

Wintry winds are blowing in Michigan; baby breezes are blowing on the South Sea Islands. But what girl would trade her rosy cheeks for tropic pallor?

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## TOWNSHIP SET FOR SNOWFALL

**Bloomfield Is Prepared To Keep Roads Clear During Winter**

Three snow plows will be used by Bloomfield Township to keep the roads free from snow this winter. It is announced today by John Wilson, road commissioner.

Seventy-two miles of straight highways and a total area of 110 miles, including subdivisions, comprise the territory in the charge of a crew of seven men. The crew will work in two shifts, day and night, according to the need.

The three plows include a 30-horse power tractor having a wing spread of 16 feet, a truck driven plow with a 10 foot spread and a small tractor plow with an eight foot wing span. The larger tractor averages 4.5 miles per hour, the truck, 12 miles per hour and the small tractor five miles per hour, in an average fall of snow.

## Glimpses

at and about BIRMINGHAM

By RAYMOND GIRARDIN

PERHAPS I AM MYOPIC on the subject because it is contemporary, but it strikes me the slang of today is far more colorful than the slang some years ago.

Do you remember the constant remarks of morons when they included, "Skiddo for you, twenty-three," "Isk a bibble," "Bone-head," "Go chase yourself," "Sit on a tack," "I'll say," "Yes, we have no bananas," "Pay no tenton."

Such expressions are heard little today. In their place, it is true, we have almost as irritating snatches from popular songs, "That's my weakness," and others, still, when people have to use slang, they seem to say things as "snake whoopee," "big shot," "feel that way." All of which I believe is highly intelligent, interesting and purposeful, having a de-

finite place around anyone's home.

THE RESEARCH COMMITTEE of this department is busy in the effort to determine what urges persons, whose minds are sound enough that they may vote, to roll a barrel from New York to San Francisco, wheel other persons in a carriage from Kokomo, Ind., to Widespread, Nev., drink 58 cups of coffee, spend 28 hours in the water; sit for hours on a flag pole, climb the side of a building many stories high, or indulge in any of the other experiences which are in the same class with the marathon dance.

I hope that next week or next year the committee will have a full report for the reader, whoever he is, of this column. And should this reader care to advance any opinions he may have on the subject it will be by the committee and his identity, poor fellow, shall remain unrevealed.

I MET A MAN WHOSE FULL title was announced at the introduction. It was something like, "chairman of the scrub-up committee of the Young Men's Mutual association." He beamed and glared. Man seems at his most assinine at a time like this. He has heard he must be modest but it is difficult when he feels giggly all over and so darned satisfied with himself. This one could give a five minute or five hour talk anytime on the advantages of Service.

## COUNTY OBTAINS NEW GAS TANKS

Two 12,000 gallon gasoline tanks are being installed today by the Oakland County road commission at the garage on Telegraph road, near Orchard Lake road. The tanks, soon to be ready for use, will save the county approximately \$5,900 a year, the road commission feels.

Officials say that the machine will pay for itself in the first year of use. During a year the road commission buys approximately 150,000 gallons of gasoline for the highway trucks, tractors and other machines, reports show. The road commission will in the future buy its gasoline in wholesale lots and transfer it directly from the tank car to the tanks. A tank truck built for this purpose has been purchased.

By automatically controlled electric heat it is possible to dry out green lumber in 48 hours without warping.

## HEADS BOARD



EDWIN H. TILLOTSON

Mr. Edwin H. Tillotson of the real estate company Colgrove, Buck & Tillotson, is named today as president of the Real Estate board for the coming year.

He succeeds Charles A. Biggum of Birmingham & Birmingham. Joseph Pope is appointed vice-president, succeeding Carl Bradt, responsible for some of the large-ly elected board of directors of the board, Friday. Donald Howarth, secretary, and J. B. Howarth, treasurer, were reappointed. James Martindale of the Walsh, James & Wasey realtors, was selected to fill the vacancy caused through the resignation of Mr. Bradt.

Mr. Tillotson, the new presiding officer of the local board has played a prominent part in Birmingham real estate during the past few years.

He originally associated with Colgrove and Buck as a salesman, in a few months was made a member of the firm, and has been responsible for some of the large downtown Birmingham sales and leases.

Birmingham first 99 year lease was negotiated by Mr. Tillotson on the Hanna property, which included the southeast corner of Mc-lee and Woodward, running through to Pierce street. He also negotiated the 99 year lease for the S. S. Kresge company on Woodward avenue just south of the old post office, the site of the Field Building and has been responsible for the bringing to Birmingham of many prominent Detroit families. Charles A. Bingham, David H. Ladd and James J. Martindale were named directors of the board.

## JUSTICE COURT REPORT MADE

**Buck Collects More Than \$1,000 From 49 Arrested During Month**

Fines totaling \$1,235.10 on 40 arraignments are reported today from the justice court of Floyd S. Buck.

Included in these figures are the Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills village and Oakland County cases. The village report was the highest of the three with 21 arrests amounting to \$559.00 in fines. Speeders capped the column of offenders. Eleven were arrested on this charge during the month. Drunks were next with five and four were arraigned on charges of driving drunk. Two of the latter had their operator's licenses revoked for six months. One forfeited a bond of \$150.

Reckless drivers contributed the largest number of the Bloomfield Hills arrests which totaled 20, paying \$428 in fines. Nine pleaded guilty to the reckless charge. Following this were six disorders and three who violated signal lights. One 15 day jail sentence was levied.

Eight county-fines totaled \$247.50. Violators of game laws were greatest in number, with three. One drunk driver was given a 60 day jail sentence.

## Men's Association Formed At Church

Dr. W. O. Stevens, headmaster at Cranbrook School, is chairman today of a program committee of the Men's Association of Christ Church, Cranbrook.

He is assisted by Frank E. Parker, F. Strong, H. A. O'Dell and George Gau. The association was formed Friday evening by the Cranbrook men interested in a discussion group. Dr. Stevens addressed the group Friday on "The Battle of Jutland."

A tentative date of the first Monday in January has been set for the next meeting, those in charge announce.

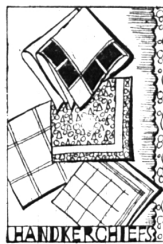
Robert Thomas, 15, of Kenosha, Wis., is the champion junior slevele rider of the United States, holding two national records.



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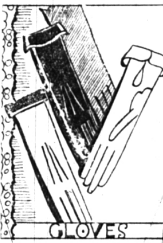


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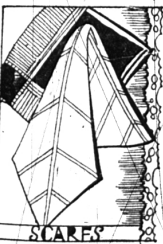
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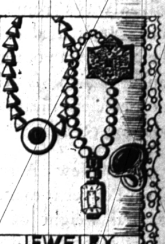
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