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BARERDINO IS RELEASED ON BAIL OF \$1,000

Trial on Carrying Concealed Weapons Goes to Circuit Court

SET FOR FEBRUARY 1

Following his examination before Justice Floyd S. Buck on a charge of carrying concealed weapons, Nick Barerdino, 32 years old, 2575 Scotlan avenue, Detroit, Friday was bound over for trial in the Oakland County Circuit Court. Barerdino furnished bail of \$1,000 and was released. His case has been set for the February term of court.

Barerdino was arrested by Patrolman Ima Banks and Stanley Kevern of the Bloomfield Hills Police, Nov. 9, at Woodward avenue and Long Lake road when, they report, he reached for his hip pocket as they questioned him for driving on the wrong side of the road. Barerdino was carrying a .32 caliber automatic pistol, the police say.

Police report that he was arrested a month earlier for driving while under the influence of liquor and paid a \$75 fine for the offense.

Barerdino was arraigned Nov. 28, waived examination and was bound over to the Circuit Court for trial. On Friday, however, he was returned again before Justice Buck for examination.

A crazed llama that escaped from the estate of the Duke of Bedford ran into an automobile near Woburn, Eng., and wrecked it.

Three days before he would have been entitled to a pension Postman Robert Cairns, of Hull, Eng., forfeited it by stealing a letter containing 25 cents in Hull, Eng.

BIRMINGHAM AS SEEN BY—



FRANK SCHLAACK
100 South Woodward.

Business: Meats.

How long have you been in this type of business?
For 30 years, in Birmingham.

What led you to choose Birmingham as the location for your business?
Birmingham was a community of only 2,000 when I came here 30 years ago. At that time there were only two meat markets and I felt that there was a fine opening for another. The village showed signs of progressing, but there was no dream of a wonderful business future as there is today.

What do you think of Birmingham's business future?
The future of the village looks very good, but right now we are facing the problem of having too many stores for our population. When sufficient people are here to warrant the stores we have

MUSICAL COMEDY SEATS ALL SOLD

Cranbrook School Play, "Happy Assured Great Success"

Seats for "Happy," the musical comedy to be presented Thursday and Friday nights by the boys of Cranbrook School are all sold out. Tickets for the Friday night performance were gone two hours after they were offered for sale and those for Thursday night were all taken a few minutes later.

Requests for tickets have been so numerous, according to Miss Gertrude Eslinger, secretary to Dr. William O. Stevens, that it would have been profitable to give another show, except that the time for such a performance is lacking.

First and second formers, their parents and guests will attend on Thursday night, while the third, fourth and fifth formers, with their parents and guests, will attend on Friday night. Tickets sold at 75 cents each, and each student will take place in the Cranbrook School auditorium.

"Happy," written and directed by Carl Wonnberger, is a musical comedy woven around a diamond quest in Africa, with all the cast, two male and female couples, and several soloists.

right now, business will be good. What do you consider Birmingham's greatest need?
Liquor. That will bring in the population that will make business good.

Are you desirous of keeping the village of a residential nature?
Yes.

What factors will encourage more buying in the village?
I really cannot say. I believe Birmingham has the same problem as that of any small community near a city. Distance lends enchantment, and I think despite all efforts there will always be a certain amount of trading out of town.

In what way can the merchants make the village a better shopping area?
I believe the merchants are offering the very best in service right now. All of the independent stores make any number of deliveries daily. Stores of all lines offer delivery service, and their price and selection of merchandise is the very best for the size of their stores. I think they are making a very good attempt to keep trade at home.

What growth do you expect of Birmingham during the next five years?
I do not anticipate any great influx of people, and do not think the village will double unless we take in some other territory.

Have you any "pet" idea you would like to see manifested in the village?
I would like to see a business men's organization in the village. We are a small enough community to be closely associated and able to discuss our common business problems profitably.

One year ago Mme. Jeanne Lasconjaras of Cannes, France, dropped her wedding ring and it rolled down a rat hole. Recently she caught a full grown mouse around its neck was the missing wedding ring.

OAKLAND COUNTY NEWS

Harry Kipke, head football coach at the University of Michigan, was the speaker at the fourth football banquet, honoring members of the football team, at the country teams of Lincoln high school, Ferndale, at the school Thursday. The banquet was sponsored by the Rotary, Exchange and Lions clubs of Ferndale.

Letters were presented to 10 varsity football men and to eight varsity cross-country runners. Seventeen reserves won minor letters in football and seven in cross-country.

The pulmotor squad from headquarters station of the Royal Oak fire department again was victorious in a fight against death yesterday when it saved the life of a baby born to Mr. and Mrs. G. Pittsford, 506 West Fourth street.

The baby was believed dead at the time of its birth, but Dr. Alexander M. Carr, the attending physician, called the pulmotor squad. Chief Charles Henning, and firemen Fred Gerds and Lige Reynolds responded. This squad worked two hours before the baby showed signs of life and was breathing properly.

L. L. Watson, rector, was chosen to head the Ferndale Real Estate Board as president of that organization at the regular meeting held on Saturday evening, Dec. 8. Other officers elected were: Fred B. Eby, vice-president; Ted Mickie, treasurer; and William H. Paul, secretary.

Henry King, 932 W. Bethune avenue, Detroit, plowed through a city hydrant, also an iron street lighting pole, and a water main, and the sharp curve at the north end of Broadway street, Saturday evening. The hydrant, the lighting pole and the water shot forty feet into the air, giving the driver a shower bath.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Felton of the Methodist church left this week for their new charge at Flat Rock, Pa. Malvern and Flat Rock is located in South Lyon. Dr. Malvern has been at Flat Rock for the past five years, and during the five years before that time was at Clinton.

A permanent committee was appointed to take charge of welfare work in Ferndale after Christmas, when a group of 30 representatives of the social organizations of Ferndale met Thursday evening at Lincoln High School to discuss charity work. It was also decided that all the organizations would help the Goodfellow fund for Christmas, as they have in former years. The committee was appointed by Rev. LeRoy E. Chamberlain, superintendent of the Ferndale Welfare Department, included Mr. Miller, of St. Vincent de Paul Society; Cleve R. Bradshaw, principal of Lincoln High School; Mrs. J. A. Stewart, of the Ferndale Order of the Eastern Star; Michael Burkhardt, of the Suburban Goodfellow; and Mrs. O. W. Dawson, of the Ferndale Woman's Club.

The Hazel Park Exchange club feted the Hazel Park high school football squad at a dinner in the

Meinke building at noon last Thursday. Sixteen lettermen of the squad attended, with Coach Bozidar Grba.

George Ashley, chairman of the entertainment committee, acted as toastmaster and introduced the speakers. Barton W. Reddick, president of the club welcomed the squad and Captain Royer responded for the team.

Lack of heat in the addition to the Daniel Whitfield School on Orchard Lake avenue, Ferndale, has delayed work on the building's interior. The windows have been put in place this week, but enclosing the new structure, until the heating system is completed and placed in operation the interior work cannot progress on schedule. Engineers hope to finish the heating system over the week end and have heat in the addition Monday. If this is done walls may be plastered and the inside work done. Part of the gymnasium equipment was hung from the ceiling beams this week.

Fred Brown, 29 years old of late Ferndale, was sentenced to 4 to 5 years in the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Michigan, for a plea of guilty to a charge of larceny. He is the third man to draw a prison term for this offense in the past year, according to a report made public today by S. W. Strauss and company Birmingham, dropped with other Michigan cities in its November construction.

Birmingham dropped to fourteenth place from twelfth. Many authorities give the stock market crash as the chief cause of the decreased volume, although the advent of cold weather is seen as the explanation of many others. Figures show November's building volume in Birmingham as \$66,577, against \$125,175 of the preceding month. Michigan's corresponding decrease, however, with \$9,117,818 for last month against \$15,700,541 for October.

John H. Barnes, proprietor of a small produce farm near Farmington, recovered a stolen \$4,500 in Circuit Court Friday afternoon against Oliver Blair, former Ferndale policeman now living in Detroit. The jurors had deliberated from Thursday afternoon. The City of Ferndale originally had been a party to this suit, but was dismissed by the court. Blair drove automobile on Woodward avenue Sept. 8, 1923, which ran down Barnes causing an injury which left him unable to work. Damages of \$10,000 was asked. The case was heard before Judge Glenn C. Gillespie.

Work is to be started immediately on a new police station for Pleasant Ridge. The building will be a two-story structure, with a shingle exterior and roof. The approximate cost is set at \$500. According to Ashton J. Repp, city manager, the structure will be located on the city property at the rear of the present police booth at Devonshire and Main streets.

Workmen in the William Graham woodworking and cabinet shop located on the alley which parallels Main street, Rochester, narrowly escaped death Friday morning when gas from a main in front of the shop seceded into the floor filling the building. They were restored by Dr. G. F. Hamlin, who was summoned by Graham, when the effects of the gas became pronounced.

Rochester authorities were notified Friday that stray dogs had invaded the Charles A. Fisher farm, on Dodge road, and killed seven fine sheep. The Fisher farm adjoins the property of Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson, and many sheep are raised there. Justice E. A. Hudson was making an investigation of the attacks.

WILL ANNOUNCE CHARITY FUNDS

Metropolitan Club Works On Plans For Charity

Final plans for Christmas charity work of the Metropolitan club will be made at the next meeting of the organization, Thursday at the village commission rooms. At this time reports will be made of need cases by club members and village social workers.

A report of the Metropolitan club plans for charity work will be submitted to the Community House for their files. Records show that 21 families were cared for last Christmas by the triservice organization. Proceeds totaling \$1156 from the newspaper sale conducted recently by the Metropolitan club will be donated for this charity work as will the proceeds from the dance given last Friday. Profits from the dance will be reported Thursday.

Village Building For Month Drops

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Harry Nelson of the Minneapolis police department recently received from a fellow policeman a cigar won on a bet 13 years ago.



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WHAT'S WRONG AND WHERE?



THERE ARE 9 MISTAKES IN THIS PICTURE

How good are you at finding mistakes? The artist has intentionally made several obvious ones in drawing the above picture. Some of them are discovered, others may be hard. So how long it will take YOU to find them. For answers see page four of this section.



There's Still Time

There's still time for you to get in line with the rest of the Goodfellows of Birmingham in bringing Christmas joy to poor little kiddies. With Santa Claus' annual jaunt just six days away, there are many little folks in the village whose parents while able to provide them with the necessities of life have no money left for candy, toys, the things that make a kid's Christmas. And here's where the Goodfellows come in! Fill in the coupon and mail it to The Eccentric today. It will be turned over to the Community House or the Metropolitan Club and from there you will receive the names of the poor little kiddies.

Act Now! Time is Short!

ECCENTRIC GOODFELLOW CLUB
Birmingham Eccentric
Birmingham, Michigan

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