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## AMONG THE WOMEN

Mrs. Lee White Tells Of Girl Scouts

By DOROTHY E. WILLIAMS

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For three years Mrs. White has been active in Birmingham Girl Scout work. Her first connection with the organization came about when her young daughter and a few of her friends began talking about scouting. They wanted to organize and join the national organization which is only national group which is open to any girl, Mrs. White added.

Girl Scouting develops in girls youth when no such organizations

## RE-ELECTED TO SCHOOL BOARD



GUY W. JENSEN RAY A. PALMER

Mr. Palmer lead the ticket in Monday's school board election receiving the greatest number of votes cast, 314. Mr. Jensen was second with 285 votes. Both men are elected for three-year terms.

## WILL NOT BUILD CONTAGIOUS UNIT

County Supervisors Learn From Orr That Excess Expenditure Is Illegal

On advice of county prosecutor Norman C. Orr, who held that it would be illegal to borrow money to immediately construct an addition to the Oakland County Contagious Hospital, the County Board of Supervisors Monday morning voted against awarding a contract for the structure.

## DUPONT MAN BUYS NEW HOME IN BIRMINGHAM

Among the recent Colgrove, Back & Tibbottson sales of improved property in Birmingham was an attractive residence in Quanton Lake Estates, to Mr. and Mrs. James F. Tomlinson. Mr. Tomlinson is one of the executives who was recently brought here by the DuPont Company of Wilmington, Delaware.

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## OAKLAND COUNTY NEWS

Lewis Walton, vice-president of the American State Bank of Ferndale, heads the Ferndale board of education, while George B. Hartick has been recently re-elected to the presidency of the Royal Oak board of education.

In Oxford a ring lost for 25 years has been returned to its owner. When William Hubble, of Oxford, was 21 his parents gave him a gold ring bearing his name and the date. Twenty-five years ago he lost the ring while working on his farm. It was discovered last week by Albert Trepto, present owner of the Hubble farm, as he was closing and was returned to its rightful owner.

Marriage licenses issued during June by County Clerk Burton Daugherty, Pontiac, total 195 licenses. During the first six months of 1929, 714 applications have been filed, compared with 639 for the same period last year.

Celebration of the Fourth in Pleasant Ridge in many ways resembled the festivities of the old days. More than 500 persons participated in the street parade in the morning, followed by a picnic on the grounds. The evening was given over to dancing in the streets and a fireworks display.

Ferndale is to have a Grand Trunk station located on the west side of the Grand Trunk tracks, two blocks north of the Nine Mile road, according to the plans submitted to the commission Wednesday night.

Resignation of Carl H. Peterson, manager of the New York Hotel, Ferndale, last Wednesday came as a surprise to the city commission. The resignation was accepted Sept. 1, when Mr. Peterson placed it into business with a brother in Detroit.

Funeral Services were held Monday for James F. Cox, prominent business man, who died Friday at his home. He was a member of the first charter commission of the city of Ferndale, instrumental in founding the first school. He was 64 years old.

Members of the Gillespie family held their twenty seventh reunion at the Hotel Grand Trunk, Birmingham, last week. The party was founded by Henry Glaspe, who was born in 1845, with his wife and children in New York state. More than 150 persons were present at the reunion.

A "love me love my dog" argument ended in the Highland Park court, where a dog named "Buddy," 865 Kenneth avenue, Hazel Park, who was removed to the hospital suffering from a fractured leg and

## TUNNEY, EX-PRIZEFIGHTER IS HAPPIER IN WORLD OF LETTERS

Gene Tunney's main interests are poetry, good literature, good music and the development of the mind, writes Prof. William Lyon Phelps in the July "Delinctor." And, he adds, Gene Tunney, husband of the former Miss Polly Lauder, of Greenwich, is the happiest man in the world.

Dr. Phelps, professor of English literature at Yale, is one of the close friends of the heavyweight champion and writes of the career of this great boxer because "Gene Tunney is an architect of life and character. He always has a plan in any undertaking, he leaves as little as possible to chance."

"Although Gene Tunney furnishes one more illustration of an American boy starting with nothing and getting everything, he himself is unique," writes Professor Phelps. "Lives of great men remind us that it is possible to rise from poverty to wealth, from obscurity to fame; from the lowest class to the highest social rank; from rural monotony to urban magnificence. But here is a man who emerged from the ruck in a field of activities which are despised; where even those who are successful are not taken seriously in fashionable, commercial, or intellectual society; indeed, where their opinions or views on any subject outside of fistfights are laughed at."

"The paradox here is that Gene Tunney achieved the kind of success one associates with a number of other forms of activity. Instead of being followed around by satellite managers, gamblers, and toughs, he attained national and international prominence. He has physical and mental strength, wealth, social position, the friendship of men of letters, leisure for foreign travel, magnificent athletic strength, opportunities for the best culture, good books, the chance to hear the best music and the taste to enjoy invitations to meet the intellectual leaders of Europe, a wide circle of friends who love him, and what he rightly ranks above every other gift in the world, a wife who combines love and charm with a spiritual life. If a vote were taken to determine the happiest man in the world at this moment, Gene Tunney's name might lead all the rest."

"I asked Gene Tunney," continues Professor Phelps, "and he said that he never expresses an opinion possible, in view of the immense number of talented young men in every city, together with the large number of powerful athletes, that one man could be certain of whipping any other." "Well, he has had, there is room for only one champion at a time. This place is free and open to any man who will take and hold it. Then, after some reflection, he said, 'there are five qualities necessary if one wishes to be champion of the world, and all five are seldom found in one man. I happen to have them all.'"

The five qualities enumerated by Gene Tunney were: First strength, second suppleness and speed, third courage, fourth ability to take punishment, fifth complete control of the nerves.

"The ideal element in Tunney's nature enabled him to see the goal long before he reached it, as one sees the towers and pinnacles of a city from afar," continues the "Delinctor" article. "He has all sensitiveness to beauty, which has brought him both refreshment and inspiration in his love of poetry. He is generally despised, but his best-loved poets is Francis Thompson, one of the most original, imaginative and spiritual of modern writers. In music, the etymology Chopin move him more than anything else. Among living novelists, his most intimate friend is Thornton Wilder."

"Thousands of educated and cultivated people do very little thinking. I speak advisedly when I say that Gene Tunney has done much sincere and honest thinking; he has meditated deeply on life and humanity and character; he has profited by the success and by the failure of others; he is an amateur psychologist.

"To every boy in the world, Gene Tunney is a striking example of the magic word success. From the glamour which surrounds an athletic champion, it is my belief that Gene Tunney was the object of interest and admiration when he is 70 years old. What I think is his greatness is that he is always himself. He learns from others and imitates no one. He never expresses an opinion

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about a book unless he himself had read it. He illustrates without knowing it the Scripture text—a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of things which he possesseth. He is mainly interested in poetry, good literature, good music, and in the development of the mind. He values ideas more than things.

"Tunney the man is not only sincerely thoughtful, he has a warm and affectionate heart. He will never be content with mere success nor even with happiness. Life to him has spiritual significance. He cannot remain satisfied even in the glow of health and prosperity, unless he can feel that his life really counts for something, that he has done some good in the world."



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