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"Prosperity Week from a realtor's standpoint," said Charles E. Buck of the local firm of Colgrove Buck & Tillotson, "is a splendid idea, and we congratulate the president of the commission and other city officers who instituted it."

"Prosperity Week is going to bring thousands of visitors to Birmingham. They will come, not only from Detroit, but from a radius northeast and west of fully 50 miles, and many of them will see the advantages of the Birmingham Bloomfield district."

"When you come to think of it, it would be hard to find another community the size of this with practically all of its inhabitants in business in any prosperous condition as they are in this community, which is attested for by the fact that the purchasing power of the residential section of Birmingham and Bloomfield is probably higher per family than in any other single section of Michigan."

"Primarily due to the automobile there has been a movement by the better element of the residents in large cities in every section of the U. S. to the suburbs, which can basically be traced to the maternal instinct of getting the children out of the congestion and contamination of the city into a healthier suburban life."

"With this movement has come the country club, and a social condition which appeals to every member of the family, and which, as the increase in population has been very large in this district, it has only begun, and the Birmingham Bloomfield district is still in its infancy."

"Every recent such as Prosperity Week, which brings new people in to this district is bound to mean new residents in the not far off future."

**DEMONSTRATION SHOWS  
DEPARTMENT WORTH**

H. T. Ellerly, village president, commenting on the excellent display given by the fire department Monday night at Barnum Field, expressed the belief that the people of Birmingham are now in a position to appreciate better the facilities and the protection furnished by the department.

"That is one of the real purposes of Prosperity Week," he said, "and it will be a fine thing for all our citizens and nearby friends to get about the village during the remainder of the week and acquaint themselves with the opportunities of Birmingham."

Italy has forbidden the exportation of genuine antiques. But Americans will still buy and fly home the other kind.

President Masarik of Czecho-Slovakia, now serving his third term, was once a blacksmith.

**NEIGHBORS**  
and what they are doing

**Pleasant Ridge**—Fourteen officials will be up for re-election Dec. 5 at the regular election here. The village will also vote on the question of becoming incorporated as a city.

**Detroit**—Seven blind pigs have been discovered near public school on Bates in the first flap drive against them, according to an announcement by Commissioner William F. Rutledge. Two of these have cases pending against them and two more have already been raided, Rutledge said. Immediate action will be taken against the others, he declared.

**Lonis**—Although he has confessed three times to setting fire to a barn here, it is probable that James Ford will be allowed to go free, the defense plea being that confessions should not be accepted unless there is no other evidence of guilt.

**Detroit**—Gerard Hefferns, Belgian, and Tony Beckman, from New Jersey, continue their lead today; the only day Detroit's first inter-city tug-of-war race here held at Olympia, the new sports arena.

**Detroit**—Henry Ford was named defendant today in a chancery suit involving \$6,000,000 filed in the Oakland Circuit Court at Pontiac by Henry M. Leland and his son, Wilfred C. Leland, in behalf of nearly 2,000 stockholders in the old Lincoln Motor Co.

**Pontiac**—Patrons of the Pontiac Union School District will vote Tuesday, Nov. 22, on a proposition to increase the district's \$1,265,000 with which to provide new school buildings and additions to existing structures.

**Flint**—Word was received today from Muncie, Ind., authorities that Edward Duffy, one of six prisoners who escaped from the General county jail Wednesday night, has been captured there. Duffy's home is in Muncie. He was originally arrested there only about two weeks before he escaped from the county jail here. He was being held here on a charge of robbing a drug store.

**Royal Oak**—Segrick is being made a road man by the crew in the rear of a Braun Lumber company wagon Monday noon on the Ten Mile road, near the Stephenson superhighway, and then abandoned the car after the lumber wagon driver asked for a driver's license. The machine was a tan and sedan and was stolen from Mrs. L. Schultz of Detroit. Detroit police told Deputy Bernard Schradler Monday night. The machine was towed to the sheriff's substation at the Nine Mile road and John R. by Deputy Ray Kenyon. One of the occupants of the car suffered a cut hand, caused by flying glass.

**Pontiac**—Lou Truax, 27, former patrolman, belonging to the Pontiac police department was sentenced Monday to serve 3 to 5 years in the Michigan State Prison at Jackson for the theft of a radio taken from a Pontiac store. Truax had pleaded guilty after the missing radio had been found in his home by detectives of the police force of which he was a member. Judge F. L. Covert passed sentence.

**Clarkston**—Funeral rites for Forest Irish, well known resident of Clarkston, who died Saturday, will be held here at 2 p. m. today.

**Detroit**—Mayor Echet John C. Lodge received his certificate of election and took the oath of office at 10 a. m. today in the City Clerk's office in the City Hall. He will become Mayor January 10.

**Ferndale**—Dr. Ralph A. Norris, formerly of Ferndale, has been arrested in Jacksonville, Fla., on a warrant signed by his wife, who filed suit for divorce against him last year. Mrs. Norris is pressing the suit.

**Detroit**—"Dutch" Anderson, known to his intimates and the police as "the daredevil," retained his title and his freedom today in a skirmish with two patrolmen

**FIGURES GIVEN  
IN ROAD WORK**

Oakland County Spends \$3,000,000 On Construction

**INCLUDE BRIDGE**

Figures compiled in the office of G. Ross Thompson, chairman of the county road commission, show that construction and improvement of Oakland County roads in 1927 eclipsed by 40 per cent the 1926 record. This establishes a record that betters that of any other year in the county's history.

The county now has a total, in state and county roads of 635.2 miles of improved highway. The cost of construction this year approximated \$3,000,000. This included a total of 50 miles of concrete and 34.5 miles of gravel surface roads, or an increase of 13.4 miles of concrete and 21.7 miles of gravel roads.

Most of the roads were built under the provisions of the Covert Act with special assessment districts paying most of the cost.

The most important bridge construction was the B-Heister bridge which is 810 feet long with a 28-foot roadway and a five-foot side walk.

**Pontiac**—The city welfare department and the various agencies of the Welfare League will hold "open house" at the Welfare Building Wednesday night from 8:15 to 9:45. The public is invited.

**Pontiac**—Thrifty fellows, those U. S. Army regulars, popular opinion to the contrary notwithstanding. According to the report of the Birmingham Exchange Club of the local recruiting office, Corporal W. Drabkowski, United States Army, of the 10th Cavalry, had a bank balance totaling \$1,989,879.55. The report further discloses that during the last fiscal year soldiers have deposited a total of \$1,351,855.36.

**Believes Village  
Better Than City**

Harry Allen, Local Citizen, Addresses Exchange Club Here

That a village holds attraction to city dwellers as long as it is a village, clean, beautiful and quiet was the gist of a talk given by Harry Allen, of West Maple Avenue, Detroit, before the members of the Birmingham Exchange Club at the Royal Oak Hotel, Monday night.

Mr. Allen, who is a non-in-law of the late W. D. Clibbe, was the guest of Exchange Chairman A. Bingham. Mr. Allen is a member of the Detroit Rotary club.

He told of the early history of Birmingham, saying that Birmingham's history was the same as the early history of small towns in the Northwestern Territory, but that it centered especially around John Hunt and Elijah Warren, early residents here, when it was known as Piety Hill. He advised to keep Birmingham a village as long as possible because, he believes, to city people the name "village" means beauty, cleanliness and quiet.

Mr. Allen's talk was purely sentimental in nature. He did not refer to the saving taxes in the event of becoming a city.

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(Special to The Eccentric)  
Ferndale, Nov. 15.—Chief Roy Reynolds of the Ferndale police department, yesterday announced the following promotions: Motorcycle Officer C. B. Bannister, sergeant of traffic; Detective Sergeant William Evly to police clerk, giving up the rank of sergeant at his own request; Patrolman Harvey Conrad to detective, and Patrolman John Whisman to patrol driver. Purchase of another motor car for the department was authorized by the police and fire board.

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Pontiac, Nov. 15.—A number of Detroit firms are reported to be working on bids for a general contract of \$3,000,000 for the erection of the new Oakland assembly plant in the northern part of the city. W. E. Wood & Co., of Detroit, has been awarded the contract for the foundation and foundations. Drains and sewers are now under construction by Lorne Plumbing and Heating company, Detroit.

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