

FIFTY-THIRD YEAR—NO. 25

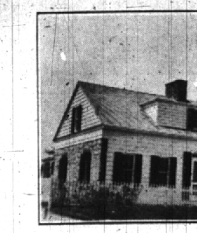
## EXPENSE CUT REPORT GIVEN

R. Y. Moore Tells Supervisors \$6,000 Overhead Has Been Decreased

A report of the savings effected in the expenditure of county funds and the announcement of plans to save additional money for the taxpayers was made by Robert Y. Moore, a member of the board of auditors, to the Supervisors last week. Mr. Moore's statement is as follows:

"Gentlemen, Much has been said about the overhead of these departments. So far under the new Board of Auditors the overhead has been decreased about \$6,000. Mr. Coventry is handling both his own former job and the one filled by Mr. McGill; Mr. McGill drew \$4,100 per year. Mr. Howarth has been appointed business manager of the Storage Plant and takes the place of Mr. Vincent and Mr. Daves. Mr. Vincent drew \$2,650 per year and Mr. Daves \$2,000 per year. Mr. Howarth draws

## Occupies Pilgrim Rd. Home



Mr. William H. Higgins, of Higgins & Frank, exclusive Detroit haberdashers, is now occupying his new home, pictured above, on Pilgrim road in the Quanton

more by Jan. 1, 1931. We felt that further saving can be made in the Dormitory and Cement Block plant by changing over to a County Work House. This has been leased over with Sheriff Schram, and he said he would be glad to have this done. At the present time there is an overlapping of authority, while we have a superintendent of the Dormitory and Cement Block plant, the Sheriff has the guards, under his charge, the change would bring everything under direct supervision of the superintendent.

Coal is being purchased from the mines in car lots at 40 cents per ton for nut, pea and Black, 90 cents per ton for nut size and \$1.40 for egg size. Nut and Black slack is being used at the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, Infirmary, County Jail and Juvenile Home. Egg size is being used at the Court House and Cement Block Plant, the new heating unit is now in operation at the Tuberculosis Sanatorium and the stokers have been removed from the old boilers at the Tuberculosis Sanatorium and set up in the infirmary boilers so that a cheaper coal can be used at the infirmary.

### Use Own Trucks

"Coal at the present time is costing the County about \$1.40 to \$1.80 per ton in the bunkers. This coal is being unloaded with our own trucks with a labor cost of \$300 per month. The place of Mr. Elliott as superintendent has not been filled and the Garage is under the direct supervision of the Board of Auditors, the hours of the men working in the Garage have been cut, rather than lay one off altogether. We have not had any complaints about service and all parts are being bought at a good discount."

Garage: Cost of operating has been cut as much as it can be and give good service to the departments that use it. The overhead has been reduced a little more to \$300 per month. The place of Mr. Elliott as superintendent has not been filled and the Garage is under the direct supervision of the Board of Auditors, the hours of the men working in the Garage have been cut, rather than lay one off altogether. We have not had any complaints about service and all parts are being bought at a good discount."

## PONTIAC MEN DENY LARCENY CHARGE

Examination Oct. 10 For Pair Accused of Robbing Man in Auto

Peter Kowl, 43 Northview street, Pontiac, and Sam Bokasky, 25 Elizabeth street, Pontiac, will appear in the court of Justice Floyd S. Buck for examination, Oct. 10, on a charge of larceny. Arraigned in Justice Buck's court Monday, they pleaded not guilty and demanded an examination on failure to furnish bail of \$1,000 each, they were committed to the Oakland County Jail.

According to officers of the Bloomfield Hills Police department, Kowl and Bokasky took Dick Cross, of 536 Rockwell street, Pontiac, for a ride in their automobile, got him drunk, robbed him of about \$35 and threw him out of the car in a woods near Lahser road in the Hills. The two men were arrested by the Pontiac police at the request of the Hills police and held in the Oakland County jail.

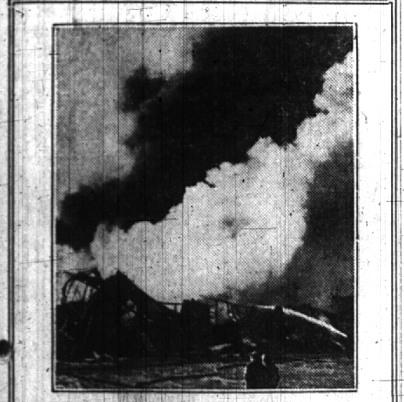
More than 1,000 bachelors in West End apartments in London have been ordered by landlords to marry or surrender their apartments to men with families.

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## MANAGERS ASK LIBRARY OPENING

Parry Appointed To Appal For Re-establishment Of Institution

Village manager James W. Parry was named by the South-eastern Michigan City Managers Association on Friday to prepare a brief urging upon the University of Michigan authorities that the municipal reference library at the university be re-established. The brief will be presented to President Alexander G. Rulvick who will be urged to take the matter up with the University administrative board.

The reference library, one of the most complete in existence, was discontinued when an extra member was added to the political science faculty. The Michigan section of the International City Managers Association at Big City last week resolved on the action to re-establish the library and the members of the group is the first to take action on the matter.

Prof. Thomas B. Reed of the university political science department and Harold D. Smith, director of the Michigan League, were guests of the organization. Prof. Reed is considered one of the most outstanding authorities on municipal government in the United States.

## FUNERAL HELD AT WING LAKE

Funeral services were held Tuesday for Delois H. Fowler at his home at Wing Lake. The Rev. Joseph A. Vance officiated, and burial was in Woodlawn cemetery. Mr. Fowler died Thursday from injuries suffered when his automobile hit the back end of a truck said to have been parked without lights on a road near Esfield, Conn.

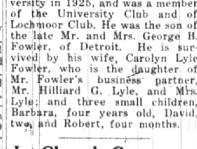
He was taken to the Chapin Memorial Hospital, at Springfield, Mass., but died soon after admission. He had gone East from a Canadian fishing trip to visit his grandmother, Mrs. Ellen T. Fowler, who was in a critical condition after a fall down stairs in her home.

Mr. Fowler was 27 years old, and was a Detroit broker, with offices in the Hammond Building. He was graduated from Yale University in 1925, and was a member of the University Club and of Lochmoor Club. He was the son of the late Mrs. and Mr. George H. Fowler, of Detroit. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Lyle Fowler, who is the daughter of Mr. Fowler's business partner, Mr. Hilliard G. Lyle, and Mrs. Lyle; and three small children, Barbara, four years old, David, two, and Robert, four months.

## Jr. Church Group Elects Officers

The Young People's Society of the First Presbyterian Church elected their officers for the year at the regular meeting Sunday evening, as follows: Betty Neal, president; James Brien, vice president; Ruth Pratt, secretary and treasurer; John Shepherd, chairman of the membership committee; Durwood Harris, chairman of the entertainment committee; and Morris Wieman, chairman of the program committee.

## HOW 'BOUT A LITTLE GAME TONIGHT, JIM?



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## County Comment

What's to be done about the thousands of idle men in Oakland county? There has been no official tallying of these hosts of unemployed, yet unofficial estimates made by various persons in close touch with the industrial situation in this section place the number in the thousands, say prospects of any immediate relief are rather slim.

The situation, actually, is growing more serious. A great majority of the idle have been unemployed for months. Others have been working part time, while some of the larger factories have maintained curtailed production schedules for about six weeks. Now another phase of complete idleness looms.

Tradesmen, interviewed by the writer, say that they have extended more credit this year than any time since the war, and that more, they have extended, it will likely, realizing the situation, but certain of the honesty of their plight and hoping only for some relief. Yet there is none in sight and the limit of credit has almost been reached. Other establishments to procure goods which they trade for gas and oil.

A great number of landlords have ceased hoping for any rents for months to come and are generously carrying their tenants until better times. "We know they will pay when they can," one landlord who has more than 50 delinquent tenants, told us. It is believed likely that within a short time it will be necessary for leaders in Oakland county to form an organization for relief. Hundreds of families, without funds, now are facing dire poverty, destitution.

Where is the coal, food and winter clothing for the jobless to be had? Here is a situation that the officials of the county would do well to give a serious thought, if they can forego politics for awhile.

Oakland County's Alimony Club, that band of chaps who are required to support the wives of families that divorced them, is another organization hard hit by the industrial left hook. Some 5,000, roughly, is ordinarily collected from the club members and paid their families every month by the county authorities, but great many of these estranged husbands have earned hardly enough to keep their families for the last few months. This condition has naturally led to some suffering, and, to number of reconciliations, based undoubtedly on the theory that two can starve as easily as one.

The corridors of the County Court House at Pontiac during these sessions of the Board of Supervisors is a miniature of any state capital or legislative hall in the nation—filled with a crowd of lobbyists, men and women, job seekers and appropriation hounds, critics and hooners, and not a few office holders. These latter, ever since the talk of economy and the calling by the supervisors for lists of employees and salaries, have been on needles and pins. What an attractive thing is a guillotine in a time of revolution!

The new village and lake signs are being set up about the county. They are easy to read, and those we have seen have been placed

## ATTEND NAT'L GIRL SCOUT CONVENTION

Mrs. Fowler, Miss Edgar and Mrs. Merry At Indianapolis Meeting

Mrs. Richard Fowler, Girl Scout Commissioner, accompanied by Miss Margaret Edgar, Girl Scout county executive and Mrs. E. D. Merry, representing the Pontiac council, left Tuesday morning for Indianapolis to attend the National Girl Scout convention Sept. 30-Oct. 1. The convention is largely concerned with the progress made during the past year, under the five year development plan, adopted a year ago, calling for a steady extension of membership with a goal of 500,000. Proposed new rulings, standards, and projects will also be discussed. Mrs. Herbert Hoover, honorary president, and acting vice-president of the organization, is also attending. Dr. Lucia B. Bridge, president of Milwaukee Davenport College, the principal address at the banquet yesterday.

More than 1,000 Scout executives are attending the conference, which is the sixteenth annual one.

## OLD FRANKLIN RESIDENT DIES

Funeral Services Conducted For Mrs. Mary Botsford, 78, At M. E. Church

After several weeks illness Mrs. Mary Botsford died early Sunday evening in Franklin village. Funeral services were held Tuesday in the Franklin Methodist Episcopal Church, with Rev. Ira Carley, of Reading, Mich., officiating. Burial was in Franklin cemetery.

Mrs. Botsford was 78 years old and for the past 10 years had been making her home with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Botsford, of Pine road, Bloomfield Village. She became ill several weeks ago when, with Mr. and Mrs. Botsford, she was staying at their summer home in Franklin Village. Before coming to Birmingham, she resided in Spokan, Mich. Survivors, besides Mr. and Mrs. Botsford, include another son, George S. of Seattle, Wash. and three grandchildren, June Mary, Alice Corrette, and John Stewart.

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