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SCORE HIGH IN HEALTH TEST

Markets Attest Ratings After General Inspection

Score cards bearing the rating of the various meat markets in Birmingham, as obtained by the recent investigation of the board of health, are visible today in those meat markets. The scoring of establishments started this month, the meat markets being the first to be examined.

Grocery stores, bakers and restaurants will also be scored as soon as possible. Dr. A. W. Newitt, health officer said, "We feel that much good will come from this system." Dr. Newitt explained, because competition will be established between the various places for high score in cleanliness and general sanitary conditions.

"All restaurant employes in the village are free from communicable diseases," Dr. Newitt said, following examination by the board of health. All new restaurant employes will be required hereafter to possess health certificates before going to work, he added.

"A general state of good health, with the number of cases of contagious diseases well within the limits of normality, is also reported by Dr. Newitt, in his health report, made public today.

THE DAYBOOK OF A NEW YORKER

By BURTON RASCOE
Exclusive Central Press Dispatch to The Eccentric

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Not for nothing have chorines in Flory Zieffels' "Follies" been synonymously with all that is admirable in feminine beauty. The girls are selected with a master eye and are, perhaps, worthy of the price which is asked for a look at them. What a blow then, what a shock to one's illusions to behold a picture that was recently printed in the tabloid papers of an ex-Ziegfeld girl. The lady had married a millionaire restaurateur and with both time and money heavy on her hands, she was smoking and accelerating life. Recently, she was driving her limousine along Fifth avenue, when she was halted by a policeman, who noted that she had no lights burning. She staggered out of the car, and was later found, by a police surgeon, to be quite drunk.

The next day in court, she shocked both his honor and the spectators by appearing stockinged and hatted. Now it was not so much the attire that was startling, as the woman who appeared in it. Here was a former Follies beauty, now fat, dowdy and altogether unattractive. She must have weighed over two hundred pounds, and her legs were muddled like those of a piano. Her features were stodgy and revolting, and her complexion was pasty. It would be difficult to deny that this

woman was once a professional beauty, but it would be twice as difficult to imagine that same fact.

A circular letter is being sent to prominent people in New York, and so far as I know, none of those to whom it is sent is able to discover the object of the thing. The letter-head announces its name as "The Tobacco Society for Voice Culture." The contents of the missive tell of the benefits of cigarettes to the throat.

One paragraph of the letter asserts: "OUR AIM: So to improve the cords of the human throat through smoking that the public will be able to express itself in Songs of Praise or more easily to swallow anything."

Further: "All lovers of the throat, including students of music, therapeutists, elocution or diction, are ipso facto eligible for membership."

The letter asks for no endorsement or contribution of any kind. Signed by Henry Bern who lives in No. 1215 Eleventh street (in Greenwich Village), I hazard the guess that this letter is the product of a humorous-minded rascal, of whom New York has many. No one but a rich man embossing of the highest quality paper, as Mr. Bern has done, on an altogether absurd mission.

Of your charity friends, toward the plight of a New Yorker who hoarded a Broadway car, the other day. He signaled to get off at Sixty-eighth street. When the motorcar calmly whizzed past the corner, the passenger grew red at the girls. He chastised the motorman, verbally and vigorously, so vigorously, in fact, that his entire set of false teeth, wearing of the excrete, popped from his mouth and shot out through the car window.

The argument stopped suddenly and the owner of the errant teeth fled the car and tried to retrieve them. But traffic is heavy on Broadway, and it is a brave man who will stand still more than two feet from the curb. It was a tearful and inarticulate gentleman who stumbled into a nearby police station and asked for official assistance in getting the teeth. A squad of the most astute gumshoe men at the station searched long and minutely without finding a clue. It is their theory that the wandering chewers flitted with a passing tire and were carried away with it, firmly clinging with all twenty-eight teeth.

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RECEPTION GIVEN FOR NEW PASTOR

Approximately 60 persons attended the reception for the new pastor of the Methodist Church at Franklin, the Rev. Henry Bushong. Several short talks were given and Joseph B. Wood was master of ceremonies.

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SPEEDERS PAY FINES IN COURT

Five traffic violations over the week-end brought \$45 in fines when the violators appeared in Malcolm Hunt's justice court. Tony Stetpanovich, 1328 Perry street, Detroit, was fined \$25 in court Monday when he was arraigned for reckless driving. He was arrested Saturday by Patrolman Edward Myers. Leslie Graham, 7022 Whittaker avenue, Detroit, was fined \$10 when he pleaded guilty to a charge of speeding. He was arrested Saturday by Patrolman George Townsend.

Hugh McPherson, 8617 Quincy street, Detroit, paid \$5 for driving with one license plate. He was arrested Saturday by Patrolman Edward Myers.

Ed Boulan, 411 Willits street, Royal Oak, and Harold F. Brown, of West Philadelphia street, Detroit, paid \$5 fines each, Saturday for speeding. They were arrested Saturday by Patrolman Myers.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

(Little Editorials picked up by the Staff in and around Birmingham)

Mrs. A. J. Jardine, 511 Ann street, policeman: "I wish to express my appreciation to The Eccentric. Through a story published in the paper last week, the three-month-old baby whose mother was forced to work and who needed someone to take care of him, was placed. He will be taken care of until his mother is free again to care for her self."

Frank O. Gilbert, Staff Grand Lecturer for the F. & A. M. lodge: "My job is to criticize the manner in which various lodges put on their degree work. After watching the work of Birmingham lodge No. 44 last Thursday night, I must confess I'm afraid I'd be out of a job if all the lodges did as well as Birmingham did. The work was splendid, something for the members to be proud of."

Mrs. F. W. Fuller, Farmington, former resident of Birmingham: "George Mitchell's story of early Birmingham published in The Eccentric, is an accurate and interesting document, one which all older residents of Birmingham must relish as I have. It is picturesque and true to life, and will remain as a history of Birmingham."

S. O. Wiley Bell, undertaker: "I hope no one got the impression from the headline in a recent newspaper story that I am to retire from active business. My son will be associated in business with me after he completes his education but I shall not retire for a long, long time."

Charles Plumsted, village treasurer: "It appears that Birmingham will be under its budget at the end of the year. Usually the two middle quarters of the year bring forth the greatest expenditures because of the improvements that are made during the summer months."

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BOWLING ALLEYS OPENED MONDAY

Brief ceremonies marked the opening Monday night of the first unit of the new Kamsky-Birmingham theater building on south Woodward avenue, when the Blackner bowling alleys were placed at the disposal of the public.

The first ball was rolled down one of the eight alleys by Village President H. T. Elliott, while many invited guests looked on. Play started immediately.

George Blumens, proprietor, plans later to have completed two more alleys which will raise the total of the equipment to a figure considerably in excess of the \$25,000 already invested, he says.

STUDENT DIES OF APPENDICITIS

Detroit Youth At Cranbrook Succumbs Soon After Acute Attack

William O. Stevens, headmaster of the Cranbrook School, with his wife, and Arthur Semple, president of the School League, and two boys from the first form of the school attended the funeral Tuesday of Richard H. Grow, a student in the first form at Cranbrook, who died early Sunday in Grace Hospital, Detroit, of appendicitis.

Grow was stricken Wednesday and immediately taken to the school infirmary. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Alfred Grow, of 2229 Atkinson avenue, Detroit, were notified and the boy was removed to Grace Hospital at their request.

Following an operation, he was reported recovering, but suffered a relapse and died Sunday morning.

Beside his parents, he is survived by two brothers, J. Alfred, Jr., and Robert J.

DETROIT TALKS TO ROTARY CLUB HERE

Galen Starr Ross, branch manager of the Detroit Creamery company, addressed the Birmingham Rotary club at its regular luncheon Monday noon at the Chateau Tu Broom. Other representatives of the creamery took part in a musical program. Mr. Ross will represent the creamery at the international association of milk dealers at Columbia next week.

MAN FIGHTS CHARGE IN TOWNSHIP COURT

George Philips, R. F. D. No. 4, Birmingham, will be tried Saturday in Judge William Walker's justice court in Troy on a charge of assault and battery. Philips pleaded not guilty to the charge two middle quarters of the year when he was arraigned. He was arrested by Deputy George Forsyth.

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TELEPHONE COMPANY ADOPTS NEW TYPE BUSINESS OFFICE



J. W. TATHAM
(Manager)

The first of a new type office of the Michigan Bell Telephone company is in use here today by the Birmingham branch of the company at 137 east Maple avenue.

The commercial office of the Birmingham district which was formerly on Pierce street is established today in very attractive quarters in the new building. Many features, not common in offices, are combined in the new place.

The counter system has been done away with and instead desks are arranged about the large office so that persons may transact business with a less formal feeling, according to J. W. Tatham, manager. The furnishings are in walnut rather than in oak as formerly and oriental rugs and heavy drapes lend an atmosphere of luxury to the offices.

It is indicated by officials of the company that if the system meets with satisfactory results here it will be adopted in other cities in the state.

"The idea of getting away from the harsh business atmosphere of many offices has been suspended by the furnishings here," said Mr. Tatham. "It is believed that if customers and members of the office force are enabled to converse in a more pleasant and informal atmosphere, a better understanding will result."

The former offices on Pierce street are being remodeled into recreation rooms for the operators. Provision is made in the new building for enlargement when business increase demands it, Mr. Tatham said.

SCOUT EVENTS

Troop 1—Presbyterian Church, flag bearers and color guards for the band concert, rodeo and scout program to be held at "Olympia" in Detroit on Oct. 22 were picked. They are Eugene Smith, Trowbridge Gail, David Wyzant, and Clarence Cummings.

A business meeting, patrol meetings, and a talk by Scoutmaster Billings completed the program.

Troop 3—Baldwin High School. The troop made plans for the coming rodeo and scout hike. The hike is to be held Saturday morning, lasting until Sunday afternoon. It will be in the form of a camp at a lake on Grand River avenue.

Troop 4—Adams Junior High School. Twenty-one Scouts were

MRS. A. GREER DIES MONDAY

Illness of Few Weeks is Fatal To Woman Here

Funeral services will be held 2 p. m. today for Mrs. Bertha S. Greer, 38 years old, of Thirteenth and One-Half Mile roads, whose death Monday came as a shock to her many Birmingham friends. Mrs. Greer trouble caused her death. She had been ill since the latter part of September. The services will be held in the Daines and Bell chapel, with burial in Greenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Greer was born in Fairgrove. She lived in Birmingham for sometime, however, and in Rochester. For the past year she had been living on the Thirteenth and One-Half Mile road. Her husband Allen Greer, is the proprietor of the Sun Oil Station near Acadia Park cemetery.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Greer leaves her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brinkman, of Fairgrove; six brothers, Henry, of Fairgrove, Charles, of Detroit; John, of Caro, William, of Akron; Mich., Winford of Fairgrove, and George of Pontiac; and four sisters, Mrs. Emma Soltan, of Fairgrove, Mrs. Lillian Rice, of Rochester, Mrs. Mary Adams, of Caro, and Miss Blanche Brinkman, of Pontiac. Mrs. Greer's six brothers will act as pall bearers at the funeral.

CLUB OF LAW WINS OVER CUPID'S BOW

Two "dates" in Flint didn't show up Sunday night. The reason was simple—they were in jail. "And we can't even telephone them," sighed one of the men thinking ruefully of the girls waiting to be taken to the movies.

Frank Scipino, east High street, and Merl Henry, 315 east Kenney street, both of Flint, were arrested Saturday night. By Sergeant Richard Lawler, for being drunk. They were arraigned early Monday in Judge Malcolm Hunt's court, but it was too late for the dates. They both pleaded guilty and paid \$10 fines each. Their greatest worry when they were in court was what their girls would say because they hadn't appeared the previous evening.

TWO HUNTERS FACE TRIAL IN TROY TWP.

Martin Kumpin, 171 Louise avenue, and Rueben Seferin and M. Shakerfin, 217 Louise avenue, are awaiting arraignment today in Troy township on a charge of unlawful hunting. They were arrested Sunday by Deputy George Forsyth, who is stationed at Troy.

Birmingham's Rate of Growth Means Much to Those Who Invest Here

Large scale purchases of land in Birmingham by such people as Senator James Couzens, Mrs. Matilda Wilson, formerly Mrs. John F. Dodge, and Walter Briggs are prophetic of Birmingham's great tomorrow.

Rapid sales in the Birmingham developments of the Walsh, James & Wasey Company is also indicative of Birmingham's consistent growth. Sales in all eleven of the company's Birmingham developments have been rapid and bespeak choice selections and honest values.

Three of these, Tooting Lane, Chesterfield, and Birmingham Park are sold out and are being rapidly built up. Birmingham Park, for example, was sold out and half built up with homes four years after it's opening in 1923.

Others are going fast. Quarton Lakes Estates, another Birmingham development of the Walsh, James & Wasey Company, which in 1923 was rugged farm land, is today the location of 75 modern homes.

Investors who bought in the Company's Birmingham developments and later resold have made profits as high as 100 per cent in a year. The same opportunities for profit still exist in the following Birmingham developments of the Walsh, James & Wasey Company.

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