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BIDS ASKED ON NEW SCHOOL

Board Will Open Estimates For Building On Oct. 19

With \$75,000 worth of bonds already sold, bids are being called for today on the construction of the new \$150,000 Daniel Whitefield School, in school district No. 6, fractional, of Bloomfield Township, on Orchard Lake avenue, just outside of Pontiac. Bids will be opened at 8 p. m. Oct. 19. Bonds for the whole cost of the building were voted by the district, and the half already disposed of were sold to the Security Trust company of Detroit, which offered to take the bonds at 4 1/2 per cent interest and pay a premium of \$75. The bonds, to be dated Oct. 17, will mature in 15 years.

WOMAN IS FINED AFTER AUTOS HIT

Reckless Driving Charge Placed Against Motorist in South Woodward Crash

Mrs. Alfred T. Horn is recovering today at her home in Detroit from injuries received when the car in which she was riding was struck by one driven by Myrtle Wilson, negro, 54 Orchard Lake avenue, Pontiac, on South Woodward avenue at 8:40 p. m. Sunday. Mrs. Wilson paid a \$25 fine in Judge Floyd S. Buck's court Monday after she had pleaded guilty to a charge of reckless driving.

Mrs. Horn, who lives at 3359 St. Clair avenue, Detroit, was riding with her husband, who was driving, and her brother, Sunday evening, when Mrs. Wilson's car crashed into the side of the Horn car, police said. Both cars were going south when the accident occurred. Mrs. Wilson is said to have been trying to pass the Horn's car. Damage to both cars was covered by insurance.

When a Canadian gentleman offered his lower berth ticket to an elderly woman, saying he did so out of respect for her age, she bawled him out and threw the ticket in his face.

HISTORY TELLS HOW OTTAWAS UNDER PONTIAC GAINED BLOOMFIELD

Nowhere in the vast reaches of the Northwest Territory is there a spot like Bloomfield Hills which, cherished alike by the Indian and civilized man, changed hands frequently among the strongest tribes and retaining its natural charm to this day, has become an exclusive residential district.

Bloomfield Hills was the pride of many bloody wars. Indians seeking new and better lands to inhabit were attracted to this district by the fertile soil, game resources, the elevation of the land and the water approaches. All factors vital to savage pursuits were found in Bloomfield Hills, here many pitched battles were fought between tribes contending for its ownership, and here the victor remained to enjoy the advantages of his new possession.

This region then as now, was dotted with innumerable lakes reflecting the light of the Great Spirit, and filled with fish which would bite as readily for the warrior himself. The fortunate tribe, having within the territory it controlled, this chain of beautiful lakes, possessed an invaluable food reserve of water fowl and fish to be drawn upon when famine reduced the neighboring tribes to hunger and want, or in altered circumstances, enabled the owners to sustain a prolonged war.

It is said that on the surrounding plains crops were not raised nor diversified year after year the same staple crops of corn, squash, cabbage and turnips were planted on the same plot with the result that in time a given tract of once fertile soil would become exhausted and then would be abandoned entirely. This lack of foresight and indifference to productive labor was characteristic of the Indians and was in a large measure responsible for his inability during times of adverse crops to provide even the necessities of life for himself and his family. Famines like ghastly specters stalked frequently among these Indians. Every food reserve, therefore, was valued highly and contributed more than any other one factor to frequent war councils, now warring tribes were.

Bloomfield Hills had the further advantage of being elevated some 300 feet above the Detroit river, away from the miasmas, copperheads, and mosquitoes that travel in great numbers in the low marshy regions near the river.

Not only was the district elevated but it was also especially blessed by water via the Rouge and Clinton rivers. Possession of waterways was exceedingly important, for communication lines naturally followed along streams sufficiently large to be navigated by the freighter, canoe and wharf, connecting with the larger rivers and lakes, made uninterrupted travel by water over long distances possible. Much like Serbia before the world war and Bolivia at the present time, each Indian tribe was bent upon holding territory which

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS —of Long Ago

Bits Of News Cleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric—The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today.

43 YEARS AGO

Married, on Wednesday, Oct. 15, 1884, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. Henry Kimball, of Pontiac, and Miss Etta Wheeler of Bloomfield. With the customary generosity of the house hold, the printers were heartily remembered, and we wish them all joy and happiness.

25 YEARS AGO

The Mitchell family swooped down upon Anna M. Parks Tuesday evening of this week and with their Victor taking machine gave their Troy friends a grand concert and all enjoyed it hugely.

43 YEARS AGO

A report is going the rounds that a Holly girl was found on the Fronton fair grounds with a Mother Hubbard on which was not held down, and while looking at the working of a Walter A. Woodsoff binder she accidentally fell upon the table. She was carried up, through the machine, and being about the size of a hybrid wheat, it tied a string around her waist and kicked her out, and her fellow caught her and held her up. Quite a harvest scene. (Holly Advertiser.)

CHAIRS SELECTED FOR NEW LIBRARY

Completion Of New Library Building Expected By December 1st

The Ready Helpers will meet at the residence of Mrs. A. C. Wallace Saturday, Oct. 26. All the members are invited to be present. Mary Parks, secretary.

One day last week we had the pleasure of taking supper with mine host, George Hicks of the Waverly House, and if George doesn't know how to cater to the wants of a hungry man, then we are no judge of what man wants here below.

Married at the residence of Dr. D. C. Crocker, in Pontiac, Sept. 30, Eddie Jaeger and Clara Morgan, of Bloomfield.

"Why Did They Dig Ma's Grave Under the Tree?" is the title of a new song. It was probably done to keep her from hearing the song.

Miss Anna Parks and Miss Tillie Walker visited the family of Thomas Middlemiss at Wyandotte last week.

The Misses Crawford Whiting and Sarah Whiting favored the shops of this office with a pleasant call on Friday last.

Our right hand is as lame as Blaine's because Lon Ferguson of Oshtemo walked into our sanctum on Tuesday and gave us one of his old-time grips. He reports himself just as tough as ever and his old digits tell us that he has lost none of his cordial ways. May he live till he wants to die.

We noticed Joseph Dyer of Charlevoix County in town recently. Joe looks as if he rode on the tidal wave of prosperity.

Will Bull's, Dr. O. W. Hewitt's, and R. Bird's new houses are rapidly approaching completion.

Miss Emma Jacobs of Detroit has been visiting her cousin, Miss Anna Bartels, of Royal Oak.

Miss Mary E. Utter left for the Normal on Saturday last.

Miss Margaret Todd of Troy has been visiting in Detroit the past week.

The Misses Jennie Keyes and Josie Hutchinson will open a delectable emporium next Monday at the residence of the first named lady, corner Maple avenue and Bates street. Satisfaction guaranteed in every instance.

Will Crombie of Detroit vacationed in town last week.

The Rev. H. O. Parker will try to indicate the tenets of Christianity in the hard hearts of the Rochesterites the coming year from the pulpit of the M. E. Church of that burg.

EX-VILLAGER DEATH VICTIM

Clare G. Reule Succumbs To Bright's Disease In Cwosso

Funeral services were held Friday at Cwosso for Clare G. Reule, of Birmingham, who died Oct. 4 at the home of his parents, 540 Oak Mason street, Cwosso, of acute Bright's disease. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery, Cwosso. Mr. Reule was a sales executive with the General Motors corporation, with offices in the General Motors building, Detroit, and was well known in automotive circles in Detroit and Birmingham.

During his high school days in Cwosso, Mr. Reule was prominent in athletics, being on the baseball, football and basket ball teams. He came to Detroit to live after his marriage to Miss Bernice Hankins, who soon afterwards moved to Birmingham. He was a member of Birmingham Lodge No. 44, F. & A. M., and of the Frigs' club of Cwosso. Besides his widow, Mrs. Bernice Reule, who lives at 135 Vinewood avenue, Mr. Reule leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Reule, a sister, Mrs. Gladys Reule, and his brothers, Donald and Harold, all, except his widow, of Cwosso.

BREAK GAME LAW; THREE PAY FINES

Lack Of Permit, Shooting During Night Bring Assessments In Court

Three game law violations over the week-end brought \$40, in fines in Judge Floyd S. Buck's justice court Monday.

Frank C. Miller, 12629 Washburn avenue, Detroit, was fined \$10 for carrying a gun in hunting area without a permit. He was arrested Saturday by Deputy Robert McClure.

Millard Updegraff, of Pontiac, was fined \$15 for shooting waterfowl after sundown. Deputy McClure arrested him Saturday night.

Donald F. Turner, 65 West End avenue, Pontiac, was fined \$15 for shooting waterfowl before sunrise. He was arrested by Deputy McClure Sunday morning.

Women Dentists To Hold Meet

DETROIT, Oct. 12.—The sixth annual meeting of the Federation of American Women Dentists will be held in Detroit, Oct. 24, according to an announcement made by Dr. Grace Rogers Spaulding, Birmingham, president of the organization.

Arrangements should be made with Miss Mary B. Meade, secretary, at Carmi, Ill.

NEW PISTOL LAW RAISES QUERY

How one is to comply with the new law compelling all persons who own pistols to have them registered without breaking the law against carrying concealed weapons, is the question today that has many Birmingham citizens stumped.

The new law requires that all owners of pistols bring them to the police station here and go through a simple process of registration which includes the taking of fingerprints and other identals.

But another law makes the carrying of the weapon a felony, punishable by years and years in prison. And if one walks through the streets with a revolver in his hands he is liable to run into all kinds of trouble as a potential murderer. "Now what," asks John W. Birmingham, "is the answer?"

Police Chief James Anderson, however, declares there is no danger of a mistake being made over this situation and says that while policemen, like everyone else, may make mistakes, they at least know when a person with a gun has nothing more sinister in his heart than registration.

DRIVER TO FIGHT TRAFFIC CHARGE

Arthur Sterling, 90 Seward avenue, Detroit, will be tried at 2 p. m. tomorrow in Judge Floyd S. Buck's court on a charge of reckless driving, to which he pleaded not guilty when he was arraigned Monday.

Sterling was arrested by Patrolman George Townsend at 8:15 p. m. Sunday, on complaint of Arthur Rutgers, of the Kalamazoo State company. Sterling's car, a 1926 Buick, was damaged during Sunday evening, damaging both cars somewhat.

HEAVIEST RAIN SLOWS TRAFFIC

With streets stalled, traffic delayed, and auto and a few cellars flooded, Birmingham Friday was drenched by one of the heaviest rain falls in several years. Despite the amount of water, however, no serious damage was done and the storm did not cost the village a penny, according to Manager James W. Parry.

FLINT MEN FINED ON DRUNK CHARGE

Three men arrested Saturday night by Sergeant Richard Lawler, for being drunk, paid \$10 fines each in Judge Floyd S. Buck's court when they were arraigned Monday. Leo Weeks, 312 Perry street, William Madden, 512 Cadillac street, and Harold Benner, 342 Perry street, all pleaded guilty when they were arraigned. The alternative to their fines was a 15-day jail sentence.

MAN IS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH MURDER

Hunt For Suspect In Big Beaver Slaying Ends In Chicago

EXTRADITION SOUGHT

Wanted in connection with the murder of Anthony Wasilewski, Big Beaver, March 25, Vincent Statkiewicz, 25, is being questioned today in Chicago by Oakland County authorities prior to extradition. He was arrested there this week by Chicago police.

The murder was the outcome of a drunken brawl in the home at Big Beaver, according to deputies who immediately started to search for the man after the killing. The chase has led them to seven states and they say Statkiewicz has been constantly moving about the country since the murder.

Police circulars, freely distributed, led to the arrest. Officers declare the man has a previous police record and was known in Chicago.

ROAD COMMISSION COMPLETES WORK

County Has More Than 83 Miles Of New Paving During Last Year

According to a report of the Oakland County road commission out today, the county has paved 83.1 miles of road with concrete and 30.5 miles with gravel during the concluding year.

Lead building activities throughout the county this year kept engineers busy and practically every part of Oakland County has had improvements.

Next year's program, which is understood to be on a large scale, will not be made public until it is approved by the county board of supervisors.

County Chapter To Aid Victims

The Oakland County chapter of the American Red Cross will do its share toward raising funds for the relief in St. Louis following the tornado. According to a statement from the St. Louis office \$300,000 is needed for the work.

No national campaign will be held for the relief but donations are being received from individuals, said Miss Carrie M. Taylor, secretary of the county chapter. Try an Eccentric Classified Ad

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The duels of yesterday were fought on the "field of honor" with broad sword or steel rapier.

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