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COUNTY HEALTH GROUP FORMED

Officers Elected in New Organization; Teacher's Aid Enlisted

Organization of the Oakland County Public Health association and the new officers are announced today following a meeting held in Pontiac last Friday.

Dr. C. A. Nease was elected president. Those elected are: Dr. J. D. Monroe, first vice president; Dr. A. L. Branch, second vice president; E. J. Lederle, third vice president; Dr. V. K. Volk, secretary; D. E. Whipple, assistant secretary; Dr. P. B. Jones, treasurer; Dr. C. H. Benning, chairman of the administrative section; Miss Eva Morse, chairman nurses section. The executive committee of the association is made up of J. H. Harris, Frank Hendry and Edgar F. Downs.

The purpose of the association is to secure the greatest possible cooperation between agencies and to broaden its members' understanding of health matters through contact and a series of lectures. Dr. Volk said.

"Because of the great value of the teachers' influence upon the molding of the child's health and habits, it was decided that all teachers should be brought into active membership in the association. Ways and means for this were discussed by the committee and a plan of procedure drawn up," he said.

STRESS LAID ON ROTARY AIMS

Principles of Rotary were stressed by Rev. Floyd E. Logee in an explanation of ideals and objectives of the organization to members of the Rotary club at their luncheon meeting Monday at the Chateau Tea room.

Two classifications of noonday luncheon clubs were made by Rev. Logee. One type, he pointed out, has no practical reason for existence other than fellowship, the second, the class in which the Rotary falls, has a definite goal.

"Service," said Rev. Logee, "is the principle of the Rotarians. This carries out the motto of the association which are 'the profits most who serves best' and 'service above self'."

Failures of Rotarians in other clubs to live up to their creed were told by Rev. Logee who told the necessity of keeping the code of ethics and principles in mind at all times.

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BOOK REVIEWS

By RAYMOND GIRARDIN

GEORGIE MAY
By Maxwell Bodenheim
Doubleday, 1928

The text of a book in some places used to be (and probably still is) whether it was pornographic or not. Let it be so much as suggest that lady wears of the Bird of Paradise existed in this great American Republic—or in Patagonia, for that matter—and instantly the sergeants de ville, bayonets drawn, "Hatrack" in the city of learning. He believes clearly that people are forced into their respective occupations through blind forces, exterior and forces from within and that the Colonel's blind fury just as well have been Judy Grady or George May as not.

The author tells his story from a soap box but instead of cursing at the system, once he has mounted the box, he weeps loud and copiously at the barbaric state of civilization. Human beings, he points out time and again, are inferior by far to the so-called "lower animals"; life is heavy-laden and mawkish and keeps pushing people into this kind of trouble, into that kind of mud.

George May is not a nice book at all. There are but three or four persons if it whom you would want to be your friend. In the main it is all about street walkers and dope peddlers and their life and love in a world where a man has to beat the woman who supports him else lose her respect.

George May in the early part of this century was simple enough and as decent as the other girls in the small town where she lived. Then came circumstance, ostracism and street life.

Once during her life she loved a

man who was neither dope peddler nor thief but the son of respectability. She knows quiet contentment for the first time. Then the mother of respectability breaks it all up. George May, with the same impulsiveness that characterizes her through life, kills poison.

Whether it is no more melodramatic than her life, it is less convincing. People do impulsive things in life that easily can be believed. However, once they get on paper, as in this suicide, they sound impossible, far fetched, untrue. Following the path of George May, one easily imagined that when the boy's mother interfered, she would get drunk again and drink herself a new man. The bottle of poison was quite a shock. The affair with the merchant's son was not developed to a great enough extent and I doubt that even Bodenheim had his had her act in the last chapter.

The novel is admirably written. Bodenheim knows words and has them do a great many things for him. They are as much his slaves as was George the slave to life.

In spite of the beautiful writing, Bodenheim becomes, in turn, too weepy and too angry for the greatest effect. He lacks a subtlety which his theme deserves. But even so, it is a book too worth while for a decadent and ignorant society and will continue to be read only by wide-eyed school girls in search of vicarious adventure.

MANY WATERS
By Margaret Fulleylove
Minton, Balch & Company

It is a critic's brutal privilege to damn with faint praise the toil of many months; it is, in fact, his revenge. I am sure that Miss McCleure—a Detroit Woman—look a lot of trouble with this book, and possibly she is satisfied with the result. If so, that is her reward. Personally, I get no pleasure out of reading it, and that is my punishment.

"Many Waters" deals with a situation that is usually left alone—a brother and sister in love with each other. Miss McCleure having chosen her subject, handles it delicately with bare hands, where others might have borrowed tools. She offers a startling apology for

KELLYGRAMS

By FRED C. KELLY

MAYBE you have noticed that in a political campaign, a shrewd manager rarely wastes much time in a county or state where the opposition has nearly everybody on their side. At first thought, it might seem that it is not the redeemed, but the erring, that need political gospel. But the tendency is to concentrate most of the effort, not only in the localities where the result is in doubt, but where it is believed that the other side is in the minority. The reason for this is obvious enough: It takes less effort to add to a following already existing than to try to overcome a solid line of adverse opinion. When opinion is divided, there are sure to be many persons who have friends on both sides and are not certain where to line up. These persons are open to arguments which might be wasted in a locality where everybody is of pretty much the same viewpoint.

The same reasoning, doubtless, applies to a selling campaign. If you have only a limited amount to spend on getting new customers, it will be more effective to add to one's business in those places where there is already a little, than to go where one's product is not known and rival dealers are in control. It is best to let that field go until after the more fertile places have been worked to their fullest possibilities.

press of Mexico translated from the German by Catherine Allison Phillips.

The Stump Farm: a chronicle of pioneering by Hilda Rose, Little Brown & Co. 1928. The letters of Hilda Rose which first appeared in the Atlantic Monthly are gathered together in this book. They recount the hard work of the little woman, weighing less than ninety pounds, who kept alive and well her aged husband and young son by working the "stump farm." Those letters were not intended for publication but friends of Mrs. Rose saw their value and arranged for their publication in the Atlantic. The money she received from them helped her and made it possible to move her family to Canada. Here the farming was easier but the desolation and loneliness greater. However, by grit and hard work she accomplished the impossible and we leave her with the prospects of mail once a week and the hope of settlers coming in the spring.

BANKER TALKS TO EXCHANGITES

Benjamin Vernor, vice-president of the Mercantile National Bank of Detroit, taking as his subject "The Relation of a Bank to a Community," spoke before the Birmingham Exchange club at its Tuesday noon meeting at Long Pine Inn. He was the guest of Exchangee Ralph Moulthrop.

Mr. Vernor's talk emphasized the fact that bankers, who handle other people's money in making loans, must exercise great care in the extension of credit. He said as a basis for credit, bankers closely scan the character, capacity, and capital of their customers.

"Character plays a great part in the banker's decision to loan money to a prospective borrower," said Mr. Vernor. "A man's business and social life must be considered, for without good character and a man with excellent ability and capital may lose all he has—including what he may own. Capacity is determined by ability, by a knowledge of one's business, and shows just how far a person may become successful. Capital, also, must be weighed; banks should not furnish a man with capital, but should merely augment or supplement capital."

Mr. Vernor pleaded for more consideration of the banker as a

WOMEN ACTIVE IN POLITICAL WORK

Increase in Number To Vote in November Elections Predicted

Lansing, Sept. 26.—Michigan women are taking a more active part in politics this fall than at any time since they were granted the right of suffrage, according to Mrs. Jacob Steketee of Grand Rapids, vice-chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, who is directing the work among women from state headquarters here.

"That 50 per cent more women will vote in the November election than ever before is the belief of Mrs. Steketee, who bases her estimate on reports she has received from all of the counties in the state from her lieutenants who are in charge of organization work."

"Michigan women will play a vital part in this campaign," said Mrs. Steketee. "We are finding hundreds of women each day who have never before voted, but who are going to vote for the first time in November."

"Another surprising thing we are finding in our work is the large number of these first voters who are going to vote the straight republican ticket."

Mrs. Steketee expresses her belief that 500,000 women will vote in Michigan this fall, and that 90 per cent of this vote will be for the state and national republican tickets.

Lady Majorie Dalrymple, 6 feet 2 inches in height, the tallest titled lady in the British Empire, recently visited Canada.

The Duchess of Montrose, Scotland, has invented a device for keeping eyes in perfect condition.

real man being, one who, to be successful, must be the friend and advisor of the business or professional man.

Part of his talk was directed against the present tendency of people to invest in highly speculative stocks which, after tabulation over a period of years, actually showed less interest return than sounder investment, such as government bonds.

H. Dean Yocum, of Forest avenue, vocal teacher, and formerly leader of the Hudson Male Quartet, was elected to membership in the club Tuesday.

WRITING FAMILY

Photo by Arnold Studio

MARGARET FULLEYLOVE

Writing runs in the family of Mrs. Fulleylove. Her mother, Mrs. Henry Dudeney of England is an authoress of note who has done novels and short stories. Her most recent novel, Brighton Beach, was brought out by an English publisher and soon is to be introduced in this country by G. P. Putnam's Sons of New York who have just purchased the American rights. Mrs. Fulleylove of 124 Willits street writes book reviews for The Eccentric. She also has done short stories and writing in other forms.

THREE PAY FINES AS DISORDERLIES

Three persons appeared before Justice Malcolm Hunt Monday on disorderly charges, paying fines of \$10 each. They were arrested by Chief of Police James Anderson Sunday on Bowery street near Adams avenue where they were creating a disturbance. Those arrested were: Salan Gohring, 1029 Twenty-fifth street, Cuthbert Powers, 2648 Samson street, and John Connelan, 736 Twenty-fifth street, all of Detroit.

FIGURES GIVEN IN ELECTIONS

Count On State-County Balloting Now Available

Figures of the balloting in the primaries are shown today in the official election totals for Michigan and Oakland County.

The position drawing the most interest from the voters was that of Republican candidate for governor with 620,000 votes being cast. This was the heaviest primary vote.

The majority held by Governor Fred Greenover-George Welsh, opponent candidate, was 222,110 votes. Fred W. Woodward was surpassed by Luren Dickinson, Unopposed, William J. Constock, Democratic candidate for governor, received 47,259. John W. Bailey, Democratic candidate for U. S. senator, who was also unopposed received 39,939 votes for long term and 31,639 for the shorter period.

Facing no opposition the balloting for Senator Arthur Vandenberg was lighter and he polled but few more votes than did Green for the governor office.

The following is a record of other interesting statistics: County vote for sheriff — 25,683 County vote for senator (full term) — 16,765 (for vacancy) — 18,782 For Green — 380,946 For Welsh — 199,386 For Dickinson — 227,700 For Woodward — 197,509 For McArthur — 100,388

Dorothy Collier of Huntington Park, Cal., won the beauty contest by defeating 47 champions, representing 15 nations, in an international contest held as a part of the Pacific Southwest exposition at Long Beach, Cal.

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