

St. Joseph's Staff Honors Dr. Beck
Dr. O. O. Beck, 444 Berwyn drive, has assumed his new duties as president of the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital, Pontiac, following his election to the post at the 33rd annual organization meeting last week.
Dr. Howard B. Barker, Pontiac, was chosen president and Dr. Aaron D. Riker, Pontiac, was named secretary-treasurer.
Dr. J. J. Zetser, 420 Bloomfield road, formerly house physician at the hospital, was elected to membership in the regular staff.
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DELAY SEEN IN BUDGET ACTION

County Still Awaits Court Decision On Poor Relief

The Oakland County Board of Supervisors will convene again today, but action on the county's 1943 budget, which was to have been the principal order of business, is expected again to be deferred.

The State Supreme Court has not yet handed down its decision as to whether the Board's action recently in voting to return the administration of welfare relief to individual townships and cities after Jan. 1 is legal, and until this point is settled, the budget cannot be legally adopted. Approximately \$1,000,000 will have to be added to the budget if the County Poor Commission system is retained.

The tentative budget, which includes only \$173,350.43 for county relief, falls far below the figures totaling \$1,350,380.43, or \$1,344,764.94 less than last year.

The county total included Bloomfield Township's budget, calling for a tax levy of \$37.517-1, and a rate of \$1.24 per thousand. Last year's levy in Bloomfield Township was \$84.816.

The new budget has never been adopted by the Township Board in an official meeting, but members have agreed among themselves on the figures contained therein, according to Supervisor Perry A. Vaughan.

To the total now set up, a separate levy for poor relief will have to be added later if the welfare problem is turned back to individual townships as is now planned. A special fire protection tax will also be assessed against the territory being outside the incorporated limits of the township. No objections were received by the establishment of a special assessment district for this purpose at a meeting of the Township Board held last Thursday, and the Board is expected to establish the amount of the levy and the rate within the week, Mr. Vaughan said.

The budget makes no provision for highway improvement or road repair levies. Both of these funds now show surpluses.

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last high school games. They are Kenneth Hunt, John McKee, Bob Bayan, Victor Canaver, John Shepherd, Guy Laughlin, Bob Seaborn, Everett Denison, David Curry, Clayton Bradford, Harry Anderson, Harry Brelford, Bill Moss and Kenneth Jones. As many of these seniors at present will see action, Robinson said.

Baldwin's tentative starting lineup is as follows: Shepherd, left end; Laughlin, left tackle; Denison or Cushing, left guard; Anderson or Curry, center; Clayton Bradford, right guard; Boynton, right end; McBride, quarterback; McKee and Bayan, halfbacks; and Hunt, fullback. Hunt will call signals.

Between halves, members of the Student Councils of Adam and Barnum Junior High Schools will circulate through the stands with milk bottles to solicit money for the milk funds of the two schools. A total of 180 students are receiving free milk from the fund and the Student Councils hope to be able to continue the work of the funds for several months with contributions received at the game.

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up, which is expected to be accomplished some time today or Wednesday.

The candidates were obliged to deposit \$5 for each precinct in which they asked a recount. The deposit will be refunded if the recount results in a change of election. Otherwise it will be retained by the county. The deposit will also be refunded in event the candidate withdraws his petition before the recount is begun.

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Villagers and the Village

By THE WANDERER
Mrs. Eva Fowler of Mount road brought to the office of The Eccentric the other day a check for \$5 made out to the Central Welfare Council. The check was turned over to David Davidson, chairman of the sub-committee on relief.

At least occasionally, Mr. Davidson will receive monetary donations, as well as contributions of food, clothing and other necessities. The check was picked up at his home which is on Mt. Road. He is receiving several calls daily from this type of contributors.

Planting of the some 600 trees in Birmingham's reforestation program will cost the township approximately \$100,000. James W. Farry, told the Constitution, Monday night. The cost has been originally estimated at \$75,000.

All of the trees have been planted, Mr. Farry said, except about 100 which are being planted by the cold weather, and which may not be planted until next year. The trees are being planted by the village under the supervision of village employees.

The trees planted include maple, ash and mountain ash, were partly to replace dead and dying trees, while the remainder were new plantings. Some of the trees were taken from the village own nursery stock, and the others were secured on a tax credit.

"Nothing is certain," in the words of the old saw, "except death and taxes." And the saying was as true 90 years ago as it is today, apparently, although 90 years ago taxes were hardly enough of a thorn-in-the-flesh as to be placed in the same category with death. The assessment roll of 1942 for Bloomfield Township, recently unearthed by Supervisor Perry A. Vaughan, for instance, shows that the total tax levy for that year, for township, county and state purposes, amounted to exactly \$1,842—hardly enough to pay an office clerk's salary in these days.

Total expenses of the township for the year were placed at \$222.82 and the total amount of taxes levied against 30 acres of property owned by Andrew J. Vaughan, grand-father of the present supervisor, were \$2.49. The taxes on the township were 1,000, would give somewhere near the right answer for the taxes on the same property today, the supervisor says—and he ought to know, for he owns it now.

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quality high, prices considerably lower, and more to be had. Fancy Food Counter
By substituting a roast of meat, the price of the Thanksgiving dinner may be brought down so low as to be virtually within the reach of the smallest income, even including all the good things in the way of fruits and vegetables.

Even the fruits such as celery hearts, olives, lettuce, and other fancy delicacies, will be sold this year at prices far down the scale in comparison with other seasons.

Another feature encouraging to the shopper is the splendid quality of the produce, merchants admit that, due to a good season, the market is well provided with first quality vegetables and fruits, including oranges, grapes, bananas, grapefruit, etc., dates, nuts, and all of the good things in the way of canned goods, are lower, even in the higher priced brands.

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Thurber, of Birmingham, with the impressive oil, "Grand Canyon," Mrs. Leo Collins, Birmingham, with the painting, "Scout Cabin," and "The Woods Path," Mr. Morrow's "Baldwin in the Wilderness," Ronwick Metheny, Birmingham, with the precise oil, "Ferry," Khan Gate, Mississippi, and Mrs. Florence Elmer, Birmingham, with the picture in Italian clay, and the still-life, "Zinnias."

Mrs. Ruth T. Mackay's landscapes in oil were among the outstanding works in the exhibition, and received the most votes, as did Mrs. E. E. Burkholder, of Rochester, with the oil painting, "Head of a Dog." Mrs. Ella Johnson, of Birmingham, with the watercolor, "Mother," and Miss Rosemary Thurber, with her landscapes.

Perhaps the most encouraging feature of the show was the excellent work of the group of students of Baldwin High School. Two charcoal studies by Everett Denison were outstanding, and the paper battle of Don Stewart, the watercolor of Max E. Hodge and of Robert Gibbons, showed promise.

The exhibition was arranged by Mr. K. W. Nalder, of Lake Orion, chairman of the Federation of art committees, assisted by Mrs. Fred Thompson, of Ferndale, Mrs. Frank Hubbard, of Milford; Mrs. Florence Elmer, and Mrs. Robert Gibson, of Birmingham.

Didactic poetry is that kind of poetry which, of course, seems to aim at instruction as its object, making pleasure entirely subservient to this.

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Mr. Cranell's report said, "It is apparent that some classes in the junior high school are over large, and the proportion of history, English and algebra. This, of course, is due to lack of teachers, resulting from the curriculum necessitated by the war."

Statistics contained in the report on the teaching experience of members of the faculty revealing that 50 of the total of 92 teachers have taught between five and 24 years.

OAKLAND COUNTY GETS R. F. C. AID

Supervisors Request Granted For \$225,000 For Current Expenses

A loan of \$225,000 for Oakland County from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation was approved by the U. S. War Relocation Administration. The money will be used to pay current expenses, including poor relief, during November and December.

The loan was made under section C of the relief law, which means that the state must guarantee repayment. The county will reimburse the state in tax money.

Decision to request the loan was made recently by the Board of Supervisors. The Board has also been given authority to supply for a loan for next year, when the county and townships are caring for their poor relief.

An application for the loan is being upheld, pending the decision of the State Supreme Court as to whether the Board's recent decision to return the welfare problem to the individual townships and cities after Jan. 1 is legal.

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The old negro mammy of the prisoners were to Russia and other European countries to stir up sentiment for her son. The state department, taking a deep interest in getting her deported successfully from Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Austria and Bulgaria.

This advertised her cruelties to such an extent that the expected septuple electrocution prompted to cause repercussions throughout the world.

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The CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, which carried an appeal to the Alabama supreme court and lost, turned to the federal tribunal of last resort, arguing that the laws of the negroes trial had amounted to a disregard of their constitutional rights.

The Supreme Court's decision in favor of this contention was a signal triumph for the Union.

It has been said to have been in pleasing to Communist leadership, which had planned a monster demonstration on the supposition that the Alabama verdict against the seven negroes would be sustained. Feeling among the colored folk had been fanned to a really dangerous degree of heat, they numbered probably a majority in the large crowd which had been marshalled on the Capitol grounds for the occasion and serious trouble actually was developing when word came from the court that a new trial had been ordered.

The result naturally was the instant defection of the entire affair, unquestionably to the acute disappointment of its organizers.

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