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## Oakland County Grand Jury Disbands

### New Law Suspends Action of Body Which Indicted Seven

The Oakland County grand jury, which in seven months indicted seven persons, six of whom were either convicted or pleaded guilty and the seventh is awaiting trial, disbanded Monday on the advice of Attorney-General Paul W. Voorhis, who ruled that a new state statute regarding grand juries, passed since the present body was called into being, might invalidate further indictments.

The law will allow the calling of a new jury early next year, which county officials have indicated will be done, since Assistant Attorney-General I. A. Capital has given assurance that enough work in pending county, city and school district affairs still remains to be done to keep such a body busy for another year.

The grand jury indicted Willis M. Brewer, former county auditor and embalmers' union leader, \$5,000 from the American Legion, Otter Lake Billiet; Floyd B. Babcock, former postmaster at Pontiac, and former county clerk, who pleaded guilty to embezzlement; Moe D. Smith, Detroit gasoline and oil dealer, convicted of perjury; Frank J. Koukol, former Hazel Park school board president, convicted of stealing school funds; Mrs. Lottie S. Thibos, of Hazel Park, a member of the school board, who pleaded guilty to embezzling school funds; John H. Parsons, Hazel Park school building inspector, who pleaded guilty to embezzlement; and Fred J. Metz, school board member, charged with embezzlement.

Brewer and Babcock are in the Michigan State Prison at Jackson. Smith and Koukol, sentenced to prison, are free on bond pending appeals. Metz's trial is pending.

Other investigations included the faculty construction of Coolidge highway and an inquiry into the affairs of the road commission. An agreement with the R. D. Baker Construction Company was reached whereby three miles of the highway are to be repaired at the contractors' expense and at an estimated saving to the county of \$70,000.

The grand jury recommended that the three members of the road commission resign, but took no steps to remove them and they are still in office.

He was the first grand jury to sit in Oakland County for 50 years, and conducted its investigation at an estimated cost of slightly more than \$18,000.

## WRITES HELD FOR JOHN VAN EVERY

### Storekeeper, Aged 77, Had Been in Business Here 5 Years

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for John D. Van Every, proprietor of a paint and furniture store at 608 South Woodward avenue, who died Thursday from a cerebral hemorrhage after an illness of six weeks. He was 77 years old.

Mr. Van Every had been in business here for about five years, after spending most of his life as a painter and decorator. He had been a resident of this village for 37 years. He was born in Milford and had lived in Franklin and Detroit before coming here.

Surviving are a son, William W. Van Every, 148 Pilgrim road; and two daughters, Mrs. E. A. O'Neil, 583 Madison street, and Mrs. Guy Shattuck, 940 Haynes street, with whom he made his home.

The funeral was held from the S. O. Wylie Bell Home, with burial in Greenwood Cemetery. Rev. W. Clarence Wright, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiated.

## Matthews' Retrial Is Set For Oct. 27

The retrial of Charles S. Matthews, 455 Chesterfield drive, on a charge of manslaughter has been set for Oct. 27 in Detroit Traffic Court before Judge John J. Maher.

Matthews, who is an attorney with offices in Detroit, is accused of being the driver of an automobile which last December struck and killed Mrs. Martha Ann Brady, 55 years old at the corner of Woodward avenue and Seven Mile road.

The retrial last spring ended in a disagreement by the jury after Matthews had claimed he was not the driver of the death car.

LIBRARIAN ATTENDS STATE CONVENTION  
 Mrs. Nancy B. Thomas, librarian of the Baldwin Public Library, in Battle Creek, attending the annual sessions of the Michigan Library Association.

## "The Mirrors of 1932"

(Editor's note: This is the seventh of a series of 11 articles based on the chapters of "The Mirrors of 1932," an anonymous book dealing with presidential candidates in the next election. It is to be understood that the names of the various men discussed are those of the authors of the book, and are not necessarily supported by the views of the editors of this paper.)

### Mirror No. 7 GOV. ALBERT C. RITCHIE

Governor Ritchie is an efficient office clerk, but not the brave champion of political liberalism and idealism he might be. He tends with meticulous care to every detail of running one of the Union's smallest states, but he lacks courage to embrace a burning issue and fight for a cause.

He is full of platitudes and without a program. He twists every political issue into the only platform plank he has—state rights against centralization—without ever having clearly defined what he means.

He has been a competent and highly popular governor for the State of Maryland, but admits himself that this isn't much of a job. He has reduced taxes, organized the state government, and built good roads, but there his achievements end.

His worst enemy is his own conservatism. He abhors a fight. He is by far the best looking candidate in the race, and unmarried. He once won a "most handsome" award, with dates nothing of a Baltimore newspaper, and Mary Garden calls him "the cutest boy in America."

(Next week: Owen D. Young)

## W. H. TRAUB, 57, JEWELER, DIES

### Pneumonia, Heart Disease Fatal To Prominent Hills Resident

Funeral services for William H. Traub, secretary-treasurer of Traub Brothers and Company, retail jewelers for 36 years at 1287 Woodward avenue, Detroit, were held at 2:30 P. M. Monday from his home, "Inwood," on Lahser Road, Bloomfield Hills. Burial was in Elmwood cemetery.

Mr. Traub died in his home of pneumonia and heart disease early Friday morning. He was 57 years old. He was born in Detroit but had lived in Bloomfield Hills several years.

With his brother, Robert H. Traub, he established the jewelry house on Woodward avenue as a branch of the business which had been conducted by his father, Christian M. Traub, and his uncle, Jacob R. Traub, on Jefferson avenue since 1857.

He was a member of the Bloomfield Hills Country Club, Detroit Athletic Club, Detroit Yacht Club, the Forest Lake Country Club and the Harmon Society.

His widow, Mrs. Mary Clark Traub survives. They had no children.

## COL. GEORGE TO GIVE LECTURE FOR SCOUTS

### Long Edwin S. George of East Long Lake road, noted as a traveler and for his benefactions to the Boy Scouts and other youth movements, will give a public lecture for the benefit of Birmingham Scouts on the evening of Nov. 6 under the auspices of the Detroit Boy Scout Council, it was announced yesterday.

Although the place and the exact subject of the lecture have not been decided upon, Colonel George will speak on some phase of his recent excursions in Europe. The lecture will be illustrated with moving pictures.

(Next week: Owen D. Young)

## WOMAN THROWN FROM HORSE, HURT

### Mrs. William Hutton, Jr., Injured While Riding At Oakland Hills

Mrs. William Hutton, Jr., daughter-in-law of William E. Hutton, prominent Detroit banker, sustained a severely sprained right ankle and had bruises about her arm and legs when she was thrown from a horse while riding at the Oakland Hills Riding Club early Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Hutton was riding with Mrs. William McLean, of Franklin, at the time. The horse threw her to the ground twice. The first time she was uninjured and returned again, only to be thrown off the second time with more force and more serious results.

She was treated in Birmingham by Dr. C. F. Lawler and later removed to her home in Detroit.

## CLUB OFFICIALS ARE RE-ELECTED

### J. H. DeVisser Again Head of Board at Oakland Hills

The officers of the Oakland Hills Country Club, headed by John H. DeVisser of Bloomfield Hills, were re-elected by the directors at a meeting Monday. The officers are: President, John H. DeVisser; vice-president, Harry L. Stanton; secretary, J. Lester Dryden; treasurer, Elmer P. Grierson; and treasurer, Titus L. Denk.

The members of Oakland Hills a week ago re-elected four of the directors nominated and added a new member to the board in the person of J. Fred Woodruff of Birmingham.

## Two Golf Caddies Injured In Crash

Two golf caddies were badly injured late Friday afternoon at the corner of East and Fourteenth Mile road when a car in which they were riding collided with another car driven by H. E. Mahaffey, 542 Pilgrim road, Birmingham.

Arthur Hector, 14 years old, of 2604 Gedrich avenue, Ferndale, and John Clancy, 20, of 327 East Paragona street, Ferndale, were both treated at the Lawler clinic for deep cuts on the foreheads and bruises.

Three other caddies riding in the same car were uninjured, as was Mr. Mahaffey.

Classified Ads should be in The Eccentric office not later than four o'clock Wednesday afternoon of each week.—Adv. 911

## Appointed Sales Head Of Oakland Motor Company

### R. K. White

R. K. White, 440 Lake Park drive, formerly advertising manager for the Chevrolet Motor Company, this week began his new duties as eastern sales manager for the Oakland Motor Company, following his appointment to the post as announced Saturday by W. A. Bloss, vice-president in charge of sales.

Before becoming advertising manager for Chevrolet, Mr. White served that company successively as sales promotion manager and one manager. He had been with Chevrolet for six years, previous to which time he had been associated with the DeLoLight Company of Dayton.

Mr. and Mrs. White will continue to live in Birmingham.

## Billboard Control Should Come From State, Ogden Says

The control of bill boards "half as big as barns" erected on vacant lots in the village should rightfully come from state legislation rather than from local ordinance, in the opinion of Clare H. Ogden, village attorney.

The opinion was given at a recent meeting of the Village Commission after the objection to the signs on the grounds of their unsightliness had been raised by Commissioner Fred L. Tucker.

Mr. Ogden said he did not believe the matter could be properly regulated in a zoning ordinance, and since the question would involve encroachment on private property it should be left to state control, except in case the erection of a bill board should result in actual hazard to life or property.

The discussion was dropped without definite action being taken.

## \$178 COLLECTED BY TUGGEGY IN MONTH

Justice of the Peace Arthur J. Tuggegy collected \$121.20 in fines and \$57.60 in costs during September, his monthly report shows.

The amount in his court included seven on speeding charges, one for reckless driving, three for drunkenness and one for violating traffic signals.

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