

eccentric PART TWO

LEWIS FIGHTS TREE CUTTING

Commissioner Opposes Petition Of Oil Co.; Hearing Is Delayed
Further delay on the hearing on a petition to cut down a large tree at Woodward avenue and Oak street to provide a driveway for a proposed gasoline station at that corner, was granted by the Village Commission Monday night when Commissioner Robert E. Allen withdrew his original motion to grant the permit.

Commissioner Charles E. Lewis objected to the tree being cut down. "I want to see that tree," he said, "and I'm objecting to the proposal to cut it down. As a matter of fact, I can see no reason why it should be cut down. If anything, the tree enhances the property there."

A motion then was passed delaying the hearing on the petition until next Monday. In the meantime, James W. Parry, village manager, was instructed to request Emil G. Olin, landscape architect, to inspect the tree to determine whether it is sufficiently decayed to warrant cutting it down.

Cuba is creating a great national park of 6,813 acres, in which native animal and vegetable life will be propagated and protected.

George Marston arose in a Milwaukee church and asked for prayers. The minister later gave him clothing and money. Still later a detective arrested Marston as a swindler with a long prison record.

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Political Patter

Political Patter Brief items and comment about the various county, state, and national aspirants for public office—your potential employees.

By G. R. A. Cousins & Osborn Under a rising tempo and temperature, politics here and hereabouts continues warmer—and by the end of August, the political thermometer probably will burst its tube as this or that candidate, discussing this or that issue, mounts the speaking platform to tell "his dear public" a thing or two.

Senator James Couzens, home in Michigan for the summer, is doing a bit of campaigning in various sections of Michigan. He is, of course, seeking re-election, and enjoying the experience of finding as his opponent the Honorable Chase Salmon Osborn, of the Soc.

Senator Couzens is not an oratorical success that former Governor Osborn is—but oh boy and girl! when it comes to getting practical things done for the people who pay taxes, Mr. Couzens wants, and gets, RESULTS!

If you wish further proof of this, consult with Henry Ford, where Senator Couzens acted for many years as general manager. Senator Couzens possesses an enormous capacity for the study and solution of public problems who pay taxes. Mr. Couzens is a true scientist, he seeks and applies his findings to the problem.

Mr. Osborn's patter about Couzens' "lack of party loyalty" sounds to us like unskilled bologna. Mr. Osborn uses it, we think, to make the crowd believe

oplie, just for oratorical effect—for certainly the former Governor hasn't forgotten when, after one term at Lansing, Michigan Republicanism was lured to the public elected Woodbridge N. Ferris, Democrat, as Governor? We wonder if Mr. Osborn was "true to his party accountability" then? no, we don't wonder—we know that he wasn't! The voters aren't going to swallow Mr. Osborn's ballyhoo about "party loyalty" as he would like to see long ago the public learned that such offerings were hard upon the digestive functions.

Come on, Mr. Osborn, drag out something more tangible against Senator Couzens if you can. In the meantime, Sir, be more loyal to your own true self, than to your intense hatred of any political mystery that may interest yourself to your altruistic, but quite impractical, encyclopedic mentality.

Over in Shelby, Michigan, is published the Oceana County Herald, with careful editing by Philip Harry Royal, its editor. Here is what Mr. Royal said last week in his column, "Comments and Excerpts from the News":

"The Hastings Banner is one of the newspapers which is undertaking to read Senator Couzens out of the Republican party and out of the Senate because of his sins of independence and is supporting former Governor Osborn because it 'believes' that the latter will do many good things for the people. The latter has no such clear record of regularity as to recommend irregularity. The latter's dates are of very different type, but they vary least of all along the line of independence in thought and action. The Banner sends us a reprint of an editorial appearing in its issue of July 23. Its charge and its argument against Senator Couzens are very completely refuted by a check-up printed in Monday's issue of the Grand Rapids Press, of Mr. Couzens' votes upon matters coming before Congress during administration of President Hoover. If it thinks that Mr. Osborn would more regularly cast his votes in accordance with the Jim Watson leadership we think that it libels Mr. Osborn in the thought."

Who's Groesbeck or Brucker? Who has become Michigan's Chief Executive on Jan. 1? Depending upon your own partisan bias, of course, you may argue that it will be either Groesbeck or Brucker—we have yet to find anyone who gives Jeffries the slightest chance. As yet since Alex J. Groesbeck has made but few public speeches, the campaign just getting nicely started in earnest, talking has been done by Wilbur M. Brucker, the Saginaw 'Kid,' until Groesbeck gets into the good with a few apt remarks about Affairs of State—the game which he is watching as the Attorney-General and Governor matches present and logic with the present vacationist from the State's Attorney-General's office at Lansing. We suggest that both of them engage in a public debate, either in a large auditorium or by radio-cast. But we must insist that Jeffries, the Detroit democratic Republican who draws a salary as a Judge, be not one of the judges of this suggested debate. He might be prejudiced, you know.

Joe Sturgeon, keen observer of Michigan politics, from the marvelous scenery of Gladstone, gazes down across Green Bay and Lake Michigan toward Detroit and Lansing, and picks out the following paragraphs from his type-writer: "The race for the Republican nomination for governor of Michigan is on. It hasn't got into full swing as yet, but the next few weeks are going to see some spirited campaigning. The voters may choose on the one side, Wilbur M. Brucker, attorney general of Michigan, an appointee of the Green administration, and indoors, by that faction after it failed to force his withdrawal from the race, on the other side is Alex J. Groesbeck, three times governor with a record of efficiency never before approached in the history of Michigan. There is also Edward J. Jeffries, judge of records' court in Detroit, a Democrat entered in the Republican primaries with the only apparent excuse that he might take away enough votes from Groesbeck in Detroit to cause the defeat of Groesbeck. "Brucker, as a part of the Green administration, placed in a position where he must uphold the record made by Gov. Green during his terms. The voters satisfied with that record, as the professional politicians who have been able to reach into the public treasury will flock to the young attorney general. To his credit it may be said that he is clean and honest, and likely capable of directing the important duties that devolve on the state's chief executive. Also he has in his favor sufficient courage and independence, as manifested by his refusal to give way to another administration candidate, even to Green himself."

"Groesbeck's record as governor." (Continued on Page 2)

WATER DRY IN WELL

Village Asks Commission For Water After Private Source Fails

The extreme hot weather and accompanying drought during the past several weeks was again brought to the attention of the village commission Monday night when the Bureau of Public Drive, petitioned the commission for a temporary water supply for the village private well, which has run dry, is again in operation.

Mr. Belisle notified the commission that his well, sunk to a depth of 117 feet, no longer produces water in sufficient quantities to meet the ordinary demands of his household. The Lincoln well, he reports, has dried up his well, undoubtedly because of the drought. Mr. Belisle established his residence where he now lives before the property was annexed by the village and his well was sunk at that time. Because of this and the fact that the well up his property produces a supply of water which he considers superior to the village water, Mr. Belisle has declined to connect with the village water system, he told the commission.

A temporary connection with the village system, however, has been effected and he requested that the service be officially continued. Commissioner Lawrence Hulbert, however, declared that he did not wish to grant an indefinite permit to draw from the village supply without the regular meter charge, explaining that he did not wish the commission to be criticized for granting special privileges in the matter.

James W. Parry, village manager, stated that a permit for such service, with the regular deposit for connection with the village source of water supply was the standard practice in such cases and Mr. Belisle's petition was referred to the village manager.

VILLAGE HEALTH REPORT IS GIVEN

Decline In Contagious Disease Indicated During July

'Contagious disease during July was at a low ebb, with only two cases of measles and two cases of whooping cough reported to the health department, the July report of the department reveals. Attention of the department was devoted to care of tuberculosis cases examinations.

Mrs. Olga Benning, public health nurse, visited 46 tuberculosis contact cases during the month, divided as follows: Three cases of tuberculosis, 39 of tuberculosis contacts, 14 patients suspected of having the disease, nine post sanatorium cases, and three in sanatorium.

According to the laboratory report, 189 analyses were taken. There were 35 throat-cultures, 63 sputum reports and 50 water samples, of which eight were tests of the Barnum pool. The sanitary inspector reports that 119 store-calls and 11 private calls were made, and that 63 milk and 56 water samples were collected.

Mrs. Benning made 196 home visits, accompanied 10 patients to hospital and five to local physicians. She visited 21 babies less than one year and 38 children two to three years of age. There were 41 patients referred to physicians, 16 to the physician for the poor, 14 to clinics, 15 to hospitals, four to the tuberculosis sanatorium, 15 to a dentist, 26 to the county superintendent of the poor, and 14 to the city department of health. Patients sent to the University hospital in Ann Arbor numbered 26.

Defects corrected were as follows: vision, 10; teeth, nine; orthopedic, three, goitre, one.

Glenn Curtiss, pioneer aviator and airplane manufacturer, was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Science by the University of Miami, Fla. He first flew from Albany to New York 20 years ago.

Librarian Returns From Her Vacation

After a month's vacation at her home in Escambia, Mrs. Nancy E. Thomas returned to the Baldwin Public Library where she is librarian, last week. Miss Ruth Phelps, assistant librarian, will start her vacation Aug. 16, going to Mackinac Island for two weeks. Miss Henrietta Lanet, of 691 two West Frank street, will be employed in the library during Miss Phelps' absence. Miss Gertrude Kelsch, children's librarian, who has been at Crystal Lake, Escambia, for the past few weeks, is expected to return Aug. 18.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

John P. Hackett, chief of police: "The difficulty in arranging the various vacations for patrolmen present on this time from arranging a test of automobile brakes. However, we expect to conduct such a test early in the fall."

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FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS —of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric—The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Item Of Today

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Major R. F. Judson, of Southfield, has a gas well that blazes at the rate of eight cubic feet per minute, to the height of 40 feet or so.

James Robbins tried to put the hind wheel of a horse-drawn wagon Thursday morning of last week. It was a girl and weighed eight pounds and a half. Every body prosperous.

The camp at Wing Lake has been overflowing with Birmingham hamfists this week. Mr. and Mrs. John Alger and Miss Jennie Keyes have been holding campers, with numerous adjutants.

Bill Smith announces the fact that he is all ready for the making business having put in a new press and a Clawson rack for all trouble, and not a garden it pleasant and profitable for all to call and see him. Bring along your apples also.

The Fruit and flower Mission of Detroit are sending out appeals for help, and while the demand is not as great as in years past, the many favors received from this town, they are still unable to meet the demands upon them. To many of the sick and poor in their own homes and in hospitals, these flowers are the best of the green fields, and of bright sunshine. Could you see the smiles that come over the pale faces and the efforts of the crippled hands to grasp them, you would feel glad for all trouble, and not a garden in town but would furnish a garden thing which will fill our baskets. Flowers can be left to be sent to Detroit, with Miss Mattie Baldwin of this place.

Tena Swan and Clara Lathrop are visiting at Ox Bow Lake. The Bill Foster man was up there and was a fine specimen of the beauty of the B'ham dunnets that he indulges in unless profanity about him in this week's B. P.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO The baseball game in Detroit will take place on Wednesday, Aug. 16, when the married men will play the single men.

At three o'clock, the uniforms enough to go around, you will have to dress in any old contrivance that comes handy. You will then disguise yourselves and march to the grounds, where the wearer of the white uniform costume will be entitled to the first grand prize. Friends of any one of the readers who desire to be allowed to present him with a consolation prize, provided it does not consist of raw eggs or venetian vegetables. Those must be saved for the umpire and presented on a platter by the doctor with an appropriate flourish. The umpire's propfession safe. The umpire's propfession safe. The umpire's propfession safe. The umpire's propfession safe. The umpire's propfession safe.

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Don't forget that you can get on-top of those nagging cent suppers at the Ladies Aid meeting at the residence of Mrs. Frank Allen tonight.

Mrs. Brooks, of Cincinnati, mother of Mrs. Geo. P. Raynale, is visiting with the Birmingham relatives just as well as with her daughter.

Eugene Smith and family are going to move into Wm. Parks' home, opposite his warehouse, just vacated by Mr. Mason. This leaves the Hamlin house vacant and it can be rented by someone and make them a good home.

Friday, Aug. 14 is officially "Birmingham Day" in the Oakland County Fair to be held at Milford. David Ladd, local Rotarian, is a member of the board of officers acting as chairman of the local committee to get as many Birmingham people (1) as possible to the Fair. Automobiles will leave the corner of West Maple and Woodward avenue at 11 o'clock. Luncheon will be obtained in Milford.

Another contingent of boys is leaving Monday for Camp Ohioisya, the U. M. C. A.'s camp for boys at Grand Fish Lake at Clyde, Mich. Nine Birmingham boys will be among the campers.

The Birmingham Rotary Club is holding a fund-raising for the Steward Clark Patterson, John Shepherd, Donald Parry, John Williams, Clifford Rancier, Louis Clark, and Clifford Lawson.

A joint superhighway commission is being formed with headquarters in Detroit to plan the super-highway system shown in the master plan for the Detroit Metropolitan area. The organization is being effected as provided in the charter passed by the last session of the state legislature and which will go into effect as a law on the 1st of October. The commission will handle the 120 foot as well as the 204 foot highways in the suburban regions within Detroit's 15 million population.

And Keep the Wallet And Keep the Wallet Abe was at a dance and lost a wallet containing \$600. He got up on a chair and announced: "Gentlemen! I lost my wallet-book with \$600 in it. To the man what finds it, I will give \$50. If you find the Bear—'I'll give \$75."—Medley.

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