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Police Open Search For "Photographers"

Police are on the lookout today for two young men who, several days ago, appeared at the home of William S. Spiegel, 1072 Ridgedale avenue, representing themselves as photographers of children.

They took several pictures, returned later with the proofs and asked for $2.25 in advance for four photographs, but failed to return with the completed pictures, Mrs. Spiegel reported to police Thursday.

The men said they represented the Cambourne Studio in Royal Oak, Mrs. Spiegel said. There is no such studio, according to the police.

Red Light Showing

Pretty Shop Girl—"Could I interest you in a bathing costume, sir?"

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PONTIAC MAN HELD ON FRAUD CHARGE

Cheated Detroit Edison Company In Light Bulb Exchange Racket, Police Believe

Said to be one of a pair of men who defrauded the Detroit Edison Company out of several hundred electric light bulbs, Ora B. Van DeMark, 27 years old, 842 North Cass avenue, Pontiac, will be given an examination by Justice Floyd S. Buck Aug 4 on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

Van DeMark was arrested Friday afternoon after entering the Edison Company's office building here and exchanging a quantity of burned out bulbs for new ones, representing himself as an important patron of the company.

Edison officials, suspicious of the man's actions, followed him to his car, where they found several more cartons of bulbs. They turned him over to the police.

Several hundred new bulbs were found at Van DeMark's room in Pontiac. According to Chief of Police John P. Hackett, they are believed to have been secured by Van DeMark at Detroit Edison offices in Pontiac, Rochester and other places in the county in exchange for old, discarded bulbs which Van DeMark had collected.

In most places, the chief said, Van DeMark is believed to have worked his racket in company with another man. Generally the pair would hire a boy to apply at the Edison offices with the old bulbs, bearing a note supposed to have been written by one or another of the company's larger customers, asking that the bulbs be replaced with new ones.

Van DeMark was released on $100 cash bail to await his examination.

Poor Father

"Hallo, old man! How you've changed! What's making you look so old?"

"Trying to keep young," was the reply.

"Trying to keep young?"

"Yes—nine of them," was the gloomy response.—Ipswich Star.

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Patterson To Run For Probate Judge

Pontiac Attorney Seeks Democratic Nomination, Opposing Municipal Judge Hepster

Samuel J. Patterson

Samuel J. Patterson, Pontiac attorney for the past 30 years, will oppose Municipal Court Judge Henry W. Hepster for the Democratic nomination as Oakland County probate judge in the Sept. 13 primaries he announced this week.

Mr. Patterson first began the practice of law in 1900, being associated with his cousin, John H. Patterson, in the firm of Patterson and Patterson until 1909, when he opened a one-man office, devoting special attention to Probate Court practice, settlement of and administration of estates.

Born near Holly in 1874, Mr. Patterson was the son of James K. Patterson, who once served as Oakland County prosecuting attorney. He attended the Holly School until 1895, when he entered the law office of Fred A. Baker of Detroit, where he worked and studied law during the day and attended night sessions and lectures at the Detroit College of Law, from which he was graduated in 1898.

"The citizens of Oakland County are at the crossroads in county affairs," Mr. Patterson declared in announcing his candidacy "all are more or less affected by existing conditions. The taxpayers of this county have the right to the whole hearted, sympathetic cooperation of their public officials in the end that economy and efficiency shall prevail in order to reduce heavy tax burdens. If nominated and elected, I pledge myself to economize in every possible way consistent with efficiency and good service.

"If elected I shall not consider such election a personal victory, but rather a clear and decisive demand of the people of Oakland County for a new order of things in harmony with present day conditions."

Mr. Patterson is married and has three children. He is a 32nd degree Mason, a member of the Pontiac Lodge of Elks and a past president and active member of the Pontiac Kiwanis Club.

"SPECIAL" OFFICERS ARE ARRESTED, FINED

When they constituted themselves as police officers and started directing Woodward avenue traffic through Bloomfield Hills Sunday night, Joseph Mitchell, 1730 Magnolia avenue, Detroit, and Fred Newcombe, 8270 Wisconsin avenue, Detroit, were arrested for being drunk and disorderly.

They paid fines of $10 each when arraigned before Judge Floyd S. Buck Monday morning.

Police said the pair had been riding in a car driven by a third man, but had gotten out and started to walk behind their guest, and the driver had left the scene.

CARNEY RAPS STATE COSTS

Democratic Candidate For Governor Speaks At Township Park

Declaring that taxes have increased 601 percent in Michigan since the World War, Claude S. Carney, Kalamazoo attorney, called for the abolishment of the State Administrative Board and the re-organization of several different state departments in opening his campaign for the Democratic nomination for governor in Oakland County at Bloomfield Township Park Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Carney was the principal speaker at a picnic and rally, planned as the first of a series by Democratic leaders in the county to arouse interest and strength before the fall elections. William A. Comstock of Detroit, also a candidate for governor, who was scheduled to share the speaker's platform with Mr. Carney, was unable to attend on account of injuries suffered in an automobile accident the day before.

Centralization Scored

Michigan has a "government more highly centralized and more powerful than any other state save one," the Administrative Board, created during Governor Green's term in office, has more power than the Legislature has, and taxes have "increased in Michigan more rapidly than in any other state except one," Mr. Carney told the few score Democrats and candidates for county offices who made up the assembly.

Describing the various revolving funds controlled by the Administrative Board, he declared that "the Legislature and the State Board of Auditors have just nothing to do with millions and millions of dollars that go into these revolving funds."

Pointing out that 200,000 acres of land in Michigan reverted to the state or to municipalities this year for non-payment of taxes, and claiming that 400,000 more acres would undergo the same process next year, he declared that it would take a payment of $500 from every family in the state to wipe out Michigan's delinquent tax debt.

"Whoever said that the power to tax was the power to destroy must have had in mind the Administrative Board of the State of Michigan," Mr. Carney said.

Traces Weight Tax

He declared that "not a dollar" of the weight tax of taxes goes into the public treasury. "It goes into a revolving fund for the purpose of building up the patronage of public utilities and nothing else," he said. "Every dollar of it is used to purchase automobiles for clerks and public office holders to drive up and down your highways—building up prestige for their various departments."

The Department of Public Safety, the Securities Commission and the Banking Commission were all attacked bitterly by the speaker.

The Department of Public Safety, he said, was organized with a $500,000,000 bond issue during the war, $350,000,000 of which was used for the establishment of a war bureau. After the war, Mr. Carney declared, the administration found the bureau had become "a beautiful political organization," and continued its existence by transforming it into the State Police.

Year by year, he said, the appropriation to maintain the organization was increased from the original $350,000 to $650,000 in 1932.

Hits License Law

"Then, all of a sudden, they decided to make the highways safer, and passed a new drivers' license law. But they got into a squabble on the Administration Board itself over patronage graft. The Secretary of State wanted the

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American Legion Lines

News Of Charles Edwards Post No. 14

The Charles Edwards Post Drum and Bugle Corps enters its first public competition Sunday afternoon, July 31, at the State Fair Grounds. All of the Drum Bugle Corps from posts located in Southern Michigan will compete. Though less than three months old, the local unit hopes to bring home its share of the prize money. The exhibition is open to the public and tickets may be purchased from members of the Corps.

Through the cooperation of the local post and Department headquarters, the Township of Bloomfield has been able to purchase a large quantity of surplus war clothing at a cost of from 5 to 10 per cent of its real value. These articles will be used for distribution among the indigent next winter. This will mean a saving of hundreds of dollars to the taxpayers of the township.

A large number of the members of the Charles Edwards Post and their families enjoyed the pot-luck supper at the Vaughan residence on Vaughan road Saturday evening. A ball game and cards provided the entertainment.

At the regular monthly meeting last night the post endorsed the candidacy of two of its members for high Legion offices. Lloyd L. Stanley, who is the present chairman of the Department Boy Scout Committee, was endorsed for the position of department vice-commander. Mr. Stanley has been assured of the support of several of the districts throughout the state. One commander and five vice-commanders covering the entire state of Michigan are to be elected. Joseph F. MacGregor, who is the present alternate Committeeman and is slated to be elected at the district meeting to be held at Pontiac Friday night. A large delegation from the post will attend this meeting.

Four delegates and four alternates to the annual state convention were elected at the post meeting in the Community House last night. The convention will be held at Kalamazoo Aug. 21, 22 and 23. The Drum and Bugle Corps and a large number of post members are planning to attend.

Hill School Salutatorian Of 19 Years Age Carries On The Scholarly Tradition

By LILLIAN CARTER

In the year 1913, an 18-year-old boy having the second highest honors in the graduating class of Hill School delivered the salutorian address before an assembly of proud parents and friends.

Living on a farm in Southfield, Nelson Vance Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russell, was the second youngest of eight children. His scholarship record and his specialization in history already gave promise of what he might achieve, but it is doubtful if anyone realized to what heights this serious young man would ascend.

Helpful Life

Given his chance for an education, just as thousands of other young people are endowed by hopeful parents, Nelson Russell gladly embraced the opportunity, and has created for himself an interesting, helpful, and vital sort of life.

Following his graduation from high school, he was sent to the Presbyterian School, where he studied three years. Afterwards he entered the University of Michigan, where he received his bachelor's, master's and doctor's degrees and then served as a member of the faculty for four years. The four following years, he held an assistant professorship at the University of California, and since 1929 has been head of the history department and professor in American history at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Last year, Dr. Russel was awarded the Lloyd Scholarship for 1931-32, which enabled him to tour England, Holland, Germany, Finland, Russia, Poland, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, France and Belgium, and to visit relatives in Scotland en route. Throughout the tour, he applied himself to research, taking advantage of the treasures of knowledge in the British Museum, the Public Record Office, and the Bibliotequ Nationale.

In Eddie Seminar

During part of his travels, Dr. Russell was a member of the Sherwood Eddie American seminar in Russia, a group comprised of college professors, statesmen, engineers, priests, journalists, lawyer, religious leaders and others.

Dr. Russell returned last Christmas to spend the holidays with his wife at their home in Cedar Rapids, and with his parents here, later returning to Europe to complete his research. At the present time he is spending a few weeks in Birmingham with his parents, while working on the second volume of a four-volume history of "The British Regime in Michigan, 1760-96." He is working in connection with the Clements Library in Ann Arbor.

On July 31, Dr. Russell will speak at the Presbyterian Church on the subject, "Making a Fine Art of Living."

Watrous Sets New Record At Essex

Al Watrous, Oakland Hills Country Club pro who came within three strokes of winning the Canadian open championship two weeks ago, set a new course record at Essex, Ont., Monday. He shot a 66, two strokes under the former record held by Walter Hagen, and six strokes under par. He played both nines in 33.

The foursome which saw the record-breaking feat was composed of Watrous, E. M. Holmes and L. A. Colman of Oakland Hills, and Lee Higgins of Grand Rapids.

LIGHTNING STRIKES HENLEY DRIVE HOME

A stroke of lightning at about noon Friday tore a hole in the roof of the home owned by Edward W. Ilett, 339 Henly drive, but did no serious damage. The loss was covered by insurance.

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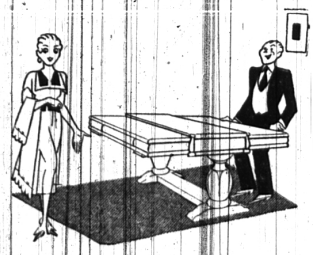

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