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FIFTY-THIRD YEAR—NO. 13

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1930

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# COULDN'T AFFORD TO COMPLAIN

## Miss Griffith Seeks Lesser Duties To Go With Reduced Salary

### MEN ADDED TO BOARD

Unrest, as yet not revealed in any public announcement, yet evidenced within official Community House circles, may be quelled within the next few days if Miss Mary Clark Griffith and members administering the same are able to come together relative to Miss Griffith's salary and status as manager. According to informants from what are considered reliable sources, Miss Griffith was requested to accept a cut in salary from \$200.00 to \$100.00 per month. Provisions of the offer specified that she was to be relieved of the welfare work. According to members of the board, the welfare work was taken away from Miss Griffith in accordance with her own frequent requests.

Miss Griffith, it was stated yesterday that she had expressed no desire to be relieved of this work since last August she had learned of the fact that, since the staff was much smaller, her duties were becoming heavier. As a result, she said, she has done the welfare work and made no complaint or attempt to have it lifted from her shoulders.

Started Five Years Ago  
Miss Griffith started five years ago as hostess with a salary of \$125.00 per month. Her present new living quarters are estimated by the board to be worth \$200.00 per month.

Miss Griffith's contract, executed annually, expired June 27. At present she is not on the payroll, it being the customary practice for her to receive no month's salary each year, starting in September. Until Tuesday night of this week, however, she had been receiving \$100.00 per month. It was said that she was unable to obtain from Miss Griffith any reply to its proposed arrangement for the ensuing year, in spite of the submission of the new proposal to her six weeks ago.

Following a meeting of the board Tuesday night Miss Griffith presented her resignation to Charles J. Shain, president, signifying her willingness to continue to work for the Community House providing she was relieved of a portion of her duties. Yesterday afternoon Miss Griffith told the board that she understood that her reply was not due, or finally expected, until this week.

Mrs. Shain, when asked about the resignation, said that the administrative board would meet at an early date to consider the resignation. Up until last evening, the date for the meeting had not been set. Mrs. Shain was unwilling to comment on Miss Griffith's action until the board arrives at a decision.

Meas On Board  
A decided asset to the direction of the Community House is seen in the resignation of Miss Griffith. Her resignation will result in the appointment of three prominent local women to fill the vacancies created by her resignation. Mrs. Shain, effective in September, Mrs. Roland H. Mann, executive secretary, effective in September, and Mrs. Arthur W. A. P. John, and James J. Oliver. These three men will be together with the board, comprising 12 women as the official administrative board of the Community House.

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## Crack Villagers and the Village

—By THE WANDERER

One of the superlative examples of the carefree-ness of youth was presented to the gaze of this Wanderer the other day when a rather lively Birmingham boy, about 11 years old, executed a little expert target practice right on Woodman avenue, township park, in front of his home. He stood on his stomach, the youngster lay on the sidewalk, his eye glued to the target, and he fired a shot from a small circle of glass from a storage room beneath the sidewalk. The youngster was dressed in a pair of blue overalls and a white shirt. The youngster used his mouth as the projectile ejector, while various qualities of shot were used in the practice. Evidently, from the way the young chap was wiggling and squinting, he was trying to drown one or more moving objects, such as a bug, beetle, or some other small insect, which he carried on this warfare for several minutes, entirely oblivious to the world of adults moving about him—as properly belittles carefree boyhood, we recall.

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# County Pioneer

## Supervisor To Retiring President R. J. Coryell Will Be Elected

### REPORTS WILL BE READ

Affairs of Birmingham's school district will be reviewed, plans outlined in a general way for the ensuing year, and a trustee elected to succeed retiring President R. J. Coryell, when the electors of this district get together next Monday at the annual meeting. Starting at nine o'clock in the morning, and continuing until one o'clock in the evening, local time, ballots will be cast for Mr. Coryell.

MORTIMER A. LEGGETT  
A complete story on this 93-year-old Drayton Plains pioneer, who was a close friend of "Allie" Whitehead, "George" Mitchell, and other old-time Birmingham residents, will be found on Page 1 of Part 2.

## WATER RECORD MADE TUESDAY

### Engineer Purvis Reports 2,511,200 Gallons Consumed in Village

More water was pumped through village mains during the 24-hour period ending yesterday morning than ever before in the history of the village, according to a report made by the engineer, A. J. Purvis, at a meeting of the village board, Tuesday night, July 9, 1930. A total of 2,511,200 gallons was supplied to villagers, as against 1,664,000 gallons in the previous record day, July 16, 1929.

All three wells were used for varying periods Tuesday, Mr. Purvis said. The Lincoln well was operated for 20 hours, the Derby for 17 hours, and the Baldwin well 16 hours.

In addition, 200,000 gallons were taken from the storage tank. Most of the water was used by residents began sprinkling lawns and gardens in the evening. Mr. Purvis stated that the water record was made with regard to the water supply to the Harmon-Ness Co. drillers at the well; manager Partridge took the meter in which the bonus amount was arrived at, and a personal interview, Mr. Purvis stated that the water record was satisfactory in every detail, and would eventually prove one of Birmingham's valuable water sources; he said that the installation of larger water mains from the Derby well will allow it to pump greater amounts than at present.

Lynch's score is outstanding mentioned as the cost of the Lincoln well includes many thousands of dollars worth of items, especially a large water main two miles in length and it not a complete well.

New Buildings For Month Of June Reach \$73,900  
The month of June shows its customary decline in building totals and number of permits issued, it is announced by Donald C. Egbert, village building inspector. New buildings totaled \$72,500 and alterations \$1,400, a total of \$73,900 for the month of June, the month of May this year an \$86,000 decrease from the same total of last year, which was \$160,500.

The total for the year from January 1 to June 30 inclusive is \$659,540 against \$736,823 for the same period of 1929.

Of the 9 permits issued during the month, four were for single-story houses, two for two-story garages and miscellaneous building.

Jimmy Dolan, superintendent of the Bloomfield township park, is a busy chap these warm days. Every day the new Park is being opened to the public. Mr. Dolan's golf, it is baseball, shuffleboard, tennis, bowling on the green, or the gathering of a young gentleman from the neighborhood groups and kiddies, eating picnic suppers among the trees. Bloomfield park is proving a welcome refuge for many people in this vicinity.

The Wanderer was much surprised to be stopped on the street the other day by a young gentleman driving a car from the Wayne County sheriff's office, who was gathering in the office of the Register of Deeds here in Pontiac? Upon being informed that it was Post, he was asked with surprise, "What is it?" He was told and hurried on his way, still somewhat puzzled.

A cent of much attraction in our downtown streets during the past week was the Baby Brand, owned by Mrs. C. W. Brand, of Kenosha avenue. Left parked on the streets, the midge turned to Page 4, No. 10)

# Subscription Contestants Are Nearing Close of Campaign

## All Candidates Working Hard To Win The Eccentric's Automobile And Cash Prizes

This week and next is all that remains of the Eccentric's "Everybody Wins Campaign." The third period—the last big vote of the campaign will end this coming Saturday night at 10 o'clock, and just one week later, on Saturday, July 19th, the entire campaign will come to a close and all prizes—cars and cash—will be awarded.

Spurred on by the knowledge that their last opportunity to secure extra votes ends on Saturday night of this week, and that their most effective scoring can be done before that time, the leading candidates for the major prizes will be found putting forth their best efforts.

Every candidate realizes the advantage of turning in subscriptions before 10 o'clock this coming Saturday night, the end of the third period, and not one of them is passing up an opportunity to enhance their vote score now while subscriptions count for the most. With principal candidates closely bunched, the leading candidates realize that prizes worth thousands of dollars are within their reach. They know that nobody has a great advantage, and all are working hard to get their prizes in their own hands. The big prize will go to those who make the best showing from now on.

Score Board  
The following is a list of candidates in the Birmingham Eccentric's \$2,000 Prize Campaign, together with votes cast, publication up to 8 p. m. Tuesday.

Harold Atwell 700,100  
Mrs. Carolyn Cole 1,445,900  
Clyde H. Collins 221,300  
Mrs. Kate Drummond 892,900  
Walter Forbes 336,400  
Mrs. Frank H. Hughes 1,447,700  
Miss Ethel Howell 293,100  
Mrs. Chas. M. Jones 1,448,100  
Edward L. Karth 1,332,500  
Paul Savary 1,330,900  
Mrs. Fern Thatcher 1,447,300  
Thomas A. Townsend 405,800

ANNOUNCEMENT  
Mrs. Carolyn Cole, 2440 Yorkshire Road, won the \$25.00 cash prize offered for new subscriptions last week.

There is absolutely no doubt about it. "From now on" means mostly today, tomorrow and Saturday, the last of the third period.

Big Chance Now  
There will, of course, be an opportunity to survey the candidates will make the most of but their big chance is during the (Turn to Page 2, No. 6)

## WHAT A BUNKER!!!

Many interesting stories of local news and golf scores have been heard lately, but Jack Lamb, an employe at Bloomfield Park, which occurred at the Metropolitan Exchange Club last week.

One of the visiting Exchange Club members who was present at the Metropolitan Exchange Club last week, "top the list."

Tuesday approached the first time in the history of the course and grounds with apparently a beautiful park and a wonderful course here, but (indicating the towering height of the tower which "right-of-way" my gosh, what a bunker!!!)

## WOMEN'S REPEAL WORK GOING ON

Birmingham Group Expects To Complete Officers Next Week  
Procedure continues today in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills for the creation of a strong local branch of the Women's Organization for Repeal of Prohibition Reform. Efforts are being made to obtain Mrs. Eugene Smith as chairman and Mrs. A. Brantley as secretary.

Information released by Mrs. Robert E. O'Brien, of Southfield and Mrs. E. J. Nichols, of Bloomfield Hills, are chairman and secretary of the local women meeting to formulate plans for the Birmingham group, and expect to meet at the home of Mrs. I. J. Osburn, Tooting Lane, when officers and committees will be organized. Immediately thereafter, Mrs. O'Brien, activities to be carried on in Birmingham will be made in Birmingham, through the medium of petitions, cards, etc.

DR. ERICHSEN ILL  
Dr. Hugo Ericksen, of Harmon avenue, was taken seriously ill with an attack of angina pectoris Saturday noon. He received medical attention and will be confined to his home for several days, though he is able to be up and around the house.

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# THE ERECTOR

## Miss J. H. Kraus

### In Which The Eccentric Explains Wording of Story. Last Week

#### STATEMENT FOLLOWS

By George R. Averill  
Last week The Eccentric, in setting forth news of the resignation of Miss Edna Jahraus as village nurse, to accept a position with the Cousins' Children's Fund of Michigan, used the following words in the story's caption: "MISS J. H. KRAUS, 405 VILLAGE NURSE—Resignation is unexpected; Friction At Community House." The request came from Mrs. Charles J. Shain and other members of the Community House management board, who have taken offense at the word.

This reporter herewith reports as follows: "The word 'friction' is in the story in regard to the effects of the Eighteenth Amendment with 'spiritual shortsightedness,' which is the request came from the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Birmingham, Mich., to desire to emphasize the positions I took during my sermon Sunday morning in regard to the re-organization of the 'Women's Organization for Prohibition Reform,' to restore the legalized liquor traffic in the United States of America."

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## LOCAL SCHOOLS WORTH \$1,936,577

### Average Attendance in 1929 Was 2,331.60 New Students

An increase of 60 children in the Birmingham school district was shown in a preliminary school report, which was read at the meeting of the school board Friday morning. The increase was in the district of 200; but a large number of children were transferred to the Birmingham district by the transfer of 150 subdivisions to Royal Oak. Enrollment in the past school year was 579, 579, and 418, which became older than 20 years, the age limit.

A total of 2574 pupils attended in the school district during the year of which 150 were non-resident. There were 330 dismissed by transfer to schools outside the district and 150 transferred to other membership of schools was 2331. The largest grade was the second, with 290 members. Valuation placed on school property amounted to \$1,936,577. The school library, which was added to the school library, included 425, brought the total number of books in the library up to 7330.

Miss Emma Harmon Stricken With Memory Lapse  
Miss Emma Harmon, 22 years old, of 131 East Lincoln avenue, an employe of the First State Savings and Loan Co., is recovering today from illness and amnesia which caused her disappearance for 18 hours Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Harmon disappeared from her home Saturday night. Her mother, Mrs. Margaret Harmon, notified police that she had not returned home. She was found in the Salvation Army citadel at Pontiac.

Relatives and county officers conducted an intensive search of the countryside, extending as far as Mt. Morris, Saturday night and Sunday morning. She was found at Pontiac (Turn to Page 2, No. 6)

## Who Was First In New Barnum Pool?

By W. Stoddard White  
Who among the 25 boys to register Wednesday afternoon last week was the first to get the silvery shuck of the water? At the Barnum School swimming pool?

The Birmingham Eccentric is anxious to find out. If you were among those first 25 applicants telephone The Eccentric office immediately; this is your chance to win the liquid gold.

Of course there had been others in the pool before it was officially opened July 2; officers, testers and others who necessarily had to wade the water; but The Eccentric wants to know who was the first to get the silvery shuck of the water? At the Barnum School swimming pool?

William Filer, Eugene Merz, Donnie Miller, Harry Mudge, Jr., Malcolm Egan, Clarence Lawrence, Elwood Barris, Robert Mix, Richard Gibbons, Edward Rocheau, Grover Egan, Clarence Lawrence, Filkins, Robert Filkins, Clark Groves, Rive, Edna, and Walter Birghorn, Tom Reaney, William Galt, Joe Miller, Dale McClelland, Ray Clark, Carl Anderson, and Manley Botting.

If you think you were the first, be sure to telephone The Eccentric immediately. Call 11 and ask for the "Swimming Pool Editor."

# NEW SUPERVISOR PICKS COUNTY OFFICERS

## AS SUPERVISOR

### Retiring President of School Board Succeeds Moore Until Next Spring

#### MANY SEEK OFFICE

Rolla J. Coryell, for 25 years a resident of Bloomfield Township and for 20 years a servant of the public upon various official boards, today pursues his duties as Supervisor, succeeding Robert V. Moore, who vacated the office to become a member of the County Board of Auditors. Mr. Coryell was elected Tuesday morning by the local Justices of the Peace. His name was projected into the arena of public life as a result of an effort to prevent political graft in the village and township, since many candidates were seeking the office. In accepting the office, Mr. Coryell resigned as a township Justice of the Peace, and announced that he would serve as Supervisor until next April, the date of the annual township election.

His appointment took place just before noon Tuesday, and immediately he left for Pontiac to represent his township before the equalization board of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors. Mr. Coryell has been a member of the township for about ten years, as a member of the board of review, which determines the township's share of the cost of the Peace. In private life, Mr. Coryell heads the local nursing home, and has been named by his private responsibilities during the remainder of his term as Supervisor, he said upon announcing his acceptance of the office.

Following is Mr. Coryell's statement to the township board met this morning (July 4) to appoint a successor to Robert V. Moore, resigned. The board members and discussing the applicants, and after considering the strong calibre of the individuals who had been named, he appointed Mr. Coryell as Supervisor, and after considering the understanding that I would serve on until the spring election, which is thoroughly understood by me and all the several interested persons in the village, I agreed to thoroughly understand that I am accepting this temporary appointment under protest, since the public knows that I have recently refused to accept the re-nomination for membership of the School Board, of which I am president, until next Monday. I have lived in Bloomfield Township for 25 years, and have been a member of various official groups locally since 1910; it is easy to understand why I am retiring to private life.

Among those who sought to succeed Mr. Moore were Scott Hersey, Robert R. Allen, Maurice Lowman, Allen McCallister, and several others who did not figure so prominently in the public knowledge.

Mr. Moore's Statement  
In tendering his resignation last Monday, Mr. Moore made the following statement: (Turn to Page 2, No. 3)

## LOCAL GIRL FOUND AFTER BEING LOST

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## News of Your Neighbors

Mrs. John R. Hatch, of East Orange, N. J., and her baby, Ruth Huxette, arrived Monday for a summer's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Huxette, of Lone Pine road. Mrs. Hatch will join her husband and daughter here in August.

Miss Eloise Carnahan, of Indianapolis, spent July 4 with her family at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. C. Merritt, of Merritt street.

Mrs. Thora Smith, of Bloomfield Village, Birmingham's Gold Star mother, is now on her way across the ocean, returning from her pilgrimage to the grave of her husband in France.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blake took up their residence Monday at 1111 North Woodward avenue. Mr. Blake is a member of the Birmingham University of Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Brown, of Greenwood avenue, will leave tomorrow for a two weeks motor trip through Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois. Mr. Brown will visit their former home in

in Moline, Ill., where Mr. Brown was connected with the Barnes-Crosby Engraving Company of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Patterson of Frankfort, and their children, Mrs. J. W. Patterson, and Mrs. Mildred, Mrs. and Mr. J. C. Patterson, of St. Louis, Mo., where they will make their home. Miss Mildred is a member of the Birmingham studies at Michigan State College at East Lansing, in the fall. (Turn to Page 6, this section)

ECCESTRIC ARTISTS  
The powers appearing in the modern drama of the Eccentric office during the past few weeks have caused a bit of comment among the admirers of the artists of their origin. The Eccentric in question are The Eccentric, Mr. Moore, Frank Brangwyn, and in Germany with Franz Stueck, Mr. Neumann, whose pupil of Mr. Neumann, who is a member of a school of art in Jacksonville, Florida. (Turn to Page 6, this section)