Some day I am going to be but a memory to those who tread this earth; when that time comes may it bring a memory in the minds of those who recall me of something just a bit tender, just a bit decent!

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CHRISTIE GETS JAIL SENTENCE IN AUTO DEATH

Father Of 8 Motherless Children Given 6 Months To 5 Years At Jackson

ACCIDENT HERE NOV. 23

A Lapeer farmer, the father of eight motherless children, who pleaded guilty to a charge of negligent homicide as a result of an automobile accident here Nov. 23, was sentenced to spend from six months to five years in the Michigan State Prison at Jackson, Monday by Judge Frank L. Covert in the Oakland Circuit Court.

The farmer, Charles F. Christie, 41 years old, was arrested by Birmingham police at Woodward and Adams avenues following a crash in which Mrs. Laura Fisher Payne, 58 years old, 261 Horton avenue, Detroit, was killed. According to the police report, Christie was driving under the influence of liquor. He drove his car against the traffic signal and struck the machine in which Mrs. Payne was riding with her husband.

Mrs. Payne was thrown from the car to the pavement and died while being taken to the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Patrolmen James Anderson and Henry Mildebrant, who investigated the accident, reported finding a jug of liquor in Christie's machine. With Christie was Leo Mayes, 22 years old, also of Lapeer. He was released after questioning.

Mr. Payne, a retired construction engineer of the Michigan Central Railroad, and his wife, had been visiting at the home of H. D. Ingram, 1859 Yorkshire road.

Christie's eldest child is 16 years old, and the youngest, four years old.

IS ELECTED

H. H. SHUART

Mr. H. H. Shuart of Adams road, director of this year's auto show in Detroit, became secretary of the Michigan Automotive Trade Assn., effective Sunday, following their annual meeting and election of officers.

Paul Stark Seeley Heard In Address On "The Solution For Human Problems"

"A lecture on Christian Science, entitled "The Solution for Human Problems," was given in the Baldwin high school auditorium here Sunday afternoon by Paul Stark Seeley, of Portland, Ore., member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Seeley was introduced by William E. Brewster, of Chesterfield avenue, a member of the Birmingham First Church of Christ, Scientist, under whose auspices the lecture was given. Following, in part, is Mr. Seeley's lecture:

Matter or Mind, Which?

Some people like the idealism of Christian Science, but they feel so impressed by the aggressive testimony of matter that they hesitate to deny its reality and affirm the allness of Mind, God. But if we are unwilling to deny the reality of matter's claims we are deliberately accepting them as truth, with their medley of woes. The only way to separate ourselves from the woes of matter is to deny it, and the only way to unite ourselves with spiritual reality is to affirm it, think it, live it. The one chance evil has to continue in our experience is to have us believe it to be true, for no one has ever rid himself of what he believed to be true.

Because matter appears to its own material senses to be substantial and everywhere does not make it so. On page 270 of Science and Health Mrs. Eddy states the question thus, "One only of the following statements can be true: (1) that everything is matter; (2) that everything is Mind. Which one is it?" We must find Mind to be everything, and think accordingly.

The Master put it thus, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself. . . ." What did he mean? He doubtless meant that you and I must, if we would gain the consciousness he had in any goodly measure, deny in our thinking day after day the selfhood that is mortal and material, that thinks thoughts of fear, disease, incapacity, selfishness, and so on. This denying is done because we know something of the fact of which the false self is the opposite. But if you deny your name is Judas you do not thereby establish what your name is. You must assert your correct name. So denial of material selfhood is not enough. You must mentally put something in its place, and that something is the true idea of self, an individual expression of God unfolded to us by the currents of right ideas.

Soon after Mrs. Eddy realized the allness of God as Mind, and consequent unreal nature of matter, she penned what she called "the scientific statement of being." In it, by denial and affirmation, she summarizes the teaching of Christian Science, and presents the basis on which the demonstration of the Science of Life can be accomplished. This is the statement as given on page 468 of Science and Health. "There is no life, truth, intelligence, nor substance in matter. All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation, for God is All-in-all. Spirit is immortal Truth; matter is mortal error. Spirit is the real and eternal; matter is the unreal and temporal. Spirit is God, and man is His image and likeness. Therefore man is not material; he is spiritual."

Trust In God Essential

When we deny matter and evil as real and affirm the reality of God, good, we do so because we are willing to place more trust in God than in matter and evil. Trust is a most important factor in the lives of all of us. Just think how much you trust others. You trusted your parents and teachers. When you travel on trains you trust your safety to hundreds of men. If an employer, you trust your employees with important duties, or if an employee, you trust your employer for intelligent direction. When you shop you trust manufacturer and retailer. You could have no credit at the bank or the store if someone did not trust you. Trust is a vital element in every important relationship between men and nations. Without trust business relationships, family relationships, and relationships between nations would crumble.

But the important question is, How much are we trusting the Cause of our being, God, with our lives and destinies? On certain coins of the United States is the worthy motto, "In God We Trust." But do we? In some measure we do, but we can do much more. If you really understood God to be supreme in power, and only loving and good, would you not trust Him? It is ignorance of God that makes trust in Him difficult. Christian Science is removing this ignorance.

Trust In God Natural To Man

A Christian Scientist was once confronted with a difficult problem, and he became very much afraid. He realized that the fear was that from which he most needed to be free, and he saw that the fear was the result of a blind, unreasonable belief that there was an evil power which could do him harm. Trust in God and in God's power, he reasoned, was what he needed to rid himself of that fear. But how could he get trust in God when he was so filled with fear?

He was reading on page 579 of Science and Health, and came to Mrs. Eddy's exposition of the spiritual qualities of Abraham, and there read this statement, "This patriarch illustrated the purpose of Love to create trust in good." That was what he needed, "trust in good," in God. It was Love's, God's, purpose, then to create trust in good. That purpose must be accomplished, for Love's work was done, he reasoned. But just where had Love created the trust in good? It must have been created within God's creature, the individual consciousness, called man.

Trust in good, he began to see, was inherent within his true consciousness. God, his Mind, had put it there. By trust thought is united to God. It was the bond of unity between God and his son, His expression. He did not have to go outside of himself to get trust in God. It was no far-off treasure. He had but to rea-

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New Club Head

MANLEY BAILEY

Gyrophyte Club members enjoyed their luncheon and song-fest Monday in the Community House, and followed with election of officers. An enlarged program of activities for 1931 will soon be announced. Several new members will be initiated this month. New officers elected Monday were: Manly Bailey, president; Thomas Mills, vice-president; Frank Higbie, secretary-treasurer; William Spence, sheriff, and William Dell, song-leader.

POLICE DEPT. BIDS HEARING DELAYED

Commission Postpones Action To Remodel Bureau Until Next Week

Upon the motion of Commissioner Maurice Lowman, bids on the proposed remodelling of the police department in the Municipal Building were laid on the table Monday night. Whether all the bids will be rejected and new bid advertised for will be determined at the next regular meeting of the commission. In the meantime, Commissioner Walter L. Connelly has been given the plans and specifications for study and report.

Four bids on the project were received, the lowest being offered by Scott Hersey who bid $6291 plus rental of an air compressor. Glenn Rottler bid $8500 and J. A. Dean $10591, while Chisolm brothers offered to do the work at cost plus 10 per cent. The original estimate for the construction work, as offered by James W. Parry, village manager, was approximately $4500.

BLDG. PERMITS TOTAL $38,200

Permits issued for new buildings and alterations in Birmingham during January, 1931, while a great deal less than for the same month last year, were only slightly less than in 1928, Donald C. Egbert, village building inspector, reveals in his monthly report.

Two permits for single residences valued at $36,500 were issued and two other permits for a commercial building and for alterations, etc., were for buildings valued at $1,700. In January 1930, permits for buildings valued at $53,850 were issued; in 1929 for $88,650, and in 1928, $39,700.

Traffic Violator Pays, Pays & Pays

Sam Rosenberg, of Detroit, paid $35 Thursday for violating a traffic ordinance two months ago. At the time of his arrest, police report, Rosenberg was so eloquent in his plea to be given time to go to Detroit for money with which to pay the fine that he was released.

For weeks he was sought in Detroit—and then he was arrested by the Detroit police for two other traffic violations. Following his payment of fines there Mr. Rosenberg was brought before Judge Malcolm Hunt here and fined again. Then, police report, Royal Oak authorities, who had still another traffic warrant against him, collected their fine.

GOING AWAY? COMING BACK HOME? ENTERTAINING?

Each one of the above activities makes this page of The Eccentric interesting to you each week, doesn't it? That's why we are very grateful when you telephone, or send in, social items of your own family's activities each week. The Eccentric's telephone numbers are 11, 12 and 13.

Biography of J. B. Howarth

Editor's Note: The following biographical tribute to Mr. J. B. Howarth, for whom an "appreciation dinner" was given at the Community House Jan. 22, was omitted last week because of unavoidable circumstances.

Biographical Sketch

The following biographical sketch of Mr. Howarth's life is taken from a portion of the program-literature of the dinner:

John Bradshaw Howarth was born in the village of Graniteville, Westford township, Middlesex county, Massachusetts, on the 29th day of March, 1858, and is a son of George and Margaret (Bradshaw) Howarth, both of whom were born in England. The parents came to America in 1842 and established their home in Massachusetts, where the father found employment as an expert mechanic until 1875, when he came with his family to Michigan and established his residence in Detroit, where he passed the residue of his life. His death occurred in 1890 and his cherished and devoted wife survived him by about a decade, as she was summoned to the life eternal in 1899. John B. Howarth availed himself of the advantages of the public schools of his native state and also completed a course in Westford Academy, at Westford City, Massachusetts. He was seventeen years of age at the time of the family removal to Detroit, and he soon secured a position in the offices of the well known shoe manufacturing firm of Pingree & Smith. That he won for himself a secure place in the confidence and esteem of the firm is shown by the fact that in 1883 he was admitted to partnership in the business. This connection continued until the death of Hon. Hazen Pingree, and upon the incorpora-

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tion of the business, in 1902, Mr. Howarth became one of the principal stockholders of the company, of which he was treasurer. He has proved a most alert and discriminating executive and is recognized as one of the representative and influential business men of the city which has so long been his home.

Mr. Howarth has not hedged himself in by bounds of purely personal interest but has shown a broad-minded and liberal attitude as a citizen and business man and has done all in his power to forward the material and civic progress and prestige of Detroit. He was one of the organizers of that admirable body, the Detroit Board of Commerce, and was a member of the committee which drafted its constitution and by-laws. He was also a member of the first board of directors of the organization and served for a number of years as a member of its executive committee, of which he was chairman for one year. He has continued to maintain a lively interest in the affairs of the organization and has done much to further its high civic ideals and progressive policies.

Mr. Howarth has been found aligned as an effective and zealous exponent of the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor and has been especially interested in public affairs of a local order. He was treasurer of the Progressive Voters' League in 1908, and has been most zealous in supporting the work of this organization, which was formed for the prime purpose of bringing about effective administration of the municipal government of the Michigan metropolis. He and his wife are zealous communicants of the Protestant Episcopal church, in which they are identified with the cathedral par-

DRAIN BONDS HEAVY BURDEN

$8,348,821.58 Outstanding Will Be Due In 10 Years, Supervisors Told

During the next 10 years $8,348,821.58 outstanding in unpaid Oakland County drain bonds will come due, according to the report prepared by Murray D. Van Wagoner, county drain commissioner, for presentation to the Board of Supervisors. These outstanding unpaid drain bonds are what remain of original issues totalling $10,397,397.11 issued from 1922 until Dec. 31, 1930. They draw interest at 5½, 5¾ and 6 per cent.

It is expected all of these bonds will be paid from drainage districts in which special assessments are levied and partly paid for by the county at large. The payment of these bonds is pledged by the full faith and credit of the county at large and if not paid they become a county obligation.

The amounts of the bonds, including interest, follow:

1931	$1,168,532.50
1932	1,240,611.61
1933	1,219,493.75
1934	1,188,877.50
1935	1,023,451.25
1936	969,040.60
1937	873,063.75
1938	853,502.50
1939	728,245.00
1940	658,378.75

Oyez, Oh Yeah!

First Ancient Knight—Sir Lance, whatte isse the king doing withe ye courte jesters and ye grindstone?

Second—Peace, knave! Hise majestie isse sharpening hisse wits.—Exchange.

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