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MOTORIST FACES HIT-RUN CHARGE

Police Claim Pontiac Driver Left Scene Of Crash Which Injured Two

A Pontiac motorist is charged with leaving the scene of an accident today following a crash here last Sunday evening in which his wife, who is a teacher in the Pontiac schools, and one other woman were slightly injured.

The motorist is Robert McCormick, 14 Spokane Villa, Pontiac. His wife received an injured knee, and Mrs. J. Kowle, 45 years old, of 2485 Phillips avenue, Berkeley, suffered an injured chest in the collision which occurred on Woodward avenue just north of Bloomfield Court.

According to police, McCormick, leaving north, was traveling on the west side of the pavement and when he cut back towards the center he collided with a car coming south, driven by Glenford G. Thicker, 20 years old, of Keego Harbor.

The car overturned, but Mrs. Kowle, one of the passengers, was the only person injured. Her husband and two children, one 4½ years old and the other 19 months escaped unhurt along with Thicker.

Those injured were being carried by a passing motorist into a nearby home, police said, McCormick drove away. He was traced through his wife to his home in Pontiac, where he was found to have gone out after changing his clothes.

He reported at police headquarters Monday morning, and Justice Felix S. Buck set his trial on the hit-and-run charge for Monday, Nov. 22.

Church Speaker

Friends And Admirers Pay Tributes To Memory Of Charles A. Bingham

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History of The Armistice

(Continued from Last Week)

By LIEUT.-COL. M. D. MILLS

On Oct. 23, 1918, the President transmitted his correspondence with the German authorities to the several Allied Governments with the suggestion that if those Governments were disposed to effect peace upon the terms and principles indicated, their military advisors and the military advisors of the United States be asked to submit the necessary terms of such an armistice as would fully protect the interests of the peoples involved and ensure to the Allied Governments the unrestricted power to safeguard and enforce the details of the peace which the German Government had committed.

On Nov. 5, the Government of the United States transmitted the following communication to the German Government:

"The Allied Governments have given careful consideration to the correspondence which has passed between the President of the United States and the German Government.

"Subject to the qualifications which follow they declare their willingness to make peace with the Government of Germany on the terms of peace laid down in the President's address to Congress of January 8, 1918, and the principles of settlement enunciated in his subsequent addresses.

"They must point out, however, that Clause 2, relating to what is usually described as 'Freedom of the Seas' is open to various interpretations, some of which they could not accept. They must, therefore, reserve to themselves complete freedom on this subject when they enter the peace conference.

"Further in the conditions of peace laid down in his address to Congress of January 18, 1918, the President declared that the invaded territories must be restored as well as evacuated and freed, and the Allied Governments feel that no doubt ought to be allowed to exist as to what this provision implies.

"By it they understand that compensation will be made by Germany for all damage done to the civilian population of the Allies and their property by the aggression of Germany by sea and from the air.

"I am instructed by the President . . . to notify the German Government that Marshal Foch has been authorized by the Government of the United States and the Allied Governments to receive, properly accredited representatives of the German Government and to communicate to them the terms of an armistice."

ROBERT LANSING.

The following exchange of wireless communications then took place between the Supreme and Marshal Foch:

Received Nov. 7, 12:00 A. M. The German High Command, by Order of the German Government to Marshal Foch:

"The German Government having been informed by the President of the United States that Marshal Foch has been given powers to receive the accredited representatives of the German Government and to communicate to them the armistice conditions, it has appointed the following plenipotentiaries:

Herr Erzberger, Secretary of State.
Count Oberndorf, Ambassador.
General Von Winterfeld.
Captain Haselow, Navy.

"The plenipotentiaries ask to be informed by wireless where they can meet Marshal Foch."

They will proceed by motor car with their subaltern personnel to the place thus indicated.

"The German Government would be glad, in the interests of humanity, if the arrival of the German delegation on the provisional suspension of hostilities.

"Please acknowledge reception."

Reply
Nov. 7, 1:25 A. M. Marshal Foch to the German Command:

"If the German plenipotentiaries desire to meet Marshal Foch to ask him for an armistice, they will present themselves at the French outposts by the Chimay-Fourmies-LaCapelle-Guise road.

"Orders have been given to receive and conduct them to the place fixed for the meeting."

(German wireless, received Nov. 7, 1:30 P. M.)

From German Great General Headquarters to the Great General Headquarters of the Allies. The German Commander-in-Chief to Marshal Foch:

"The German plenipotentiaries for an armistice leave Spa today, will be here at noon, and at 5 o'clock in the afternoon will reach the French outposts by the road Chimay, Fourmies-LaCapelle, Guise.

"They are in all 10 persons, under the direction of Herr Erzberger, Secretary of State." (Wireless, in German, received Nov. 7, at 1:50 P. M.)

From German Great General Headquarters to the Great General Headquarters of the Allies: The Supreme Command of the German Army to Marshal Foch:

"In order to permit the passage of the German delegation through the two lines, orders have been given to cease fire on the front today from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until further orders. From the German outposts up to the French outposts the delegation will be accompanied by a company of motor cars to traverse the La Capelle road which is destroyed.

Accompanied by General Weyand, Admiral Weyss, First Sea Lord of the Admiralty, and six French and British staff officers, Marshal Foch left Senlis by special train at 5 P. M., on the 7th, and arrived that night at the place chosen for meeting the German plenipotentiaries—a railroad siding in the Compen Forest, near the station of Rethondes.

The German delegation, having been constantly halted by the blocked condition of the roads behind the German front, reached the French outposts the evening of the 7th, and reached Rethondes by special train on the 7th, on the morning of the 8th.

Two hours afterward at 9 o'clock, the first meeting took place in the office car of the French train.

(Continued in an Early Issue)

TIPS DRIVER HITS POLICE CAR, FINED

Bumping into a police car as it was parked on Woodward avenue near Merrill street early last Saturday morning cost Robert G. Cox, 418 Berkshire road, a \$75 fine, \$6.75 in damages to the car, a \$5 in costs on a charge of drunk driving.

Cox was traveling south when the crash occurred, colliding with the right rear of a collision with a driver of the police car. He pleaded guilty to the drunk driving charge before Justice Arthur J. Tuggey.

CRASH AVOIDED, BUT YOUTH, 18, IS HURT

Roy Smith, 18 years old, of 439 Frank street, was cut about the head when a truck in which he was riding stopped suddenly to avoid hitting a car ahead, throwing him against the windshield, last Thursday afternoon on West Maple avenue near Pierce street.

Norman Busnell, 31 years old, of Drayton Plains was the driver of the truck. He told police he had to apply his brakes forcibly to prevent a collision with a car driven by Mrs. Georgette Clapperton, 916 Madison street, which was pulling away from the curb into the truck's path.

At Christmas Time

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Local Rotary Club Honored By Visit Of District Chief

E. J. Ottoway, of Port Huron, governor of this 23rd District of the International, paid his official annual visit to the Birmingham Rotary Club Monday.

He arrived at the Community House at 8:30 o'clock, where he went into conference with George B. Boutwell, president of the local club, and the various committee chairmen. This executive session lasted until 12:15, at which time the whole club held its meeting. A message was addressed by Governor "Jim."

Mr. Ottoway pointed out the continued value of the Rotary movement to society, laying special stress upon its international peace value in welding together the various nationalities of the 68 countries in which the movement has attained a total membership of more than 150,000. There are 52 Rotary clubs in this district, part of them being in Ontario which makes it an international district.

FRANKLIN CHURCH TO GIVE CONCERT

A gala program of music and entertainment features is being planned for Sunday evening, Dec. 11, at the Franklin M. E. Church according to Rev. R. D. Richards, the pastor. The entertainers will include Mr. Richards, vocalist, Eddie Edwards, Birmingham pianist, a vocal quartet, a magician and a comedian.

TRADES APPLES FOR MOONSHINE, JAILED

A resident of the county poor farm who claims he was given a bushel of apples at the farm and traded them in Pontiac for a pint of moonshine whiskey was arrested in Bloomfield Hills recently and sentenced to 60 days in the county jail by Justice Floyd S. Buck.

The man, John McCall, 60 years old, said he walked from Pontiac to Bloomfield Hills while imbibing the fruits of his bargaining.

TO OPEN DRESS SHOP

Mrs. George F. Johnson, widow in the direction of activities at Baldwin High School, has announced that she will open a shop at 619 Pierce street, beginning Saturday, Nov. 28, for the designing, making, and altering of gowns, wraps and children's apparel. A graduate of the Gearing Studio of Detroit, Mrs. Johnson will be associated in the enterprise with Miss Helma Parsons of Detroit.

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WE HEARD IT SAID BY— Melvin C. Hart, principal of Baldwin High School: "I don't see how times like these affect the morale of a high school student body. Teachers will have to find and accomplish required tasks. While a certain amount of this is necessary in normal times it is much more noticeable now."

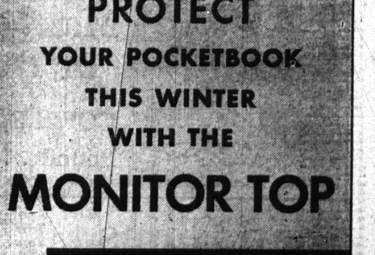
QUARTET TO SING SONGS OF THANKS

The Presbyterian Quartet, composed of Mrs. M. A. Tyson, soprano, Mrs. Inogene Davis, alto, Donald McMaster, tenor, and Robert Branon, bass, will present a group of Thanksgiving numbers on Sunday evening at the Birmingham Presbyterian Church. The quartet is under the direction of the church organist, Miss Mildred Green.

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