

### MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD FOR LATE JUDGE ROSS STOCKWELL

Memorial exercises were held last week in Circuit Court enlorging Judge Ross Stockwell, long a resident of Birmingham who died Jan. 1 in Pontiac. Members of the Oakland County bar association, Mrs. Rose Stockwell and family, and others of Judge Stockwell's relatives attended.

JAMES H. LYNCH, president of the bar association, acted as master of ceremonies and circuit

Judges, F. L. Covert, Glenn C. Gillespie and F. L. Doty were on the court bench.

Court was adjourned for the afternoon, following the services.

The following resolutions on the death of Judge Stockwell were adopted:

**Died New Years Day**

"The death of Judge Ross Stockwell occurred on the first day of January, 1928, at his home in the

**WE HEARD IT SAID BY—**  
**Mr. R. H. Mann:** "The Community House parties ended last Saturday night for the season and I should like to thank personally every boy and girl who made these parties so successful."

City of Pontiac, Michigan, after a short illness.

"Judge Stockwell was born at Birmingham, Michigan, on December 19, 1876, the son of Joseph S. Stockwell and Mary Wiley Stockwell, and came to Pontiac as a small child, attended the Pontiac schools and was graduated from Ferris Institute at Big Rapids in June, 1898. He attended the Law Department of the University of Michigan, and was graduated in June, 1901; after graduation he was probate register under his father, the late Judge Joseph S. Stockwell, and afterwards for a time was associated with the late Aaron Perry in the practice of law.

"In April, 1910, he was elected judge of the Municipal Court, which office he held under successive elections until November, 1917 when he was appointed probate judge to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge K. P. Rockwell, who became circuit judge. Judge Stockwell was retained in the position of probate judge by subsequent elections and held the office at the time of his death. On June 23, 1903 he was married to Lizzie Belle Sawyer, a daughter of the late Joseph E. Sawyer, and she, together with their four children survive, Joseph, Eleanor, Frederick and Isabel.

**His Other Interests**

"Judge Stockwell was identified with other interests. He was a director of the Pontiac Commercial & Savings Bank, a vestryman of All Saints Episcopal Church, a member of the Community Welfare Board, belonged to the Elks, Knights of Pythias, Foresters and Kiwanis club.

"In all but four years of his active business and professional career of 26 years, he held positions of trust and responsibility, and it was put to the test his mental, moral and social character and attainments, and he fulfilled every requirement and expectation in the proper discharge of his duty. He showed modesty regarding his own acts, indifferent alike to plaudits of censure, his untiring effort in

### RUBE BRESSLER ONE-MAN TEAM



**By JACK SORDS**

Sports Cartoonist-Writer for Central Press and The Eccentric

The Jack of all trades of baseball that's Rube Bressler's Brooklyn Dodger's outfielder obtained from the Cincinnati Reds this year.

Rube started his baseball career as a pitcher. That was 'way back in 1913, when he was a member of the old Harraburg outfit.

Since then Bressler has played outfield positions and has also seen much duty at first base. It is quite possible Bressler might have indulged his desire to catch if he had not been a left-hander.

From 1917 until he donned a Brooklyn uniform Bressler labored for the Cincinnati Reds in various guises. Hardly a season passed without the Rube shining in two or more roles. The banner year was 1918, during which season, though he only played in 28 games, Bressler started at three positions.

At the bat Rube is also a dangerous man—for the other clubs. However, it was not until he had been in the big leagues for some time before he became a valuable hitter.

His first 2000 year was 1921. However, since 1924 Bressler's bat has been one of the biggest noises of his team's attack. In '24 he cracked the apple for .347, in 1925 for .348 and in 1926 for .357.

The National league knows Rube best as an outfielder, but in controversies before him was to ascertain the truth and then to determine the right as he saw it, regardless of whom it might please or offend, and while frank and direct in manner, he was kindly and sympathetic and well versed in probate law and procedure, and his conservative business sense splendidly equipped him to fill the important office of probate judge. He took an active interest in public affairs in the interest of the welfare of the community but, without seeking attention himself.

**An Ideal Judge**

"Therefore, resolved that the Oakland County Bar Association in the death of Ross Stockwell has lost a member whose life, conduct and attainments are an outstanding credit to the profession and this association; Oakland County—an ideal judge, who had earned and enjoyed the respect and confidence of all with whom he came in contact, and the community, a distinguished citizen whose life and conduct could well be a guiding star for all to emulate.

"Resolved further that this resolution be spread upon the journal of the court, and a certified copy sent to Mrs. Ross Stockwell."

**TWO FLINT DRIVERS FINED AS SPEEDERS**

Two Flint men paid speeding fines in Justice Floyd Buck's court Saturday.

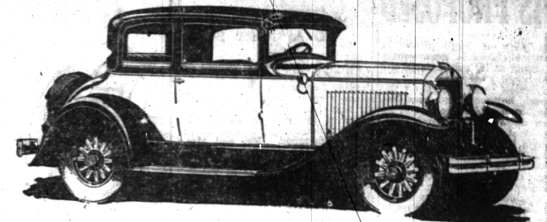
Calvin McIntyre, 2101 Proctor street, paid \$10 and Donald C. Barnett, Durant Hotel, paid \$15. Patrolman William Green made the arrests.

**SUSPEND SENTENCE**

The sentence of Leon LeClair, 122 East Humphrey avenue, Birmingham, was suspended when he was brought before Justice Hunt's court last Thursday charged with driving with only one license plate. James Anderson, chief of police, made the arrest.

**SPEAKING OF LONGEVITY**

Jack Quinn, still pitching major league ball, started his big league career in 1904, three years before Walter Johnson and shortly after Christy Mathewson started his career.



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