

Working upon this earth to establish the Kingdom of God is like washing the dirty windows of a room that is crowded with people. It allows the pure sunlight to bathe all behind the window.

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VILLAGERS SEE CONDITIONS IN CITY SLUMS

Accompany Detroit Police On Inspection Tour Of Dope dens

MANY ADDICTS YOUNG

That more could be done by society for the youth of today to direct it along the "straight and narrow path" is the opinion of Village President H. T. Ellerby today after a trip through the Detroit slums with members of the Detroit Police department. In the party were Commissioner Robert B. Allen, Scott Hervey, Manager James W. Parry and Police Chief Orta J. Tuttle.

"Out of the 100 men and women brought to Central Station last Saturday night, practically all were between the ages of 18 and 25," Mr. Ellerby said. "I was convinced even from that glimpse that we are doing all too little."

The party combed the east side slums where confirmed dope addicts live. They talked with "junkies" and found all were

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—Miss Byrdie Kraft, president of the Business and Professional Women's club: "The Business Women's Recreational association which has advertised benefits in the village is in no way associated with the Business and Professional Women's club."

young. Into hotel after hotel went the group seeing at first hand the living conditions of men who have given their lives to narcotics.

"Society has something definite to do along this line," Mr. Ellerby declared.

EXPRESS BUS ON NEW TIME

Announcement of a new schedule for the Eastern Michigan express buses between Birmingham and Detroit will be made by the company Sunday. The express buses will be taken off the run on Sundays and middle of the day runs on week days will be curtailed with more buses at the peak hours, it is understood.

NEW MONEY ISSUE A special issue of money for use only in Royal Oak is being prepared by two Royal Oak banks. The Royal Oak Savings bank and the First National bank of Royal Oak expect to have the issue out in a few days.

BIRMINGHAM AS SEEN BY

JAMES W. TAYLOR
First National Bank building.
Paving contractor.

How long have you been in this type of business?
I have been paving roads for the last 15 years.

What led you to choose Birmingham as the location for your business?
I came to Birmingham as a construction engineer to construct Birmingham Park, at that time better known as Morningstar Park.

What do you think of Birmingham's business future?
The business outlook for the village looks very bright to me. In fact I was back in 1917, upon my first arrival in Birmingham, I was thoroughly sold on the promising prospects ahead of me as a resident of the village, and decided then and there to make it my home.

What do you consider Birmingham's greatest need?
To have suitable parking places for automobiles or perhaps parking lots accessible to the center of the village and shopping district.

Are you desirous of keeping the village of a residential nature?
Yes I am very desirous of keeping Birmingham a residential village, and in fact I don't believe anyone living in this fine village would wish it otherwise.

What factors will encourage more buying in the village?
Parking places accessible to the center of the shopping district would be a great aid. I think we have very fine stores, they are quite attractive to the buyers, and are getting more attractive every day.

In what way can the merchants make the village a better shopping area?
I believe the merchants have made the shopping area very good, and with a little more thought given to the placing of store signs, etc., it would be further improved.

What growth do you expect of Birmingham during the next five years?
I think the village will grow to a population of 25,000 within the next five years.

Have you any "pet" idea you would like to see manifested in the village?
I have no pet idea that I would advocate for Birmingham unless it is to always see good government and interest taken by the best of our citizens in good government, which would mean—get out and vote at every election.

HONOR COURT PLANNED HERE

Boy Scouts To Receive Awards At Session In Library

Awards earned by the Birmingham Boy Scouts will be given out at the Court of Honor to be held Nov. 15 at 7:30 p. m. at the Baldwin Public Library, according to plans today.

Work done by the boys since last spring will be recognized at this time.

The general public is invited to attend this ceremony, according to Sheldon Wright, chairman of the court of honor, and parents of the boys are especially urged to attend. The scout troop having the most parents of members present will receive a pennant.

The Advancement cup now in possession of Troop B 3 is one of the most sought after prizes. It is given to the troop which has shown the most decided accomplishments since the previous court of honor meeting. Howard Crull is scoutmaster of Troop B 3 and Marilyn Smiley is his assistant.

LIFE OF A VILLAGE COP

Everything Goes To Make Up The Day

Only occasionally in the usual run of the day's work does an officer's task call for the publication of his name in the paper. But that doesn't mean he is not kept busy. A glance at the blotter in every police station reveals all kinds of work the officers have to face on the average day.

There follows the complete blotter of the Birmingham department for Oct. 28.

Oct. 31

7:15 a. m. Ray Whitten, 858 Forest street reports that some one had taken one of his rabbits. Assigned to Otto Wilson.

8:30 a. m. Mr. Cramer, Detroit Auto quad called that he has information of three cars being stripped at an old farm house, one mile west of Lasher road. Wrote motor and license numbers. Appell and Wilson.

9:30 a. m. Mr. Randall, high school reports a robbery at the school. Wants finger prints taken. Jos. McGregor.

9:50 a. m. 415 south Woodward avenue reports a few weeks ago in the night. Mrs. Anderson, 808 Madison avenue reports that someone took her mail box last night. Anderson.

1:05 p. m. Treasurer's department wants officer to go with them to bank. O. Wilson.

1:20 p. m. Pontiac sheriff's department called that Caro sheriff's department arrested a fellow for breaking and entering a store last night. Was driving a Ford, license No. 883-030. Car registered to Paiz Capling, 560 Watkins. Car was stolen two weeks ago from Twelve and a Half mile road and Woodward. Called sheriff's department at Caro. Assigned to Wilson and Appell.

2:00 p. m. Called at Corbell Nursery to pick up a stray bird dog. Appell and Wilson.

3:35 p. m. Report from Mr. Curry that a man was dead at Quanton and Telegraph road. Called the sheriff's office. Anderson.

7:45 p. m. Mrs. Gravin, corner Merrill and Bates reports boys broke a window in her house. Boys came back said it was an accident. Lawler and Johnson.

8:00 p. m. Harry Parker, Man-rod, reported he saw sparks coming from an electric pole on Wemble drive near railroad. Called Edison company.

8:15 p. m. Call to 315 Pilgrim, child and window.

8:25 p. m. Call to Harmon and Woodward, boys pulling an arid across street.

CHILDREN HURT IN BUS CRASH

Three pupils of the Taft School Ferndale were injured Monday when an automobile driven by the wife of a Detroit patrolman crashed into a school bus at P'erson and Woodward avenues. The children were treated at the Lilly Hospital.

Howard Wagley, 10 years old, of 474 Pearson avenue, suffered cuts on the head; Harold Dawdy, seven years old, 2380 Ridge road, suffered a cut in the mouth and Dorothy Edwards, nine years old, of 303 Cambourne avenue east, received cuts on the right hand.


SCOUTS PLAN FIRST HIKE

A schedule of Boy Scout activities give Nov. 16 as the date of the first overnight hike to be held by village scouts, according to announcement made today.

At this time scouts will hike to the cabin on Long Lake, donated to Birmingham scouts by Col. E. S. George. Villagers are urged to aid the scouts in furnishing the cabin. Gifts of sheets, cooking utensils, and furniture already are being received, according to Lloyd L. Stanley, commissioner.

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Mrs. Hannah Waters Dies In Detroit After Long Illness

Word is received today of the death in Detroit of Mrs. Hannah Waters, former resident of Southfield and well known Oakland County pioneer. Mrs. Waters died following a long illness. Burial was in Southfield with Rev. W. J. Young of Trenton, officiating.

Mrs. Waters was a lifelong member of the Southfield Methodist Church and was prominently identified with activities of that organization.

She is survived by a twin sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Thorley; another sister, Mrs. Flora Sturman; two brothers, George and Will Rulfer; three sons, Ludd R. Mervin J., and George L. Waters.

AGED MAN DIES

A long and active life came to an end, Sunday morning, at the cottage on Lake Leke, where Andrew J. Fleming, 97 year old Pennsylvanian, former teacher and student of celestial mechanics, had resided for the last four years with his daughter, Edna J. Fleming.

Mr. Fleming would have been 97 years old on Jan. 21, 1930. Death was due to infirmities of age.

A special holiday for blind persons is celebrated in Sweden each year.

PETITION REQUESTS PROBE AT CITY ZOO

A petition demanding a one man grand jury to investigate conditions at the Detroit Zoological park, located at the Ten Mile road and Woodward avenue, Royal Oak, has been filed in Wayne county circuit court by William A. Somstock, Elmer O. Gillespie and William H. Waller. The petition alleges the monkey house is improperly constructed and managed, and that other buildings and conditions at the zoo need changing.

Particularly wrong at the monkey house, the petition alleges, is the practice of allowing all of the monkeys, of all breeds, to have the freedom of the enclosure, instead of being separated.

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To the men in khaki who did their bit on the front line, or in the training camp, we extend this greeting. We're happy to celebrate with them this great day of days.

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GAS STATION IS PURCHASED

Purchase of a Texaco filling and service station at Frank street and Woodward avenue, Thomas Klingensmith, of Square Lake road, is announced today.

The station features brake and tire service in addition to the regular filling station service and was formerly owned by Washington Berger and the late George Townsend.

Mr. Klingensmith was formerly connected with the Klingensmith Tire company of Pontiac.

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