

Said the Salmon To the Whale

"Gee, you ought to live in fresh water while," said the salmon to the whale.

"What's fresh water?" asked the whale.

"It's free from salt."

"Salt? What's salt?"

"It's what the ocean is full of," quoth the salmon.

"What's the ocean?"

The whale, you see, had no means of comparison, because he had never been anywhere.

He didn't even know he was a whale. It is said that in rural China the natives never heard of China and do not know they are Chinamen.

Please don't laugh about this. It is too serious. We mean this matter of comparison. If we told you in the same manner as above that you should do business with a printer who gave SERVICE (in every sense of the word including layout, writing of copy, etc.) would you understand the comparison?

Not unless you have been used to service before. If you are interested in comparisons, have your printing done by us.

ACCOUNTS DUE VILLAGE LESS THAN \$30,000

Original Sum Of \$37,000.00 Reduced: State Agrees To Rebate \$4,000.00

MAY LOSE ONE ACCOUNT

Approximately \$30,000.00 remains unpaid of Birmingham's original \$37,000.00 accounts receivable, according to information obtained from village treasurer Charles Plumstead yesterday. This includes slightly less than \$24,000.00 owed by the State for work done on Woodward avenue last year, \$2,500.00 on the W. W. Henry account for work done on the subdivision, and \$2,700.00 for subdivision work done for the Royal Park Land Co.

According to Mr. Plumstead, assurance that Birmingham will collect all this money now seems probable, with the exception of the Royal Park Land account, which may be taken into court, due to financial straits of the company.

An interview with manager James P. Parry yesterday revealed the fact that he, together with village engineer Harold Carson, county engineer Leon V. Belknap, and county resident state engineers Combs, went to Lansing two weeks ago where, following a hearing before state highway commissioner Dillman, and former commissioner Frank Rogers, the State's indebtedness of approximately \$24,000.00 to Birmingham was admitted.

The State officials agreed that, although manager Parry had not entered into a written agreement with Michigan, he is relying on work which Parry's office did last summer on Woodward avenue, an obligation existed which the State recognized.

Mr. Rogers agreed that \$7,000.00 of the \$24,000.00 account was easily binding upon the State, and that the remaining \$17,000.00 would be paid because of verbal agreements manager Parry made with Thad D. Searles of Pontiac, who represented the State on the right of way project for Woodward avenue.

SEEK LAND FOR WIDER E. MAPLE

Village Attorney Starts Action To Make Highway 86 Feet In Width

Condemnation proceedings are being started by village attorney Clarence H. Ogden, at the direction of the village commission, Monday night, to secure lands necessary to open two alleys and set back the building line of one of Birmingham's main highways.

One of the alleys is situated in the east Maple project in Lincoln, and another from Frank to Lincoln, while the street widening project had the building line of one of Grand Trunk tracks east to Adams avenue.

The east Maple avenue widening will seek to extend the street width from its present dimension of 66 feet to 86 feet, from building line to building line. This move does not contemplate the immediate removal of any trees, but the widening of the pavement, stated manager James W. Parry yesterday.

Officially, the village's interest in the east Maple project is the result of an original petition filed with it two years ago, in which interested property owners sought to widen not only Maple, but west Maple to Southfield avenue, said Mr. Parry.

"When it was found impossible to go ahead with the west Maple project, and also east Maple from Woodward to the Grand Trunk tracks, the commission allowed the matter to rest. Condemnation of sufficient right of way on east Maple now merely means that the village will secure control of additional width for future development, and will prevent new business stores or blocks to come over the new line; eventually, this will save the taxpayers much money."

Mr. Ogden is now engaged in preparing legal papers for the condemnation suit, which will probably come up in August, said Mr. Parry.

Lawyer Fined \$29 By Hills' Police

"Twenty-nine dollars," said Justice Floyd S. Buck, Tuesday afternoon, when he fined a lawyer for talking about some bargain sale price, he was holding out the maximum fine for reckless driving in Bloomfield Hills to Samuel Charfoos, attorney of 1756 S. Brush street, Detroit, and the motorist paid.

According to Bloomfield Hills ordinances the maximum fine for reckless driving is \$25 in costs, so Charfoos escaped with a \$29 charge.

He was arrested Sunday by Sergeant Dolos Anderson after he had collided with another car on Woodward avenue near Long Lake road.

and Pontiac supervisors who, and his followers charge, have nominated the board in past years.

Pontiac In Control

Through its control of the board the Pontiac supervisors have been able to pass resolutions to keep the city's valuation at an unfairly low figure, these supervisors charge, Revolving again, Pontiac's domination, the supervisors at their April session elected Moore chairman. One of Moore's first moves was to appoint the equalization committee, excluding F. G. Ely, Pontiac city assessor and a member of the committee for years, from its membership.

When the committee reported it had added \$30,000,000 to the reported real estate valuation of Pontiac, raising the total equalized value of that city from \$76,000,000 in 1928 to \$130,243,207 this year. Pontiac received far the greater boost with Bloomfield Township and Royal Oak city \$2,000,000 each.

"The increase in Pontiac's valuation is only fair. If Pontiac desires to make an issue of the matter we can present plenty of proof that, as assessed valuations, particularly on high priced property in the downtown district, are in some cases absurdly low," Chairman Moore stated Wednesday afternoon.

The feeling of the board against Pontiac and in support of Moore was demonstrated by the vote on Ely's substitute valuation. It was coming by a vote of 36 to 4 and the report submitted by Moore's committee was approved by the same vote.

Supervisor Alfred E. Gale introduced a motion that would remove all increases in valuation with the exception of that on the city of Pontiac which would be left at \$3,000,000 less its reported figure. His motion lost 33 to 8. Another move to reduce all valuations by five per cent, suggested by Robert Hogan, 7-year-old son of Mrs. Elizabeth Hogan, of Merrill street, when in running across west Maple avenue last Thursday crashed into the side of a car driven by Harry H. Wilbur, 13881 Briggs street, Detroit. He was treated at St. Joseph's Mercy hospital and later released. Patrolman Earl Mosdy investigated.

YOUTH INJURED

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\$800 FIRE DAMAGE

Fire caused damage estimated at \$800 Tuesday at the retail plant of Al Hammel, 844 Hayes street. Damage amounting to \$800 was done to the building, while reported damage to an automobile was \$300. The flames were checked by Birmingham firemen.

gested by Dr. E. J. Chase of Fernside, was beaten 31 to 9.

Support Moore

Since the election of Moore as chairman at the April session supervisors have been looking forward to the report of the equalization committee as the principal opportunity to keep their strength. The vote Wednesday proved that with the exception of the small faction composed of some of the Pontiac and Royal Oak supervisors Moore has the backing of the entire board.

NEW JEWELRY STORE

Another jewelry store will open in Birmingham Saturday at 164 west Maple under the proprietorship of E. L. McNeill of Jefferson Avenue, Detroit.

Plans are for a formal opening with favor gifts for visitors.

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managed to keep traffic moving on Woodward avenue.

Harrington, unmarried, lived at 337 Pierce street, Birmingham, with a sister, Mrs. Burt Evans, whose husband is employed by the Eastern Michigan System at Pontiac.

Eugene B. Wilhelm

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at his residence in Franklin, for Eugene B. Wilhelm, 43, prominent architect, who died early Saturday, the victim of a Pere Marquette crossing collision on the Grand Trunk and Novi township. The body was placed in a vault in Grand Lawn cemetery, Detroit. The accident occurred at 12:05 a. m. Friday.

His wife, Mrs. Ina Wilhelm, and their 17-year-old son, Warren, driver of the car, are in a critical condition in the Pontiac City hospital. They are expected to recover, however.

According to reports, the Wilhelm family had heard the train pass and approached what was apparently a clear grade crossing. The headlights cast their rays above the string of empty freight cars that were passing, deceiving the driver who crashed into the train. The crossing has been the scene of many fatal accidents and is notoriously dangerous.

A passing motorist removed the injured to the hospital. Mr. Wilhelm dying shortly after arrival.

Mr. Wilhelm is well known as a Detroit architect, having been successful in business in Detroit for the past 10 years. He served as a major during the World War, being stationed at Richmond and Camp Meade, near Baltimore, Md. For the past three years he has lived in Franklin.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wilhelm, of Genesee, N. Y., and brother, Philip, of St. Louis, survive him. He also leaves a son, Eugene Wilhelm, III, thirteen years old.

Mrs. Ada Ward Mill

Knocked to the pavement as she was attempting to cross Woodward avenue at Long Lake road, at 7 a. m. Thursday, Mrs. Ada Ward-Mills, 64 years old, of 3412 Seminole avenue, Detroit, was killed as her daughter looked on.

She was struck by an automobile driven by Cliff Bruce, 30, of 50 Summit avenue, Pontiac. The wheels of the car passed over her head and dragged her nearly 25 feet along the pavement. She died on the way to the St. Joseph's Mercy hospital, Pontiac, where she was removed by Patrolman L. A. Martin.

Witnesses told police that Mrs. Mills apparently became confused as she was crossing the street. Bruce swerved to avoid hitting her when she darted back into his path, they said.

Mrs. Mills and her daughter, Mrs. Lila Chappell, were en route to Midland, their former home. According to Mrs. Chappell, her mother was crossing the street in the general store on the east side of Woodward avenue when the fatal accident occurred. She was struck as she hit the middle of the pavement on the west side, the daughter said.

Bruce was released after making a statement to Hills police. He and his wife were on their way to Milwaukee, Wis., where they planned to live, Mrs. Bruce said.

George Fulber

George Fulber, 35 years old, of 15409 Greenlawn avenue, Detroit, died early Friday in St. Joseph's Mercy hospital, Pontiac, from injuries received when an inter-

falling plane. He said he saw it about 300 feet from the ground and that it dived toward the ground and straightened out just before it struck.

It was a plane that leaped clear after it struck, but the passengers were pinned in their seats when it nosed over, and that he pulled them from the wreckage.

Field Is Dedicated.

Captain Ray Collins, manager of the national touring exhibition field, which was welcomed to Michigan's roster of airports by Wayne Sheldon, director of the red and cent, referred to as the Michigan air tour. The program included a bomb dropping by Sergeant Daniel Burgan, and a parachute jump by George Hurry, even when he hit stopped," explained Sergeant Anderson. He tried to crack some jokes, at which his companion laughed heartily, and asked me for a ticket, saying 'I'll appear later.' Well, from past experience I have decided that when you get into a jam, you should take them before a judge right away—else when you want them they may be in Europe. So we all went over to Judge Buck's office where, in response to his request to 'make it snappy,' the sum of \$25.00 changing from Kreges's pants to Judge's cash box.

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point the officer manager to gain the attention of the attendant's hurrying driver, resulting in a serious curb conversation, and revealing him as the son of the five and ten cent store magnate and prohibition leader of the country.

The young driver seemed in an awful hurry, even when I stopped," explained Sergeant Anderson. He tried to crack some jokes, at which his companion laughed heartily, and asked me for a ticket, saying 'I'll appear later.' Well, from past experience I have decided that when you get into a jam, you should take them before a judge right away—else when you want them they may be in Europe. So we all went over to Judge Buck's office where, in response to his request to 'make it snappy,' the sum of \$25.00 changing from Kreges's pants to Judge's cash box.

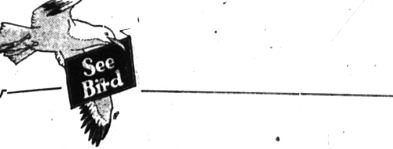
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section, and feel that such a situation can be corrected by regulation. Touching on the subject Monday night commissioner Halgren stated that "our committee intends to take up the matter of signs with the Planning Commission. We would like to have it made known, however, that simply because the village in the past has allowed signs to be placed upon buildings, this does not remove its legal right to order them down. We realize that this sign problem is an important one. We hope to have some solution for it within the next 30 days."

Accepting the bet of friends, Rube White of Paris, Ill., ate 17 bananas in five minutes and asked for a sandwich.



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