

As I go about this whirling earth, I feel that I am really disappointed that I do not find more of them generally happy. I feel that the cause of something stark and empty occupy too many souls.

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# GARDEN CLUB ELECTS HIND

## Bloomfield Hills And District Horticulturists Report Successful Year

At the annual meeting and election of officers held at the Community House last Thursday, members of the Bloomfield Hills and District Horticultural Society elected Thomas Hind, 707 West Huron street, as president for the ensuing year. Reports read by chairman of the different committees showed that the year had been the most successful in the organization's history, as was indicated in the flower shows, the appearance of Jack Miner, famous naturalist, and other activities of the society.

The International Peace Garden proposed for the border between Canada and the United States probably will be the subject of a lecture to be delivered by some international speaker during the coming year, it was announced. Other officers elected by the society are Jacob Hamann, vice-president; Arthur Claxton, secretary; Joseph Wallace, treasurer. The trustees elected are Joseph Corrette, Ernest Benning, Evan Parker and Ivan Cooper, Maurice Haven, A. Dennis and Raymond Baur compose the auditing committee.

# East Birmingham Drain Bids Open

Bids for the construction of the East Birmingham Drain will be received until noon on Dec. 21 at Cambridge and Maple avenues, opening at 10 a. m. Dec. 22 at Cambridge and Maple avenues, according to an announcement by Arthur W. Spencer, Oakland County Drain Commissioner.

# CIGARETTE CAUSES FIRE IN AUTOMOBILE

A cigarette, believed to have been tossed through an open window in his car by a passerby, was given as the theory Saturday by L. L. White, 664 Vinewood avenue, Detroit, as the reason for a fire which damaged his automobile while he was walking in front of the Municipal Building. Firemen extinguished the blaze.

# Y. M. C. A. WILL STAGE PING-PONG TOURNAMENT DURING HOLIDAYS

Interesting activities during the holiday season for the local boys, college students while on leave, and leaders and members of the schools, are being planned by the local Y. M. C. A. A ping-pong tournament begins this week which will be very close contested throughout. Jack Hogan, James Holm, Ed. Kuchel, Louis Clarence Cassidy, Bob Ziegler, Clifford McBride, Jack Carnahan, Dick Forrester, Frank Ewald, Eugene Shumway, Harold Davis, Fred Cushing, Roy Bennett, Tom Miller, Jas. Drum, Roy McCutcheon, Howard Foyte, Bob Pollock, Bob Reese, Dick Hack, Kenneth McBride, Ronald Jones, Arthur Valley, Charles Melas, and Fred McRoy, Harry Stark, Sam Bell, and John Williams are the contestants who will fight it out in a series of five rounds.

Players need to win two out of three games in each round in order to advance into the next bracket. A team will be made up to play the Boys Division team of the Fisher Y. M. C. A., Detroit, sometime during the holidays. On Monday night the Young Men's Team made up of Irwin Noff, H. Captain, Dr. J. H. Hassberg, James Kelly, Bruce Schwartz, and Fred McRoy and Wm. McElroy played a match at Franklin with the team of the Young Men's Club. Boys also are organizing Ringolets, Checkers, and chess tournaments. The lists are now open for entries in these matches.

Leaders, students, and men teachers are expected to organize a team to play Volley ball with the Y. M. C. A. Men's Group which will play on Tuesday night at the Baptist Church. During the vacation period some hand competitions in volleyball, ping-pong, and chess.

# COUNTY LEGION MEET

Many Birmingham Legionnaires and their wives are expected to attend the Oakland County Council meeting of the American Legion at Pontiac tonight. The affair will mark the first time in the organization's history which the Legion and its auxiliary will have met in joint session at a county meeting. William J. Thompson, chairman.

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# LAST RITES HELD FOR MRS. GULETT

## East Maple Avenue Resident Died Friday After Week's Illness

Funeral services for Mrs. Bertha Jane Gullett, who died Friday morning after a week's illness, were held Sunday from the residence, 287 East Maple avenue, Burial was at Maxine City, where the family lived prior to coming to Birmingham.

Mrs. Gullett was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Macabees, and was prominently identified with the activities of women's groups at the First Methodist Episcopal Church. She leaves behind her husband, Henry George Gullett, a sister, Mrs. J. H. Willis, of Detroit, and three brothers, A. E. Davis, of Fawcettville; John Davis, of Bedford, and David Davis, of Detroit.

# DEARING PLACED ON TWO YEARS PROBATION

George H. Dearing, convicted of breaking and entering several homes in the southern part of the village, was given two years probation Tuesday when he pleaded guilty to the charge before Judge Frank L. Covert in the Oakland Circuit Court.

# DOWN THE DRAIN

Almost 500 bottles of genuine (A) beer, whiskey, gin, moonshine and other liquors went down the drain Thursday at the Municipal Building when State Police conducted their regular collection visit to the Birmingham Police Department. The liquor had been seized, mostly from drunk drivers, during the year.

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# PRIZE GIVEN AT CONCLAVE

## R. O. Orators Awarded At Biggest DeMolay Conclave

More than 250 members of the Order of DeMolay and Master Masons attended the third annual conclave of the Metropolitan District, comprising 15 DeMolay chapters, held at the Highland Park Masonic Temple, Saturday afternoon and evening. The afternoon session was devoted to the reading of reports and the conferring of initiatory degrees by the Highland Park Chapter. The session was called to order by Gordon Birgevan, Detroit Master Councilor. At 6 p. m. the banquet was given and speakers were heard. Robert Erwin, of Royal Oak Chapter, was awarded first prize in the finals of the oratorical contest which have been conducted for the past three months and Conrad Fred, of Highland Park, won second place. The evening program was largely devoted to the conferring of the DeMolay Degree by the Royal Oak Chapter and the installation of officers by Theodora Little, representative of the Grand Council Awards for attendance were won by the Highland Park Chapter and were conferred by Elgin Miffin, deputy for the Grand Council. James S. Hassberg, Chapter placed fourth in the attendance contest. Gold and Silver loving cups were presented to the winners of the national contest, by Frank F. Wilcox, District Deputy.

Newly elected officers are: Richard Brandt, District Master; William Shelton, District Chapter; Birmingham; George Douglas, District Junior Councilor; of Palestine Chapter, Detroit; Robert Erwin, District, series of Royal Oak Chapter, and Robert Tait, District Treasurer of Monroe Chapter.

Erwin's prize-winning address, entitled, "DeMolay As A Character Builder." Visiting Master Masons, and other DeMolays, I am very glad to have the opportunity to address you on a subject that I hope will bear some fruit. If the thought in my essay pleases the district committee they will be more than repaid for my humble efforts. My topic for this evening is, "DeMolay As A Character Builder."

DeMolay teachings outline a structure of character building through the various channels which contribute to a life of usefulness, in action, and at the same time a foundation for a good life. If the youth of our nation then there is no question of the fact that DeMolay in contributing a great amount of good in building up a sound structure for the future. The future of our nation depends entirely on the character of the youth of today. Up until recent years when such organizations as ours could bond the youth of our country in the common range of teaching truthfulness, thoughtfulness, honesty, and understanding to the coming citizens, there had never been any combined effort to teach our youth the great responsibilities that would rest on their shoulders as they came into manhood.

It is no argument to any young man that he is indeed fortunate to have the benefit of DeMolay teachings which fit him to do the most good with his future life in helping others, and order his life in such a manner that his deeds will be an inspiration to the youth of our country. Every DeMolay should realize that it is

# RESIGNS POST

## Announcement of the resignation of Gordon Lefebvre, of Oak street, as factory manager of the Oakland Motor Car Co., was announced Friday by J. J. Reuter, president. Mr. Lefebvre, above, formerly vice-president in charge of operations of the company, plans to visit a few months before entering a new position.

## George C. Christopher, former chief inspector for the Oldsmobile Motor Car Company of Lansing, has been named to succeed Mr. Lefebvre, it is announced.

His duty to spread the teachings of his order not only in the way he may live himself, but by being every effort toward bringing other less fortunate youths into the order.

Have you ever asked yourself the question, "What real benefit have I derived from my affiliation with DeMolay?" If so, are you able to give a satisfactory answer to this question? If you have not received a great many benefits, you certainly cannot answer this question with any degree of satisfaction, which clearly shows that you have never thoroughly understood what is under the surface of DeMolay. Therefore, are not fitted to give others the benefits of the teachings of your order.

In order to fit yourselves as true DeMolays you should investigate that which there is underneath these teachings. It is not enough that you should take for granted that knowing in your own mind that you are truthful, honest, unselfish, and tolerant, but you should be proud of the fact that our order not alone teaches this to us, but it also leads and willing at all times to teach the meaning of these virtues to other youths who do not belong to DeMolay.

One of our greatest teachings is unselfishness. It is the duty of every DeMolay to be unselfish in every action and not leave himself centered order. Tolerance and unselfishness are practically inseparable, and by living one of these virtues we naturally become the other. We are taught that deceit leads to dishonesty, lying, and untruthfulness, and by being straightforward, truthful, and honest we have a great influence on those with whom we come in contact. Only when we live our lives in this manner will we receive the respect that DeMolay and our country do not seem to realize that they are the future leaders. This is a situation that the present citizens have brought forcibly to their attention for some time past, and it is for this reason that young people in organizations have received more notice, help and cooperation than ever before. Our seniors have come to realize they must pay more attention to the young men who replace them from the fact that

# TRAFFIC CASE HEARING DEC. 19

## Birmingham Attorney To Appear Tomorrow In Fatal Auto Accident

Hearing on a manslaughter charge formally placed against Charles S. Matthews, Birmingham attorney, will be held tomorrow in the Detroit Traffic Court by Judge John J. Maher. In Thursday Matthews stood mute upon arraignment and a bond of \$1,500 was filed for his appearance by Charles L. Rockwell, former mayor of Pontiac, Matthew counsel, Charles P. Webster, said.

Matthews is charged with having been responsible for the death of Mrs. Martha Brady, 58 years old, in an automobile accident at Woodward avenue and the Seven Mile road, Dec. 4. According to the police, Mrs. Brady, who was the housekeeper for Edward Matthews, later identified Matthews as being struck by an automobile after she got off a street car at the intersection.

The automobile which struck Mrs. Brady did not stop and witnesses later identified Matthews' machine as being similar to the one involved in the fatal accident.

Among the guests present were Fred Grant, Harold T. Ellerby, A. Thomas Schooley, Harry S. Starr, Leo Tancig, James L. Oliver, George R. Averill, A. C. Copley, John Maynard, K. M. Heenan, Francis Barby, James W. Wayman, Carl A. Strand, and Harvey Cornell.

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# Many Kinds of Fishing Shown By Sportsmen

Motion pictures of many kinds of fishing and hunting experience in North America were shown Monday last when Norman C. Lyle, of Yorkshire road, invited a few friends to an informal wild life lecture by Edouard C. Schwimmer, well known Detroit big game hunter. Mr. Schwimmer exhibited 3,000 feet of film, taking his audience up into northern Canada, and then into the tropics of Florida and Bermuda.

Mr. Schwimmer's experiences have taken him far into the woods with enthusiastic and wild life descriptions, he narrated the conditions surrounding the scenes shown on the screen. Moose, caribou, deer, bear, and other northern Canada game were seen at close hand, while the thumps of those present began fishing for a trout reel as the flickering celoid revealed the capture of Mr. Schwimmer's fish. Scenes of the Florida and Bermuda coasts were also shown, picturing Mr. Schwimmer's prowess as a deep sea fisherman; many kinds of fish were hooked, including the beautiful tarpon, the sailfin shark, grouper, jack, and kingfish.

# SECOND BENEFIT PARTY NETS \$34

## Forty-four Compete in Milk Fund Tournament At Community House

Forty-four players competed in the second bridge tournament held at the Community House, Dec. 10 and the proceeds of the affair, \$34, were turned over to the Milk Fund, for the benefit of which the tournament was conducted. S. Price and J. Tanton with 2,212 points, received the first prize. Other prize winners were Frank Packard and T. W. Wiseman with 1,999 points, second prize; H. T. Ellerby and Walter Pratt, 1,559 points, third prize; P. L. Penfield and S. C. Robinson, 1,407 points, fourth prize; and L. W. Porter and A. Rogers, 118 points, low score.

The receipts were \$46 and the cost, including prizes, \$16. The next tournament of the series will be held some time after the first of the year. It is a happy life, and lastly the key note to a life of greater usefulness. After all are not these the qualities that count most in our short stay among mankind? Thank you!

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