

TAX RECEIPTS PASS '31 MARK

Nearly Twice As Much Paid As On Same Date Last Year

Nearly twice as much money has been received at the Bloomfield Township offices in winter tax collections yesterday than on the corresponding date a year ago, according to Mrs. R. Margaret Plumstead, treasurer.

The total paid in from Dec. 10 to yesterday was \$406,444.09, whereas at the end of the 39th day of tax collections last winter only \$229,154.45 had been received, Mrs. Plumstead said.

She attributed the high total to the desire of taxpayers to stop the schools open, pointing out that more had paid only the school portion of their tax bills.

"I believe most taxpayers made a special effort to pay early this year for the sake of the schools," she said, "and, feel, therefore, that the major portion of all we will receive this year has already been collected."

She estimated that collections before Mar. 1, when taxes become delinquent, would be in the neighborhood of \$600,000. Last year about \$700,000 was collected.

"I believe much of the credit for the early collections this year belongs to the Committee of 100, composed of members of Birmingham service clubs, who, by personal solicitation, brought the need for prompt payments to the attention of hundreds of taxpayers who might not otherwise have responded so readily," Mrs. Plumstead said.

(Concluded 1 from Page 1) trucks going to and from fires travelled 478.4 miles; 950 feet of two-inch hose were laid; 389 feet of ladders were raised, and 174 gallons of chemical and 6,992 gallons of water were used.

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WE HEARD IT SAID BY—Mrs. Hope F. Halgren, executive director of the Community House: "Our records show that more than 6,000 people made use of the Community House during December."

a siren control, a turret gun and chemical truck brackets; the re-mounting of chest nuts on truck No. 2, and the construction of a pure air mask reel and electric blower.

Trucks No. 1, 2 and 4 were repaired, a rotary pump and 45-gallon water tank were constructed for truck No. 1, an entirely new business inspection system was set up, and a complete record was inaugurated for the testing and maintenance of 2 1/2-inch hose.

Several vacant building fire hazards were torn down to stop posed of through the department's vacant building inspection system.

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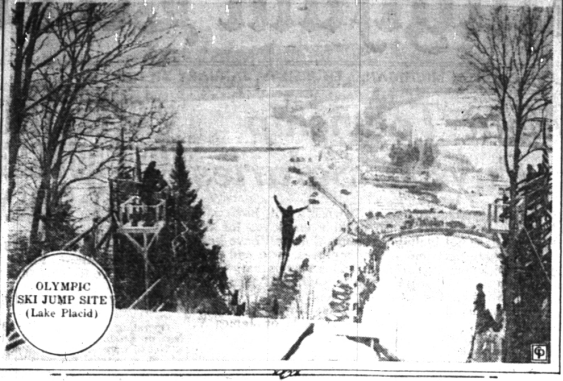
It has been the writer's hope for Antioch that, in the effort to bring the issues of life into true perspective in the education process, the importance of character and of social-mindedness as elements of personal development might not be underestimated.

If you John Baskeryong would kill And make our country dry, Just keep lips clamped tightly shut When near a flask 'o' rye. For John's great chance to gulp his fill Comes only when you drink Him right down through your open lips.

So pour him down the sink. So pour you quite agree with me That John is hard to floor. For John has always been all right—He resists whenever you pour. So all that you can do with him (In Oklahoma or New York) Is to admire his label fine. But never pull the cork.

A current anecdote going the rounds narrates that a practically unknown gentleman by the name of Herbert Hoover was walking down Pennsylvania avenue in Washington with an apparent stranger, one Andrew Mellon, of Pittsburgh, Washington, and wherever else there is a bank vault. Said Mr. Hoover, as he embarrassingly searched his pockets, "Andy, do me a big favor, will you? I've got a nickel to call up one of my friends." Whereupon big-hearted Andy, with a smile as broad as any dry lake bed, ever got down to a medal, reached down into his own pocket and, extracting a 10-cent piece, handing it over to Mr. Hoover, he suggested, "Here, call up both of 'em while you're in the booth."

OLYMPIC SKI STARS WILL TAKE THIS LONG LEAP



OLYMPIC SKI JUMP SITE (Lake Placid)

Here is the breath-taking jump Olympic ski stars will take at Lake Placid, N. Y., during the international winter games. Photo shows E. J. Blood of New Hampshire college making a 50-meter leap over the Olympic ski jump site during an intercollegiate competition.

(Concluded 3 from Page 1) mission for their hearty co-operation and to the village manager we express our appreciation. The committee suggested a moderate contingent fund, also a substantial sinking fund to take care of the obligations as they matured. "It was further suggested that a reduction in the street lighting might be effected by reducing the size, if not the number of lamps in use.

(Concluded 4 from Page 1) care of trees and the elimination of most of the maintenance work in the parks. Payroll Cuts Confirmed It makes no provision for further reduction in payroll or personnel, although previous reductions in these items are permanently confirmed. These include, according to Mr. Parry's statement, "the employment of 11 less people than were on the payroll a full year ago; the reduction in addition a reduction to part time of five others."

The budget was adopted without discussion, and was approved by all except Commissioner Maunum before, he believed, after several days' study of it should have preceded the voting. The budget as presented Monday night represents the fruits of two months' deliberation in closed session of the Commission, a committee from the Property Owners Division of the Birmingham Real Estate Board, the efforts of which were highly commended by Mr. Parry in his statement.

Each item in it has been the subject of the analysis and discussion of the entire group and the figures given represent their composite judgment as to what operating expense the village may properly incur in order to cover the necessities of corporate existence."

Further on, the statement says: "The adoption of an operating budget does not, with the system of village government under which we operate, indicate that the items set up must of necessity be spent. It is merely a maximum estimate which is set up for control of the operating departments. We have not for the past five years exceeded the budget and we have succeeded in curtailing operations resulting in a considerable saving over the estimate."

Portions of a report issued yesterday by the Property Owners committee in regard to its consideration with the Commission on the budget follow: "The committee appointed to meet with the Village Commission and study the budget for 1932 has concluded this duty and herewith reports the result thereof. "At the outset we desire to state that the members of the Commission are alive to the fact that the economy in village affairs; and with that end in view made substantial reductions on all major items of the operating expense. To the Com-

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Today—Meeting of the Barnum Parent-Teacher Association at the Barnum Intermediate School at 3 P. M. Meeting of the Oakland County Poor Commission at the Community House at 7:30 P. M. Friday, Jan. 22—Poor Richard Dance at the Community House. Village Managers of Southeastern Michigan to hold luncheon at the Community House. Saturday, Jan. 23—Performance of the Village Players at the Playhouse. Young People's Dance at the Community House. Sunday, Jan. 24—Exhibition of Ancient Bibles at Presbyterian Church, at evening service. Talk on Manchester situation by Robert Suez, at Baptist Church, evening service. Musical at Kingswood School. Monday, Jan. 25—Debate on Prohibition at meeting of People's Open Forum at the Community House at 8 P. M. Tuesday, Jan. 26—International Relations Class meeting at Community House at 10 A. M. Thursday, Jan. 28—Girl Scouts Training Class at the Community House.

TWO FINED AFTER HIGHWAY RUMPS

Thomas Gilgrais, 147 Ottawa boulevard, Saginaw, and Ed Burman, 322 Syracuse street, Saginaw, were each fined \$15 for drunk and disorderly conduct by Justice Floyd S. Buck Wednesday morning. They were arrested in Bloomfield Hills Tuesday night when officers claimed they got out of their car on Woodward avenue and began raising a disturbance.

WEST INNES FILMS SHOWN TO ROTARIANS

Birmingham Rotarians Monday noon were taken on a motion picture trip through the West Indies, with stops at Panama and Venezuela, when two representatives from the Detroit office of the Cunard Steamship Line staged a program at the Community House. The affair, under the chairmanship of E. S. Barden.

ATTEND CONVENTION

Oscar Peterson, president, and H. Kenneth Bingham, secretary, of the Birmingham Exchange Club, attended the annual convention of Exchange Clubs held last Sunday and Monday in Grand Rapids.

Drunk Driver Fined

Leo D. Allen, 1023 East Huron street, Pontiac, arrested on Woodward avenue Tuesday night for drunk driving, was fined \$75 after pleading guilty to the charge before Justice Floyd S. Buck Wednesday morning.

About \$30 damage was caused by fire which broke out Tuesday morning on the roof of the house of Mrs. Elwin Harris, 720 Hazel street. Sparks from the chimney were the cause of the blaze, Chief Vernon Griffith reported.

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HOSPITAL EXPERIMENT

Mount Sinai hospital, on Fifth avenue, has opened a new 12-story structure designed to accommodate patients of moderate means at an expense to the patient of less than half the present average charge for private care. A similar plan has been successfully carried out in Boston and may indicate a trend of lower hospital costs. When I'm hit by an auto I'll remember that.

MORE STAND-UP EATERS

A coquer who operates automatic restaurants reports an increase in earnings, while hotels with French words on their menus report a decrease.

SUNDAY SHOWS?

After years of closed legitimate theaters on Sunday, it looks as if Actors Equity will authorize a one-day week for actors, to help bolster up the theater.

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CHAIN'S DRUGS W. Maple Avenue at Pierce PHONE 61 WE DELIVER

BIRTHS Mr. and Mrs. Truman F. Campbell, 500 Woodland drive, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Janet, on Jan. 8. Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Crull of Lincoln avenue, announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Ann, Sunday morning, Jan. 17. Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Oakley, 1623 Webster street, announce the birth of a son, Gerald Henry, on Jan. 4.

When to Be Nonchalant By CLIFFORD McBRIDE

Illustration of a man sitting at a table with a tray, looking nonchalant. Text: When you have your tray loaded down and find all the seats in the cafeteria are filled.

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