

One reason why I like to gaze at the stars at night is that the celestial suns of night ever beckon me to think in terms of higher things. I wish my light could burn as steadfastly and true as star-light.

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Predict Passenger Traffic By July 1

Engineers Expect Freight Travel On Grand Trunk Detroit-Pontiac Line Before June

By May 25 the work all along the Grand Trunk railway between Detroit and Pontiac, including roadbed, tracks, bridges and rail, is to be completed by contractors and turned over to the company for operation, according to engineers on the new Birmingham station. At least 75 per cent of the work is already completed.

Setting that always follows the spring thaw, will make refilling and resurfacing of the tracks necessary, however, and rapid passenger service by June 1 will be impossible, engineers say. Freight trains running over the lines will soon settle the roadbed sufficiently for passenger travel by July 1, however, they say. With frost extending 30 inches into the ground at present, as indicated by necessary digging this week at the Birmingham station site for a septic tank, the thawing process will be a long, drawn-out affair. Surface frost in the downtown section extends only eight inches, villagers report.

Roof sheathing in the Birmingham station has been practically completed, as indicated by the unusually low prices.

REXALL Birthday Sale

WOODWARD PHARMACY

Rev. Wright To Talk At Union Service

The churches of Birmingham and their ministers will join in a big union service to be held at the First Baptist Church, Sunday evening at 7:30, at which time the Rev. W. Clarence Wright, new minister of the First Presbyterian Church, will be the guest of honor and speaker of the evening. His subject will be "The Royal Road to God."

Rev. David Leon Woodward, president of the Ministers' Association and pastor of the First Baptist Church, will preside at the service. Rev. Robert M. Atkins, pastor of the First Methodist Church, will offer the prayer of the evening. Rev. Henry S. Evans, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, will read the scripture lesson.

The Presbyterian Church choir, under the direction of Mr. W. G. Lee, will furnish the music of the evening. All people of the community are invited.

Brings Chorus Here

For more than 20 years, Charles Frederick Morse, at left, has been directing the choral activities of the noted Orpheus Club of Detroit. The excellence of the organization has won recognition not only in Michigan, but nationally, as one of the best male choral groups in the United States.

The Orpheus Club will be heard here under the direction of Mr. Morse, Feb. 17, 8:15 p. m., in the Community House.

Noted Archer To Tell Students Tales Of Hunting With Only Bow and Arrow

Art Young, famous sportsman and champion of the bow and arrow, will appear in a feature assembly program to be held Monday afternoon at three o'clock in the Darnum Junior High School auditorium. All students in Birmingham schools as well as villagers interested in the history of the bow and arrow, are invited to attend. There will be a small admission charge. Mr. Young is coming to Birmingham by arrangement with the School Assembly association, Chicago.

Mr. Young's talk will be illustrated with still slides that have been selected from over four hundred slides of animal life that he has taken. He will appear on the stage in typical buckskin garb and will demonstrate the strength and penetration of his bow in actual shooting at the target and other forms of shooting. He tells briefly the history of the bow, as used by the American Indians and of the long bow made famous by Woodrow Wilson.

He has hunted big game all over the world with no other weapon than a bow and arrow. He has hunted lions in Africa and has killed the gigantic Kodiak bear and mountain sheep with a broadhead arrow. He spent five months in Africa with Stewart Edwards, White, Leslie Stimson and Dr. Safford Ross in Mr. Edwards' expedition in the Arctic with the American Museum of Natural History in company with George Palmer Putnam, New York publisher. Knud Rasmussen, noted explorer, Bob Bartlett who spent two years in Alaska making a feature record for the Patho movie interest in connection with his insurance it must be borne in mind that Art Young never kills for the fun of killing. He hunts only to secure food, to secure animals for museum purposes or to exterminate animals which have been directed pests.



Art Young

JANUARY TRAFFIC KILLS ONE, HURTS 7

Twenty accidents in which one person was killed and seven injured, occurred in Birmingham during January of this year, according to the report of Chief John P. Hackett. One holiday, one embezzlement, one grand larceny and six cases of simple larceny were reported to the department.

Collections for traffic violations netted the department \$242, or twice the amount taken in during the same period a year ago. Six persons were arrested for driving while drunk, two for being drunk, one for drunk and disorderly, four for investigation and two on warrants for other police departments.

Fifty-three village merchants neglected to lock their store doors after business hours. 44 complaints were made and 11 lodgers were housed in the jail.

A MONTH OF VALUES
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Flint Driver Fined As Drunk Motorist

John Hurand, 762 Black street, Flint, paid a fine of \$75 rather than serve 60 days in the Oakland County jail for being disorderly last Saturday.

Hurand was arrested by Patrolmen Leon Banks and Elmer Kephart of the Bloomfield Hills police, while driving under the influence of liquor, the officers told Judge Floyd S. Buck, before whom Hurand was arraigned.

PUT OUT TWO BLAZES

Two small fires, both believed to be caused by defective chimneys, were extinguished by the Birmingham Fire Department over the weekend. The first fire, at 404 East Maple avenue, resulted in little damage, smoke filling the

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Early Commuter Service Is Asked

Mayor Lloyd E. Claxson, of Royal Oak, announced that he had an interview with General Manager Bowker of the Grand Trunk, Thursday, in which he told Mr. Bowker about the situation in the Royal Oak and that he would like to see the city of Royal Oak with a permanent commuter service to the city of Royal Oak. He said that the city of Royal Oak is in a difficult position due to the universal depression existing over the country at this time. He said that the city of Royal Oak is in a difficult position due to the universal depression existing over the country at this time. He said that the city of Royal Oak is in a difficult position due to the universal depression existing over the country at this time.

All Resources Gone; Seek Public Relief

While there is no money unemployment in November and December, among villagers, more families are coming to the end of their savings and resources and are finding it necessary to resort to public relief, Mrs. Arthur Lynch, care worker for the Village and for the Community House, explains.

"Increasing numbers of requests for food and coal orders, the lack of clothing, as well as medical attention, are being cared for by the local Emergency Relief Committee, in cooperation with Mr. R. J. Corvelli, Supervisor of Poor Relief for Oakland County, Mrs. Lynch reports.

Firemen's Annual Dance On March 17

Preparations for the annual dance to be given for the Birmingham Firemen's Benefit Fund, March 17, in the Community House, are being made by a committee composed of Roland Reynolds, Charles Frederick's and Stanley Peppercorn.

Changes Suggested In Building Code

Almost 50 specific suggestions for additions and modifications to the building code of the village have been submitted to the Building Code committee appointed by the Village Commission by Murray and Gandy, architects in the Village Savings Bank building.

Assignment to study the village building code was the tangible result of the Community House's offer of free engineering and architectural consultation service to the village.

FOUND ASLEEP IN CAR. 2 MEN PAY \$25 FINES

Found sleeping in an automobile parked in a snow bank on Woodward avenue, Saturday night, Clifford Bank, 17 S. Marsh street, Pontiac, and Hilmer F. Lind, 29 years old, same address, were found guilty of being intoxicated when arraigned Monday morning before Justice Floyd S. Buck. Both men were given the option of \$25 fine or 20-day jail terms. The men were arrested by Patrolmen Ben Banks and Inger Bennett of the Bloomfield Hills police.

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