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## WORK STARTED ON SALESROOM

New Garage For Graham Paige, To Cost \$25,000, Gets Under Way

Work is under way today on a salesroom and garage estimated to cost \$25,000 and to be occupied sometime in February by the Graham Paige Motor company.

The building will be located on Woodward avenue at Hazel street in the site formerly occupied by the Judson Bradley real estate office and owned by the Lawson Erb Lumber company.

The contract has been awarded to Glen Boutler. The building will be the property of the Lawson Erb Lumber company and will be leased to the Graham Paige Motor company.

When finished this will be as good a garage and salesroom as can be found in the village.

George Lawson, of the Lumber company said: "The front of the building is to be of Ohio limestone, while the back is to be constructed of Ziegelmeyer blocks, Mr. Lawson said."

The Graham Paige company plans to open the salesroom with a display of their new line of cars which is scheduled to come out Feb. 15, Mr. Lawson said.

## Radio Shop Sale Announced Today

Announcement is made today of the change of ownership of Siever's Radio Shop at 105 east Maple avenue which is now known as Davenport's Radio Shop under the proprietorship of W. B. Davenport of Ferndale.

In addition to radios and radio service the new management has included a line of sporting goods and toys.

Thomas Hussey of Batavia, N. Y., has worn the same hat for half a century.

Geoffrey Gildans of London declared his son a "snob" and left his estate of \$150,000 to nephews and nieces.

## BOOK REVIEWS



### Paul Bunyan Returns

The 'Bilin' Coffee Froze An' Then—

By DOROTHY E. WILLIAMS

Paul Bunyan Comes West, Ida Virginia Turney, Houghton Mifflin Company.

Paul was a mighty man who blazed the way for a mighty civilization. It was a pot of bilin coffee that froze so fast on the stove "that the durped ice wuz too hot to handle" that settled things for Paul. After that—"the West fer his'n."

He had a good bit to do with the geology of the country gouging out Puget Sound, digging the well for Old Faithful and putting the Yellowstone National Park around it.

There was his ox, Babe, and the dog, Elmer, that was "part hound an' part injun dog" that made his big scale engineering possible.

"Twaz down round Detroit Paul first seen the Big Buck an' he trailed him north, an' wud a' got him only he stopped to fish a kid out'n one of the Buck's tracks that'd filled up with water, an' the cuss got the start of him. The Buck swum lake Michigan, an' Paul after him in a scow hitched to Elmer's tail. He finally downed him in the suburbs of Chicago, an' sold the carcass to Mr. Armour to set him up in the meat business.—Paul he never got but a thousand dollars out'n it."

It is a brief book of unbelievable yarns woven of lies so gross collection of gangster which has passed from mouth to mouth for generations wherever frontiersmen met frontiersmen.

The stories are told through the mouth of a survivor of early Chicago, still living in the valley of the Willamette: And it is this

same survivor, Yank, who ventures for the truth of the tales. Here is a book without pretense, leading the reader along by sheer power of storytelling. Those who like to laugh over preposterous yarns will find it as interesting as other tales of this same quasi-mythical hero, Paul Bunyan.

## NEW EDITION OF HUNEKER

By RAYMOND GIRARDIN

Painted Veils, By James Gibbon Hunecker, Horace Liveright.

This new edition of the sole work of fiction written by the only American musical critic worthy of the name, is published sometime after the first edition of this story, which was written in 1915, and a later pirated edition.

Hunecker has given some rich musical criticism but I, for one, wish he had devoted more time to writing of the kind there is in this book. It is abandoned but clear, intellectual but unfrilled, aloof but understanding.

Painted Veils is the story of many persons. Primarily of Ulick Invern, one who lingered on the outskirts of the Arts, ever on the verge of entering a world of reverse aspirations, his thirst for an absolute in evil imaged by Petronious, his God-infatuated, craving for the infinite, by Thomas a Kempis. Of Easter, later, the prima donna, she of steel and soul-Painted Veils, of Alfred Stone, a critic, who

## KELLYGRAMS

By FRED C. KELLY

"WOMEN in hotels are the most trouble and most damaging to property," says a chambermaid, who has been at this kind of work for 15 years. "Next in order of damage and trouble are young men. Least troublemakers are older men who live alone. They are usually neat and orderly. Young men make much dirt and disorder from their cigars or cigarette ashes. Also, they sometimes burn holes in sheets or table covers, and they use towels to wipe off their shoes. But even at that they do less harm than an average woman."

"More damage is done by rouge on towels than by using towels to wipe off shoes. Then, women have their facial powder or cold cream all over everything. They have many foolish little trinkets and odds and ends of clothing to be picked up, and they complain if one of these seems to be mislaid. Yes, and they are more likely to carry towels away with them than men are."

boasted he should live to write the epitaph of Istar, after he had seen her ruin the lives of many. Of Mona, the lacelike sister of Miti, the caricature of a deity. They are in New York.

Ulick loved all women—loved all women and had no vice. Stone had all vices and he loved no women. Easter used men . . . turned the sanctified Miti for a whim. Rose to the heights.

In the book one has the company of Stendhal, France, Baudelaire, Flaubert, Huysmans, Maurice Barres, Nietzsche, Ibsen, Max Stirner, Ernest Renan, Gauduci . . . and the composers. Hunecker has a great store of knowledge and considerable skill in Painted Veils—knowledge, especially of music, literature and philosophy. And there is sex. Sex with a black eye and sex, gowned in the delicate robes of the writing approaches that of James Joyce in his Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man.

What more can be said for writing?

## Revolt Against Birth

By DOROTHY E. WILLIAMS

My Brother Jonathan, By Francis Brett Young, Alfred A. Knopf, New York.

"And what's the other chap's name?" Harold Dakers was asked on that first afternoon when the Dakers boys left the Shakespearean atmosphere of their home to view society at a Chadwell party.

And Harold had answered, "Oh, HIM! Why, that's my brother Jonathan."

It was that way through all the 40 some years of Jonathan's life. He was to play stage hand to a group of actors.

Francis Brett Young has given us the story of two brothers, one a handsome person, brilliant and lovable, the other conscientious and sincere, winning by slow toil a small portion of what was the other's birthright. Harold was loved, Jonathan respected.

Jonathan was the lumbering toy of a fate that delighted in wounding him until his endurance seems superhuman. It is true that he achieved success, but it was shoddy beside the glory of his brother. Jonathan had wanted to be a doctor but the Dakers' pursuit could not provide an education for both sons. Harold went to Harrow, while Jonathan plodded through a medical course

## LIBRARY SETS NEW RECORD

A circulation exceeding that of any previous month and more than double that of the corresponding month of last year was reported by the Baldwin Public Library.

During the past month 7,650 books were circulated against 3,914 of November 1927. The largest monthly circulation recorded in the history of the library was 12,100 books in circulation.

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## WHAT THEY READ—HERE and THERE

The following is a list of the six best sellers in fiction and general literature, as announced by Brentano's, New York, for the week ending Nov. 24:

**Fiction**  
Lily Christine—Michael Arlen  
Joshua's Vision—William J. Locke  
Point Counter Point—Aldous Huxley  
Penelope's Man—John Erskine  
Mr. Blissettworthy on Rampole Island—H. G. Wells  
The Jealous Gods—Gertrude Atherton  
**General**  
Broadway Racketeers—John O'Connor  
Jubilee—Jim R. H. Fuller  
Meet General Grant—W. E. Woodward  
My Autobiography—Benito Mussolini  
Rasputin—Rene Filip-Miller  
Whither Mankind—Charles A. Beard (Ed.)

Best sellers in Detroit for the week ending Nov. 28 (a "point" list compiled from reports of leading booksellers):

**Fiction**  
Harness—A. Hamilton Gibbs  
Lily Christine—Michael Arlen  
The Father—Katharine Holman Brown  
Mr. Blissettworthy on Rampole Island—H. G. Wells  
Boston—Upton Sinclair  
Old Pybus—Warwick Deeping  
**General**  
Meet General Grant—W. E. Woodward  
Raiders of the Deep—Llewellyn Thomas  
Whither Mankind—Charles A. Beard (Ed.)  
John Brown's Body—Stephen Vincent Benet  
Abraham Lincoln—Albert J. Beveridge  
The Buck in the Snow—Edna St. Vincent Millay

Most popular books at the Baldwin Public Library.

**Fiction**  
Swan Song—John Galsworthy

Country with its occasional hilly beauty contrasting with the squalor of the settlements sprawled around iron foundries.

He has revolted in a leisurely detached manner from the injustice of birth. To those who might be interested in such a revolt I recommend "My Brother Jonathan."

One person loved—Jonathan. She was the daughter of his former partner, but not until it was too late did he realize this.

It is well drawn picture of two persons born into a world where they are to be created equal. It is Mr. Young's passive defiance of this myth he has disguised in the form of a most readable novel.

Young knows people and he knows writing. His portrait seems superhuman. It is true that he achieved success, but it was shoddy beside the glory of his brother. Jonathan had wanted to be a doctor but the Dakers' pursuit could not provide an education for both sons. Harold went to Harrow, while Jonathan plodded through a medical course

The Children—Edith Wharton  
Old Pybus—Warwick Deeping  
Harness—A. Hamilton Gibbs  
The Father—Catherine Holland Brown

**Non Fiction**  
Beneath Tropic Seas—William Kruff  
Lungers Fighters—Paul de Vincent Millay  
Back in the Snow—Edna St. Vincent Millay  
Intelligent Woman's Guide to Socialism and Capitalism—George Bernard Shaw  
Abraham Lincoln—Albert J. Beveridge  
Masks in a Pageant—William Allen White

Best Sellers at LaBelle's Bookstore:

**Fiction**  
Harness—Phillip Gibbs  
The Double—Edgar Wallace  
Lily Christine—Michael Arlen  
My Brother Jonathan—Francis Brett Young  
Joshua's Vision—William J. Locke  
Old Pybus—Warwick Deeping  
**Non-Fiction**  
The Doctor Looks at Marriage and Medicine—James Collins M. D.  
Abraham Lincoln—Albert J. Beveridge  
Whither Mankind—Charles A. Beard (editor)  
Voltaire—Victor Thaddeus Thomas  
Raiders of the Deep—Llewellyn Thomas  
Good Morning America—Carl Sandburg

## Holiday Feature To Be Given At Public Library

A play, "The Christmas Stockings," will feature the holiday program Dec. 22 to replace the regular Saturday morning story hour held at 10:30 a. m. at the Baldwin Public Library.

Preceding the play, carols will be sung by the children. Miss Gertrude Melody, child librarian will be told.

The story hour still continues in popularity, according to Miss Melody.

During the month of November, 182 children attended the story hour with an average attendance of 35 persons each Saturday, she said.

## STREET LIGHTS SOON ARRIVE ON WOODWARD

Village Awaits Installation Of New Illumination On Highway

## COMPLETION IS SEEN

Birmingham today awaits the installation of its 122 new street lights to be placed on Woodward avenue. The work of installation and lighting is expected to be completed by early January.

The poles were due to arrive Dec. 1, but have been delayed. Ralph Bricker, manager of the Detroit Edison company here said. He has set no definite date for their installation but said his office is prepared to handle them as soon as they arrive.

The lights will be suspended on ornamental poles approximately every 100 feet along Woodward avenue. They will each be of 1500 candle power. The poles also will be used for trolley wires by the Eastern Michigan Railway.

Some idea of the strength of the lights can be had by a comparison with lights on Washington boulevard in Detroit and Saginaw street, Pontiac. They are not so strong as the lights on Washington boulevard but each is about 300 candle power stronger than those on Saginaw street.

## DOG LICENSES PLACED ON SALE

Dog licenses are procurable today at the Bloomfield Township office, Harriet Mudge, township treasurer announced.

According to state law, all persons owning dogs four months or older must have the animals licensed.

Up until March 1, a license for a male dog may be obtained for \$2, Mrs. Mudge said, and a license for a female for \$4. After that date an added \$2 is charged and applicants must go to Pontiac to get the license, she pointed out.

When Charles Thurston of Chicago was found praying on State street, he said he was "awfully drunk."



The attractive residence of Thomas Young, built in the contemporary style, is a portion of the delightful homes in Bloomfield Village.

## Another New Home in Bloomfield Village

Bloomfield Village is fully improved! Over a half-million dollars have already been spent to install sewer, water, gas, electricity, gravelled roads, curb and gutter, sidewalks and shade trees.

But it is not improvements alone that make Bloomfield Village so attractive to home builders. It is the exclusive character of the entire neighborhood—1100 acres protected forever by a Building and Use Agreement against the intrusion of undesirable neighbors and the erection of unattractive residences.

Booklet of Bloomfield Village, together with a copy of Judson Bradley's Building and Use Agreement mailed on request.

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