

# MASONS HONOR FRANK C. DEER

of last Thursday when a large turnout was present to listen to reports and participate in the voting. Mr. Deer succeeds James W. Parry, retiring worshipful master. Other officers chosen are: Donald Plumstead, senior warden; Wylie Gross, junior warden; Robert McClellan, treasurer; O. B. Harper, secretary; Melbourne Roberts, senior deacon; Mark Smith, junior deacon, and Ellsworth Plumstead, tyler.

(At the installation ceremonies, which will be open to the public, F. Homer Newton of Pontiac, past grand master of Michigan, will be

the installing officer. He will be assisted by Past Masters Clyde Wood, married; Harris Lamb, secretary; and B. J. Meirow, chaplain. Other past masters of the lodge will serve. Mr. Newton, accompanied by Mr. Newton will also address the assembly on "Symbolic Masonry" and there will be vocal selections by Robert Richards, accompanied by Eddie Edwards.

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done towards the forcible collection of delinquent taxes. Village President Harry Allen referred to a study now being made by Village Assessor Albert W. Noonan of the subdivisions that are delinquent and the amount of the delinquencies.

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"Campaign of Persuasion"

"As soon as this study is completed," Mr. Allen said, "we intend to start a campaign of persuasion in an attempt to have these delinquent taxes paid."

"The only regrettable thing is," Mr. White concluded, "that those residents of the village, like myself, who have always paid their taxes in the past, are now being asked to suffer a curtailment in services rendered by the village as the penalty for the failure of others to pay their taxes."

"It may be that this is the result of the village having expanded too rapidly and having taken in too much additional territory, whereas what all the residents wanted was the natural, normal growth of the village into a real home community."

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knows very well Springsteen was framed."

"That sounds reasonable when you realize how obstinate he is to some of those politicians up there. And just for that reason I believe he's one of the most valuable men on the board (in his own way)."

"And speaking of Springsteen, he's got something up his sleeve right now which, if he doesn't get cold feet (and he seldom does), is going to make things pop plenty in this county. But keep your seat for the present. It will all come out before the sap runs again. I only wish it would come out before the saps run again (in the next election, I mean)."

"Yours till all the bad are better."

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this year were smaller than those of a year ago, but the number of individual sales was larger. Chief Griffith said, however, that about 6,000 papers were sold in all.

"On behalf of the Goodfellows Club I want to thank every individual and organization who aided in any way in making the sale a success," he said. "Through the gratitude of so many public-spirited citizens who not only bought the papers but who donated equipment for the sale, every dollar we collected can be used for charitable purposes. We are certainly highly pleased with the outcome."

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late collections) Mrs. Plumstead in Troy Township, tax statements will be mailed-out and collections will be begun some time between Dec. 15 and 20, according to Supervisor Garner Miller.

Southfield Township will not be prepared to receive collections before late in January, it was announced last week by Mrs. Fanny Adams, the treasurer.

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quarters in bag or trunk. Another thing in its favor is its stanzing upright, so that there is no danger of the bottles spilling their contents.

Another space saver in the hand-bag is the kodak compact which is flat as a folding camera, but which provides all the necessary adjuncts of a hasty toilet upon touching a spring. Dainty are the diminutive rouge and powder compacts designed to slip into the small bag or envelope-purse which one carries inconspicuously for evening wear.

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Colors Attract

The modern kitchen invites color even in articles for utility purposes. There are to be found in Birmingham a dainty collection of china boxes ranging from the small pepper box to the large sugar box to adorn the pantry shelf and to aid the housekeeper in keeping everything in its place. There is virtually every solution to the gift problem within the village, simple or ornate, which the shoppers ample time to make selections.

Next week Miss Porter will describe the new toys as they are displayed in Birmingham stores for this season's Christmas shoppers.

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to drop all my busy toy and doll-making here for the first place, I wanted to see you all personally and ask you what you wanted for your stockings on Christmas eve.

In the second place, I wanted to give the Goodfellows all the help I could in selling their papers, because you know all the money they took in that day will be used to buy food and clothes and toys for poor boys and girls this winter whose daddies don't have enough money to buy these things for their children.

I liked your town very much, and will be anxious to come there again on Christmas eve. I wish I could have stayed longer on Saturday and met more of you boys and girls, but of course I had to be back at the place just as soon as possible, and so after the newspaper sale was over I jumped into my little monoplane again and hurried north just as fast as it would take me.

To make up for lost time, I had to give my Brownies all an extra helping of zipp to make them work faster in order to get all our jobs done before Christmas. Zipp, you remember, is that magical candy which puts lots of vim

## CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

**Tuesday-Thursday Musical concert at the First Baptist Church, 10 A. M.; meeting of Bloomfield Hills and District Horticultural Society, Community House, 7:30 P. M.; meeting of Credit Bureau, 8 P. M., Community House.**

**Friday, Dec. 11: American Legion "Basket Party," Community House. Silver tea for missionary house, St. James Church at home of Mrs. Robert Treble, Abbey road.**

**Saturday, Dec. 12: Meeting of Birmingham Branch, National Farm and Garden Association, Community House, 2 P. M.; meeting of Board of Directors of Community House, 8 P. M.; meeting of Boy Scout Council, Community House.**

**Sunday, Dec. 13: Business meeting, Birmingham Union of American Legion Auxiliary, Community House; meeting of Oakland County Council of Women, Community House, 10 A. M.; School concert for benefit of school children's show-fund, Community House.**

**Wednesday, Dec. 16: Second party given by assembly Dancing Club, Community House; meeting of Charles Edwards Post, American Legion, Community House; meeting of Girl Reserves, Community House; meeting of Women's Union of Presbyterian Church, church parlors, 2:30 P. M.**

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**WE HEARD IT SAID BY—**

Fred W. Johnson, general chairman of the Village Unemployment Relief Committee: "The Unemployment Relief Committee is designed to co-ordinate existing welfare agencies and provide a central bureau where all such function more effectively. It is not designed to replace any other organization, but to correlate the work of all so that there will be no duplication. We are trying to avoid the situation of a great feast for one family and a famine for another."

and rest into the person who eats it.

So now everything is going at top speed at the palace again, and my Brownies are working day and night to fill all our orders for toys and games and other Christmas things.

And speaking of orders, they have been pouring into my mail this week at a great rate. I have heard from Teddy Carson, Carolyn Carr, Dick Huston, Lucille Morhouse, Johnny Shuell, Jeanne Shuell, Patsy Shuell and Ralph Backus.

The editor of The Eccentric tells me that next week he is going to print some of our letters, or I am sending them back to him now after copying them so that I won't forget what they said.

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- Ralston Food 2 pkgs 37c
- Print Butter 28c
- Eggs 20c
- Graham Crackers 23c
- Mince Meat 10c
- Spice Cake 29c