

"FOR A BIGGER AND BETTER BIRMINGHAM"

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1927

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Weather:
Colder with Snow

FIFTIETH YEAR—Prosperity Week Daily

OPEN PROSPERITY WEEK

Expect Thousands Here This Week

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PREVENT GAS EXPLOSION

Firemen Warn of Gasoline Tank
A burning cigar stub dropped carelessly beside a gasoline pump at Chapin and South Woodward avenues caused a fire Thursday evening which might have resulted in a large explosion, had not the fire department arrived to extinguish it, according to members of the fire department today. The department answered a general alarm, at 8 p. m., to find the gasoline on the cement at the foundation of a gasoline pump a fire. They put it out before it had time to get lower down to the gasoline tank itself. No damage was done. The gasoline station is owned by A. E. Strey, who said he had no idea who had dropped the cigar stub. There were no patrons in the station when the fire broke out, although there had been some shortly before, he said.

THE WEEK'S PROGRAM:

Monday, 7:30 p. m. Demonstration by Fire Department at Barnum Field.
Tuesday, 8 p. m. Program in Baldwin Auditorium.
Wednesday, 8:30 p. m. Pre-opening of new Birmingham Theater.
Thursday Afternoon: Grad Schools open to visitors; Field events at Barnum Field; Demonstration classes for public at 7 p. m. in Adams and Baldwin schools; Musical program in Baldwin Auditorium.
Friday, 8 p. m. Street parade; Merchants open stores to visitors.
Saturday Afternoon: Aerial Circus.
Sunday Morning: Pastors to stress "Prosperity" theme in sermons.

CHILDREN HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Driver of One Car Is Arrested on Drunken Charge
Two children were hurt in a head-on collision of automobiles on the Commerce road two miles from here tonight and a driver of one of the cars was arrested on a charge of drunk driving. Richard and Robert Bureau, seven and four years old respectively, were badly cut about the face and legs when the machine in which they were riding with their father, E. J. Bureau of Union Lake was struck head on by a car driven by William Barrow, 45 years old, 925 Parkin street, Flint, Barrow was arrested by deputies.

Plans Completed For Gala Week In Village

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Department Plans Exhibition At Barnum Field

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Dashes Into Path Of Auto, Man Dies

One man was killed and two persons injured in two accidents which occurred almost simultaneously last night on Main street south of the Eighteen Mile road in Troy Township. Joseph Simmons, 65 years old, retired, a resident of Long Lake road, died when he was struck by the Birmingham police station after being struck by an automobile while crossing south of the scene of an accident which occurred a few minutes previous. Ray Dawson, Route 4, Birmingham and Miss Marie Scofield, Lafayette street, Royal Oak, both about 20 years old were injured when the car in which they were riding collided with a motor bus. Both were taken to the St. Joseph Hospital, Pontiac. Mr. Dawson was released after receiving treatment for cuts and bruises. Mrs. Scofield was released today. Hospital attendants said she was suffering from shock.

TRIBUTE PAID TO MOTHERS ARMISTICE DAY

Speaker Here Lauds Sacrifice Of 'Gold Star Parents'
Two SERVICES HELD
Impressive Armistice Day services were conducted Friday at the Adams and Baldwin school under the auspices of the American Legion. School children and public made up the audience at each school. Vice-commander C. L. Misner was in charge of the services at the Adams School, and Rev. H. S. Evans, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation and memorial prayer. Rev. Henry S. Evans, pastor of the Episcopal Church, gave the invocation and memorial prayer. Rev. H. S. Evans, pastor of the Episcopal Church, gave the invocation and memorial prayer.

LEGION MEETS TO REORGANIZE

Commander Stanley Calls Assembly Wednesday For All Former Service Men
A reorganization meeting of the American Legion will be held at the Community House Wednesday at 8 p. m. according to announcement made by Lloyd L. Stanley, commander. At this meeting all the equipment will be checked and every ex-service man is requested to be present.

TICKETS PRIZE FOR SHOPPERS

Novel Window Contest Arranged By Birmingham Merchants
Opportunity will be given Birmingham residents and their friends to win free tickets to the new Kunkys-Birmingham theater during Prosperity Week through a window shopping contest. Problems of the contest may be solved in one day, although the contest itself will last throughout the week, according to Charles E. Shanahan, chairman of the promotion committee. In the window of each merchant contributing to the Prosperity Week fund will be placed one of the letters of the words "Kunkys-Birmingham Theater." Each contestant, seeing the letter in the window will enter the store and ask the merchant for a duplicate of the letter in the window. When all the letters of the words "Kunkys-Birmingham Theater" are collected and taken to the theater, they will be exchanged for a ticket.

MAN WABBED AS VIOLATOR

Restaurant Employee Held Under Heavy Bail For Hearing
Charged with specific sale in connection with a purchase from him by an Oakland County deputy, on information supplied by the Birmingham police department, L. M. Harboure, 26 years old, Brown street, is held under bail of \$1,000 today awaiting examination Tuesday before Justice Floyd S. Buck. Harboure demanded an examination when arrested at a restaurant and indicated he would not furnish the bail imposed and was remanded to the custody of the police.

WOMEN TO RUN NEW BARBECUE

A barbecue stand on Woodward avenue south of Maple, beginning Tuesday night and remaining open every night following that, will be the offering of the Birmingham Business and Professional Women's club to Prosperity Week. It is announced today by Miss Myrtle Krahn, president of the club. A stand at which barbecue sandwiches and coffee will be had will be open from 7 p. m. to midnight starting Tuesday night. Members will not hold the same jobs each night and besides the sale of the letters will be donated by the Fackard Charlton building company.

HEADS WEEK'S WORKERS

Man Who Is Vague On Bird's Identity Pays Court Fine
John Lukack probably wishes that blue-jays were turkeys, or maybe geese, ducks, or geese, Hantramack, paid more for blue-jays last Friday than he paid for two good big turkeys, when the day before Thanksgiving. John didn't know that blue-jays were long birds, he said, when he was planning to buy a turkey for his possession song birds. Smith, drafted his story and after a severe questioning announced that Smith admitted raising the bird. According to Judge Buck. Arrested Thursday in southern Oakland County by Deputy Robert McClure, who found him with the birds, Lukack was arraigned Friday and fined \$15, which sets a new price for blue-jays at \$7.00 apiece. His gun was confiscated.

'Safer Streets' Campaign Gets Under Way

A concentrated safety campaign to prevent accidents in Birmingham was to get under way here today, following conferences between Manager James W. Parry and Clarence Villet, superintendent of schools. New signs, warning autoists that they are approaching a school district, are being considered, canvas letters for the pavement requesting motorists to drive slowly are ordered. Safety lectures accompanied by picture slides will be shown in all the schools under the supervision of the police department. All this is the direct outgrowth of action taken by the village commission following the fatal injury last week to Marie Thompson, seven years old, 212 Palm street, who died after being run over by a motor truck. Mr. Villet and Mr. Parry will try to work out some kind of campaign plan for the schools, it is planned. They will consider the matter from the points-of-view of the school, the police department, and the village commission. Mr. Parry will submit a suggested new sign, in red and black on aluminum plate with "School" drive slowly, in red and black letters, to be placed on the streets in the immediate vicinity of the schools. This sign will be considered at the next meeting of the school board, the date for which has not been set, and if it is approved, the signs will be erected as a police facility. The moving pictures and safety lectures being sponsored by the police department will probably be (Continued on Page 3)

CHILD DISCOVERS FIREMEN FRIENDS

The fire truck was called out, a window in a residence broken, the ladder was placed to the window, and a rescue was performed Thursday afternoon, and yet there was no fire. Bruce Jr., the three-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Millar, at 920 Yorkshire road, liked to play with the lock on the bathroom door. But the lock was not so friendly. It clicked, and Bruce was locked in. He tried to make it click back but to no avail, so finally he asked for help. Little Bruce was rescued by fireman Weier and George Jones, after they had smashed the window to the room, it too having been locked.

COUNTERFEIT MONEY LAID TO SAGINAW

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Automobile Is Demolished By Flames Here

A small car belonging to W. W. Drown, of Detroit, burned up at 7 a. m. today. The remainder of the line station, at Woodward avenue and Fifteen Mile road. The engine of the car was not known, Drown said. A fire alarm was answered by the Birmingham fire department but the car was a ruin before they arrived, according to members of the department.

First Daily Edition In Village History

This is the first daily edition of a newspaper ever published in Birmingham. It will be published every day except on the regular days of Prosperity Week. The papers will be sold on the streets at news stands and will be delivered as usual to the regular subscribers of The Eclectic. It will be issued early each morning until and including next Saturday. During the week, news copy will be submitted to the office not later than midnight and advertising copy will be submitted to the office before publication.



H. T. ELLERBY
Mr. Ellerby, who is president of Birmingham, is general chairman of Prosperity Week, which begins today throughout the village. He has been very active in his work of general chairman, and is confident today of the success of the project.