Kohl, of Yorkville road, and Mrs. Kathie Riem Running, of Pierce street.

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BYRD TAKES MAIL OVERSEAS



Commander Richard E. Byrd is shown here being sworn in by Postmaster John J. Kiely of New York, at Roosevelt Field, N. Y., to carry mail on his trans-Atlantic flight.

DECISION ON FIRE SITE IS HALTED AGAIN

(Continued from Page 1) The village acquire \$100,000 to erect a fire station and police headquarters. The pending adjourned before a vote was taken on the resolution. It is expected it will again be presented next Monday night.

Although the meeting was filled with this of a minor nature, the most dramatic moment occurred when Ellery asked Hunt as to the vote he would cast for the resolution.

"I thought so," said Ellery, and the incident was closed. It was brought out by Ellery that the commission has no money with which to purchase the property which he had a fire hall, which was purchased on the vote of the people on the understanding of many of the voters when collected to be used for the purpose of building a fire hall thereon.

Authority of the commission was granted to it by the Charter of the Village and the power of the commission is limited to the authority therein granted. I desire to call your attention to Section 21, Chapter 20 of the Village Charter, which provides "The Commission may borrow in any year, in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the same year, such sum as may be necessary to defray current expenses. The money so borrowed shall be so repaid from such tax when collected." The Commission, therefore, cannot borrow the money for the purpose of paying for the site for the fire hall as it can only borrow in anticipation of the collection of taxes, and no provision was made in the budget for the purchase of any site for a fire hall.

The money for the purchase of the site, at this time, can only be raised by bond issue, or by tax, but in both cases, can only be done by authorization of 2/3 vote of the qualified electors of the Village. (See Sections 22, 21, and 25, Chapter 20, Village Charter.)

The only exception on the borrowing limit as above set forth, is provided for by Section 24, Chapter 20 of the Village Charter, which provides that in case of fire, flood or other calamity requiring an emergency fund for relief of the inhabitants of the village, etc., the commission may borrow money. At this time no such emergency exists.

I have examined with care the letter of Frederick S. Baker, under date of June 29, 1927, directed by W. W. Henry, of this commission and beg leave to submit that the authorities therein cited are not in point, as no case as cited has the same statement of facts or any corresponding statement of facts to the one before the commission at this time. I therefore advise you that the law cited by Mr. Baker is not applicable to the question before this commission as it is not based on the same or similar statement of facts.

I therefore advise you that under the foregoing statement of facts, that the commission has no authority to buy a new site for a fire hall at this time (money with which to pay for same can only raise money for that purpose on a 2/3 majority vote of the qualified electors of the Village. Respectfully submitted, FRANK L. DOTY.

BID IS REJECTED
An estimate from a Detroit wrecking company of \$2,000 to raze the village pumping station on west Maple avenue was rejected by the commission Monday night. The figure was deemed far too high.

G. T. Fowkes, 74, and Miss Gilliam, 71, were recently married at Leicester, Mass., without telling anyone of their wedding plans. When C. C. Caller of St. Louis was notified that he had arranged an increase in wages he dropped dead.

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