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CHILDREN GUESTS ON ANNIVERSARY

Dr. and Mrs. William O. Stevens Celebrate Wedding in Novel Manner

Fifty crippled children of the Royal Oak Township Health Clinic Saturday afternoon joined Dr. and Mrs. W. O. Stevens, of Cranbrook, in celebrating their silver wedding anniversary. A miniature circus staged by Cranbrook students, with all the wonders and thrills of the big tent, honored the young guests. Through the long halls of Cranbrook school, giraffes, monkeys and fat ladies wandered, bringing the color of circus life to the children.

Harlow Davock, of Birmingham, was master of ceremonies while numbers of the Cranbrook students assisted in the program of entertainment. Refreshments were provided for the children and a toy for each young guest, as a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Stevens.

Vliet Tells Why Board Favors Two Bond Issues

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gan and is widely followed elsewhere. The plan calls for elementary buildings so spaced as to be not more than 1/2 mile distant from the home of any pupil, junior high schools 1 1/2 miles apart, one or more senior high schools as the size of the city may require. It is in furtherance of this plan that all sites since 1918 have been selected and all buildings erected. It has given the district the following modern buildings: Baldwin, Barnum, Adams, Pierce and Quorton care for grade children in the Hill building which was erected in 1865 and is not a modern building. The Baldwin building carries for the junior high pupils west of Woodward and in addition to all grade children east of Woodward. The Barnum, Pierce and Quorton care for grade children in the Hill building which was erected in 1865 and is not a modern building. The Baldwin building carries for the junior high pupils west of Woodward and in addition to all grade children east of Woodward.

The Hill building should be abandoned for grade children to use. Merrill street is to be made through street to Woodward and West Maple next year and will carry heavy traffic which small children should not cross. The logical place to care for grade children is at the Barnum school, which is quite as near to most of the homes as is the Hill. A survey was made of the Hill-Barnum area and it was found that there are 600 children in the area now and that there would be 700 when all the vacant lots were filled with single houses.

Three Projects

The board of education found three projects would need attention in the near future: (1) To care for the grade children in the Hill-Barnum area. (2) To provide relief for the Baldwin senior and junior high school building. (3) To provide relief for the Adams school by building a new school on the Lincoln site. After careful consideration it chose to submit the proposition to enlarge the Barnum School to care for grade and junior high pupils to the voters on Monday, June 10, 1929 and \$140,000 is available in unissued bonds to commence the work. (2) It will adequately care for all the grade children in the Hill and Barnum area and will avoid the use of a basement room in the present Barnum building. (3) It will relieve the present Baldwin building of junior high pupils from the south side of the district and thus permit the use of more Baldwin room by senior high pupils. It can easily be enlarged to care for more junior high pupils from the central and southern part of the district if

Villagers and the Village

By THE WANDERER

Members of the Baldwin high school band will be taken to Port Huron June 16 and 17 when the annual convention of the 59 Exchange clubs of Michigan is held, according to arrangements announced by Harold F. Ellerby, village president, who with Robert R. Allen, is a delegate to the convention from here. About 20 other local Exchanges, and their wives, are expected to be in attendance. The band members will be transported to Port Huron in a large bus.

Do you know of anyone who attended the Old Hill school and who is not aware of the fact that a reunion is planned for June 17? If so you are asked to notify Mrs. Belle Ward of Park street or Mrs. Mae Hupp of east Maple avenue who are working on plans.

The fast-moving automobile which in certain parts of the state constitutes a minor hazard to wild life, improved its batting average last night when a car hit and killed, near Pickford, in Chippewa County, a cow whose weighing more than 1100 pounds.

Next Monday noon Birmingham Exchanges will be the guests of

the senior high requires the entire Baldwin building. When that time comes it would be an easy matter to enlarge the Quorton school with a junior high department to care for junior high children from the western and northern part of the district. If the proposal to enlarge the Barnum building carries, it will release the present Hill school site for future senior high school development and use.

Birmingham is not alone in having to provide more schools. Pontiac is spending \$1,500,000 on new buildings. Ferndale must have two additions to present buildings. Royal Oak will vote on June 10 to issue \$245,000 in bonds for new school buildings. Birmingham schools must care for 200 more children next year, 1930, and for many more in 1931. The present enrollment is 2420 and will reach 2600 next year.

Birmingham schools attract many discriminating people to live in Birmingham. Such people build fine homes, make much business, contribute liberally for all worthy projects and cause Birmingham to be prosperous always. The Barnum school bond issue is simply an attempt to equalize school facilities in the Birmingham area and to prevent future congestion. It is the logical step in the general plan announced at the commencement of this article.

Some people in Birmingham are concerned about taxes. Good schools cost more money, but good schools are cheaper than poor schools. Schools today have much wider use of community activities than a generation ago. All sorts of community activities are carried on in schools. Boy Scouts, Y. M. C. A., evening school classes, recreation groups, sports

time will come when a swimming pool will be found in every school building. Swimming is a recognized method of treatment for many crippled children.

The present time is most opportune for building the enlarged Barnum school. Contractors are anxious for work and will make a low price on the contracts. Interest rates by every indication will be higher next year. The booklet issued by the Board of Education about the proposed Barnum school shows that the bonds and interest can be most easily cared for this year. If not done this year, it must be done next year at a greater cost. Vote "yes" on the enlarged Barnum school and swimming pool, June 10 and keep the schools of Birmingham where they compare favorably with those of adjoining cities.

STUDY GROUP VOTES AGAINST NEW CHARTER

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vesting more authority in the village manager and can not accept the idea that a new charter would necessarily present greater problems, it said.

Committee Remains

The committee asked that it would not be discharged until reports of other groups studying possible governmental changes in Birmingham are made. Those who served besides Mr. White are: Charles Lewis, John Gaffill, Thomas S. Parker, F. F. McKinney, Charles J. Shain and L. R. Nicholson.

HILLS HORSES BACK FOR SHOW

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club was winner of fourth place in the middle and heavyweight hunters' class.

Miss Peggy Ainsworth rode her "Kieline" to first place Wednesday in the green hunters' class, while Mrs. George P. Raynale's "Brown Thrasher" came in fourth in the event.

The only mishap of the races occurred when Miss Florence Skae, of the Hills, was hurled from her horse, "Gift Girl,"

Thursday afternoon. The horse refused the first hurdle in the ladies' hunter after capturing fourth place in the model hunters in the morning show.

SCHOOLS GIVE ANNUAL EVALUATION

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Ethel Hughes, Miss Florence Akeley had charge of advertising, Miss Hester Bradley of properties, and Mrs. C. Richards acted as a companion.

Members of the Baldwin High School band furnished music before and after the present program.

Extension Work To Be Resumed

Discussion of a new form of assessment for the proposed extension of Merrill street from Pierce to Woodward will be held by the commission next Monday night, it is planned. Work on the proposed extension has been halted because of legal entanglements which are cleared today, it is understood.

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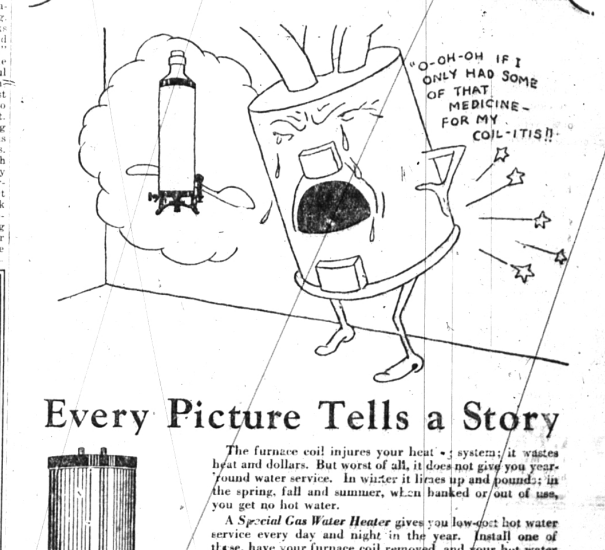
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