

FIRES ROUT 3 FAMILIES NEAR HERE

Early Morning Blazes Send
Children Into Zero
Weather

DAMAGE AT \$10,000.00

Three families in and near Birmingham were forced to flee their homes this week. Total damage done is placed at \$10,000. The home of Edward Winters, 210 Webster avenue, was destroyed by fire. The blaze was caused by a gas stove in the kitchen. The fire started at 6:15 a. m. Tuesday. The family was awakened at 6:30 a. m. by smoke which rolled into their bedroom. Firemen battled the blaze for two hours, handicapped by heavy snow which made access to the house difficult. A mother, father and their two small children fled their home at 2:06 Webster avenue early Sunday as flames swept the structure damaging it to the extent of \$200. C. T. Wicks was awakened at 6:30 a. m. by smoke which rolled into his bedroom. Firemen battled the blaze for two hours, handicapped by heavy snow which made access to the house difficult. A mother, father and their two small children fled their home at 2:06 Webster avenue early Sunday as flames swept the structure damaging it to the extent of \$200.

The fire had a good start, and the roof was saving in when the Birmingham Fire department was called. Inability to reach Clawson in time for help allowed the flames to gain headway. Nothing could be done to save the building when the local firemen arrived, but two houses and a garage in the vicinity were protected from the falling sparks. Combined efforts of Birmingham and Clawson firemen were required Sunday at 9:30 a. m. to save a Troy home from destruction by fire. An adjoining home was razed with estimated damage to the house of \$7,000 and \$1,800 to its contents. A damage of \$75 to the other home was reported. The destroyed home was owned by Joe Milligan and was situated on Beech street near the Fifth Mile road, between Main and Rochester roads, in Troy Township.

An explosion of an oil stove is believed to have caused the blaze. Although all of the family were in the house at the time of the explosion, they escaped uninjured. They were unable to save any of the contents of the house. Clawson firemen answered the alarm and were forced to rely upon chemicals as no water was available. As the blaze became unmanageable, the Birmingham department was called. Two lines of chemical played on the adjoining home owned by Lorenzo Slace kept it from being destroyed. The siding blazed several times, however. The houses were but 12 feet apart. The Milligan house was covered by \$3,000 insurance and the furniture by \$1,000. Slace's home is valued at \$6,000.

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The patriotic and historical program given last Thursday night at the ladies of the Methodist church at Troy was attended by a large audience. The program opened with a tableau, "How Betsy Ross made the flag." Wars in which America figured were dramatized with readings and selections, including the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Civil War, Spanish American War, World War, with characters of those periods.

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BIG BEAVER

Playlets with a historical background will feature a Washington, Lincoln program to be given Friday afternoon for the students of Big Beaver School.

The first is taken from the book, "A Man Without a Country," with the cast of characters made up of eighth grade students. The second is a representation of the first constitutional convention with seventh graders taking part. Recitation of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address will also be included in the program.

The assembly will be held at 3 p. m., Sub. C. T. Forsman has announced.

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R. E. Seaser, Pastor
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Sunday's sermon text and subject: Psalm 26, 1-5. Like David, so let us examine ourselves. Special Lenten services are being conducted every Thursday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Subject of this Thursday's sermon: How the Scriptures were fulfilled in Jesus' betrayal of Christ.

The Sunday school service begins at 9:30 a. m. Redeemer Lutheran League at 7:30 p. m.

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

First Church of Christ, Scientist
Chester and Willett streets
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.
Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Reading room in the church building is open from 11:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m. daily except Sunday and holidays. It is also open on Wednesdays before and after the service.

"Soul" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Christian churches on Sunday, February 17.

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "And I will set my tabernacle among you; my soul shall not abhor you. And I will walk among you, and be your God, and ye shall be my people" (Lev. 26:11, 12).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Soul must be incorporated to be Spirit, for Spirit is not finite; only by losing the false self people can gain the eternal unfolding of Life as immortality brought to light" (p. 335).

Chapel of the Holy Name
Harmon at Woodlawn
William W. Egan, Pastor
Sunday Masses, 8, 9:30, 11, and 12 a. m.
Daily Mass at 7 a. m.

The Royal Oak Unity Center
110 E. Fifth St.
Royal Oak, Mich.
Holds a regular study class each Thursday evening at 8 o'clock and regular Sunday evening services at 8 o'clock.

First Methodist Episcopal Church
Robert Marcus Atkins, Minister
10:30 a. m. Sunday School. Classes for everyone. 11:00 a. m. Sermon Subject: "Ambassadors for Christ."

6:15 p. m. Epworth League. For young people. 7:15 p. m. Sermon Subject: "Building for Christ."

Wednesday Evening. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Fellowship service at 7:15, will be under the direction of the Women's Society. Mr. Atkins subject will be "Jesus and Paul," taken from "The New Testament History" by H. F. Hall.

Saint James' Episcopal
Rev. Warner L. Forsyth, Rector
Second Sunday in Lent
8:00 Holy Eucharist
11:00 Morning Prayer and Sermon.

CHURCH SCHOOL
9:45 Junior Classes
11:00 Primary and Kindergarten
CONFIRMATION CLASSES
For Young People, 4:00 p. m.
For Adults, 7:45 p. m.

The Presbyterian Church
Floyd Emerson Logee
Minister
Birmingham, Michigan
The Bible School of the church meets promptly at 10:00 o'clock for its opening exercises in the church auditorium, followed by the study period with graded instruction in the various departments. There is a class for fathers and mothers. Bring the children to the Bible School and remain for the church service at 11:00 o'clock where there will be a story-sermon for the boys and girls who are dismissed to Junior Church during the sermon period. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Kingdom of God—Its Tasks." The young people meet at 6:30

Proceeds of the cookie sale being conducted by the Birmingham Girl Scouts are to go toward establishing a camp at Davis Lake, near Lapeer. The camp would be the property of Oakland County members and would be open to Birmingham Girl Scouts. Mrs. Lee A. White, president of the Scout Council said.

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