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## ZEIGLER PUT ON PROBATION

**Former Teller Spared Prison Term For Confessed Embezzlement**

Irving Zeigler, former teller in the First State Savings Bank of Birmingham, was placed on probation for two years by Judge Frank L. Covert in Circuit Court this afternoon for embezzling \$2,500 in Christmas Savings money from the bank.

Zeigler, who is crippled and the father of five children, was indicted in Judge Frank L. Doty's one-man grand jury investigation of the bank's affairs, even though Zeigler's father had previously made full restitution of the stolen funds.

Zeigler pleaded guilty in the charge arraignment. Fred E. Fisher, 687 Townsend avenue, who was indicted for forgery in the same investigation, is now awaiting trial after entering a plea of not guilty to endorsing signatures to notes he renewed at the bank.

## Winning Candidates For Village Commission



Leading a field of six candidates, the three men today's election, Mr. Osborne was given 936 votes to top the list. Mr. Smith was second with 858, while Mr. Connelly, an incumbent, was third with 847.

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## 400 HI-Y CLUB MEMBERS MEET

**Oakland County Youths Make 1st Annual Pilgrimage To Cranbrook**

An all-inclusive religion that will contain the best elements of education, physical, aesthetic attainment, and spirituality, is the crying need of the 20th century, Rev. W. Hamilton Aulenbach, assistant pastor of Christ Church Cranbrook, told nearly 400 Hi-Y Club members in their parents and friends at a special vesper service in the church Sunday afternoon.

The occasion was a pilgrimage of Hi-Y Club members from all over Oakland County to the church what is intended to be the first of a series of annual services of a similar nature.

Speaking on "The Abundant Life," Mr. Aulenbach declared that the average person today appears to be incapable of following the example set by Christ in realizing fully the possibilities of existence and attaining the full development of his talents.

"We have a complex system of police protection," he pointed out, "yet, when a hand reaches in the window and snatches a baby out of its crib, the distracted father is forced to push the police aside and turn to the haunts of crime for the return of his child."

"In Europe, the people are unable to understand us when we say that children have been shot down in the streets of New York, innocent victims of a business whose purpose it is to provide privileged people with something forbidden by law."

"There is enormous wealth in America today, yet thousands are starving in the streets. Sincere attempts are being made to halt the warfare in China, yet the people whose business it is to manufacture implements of war continue to ship them across the ocean for personal profit. The people of today simply do not understand 'the abundant life.'"

No one attainment is sufficient to fulfill this goal, he declared, citing the deficiencies of a purely intellectual, physical, or aesthetic life, and asserting that a combination of all three in and all-inclusive religious faith is necessary if man is to achieve full expression of his talents and give himself and the world the benefits of a completely developed existence.

## Bishop Officiates As Embury Church Is Consecrated To Community Use

Rededication of the Embury Methodist Church, Benaville avenue, made appropriate through the conversion of an erstwhile gloomy church basement into a cheery Sunday School room, banquet hall and community social center through the generosity and cooperation of scores of Birmingham residents and business men, was accomplished in memorable style in three unusual events at the church last week.

Money and materials for more than \$500 worth of redecorating in the basement were contributed by merchants, not alone in the neighborhood of the church, but in all parts of the village, and the work was done by dozens of laborers and craftsmen, some of whom were not even members of the church, who gladly contributed their services and skill.

A week of celebration and consecration of the church to community use was climaxed Sunday morning when Bishop Thomas Nicholson of Detroit preached at the morning worship service and dedicated in a ceremony of rededication.

Dr. E. J. Warren, superintendent of the Detroit Methodist

## COUNTY D'MOLAY COUNCIL TO MEET

**New Organization Schedules First Annual Conclave In Pontiac Wednesday**

The first annual conclave of the newly organized Oakland County DeMolay Council, composed of chapters in Birmingham, Pontiac and Royal Oak, will be held Wednesday in the Pontiac Masonic Temple.

A business meeting at 4:30 P. M. will precede a discussion of chapter activities and problems, and a banquet to be served at 6:30. The speakers will be representatives of each of the three chapters in the council.

William Guckelberg of Hasseberg chapter will confer the initiatory degree, Royal Oak the first section of the DeMolay degree, and Pontiac the second section.

Dalbert Fear and Donald Parry are Hasseberg's representatives in the council.

Members of the local chapter will be the guests of honor and confer the initiatory and DeMolay degrees at a meeting of the Palestine Chapter in Detroit tonight.

Union, presided over the service, which was attended by one of the largest congregations the church has ever harbored.

The Birmingham Fellowship Club sponsored a community banquet in the new hall Friday night, attended by about 100 guests. Dr. Walter R. Fruit, district superintendent of the Methodist Church in the Detroit area, the principal speaker at the banquet, commended the enthusiasm and co-operation which made the undertaking possible.

H. F. Doying, 523 Merrill street, superintendent of the Embury Church Sunday School, reviewed the work accomplished, and extended an invitation to the various organizations of Birmingham to themselves of the church as a community center, for which it is intended. Musical selections and novelties completed the program.

More than 125 children gathered in the new Sunday School quarters Tuesday night of last week, marking the first opening of the rooms for public use, and demonstrating to the fullest extent their possibilities as a neighborhood center.

## KURTH CENTER TOPS SCORERS

**Hey Bags 91 Points In 'Y' League Games; Fear Second**

Werner Hey, lanky Kurth Realtor pivot man, led the Y. M. C. A. basketball league in scoring during the past season with 43 field goals and five free throws for a total of 91 points, according to the tabulations of Derwood Harris, official league scorer. The tables include only games of the regular playing season, with those of the championship series omitted.

Hey outdistanced Dalbert Fear, DeMolay center, by only three points. Hey ranked first in number of field goals, while Brown Stroup's Market forward, collected 12 free throws to lead in that branch of the scoring. Brown stood sixth in individual totals with 70 points.

The Kurth Realtors, who finished third in the league at the close of the regular schedule, excelled in team scoring with a grand total of 290 points. Stroup's Market was second with 244 and the Vogue Cleaners third with 211.

The Cleaners were the best defensive team, allowing but 127 points to be scored against it.

Harris' complete team scoring and of the 20 individuals who proved themselves the best shots of the season follow:

## Youth's Amusements Discussed By Forum

**Variety In Modern Recreation Discussed To Group By School Principal**

"The amusements of modern youth are as various as personality itself," F. Morse Cooke, principal of Adams School, told the Methodist Men's Forum Sunday morning at its regular meeting in the Community House.

The amusements of today, he said, are not radically different from those of a generation ago. Quoting from surveys made by men prominent in educational circles, he showed that younger people more frequently take to the manual amusements, while the older ones prefer those of a more intellectual aspect.

"Commercialism, 'too busy' parents, and the broken home were cited in these surveys as being causes of the transmitting to youth the bad influences in modern amusements."

William Da Lee, Sr., stated that these bad influences may be due in part to woman's failure, in her fight for equal rights, to copy the virtues of men rather than their failings; and may be due to a lack of discrimination on the part of amusement sponsors.

"What is The Average Man's Religion?" is next Sunday's subject for the Forum discussion.

Blues' songs had a vogue in the southern central states many years before jazz was known.

Name	INDIVIDUAL SCORING				
	Games	G.	F.	T.	PP
Hey, Kurth's	10	39	10	88	13
Fear, DeMolay	10	35	9	76	17
Halleck, Stroup's	8	35	6	70	8
L. Hodge, Kurth's	10	32	8	72	14
Schwarze, Fellowship	10	29	12	70	10
Brown, Stroup's	8	29	8	66	14
Shouldierice, E. Mich.	8	24	7	55	12
Symons, Stroup's	10	22	8	42	17
R. Hodge, Kurth's	7	22	6	46	8
Williams, DeMolay	7	18	8	34	9
O'Toole, Vogue	7	16	4	36	5
Ladd, Fellowship	7	11	11	22	4
Smith, Vogue	9	15	1	31	16
Berger, Fellowship	10	14	2	30	12
Jones, Vogue	5	15	0	30	11
Grace, E. Mich.	1	12	0	24	6
Shave, Kurth's	8	13	1	27	8
Van Natta, Kurth's	7	10	7	27	11
T. Moore, Vogue	9	10	5	25	15

  

Team	TEAM SCORING				
	W	L	Pct	Pts	Opp Pts
Vogue Cleaners	9	1	.909	231	127
Fellowship Club	8	2	.800	223	139
Kurth Realtors	6	4	.600	290	177
Stroup's Market	5	5	.500	244	259
DeMolay	2	8	.200	188	304
Eastern Michigan	0	10	.000	167	338

## She Is Altar Bound



Betty Bronson, screen actress, will marry Ludwig Lauerhass of Asheville, N. C. within the next few days. Miss Bronson scored an overnight success in "Peter Pan," by Sir James Barrie, who personally selected her for the screen role. She met Lauerhass while visiting her brother in London.

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