

# SCHOOL BOARD SOFTENS STAND

### Will Open Buildings Free At Night; Lowers Gym Fee

The School Board at its special meeting Saturday night settled the question centering around public use of the school buildings at night by voting to open the buildings free of charge to responsible groups supervised by adults, and to charge \$4 for the use in three-hour periods of gymnasiums, lockers and showers.

Adoption of the policy marked the culmination of a series of discussions at previous meetings at which the board had found it difficult to bring free use of the buildings into accord with its reduced budget and economy program.

The organization mentioned specifically by the board as eligible to receive the privileges of the buildings at night without

**WE HEARD IT SAID BY—**  
Mrs. Olga Benning, village health nurse: "I believe a small private hospital in Birmingham, conducted co-operatively by the doctors of the village, is badly needed and would prove both popular and profitable."

charge were the various Parent-Teacher Associations, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls and Y. M. C. A. discussion groups.

At the same time, however, Louis M. Randall, business manager of the Birmingham schools, was instructed to arrange an economical program as possible, assigning two or more groups to the same building on the same night whenever feasible, with a view to opening as few buildings as possible each week.

Although the Y. M. C. A. discussion groups will, under the new policy, be allowed to use the school buildings tax free as in the past, the basketball teams in the Y. M. C. A. league will be assessed

the regular \$4 rate for each three-hour period in the gymnasiums and locker rooms, as will other groups using the buildings for basketball or volleyball.

The charge to groups using the gymnasiums had first been placed at \$6 a night. Mr. Randall said that the lower figure was found possible because the schools' lighting bill had been lowered since the introduction of a new meter system, and because janitors' salaries had been reduced.

He also pointed out that during the colder months of the winter janitors are forced to remain in the buildings at all times, and that therefore the additional expense would consist only of electricity when the buildings are left open for the evening.

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# MURIEL McCORMICK CHOOSES MATE

Chicago society once more is over the wedding of a McCormick. This time it is the marriage of Muriel, eldest daughter of Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick to Elisha D. Hubbard of Middletown, Conn., at Deep Cove, Me. Like her sister, Mabelle, who married Max Oser, Swiss riding master, and her brother Fowler, husband of the former Anne Stillman, Muriel told her relatives of her approaching marriage after all arrangements had been made. Hubbard comes of one of the wealthiest families in Connecticut. He is a descendant of Elijah King Hubbard, pioneer Chicagoan. Miss McCormick and her fiancé are above.



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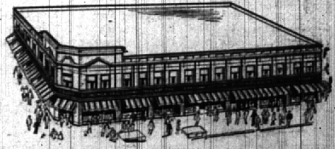
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**MY New York**  
By JAMES ASWELL  
Central Press

New York.—It is possible now to take a subway ride in New York with nine of the sensations of a sardine. This extraordinary feat is performed for only a short time—and only if you have some political connection. Still, it is not a thing that it ought to be tried by everyone who can manage the experiment—as something to tell one's grandchildren about.

The new Eighth Avenue Lane is not completed.—From 200 to 200 and Tenth. The turnstiles—all silent, be it noted—have not yet swung to the general public, but they soon will. Meanwhile the cars operate on trial runs. Visiting mayors, war potatoes and traction magnates and, of course, newspapermen are hauled back and forth daily. And without even the necessity of dropping their nickels in the slots. Unopened subway lines are somewhat eerie. The cool, clean, cellery smell has not yet been dissipated by the more mundane one of Wall Street clerks and Bronx shoppers. The clang of steel on steel gives out a hollow note, unlike the monotonous ring of trackage long in use. You feel like a visitor to a modernistic movie set rather than a commuter; all is dank and cavernous and starchy. But in a month the new line will have become as utilitarian and homesome as the stretch between Grand Central and Brighton Beach. Sic transit gloria transit.

**COMEBACK.**  
Not long ago in this space mention was made of the suggestion of Mr. E. V. Shepard's pupils that the principle of contraband bridge be applied to strip poker to enliven the old game, now virtually discarded. Mr. Shepard informs me that as a result he is now in receipt of the following letter from a student in an exclusive girls' finishing school:

"Dear Mr. Shepard:  
"About half of my classmates are very much interested in the new games of strip bridge. What would be your charge for coming here and teaching us the game?"

"Since're yours,  
"

**WITH A FAST CAMERA.**  
Grace Hegger Lewis being lionized at a party. . . She is the wife of Sinclair "Nobel" Lewis, and has a novel of her own, "Half a Leaf", due out soon. . . She says she wrote the book because she got tired watching fancy fish gallop through blue seas—as a guest of William Beebe, the naturalist, on his island off Bermuda. . .

Discovery that New Yorkers really like to eat hurriedly at counters rather than leisurely at tables. . . In a drug store up the street there is a long luncheon and soda counter, in addition to half a dozen tables. . . Yesterday the tables were almost deserted, while the counter was a milling, hot, hungry mob. . . The mystery of why so few sat down plagued me all afternoon. . .

Fredenburg, who wrote "Soldiers March," a capital war yarn, finds himself in one of the strangest predicaments any author ever had to face. He is a road salesman for Harcourt Brace, the book stores share report a gradual lift of the sales graph. When people increase their purchases of books it is a sign that business is picking up, perhaps more markedly a sign than the prosperity of any other luxury

## Township Sets New Dates For Meetings

The Bloomfield Township Board voted to change its dates of meeting to the second and fourth Mondays of the month on motion of R. J. Coryell, at the meeting held Monday evening.

This action was taken in accordance with House Enrolled Act No. 130, passed by the 1931 Legislature. Mr. Coryell's motion proposed that the first meeting of the month shall be held at 7:30 P. M., and the second meeting, at 4 P. M. The meeting on the second Monday will be devoted to the passing of bills and other township matters, and that on the fourth Monday will be for the consideration of special matters.

## Hunting Hours For Duck Season Listed

Lansing.—A table of duck shooting hours for the convenience of hunters was issued today by the State Department of Conservation.

The table lists the hours during which ducks may be hunted each day of the season and which the department will use for law enforcement purposes. The hours are one half hour before sunrise to sunset.

The table follows. The time listed is Eastern Standard Time.

By before sunset	By after sunrise
Oct. 19 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:20
Oct. 20 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:20
Oct. 21 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 22 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 23 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 24 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 25 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 26 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 27 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 28 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 29 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 30 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10
Oct. 31 . . . . . 12 Noon	6:10

trade. I report the harlinger exultantly. . .

**OLD RESIDENT.**  
Sometimes I have imagined there were no old residents of the town. Everyone appears to have arrived weeks before last from Des Moines or Salt Lake. But only this week a pleasant old lady engaged me in conversation as I strolled in Second avenue near Forty-fourth street. She smiled broadly as I passed and called:

"Young man, here's something you didn't know about this neighborhood—and I bet you live in it. See the buildings on those four corners?" She pointed to the intersection of Forty-fourth street and Second avenue. "All the tearing down and building up that goes on hasn't touched them. They were just the same in 1880. Now, sir, did you know that?"

## STARS OF RADIOLAND



Lee Brody is the featured "blues" singer in a Broadway musical revue. She not only does some microphone singing occasionally, but appears on television programs broadcast from New York studios.