BIG BEAVER

Many young people of this community attended a card party, sponsored by the senior girls of Clawson high school, Jan. 14. Miss Ruth Miller of the Sixteen-Mile road headed the committee in charge.

A few of the younger people in this community were guests at a shower Saturday evening, given in honor of Miss Lucille Kelly, at her home in Detroit, whose marriage to Frank Spanke of the Sixteen-Mile road, will be an event of January 31.

Mr. Carl Stoutenberg of Kilmer avenue received a broken leg and lacerations of the face Sunday when a car on which he was working, fell from the alemiting hoist in the Miller-Loree garage on the corner of the Rochester and Sixteen-Mile road. He is recovering in the Ohlmacher hospital, Royal Oak.

Mrs. Warren James of Rochester road received word recently that her brother, James Button, 86, of Little Rock, Ark., was dead.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Howell of Rochester road announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Williams, to J. Lawson Lockhart of Highland Park, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lockhart of Praton, Ont., Can. Their wedding will be an event of February 14.

Miss Shirley Orr of the Sixteen-Mile road was a Friday evening guest of Miss Idamae King of Rochester.

Miss Bethyl Forsythe of Dequindre road entertained at four tables of Bunco Saturday evening. A delightful lunch was served and dancing was enjoyed during the evening. Prizes for Bunco were awarded to Dean Schrieves of Dequindre road and Miss Della Norton of Lincoln Park.

Mr. and Mrs. William McFarland and their daughter, Bernice, of Clarkston were Saturday dinner guests of Mrs. Mary Miles of the Sixteen-Mile road.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Moore of Detroit were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson of Rochester road. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Crank and Mrs. L. Johnson, also of Detroit, were Sunday guests at the Ferguson home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith of Detroit were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Lamb of Rochester road.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hunt of Birmingham and Mr. and Mrs. J. Harris of Detroit, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Theresa Harris and her daughters of Rochester road.

Mrs. E. Beard of Boyd avenue spent Sunday in Warren as the guest of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. William Northy and their children, formerly of Boyd avenue, are making their home in Royal Oak.

Mrs. Carl Emig of Detroit was a Saturday guest of Mrs. P. M. Dunning of Cherry street.

Mrs. Mae Hopkins, Mrs. Grace Dean and Mrs. Margaret Schultz were awarded prizes at the Thursday 500-Club which was entertained by Mrs. Belle Lazee of Walker street last week.

Mr. Esker Forsythe of Brown City is convalescing at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Forsythe of Dequindre road.

Mrs. John Curvin is confined to his home on Rochester road because of his illness.

Mrs. Marten Worden of Hilliard, Fla., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Carl Forbes of Boyd avenue for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. VanTorry of Iowa avenue attended the wedding of the former's brother, Mr. Linbert VanTorry of Detroit, Saturday evening.

Mrs. James Thacker of Rochester road will entertain the Royal Oak Sewing Club Thursday, Jan. 29.

Mrs. Mildred Hoskins of Rochester road was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Green of Royal Oak.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Lain of Highland Park were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Howell of Rochester road.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gay and their children of the Fifteen-Mile road spent Sunday in Rochester as guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Schmidt of Wesley street.

The Wednesday evening 500-Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Whitter Miller of the Sixteen-Mile road last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tracey of Rochester road spent Sunday in Chatham, Ont., visiting their daughter, Virginia who attends The Pines," Ursuline Convent.

Mrs. Mary Miles of the Sixteen-Mile road spent Sunday in Detroit at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Omar Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. James

OAKLAND COUNTY NEWS

Sixty members of the **Oakland County Farm Bureau** attended the election meeting last Thursday. **James S. Mitchell** of **Holly** was re-elected president. Directors elected were: **Forrest King, Waterford; Mrs. R. J. DeGarmo, Milford; Frank Williams, Milford;** and **Fred Beckman, Clarkston.**

Bank clearings of the **Royal Oak Township** clearing house were $31,980.89 on Jan. 15, making the total to date for 1931, $453,-930.94. Last year the total up to the same day was $777,047.01, almost 70 per cent greater.

Police will confiscate sleds and skates of any children found hitching behind automobiles in **Berkley**, and motorists who permit this practice will be cited to court as accessories, the warning was issued after several accidents were narrowly averted.

Plans for a long-term retirement policy have been outlined for the **Royal Oak** city schools, and means of effecting immediate economies will be taken up at the regular School Board meeting tonight. Hasty action by the board to cut salaries is not being advised, due to considerations of morale, and to legal entanglements.

Trying to make a cup of tea, Edward Blahk, 35, of **Ferndale**, was overcome by gas from two unlighted burners and had to be resuscitated by the fire department, Sunday.

W. C. Coleman has been appointed by the State Labor Commission as director of the **Southern Oakland County** Employment Bureau, to make contacts with industries to secure work for local unemployed. Mrs. Ann Partridge of **Ferndale** will continue the actual work of registering the unemployed.

Holly teachers asked parents to fill out comment cards, and to come to a parent-teacher meeting last Thursday night. They wanted to show patrons some of the things for which tax money is being expended.

Sunday the Four Towns M. E. Church was dedicated, under the leadership of Rev. Bertram Ede of **Walled Lake.**

A sudden attack of spasmodic asthma caused the death of Melvin Cole, 61, pioneer of **Romeo.** Funeral services were held Friday.

Feb. 17 will be the first meeting of the elementary classes in engineering mechanics to be offered by the University of Michigan Extension division at the **Pontiac** High School. Classes are open to all. Notes of all lectures with outlines for further study, will be available to all who want them.

One of the largest affairs of the week in **Rochester** was the **Oakland** and Macomb Farm Managers' Association banquet and dance, Thursday night, with 100 members and their wives present.

A closed season for two years on the hunting of fox squirrels is to be sought by the **Oakland County** Conservation Commission, by early appeal to the state conservation commission to act under the Discretionary Game Act before the open season of next October.

Pomona County Grange, in session in **Holly** Tuesday, heard a discussion of the crime question, and a resume of conditions as found in **Oakland County** homes.

At a regular meeting of the **Romeo** village council held Monday night, an order was placed for a bullet-proof vest for the use of the village marshal, at a cost of about $100.

Caps and gowns will be rented by **Rochester** high school graduates this year, at a cost of $2.50 per student, in view of the tendencies of the times toward eliminating unnecessary fol-de-rols.

The ski tournament postponed from New Year's Day was held Sunday in **Rochester**, with events open to all amateur skiers, and races and jumping-on-skis for all ages. There was also exhibition jumping by professionals from the Detroit Ski Club.

ATTEND LUMBER MEET

Birmingham delegates are expected to attend the forty-second annual convention of the Michigan Retail Lumber Dealers Association which will be held at the Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Feb. 4, 5 and 6. Exhibits, meetings and social functions will be held on the fourth floor of the hotel.

FRANKLIN

Mrs. **Seba** entertained Miss Jane Lawrence of Northville, Miss Harta Adomeite of Bloomfield Village and **Mr. and** Mrs. Walter Johnson, of **Franklin**, at dinner last Sunday.

Norman Currin, a student at Albion College, returned to his home for the week-end.

Miss Mildred Wood entertained at cards Saturday evening for the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Converse, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Facer, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sherwood, Mrs. James B. Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Miller, of Birmingham. High scores were made by Mr. and Mrs. Converse. Refreshments were served following the games.

George Pickering, who has been ill for some time, is recovering.

Members of the Live Wire Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Lester Meade tomorrow.

CHURCH NOTES

Bible Class members of the M. E. Church were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Welch of Clawson, at a hard-times party at their home Wednesday evening, Jan. 14.

Big Beaver church will give an old-fashioned entertainment in the church parlors Friday evening. Everyone is requested to come in old-fashioned clothing. Following a program consisting of old time songs and recitations, an old-fashioned lunch will be served. The public is invited to come and have an enjoyable evening in the old-fashioned way.

Annual election of officers for the Sunday school was held Jan. 6. The following officers will continue until next September: superintendent, Wesley Gibbons; asst. superintendent, Walter Carpenter; secretary, Mrs. R. V. Welch; treasurer, Mrs. H. James, asst. treasurer, Marian Hill; pianist, Lillian Jacobs; cradle-roll dept., Mildred Howlett; home department, Mrs. R. C. Howell; chorister, Henry James.

A combination church and Sunday school board meeting will be held the last Monday of each month, Jan. 26 the meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Richard Welch of Clawson.

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. A. Hicks yesterday at 2:00 p. m. in Mrs. A. Halsey of John R. road and Mrs. Hicks were joint hostesses.

The Lady Maccabees, hive No. 408, held a meeting Wednesday, Jan. 21 for the election of officers.

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"With a hundred billion dollar market at our doors, many are crying hard times," said W. A. Bleys, vice-president in charge of sales for the Oakland Motor Car Company.

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"Even with this enormous market at our doors there are people out of work. I have the greatest sympathy for them and for their families. But sympathy and crying about hard times will not solve their problem. Every one of us owes it to his neighbor to buckle down and with courage meet the present situation and lick it. That's the way our sturdy American ancestors would have met the problem."

Poor Chappie

Irritable lady in crowded car—Stop pushin', can't yer?

Stout man—I ain't pushin', I only sighed.

MISS HALDANE ANSWERS AGE-OLD QUESTION

In qualifying for initiation into Alpha chapter of Phi Sigma Pi, local sorority, Miss Peggy Haldane, of Brown street, was required to write a thesis on "Why Is a Mouse When It Spins?" Following is the result: self explanatory:

At the beginning of our conversation it was you who asked "Why is a mouse when it spins?" May I correct you? You're color-blind. It's her nose that's shiny, and anyway it was Napoleon who said "Give me liberty, or give me death." Well, he's dead, Moral:

Never ask for anything, for to him who asks shall be given. Well, I suppose, "Eventually, why not now," for everything comes to him who waits. Oh Yeah? Just try to get a taxi in time for church on Sunday morning. Gowan! Just try, I dare you.

Say, who said anything about the 5c nickel. Yes, I know you could buy a News and get the same nickel back, but then as I said a moment ago, "Why should little children straggle to school while bananas come in bunches?"

So, fellow sisters, never let anyone convince you that the horsechestnut belongs to the mineral kingdom when I'm telling you it's in the animal.

Why do you still persist in asking "Why is a mouse when it spins?" If I made it any clearer, do you think it would get by the Volstead Act?

But, confidentially speaking, my dears, does she wear 59½ stockings? Not Marge; she wears 10½ at least. How does she get them all on, and a half one too?

Isn't it too suffocating for words? Speaking of suffocating, that means putting something over you. Well, I'll never suffocate for some smart salesgirl tried to sell me some stock in the Phi Sigma Pi. "No, sir," I said, "I don't care for animals and that's that." What's what? Why that? What? No, that! Say, who started this argument in the first place.

What's that, Mama? Hush my child that's where! Where's what, Mama? Your flannel underwear when you want to be true. Take good care of yourself and I'll belong to you some day.—mebbe!

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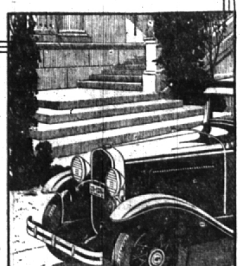

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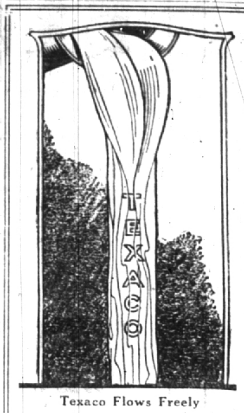

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