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FORTY-NINTH YEAR—NO. 50

Police Declare War on Dogs

Following reports received at police headquarters of two mad dogs in the village, Police Chief James Anderson today issued a prohibitive to dog owners. One person was bitten by a dog heaved to have been owned by Miss Alhina Beals, a school teacher living at 201 Ridgewood. Anderson today issued at the University Hospital at Ann Arbor.

Water Supply Amendment To Be Decided By Voters

H. S. STARR FAVORS BILL
Birmingham will join the township, county and state in its efforts to be held Monday. Since there is no local contest the voting is expected to be light.

Oakland Gains 60,000 in 2 Years

The present population of Oakland County is placed at 209,000, an increase of 60,000 in the last two years, in the 1927 city directory. The assessed valuation of Oakland county, as of January 1, 1927, is listed at \$4,855, compared to \$4,273 in 1925, or an increase of 10 per cent. There were 4,999 families in Oakland in 1925, compared with 11,344 at the present time.

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LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. MERCIER

Birmingham Woman Dies in Detroit After Brief Illness
Funeral services were held at 9:30 a. m. Monday for Mrs. Theodora Mercier at her home on Pleasant avenue and at the Holy Name chapel. Mrs. Mercier died Friday at the Hospital after a brief illness of only four days. She was 64 years old.

WOODS POSSIBLE BOARD CANDIDATE

Mrs. Arthur Halgren's Name Among Six Mentioned for Commission
One woman's name is included on the list of six citizens for whom petitions for village committee are being circulated.

BALDWIN'S RETURN FROM LONG TRIP

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Birmingham

"For a Bigger and Better Birmingham"

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1927

Alleged Drunken Brawl Ends In Fatal Shooting Of Detroit

Vincent Stankiewicz, 26, of Detroit, is thought today by Oakland County deputies in connection with the fatal shooting Monday night of Waseleski, 39, an inmate of the Pontiac City Jail.

PLANNING TO TAKE FIRST STEP FOR FIRE STATION

Commission Calls Hearing for Street Closing on Site
The first definite step towards the completion of the proposed village fire hall, for which a \$40,000 bond issue was voted last week, is being taken today.

WILLAGE WOMAN SUCCEUMBS TO ILLS

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Falling Cornice Injures Man

One man was injured and several persons escaped when the cornice on the roof of the Johnson & Shaw block, Woodward avenue, south of Maple avenue, fell to the pavement yesterday noon.

COULD BE TAKEN BY DEATH

Father Of David H. Ladd Succumbs After Six Months' Illness
Frank Montgomery Ladd, father of David H. Ladd, president of the Birmingham Real Estate board, died Monday morning in Henry Ford hospital, Detroit, after an illness of almost six months.

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DISMISSAL IS SEEN IN WOODWARD AVENUE SUIT

Expect State to Proceed With Woodward Ave. Work
Dismissal of the injunction suit brought by John Ward Howland, Inc., against the village of Michigan, is expected today by Frank L. Doty, village attorney.

PAK PROPOSAL MEETS APPROVAL

Suggests Improvement Of Pumping Station Site On W. Maple
Enthusiasm for the proposed improvement of Birmingham's system of parks was manifested Monday night at the commission meeting, both by members of the commission and citizens.

POLICE TO HANDLE TRAFFIC CASES

Justice Court Will Hear Only Cases Of Serious Nature
New and uniform regulations covering minor traffic violations are in effect in Birmingham today, following their adoption by the village commission Monday night.

TEACHERS RECEIVE SALARY INCREASE

School Board Agrees On New Scale Of Wages For Pedagogues
The hiring of the teachers of Birmingham, who are today considering new contracts from the Board of Education, and the selection of new teachers to fill vacancies will take place April 8.

LIBRARY BOARD ASKS FOR INCREASE

Howarth Appeals To Commission For Increased 1927 Budget
An appeal was made to the village commission Monday night by John B. Howarth, secretary of the library board, for an increase of \$100 in the 1927 budget.

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PROPOSED 1927 ALLOWANCE SHOWS ADVANCE OF \$120,000

PUBLIC MEET CALLED
Definite action on the 1927 village budget, \$209,500 is expected to be taken by village commissioners at the general hearing for the public in the village offices next Monday night. The budget is \$120,000 more than that for last year.

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