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The longer I live the more I realize the futility of mere words as sufficient and acceptable guides for human conduct. A simple act of kindness is worth more to others than a thousand pages of copybook maxims.

Institute Sponsors Series Of Lectures

The first of a series of three popular lectures to be given under the auspices of the Cranbrook Institute of Science by Dr. Robert M. Petrie of the Lake Angelus Observatory of the University of Michigan will be delivered in Kingswood School Auditorium at 7:45 P. M. Friday.

The lecture will be of an introductory nature on the general theme "Our Universe." The following addresses will be of a more specific character. They will be given in Cranbrook Auditorium on Nov. 7; Kingswood auditorium on Dec. 2, and Cranbrook Auditorium on Jan. 6.

The observatory of the Institute is to be opened to the public two nights each month with Dr. Petrie in charge, officials have announced. Nights will be selected as far in advance as the weather will permit.

Sunday Evening, 7:30

A

String Quartet

from the

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playing

Haydn's Opus No. 9

A Brief Sermon

One Hour Service

First Presbyterian Church

North Woodward Avenue

FOUR HURT, DRIVER HELD AFTER CRASH

Dearborn Motorist Charged With Drunk Driving After Ramming Tourists.

A motorist who crashed into the rear of a party of tourists on Woodward avenue last Thursday night, resulting in injuries to four persons, will be tried in Judge Floyd S. Buck's court at 2 P. M. today on a charge of drunk driving.

The accused driver is Abdul Rahman, 37 years old, of 2805 Holly, Dearborn, a native of Turkey. Rahman, according to Patrolman James Anderson, who investigated, was travelling south on Woodward when he struck the rear of a car parked off the highway near Manor road.

The second car was driven by Michael Sinkyrl, 34 years old, of 434 South Third street, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., who had stopped to ask directions at a nearby house.

Khamn Khan, 30 years old, of the Oakland County Sanatorium, riding with Rahman, received a severe laceration of the cheek and leg bruises. Sinagri's wife, Jennie, 34, also sustained leg bruises; their small daughter, Ellen, 2½, was cut on the back of the head, and a third passenger, Stella Boromolo, 30, also of Mt. Vernon, received bruises about the side.

Rahman and Sinagri were both uninjured. Both cars were damaged to the extent of $250, police said.

Rahman pleaded not guilty to the drunk driving charge and was released in $250 cash bond.

Township Garden Produce To Ease Winter For Poor

Bloomfield Township will probably have enough potatoes, beets, carrots, cabbages and other vegetables, grown on its own welfare garden, to furnish its indigents with all they need throughout the coming winter.

This is the opinion of Supervisor Percy A. Vaughan, with the time for gathering the produce of the garden only a few weeks away.

The garden, located on East Maple road near the township gravel pit, consists of from 20 to 22 acres of land donated free of charge for cultivation last spring by Charles Moore of Big Beaver.

Cultivation By Tractor

Most of the cultivation was done by tractors, operated by township employes, with as much hand labor recruited from the ranks of men on the welfare list as could be obtained. About 15 of the 20 acres were planted with potatoes. Large quantities of beans and ruta-bage, besides the carrots, beets and cabbage, were also grown.

To simplify the storage problem, varieties of vegetables which ripen late in the fall, when the need for them becomes pressing, were chosen in preference to earlier varieties. Mr. Vaughan is working now on a plan for distributing the produce in the most economical manner to the families to be benefited by the project.

Although he is confident there will be enough of almost every kind of vegetable planted to supply the township's poor list for the entire winter, Mr. Vaughan was unable to estimate the exact amount of produce that will be gathered. That will depend to a considerable extent on the kind of weather which prevails between now and late in the month or early in November when most of the harvesting will be done, he pointed out.

Number of Families In Doubt

Furthermore, the supply needed will depend upon the number of families on the welfare list next winter, and as Supervisor Vaughan says, "one guess about that is as good as another."

One thing certain is that there would have been considerably larger harvest if the plans of Mr. Vaughan and other township officials regarding welfare plantings have been carried to completion early in the spring, the township offered to furnish seed to each family sufficient to enable it to grow its own produce for the winter, leaving the products of the community gardens as a surplus with which to care for new families appearing on the list.

Although land was offered to make this program possible, Mr. Vaughan said, but the heads of families failed to respond, and the plan was dropped. Even on the community garden, according to the supervisor, welfare labor could not be secured only with great difficulty, with generally not more than two or three men working on any single day.

American Legion Lines

News Of Charles Edwards Post No. 14 And Its Auxiliary

Vernor W. Griffith was chosen commander of the Charles Edwards Post Drum and Bugle Corps at an election held Monday evening. Other officers named include Glenn Richards, vice-commander; Carl Eley, adjutant; Leon R. Mix, finance officer; and E. A. Burtraw and C. P. Hamill, members of the executive committee.

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Department Vice-Commander Lloyd L. Stanley and District Commander Joseph F. MacGregor attended the installation of officers of the Mt. Clemens Post Monday evening, and of the Belle Park Post Tuesday evening. They also attended a meeting of the state department executive committee in Detroit last Sunday.

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J. B. Minton, chairman of the Charles Edwards Post's entertainment committee, announced yesterday that plans are being formulated for a Hallowe'en party and Armistice Day Ball. Arrangements are also being considered for a community celebration of Armistice Day, he said.

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Three new members welcomed into the Post during the past week include Howard W. Housman, R. K. Lewis and George E. Carter.

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Installation of the new officers of the Post and Auxiliary will be held in the Masonic Temple at 8 P. M. Friday. The ceremony will be followed by a dance and refreshments. All veterans and their wives are invited to attend.

Plans for the installation, the entire program for which will be in charge of the Auxiliary, were made at a meeting of the Auxiliary's executive committee Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. E. A. Burtraw.

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The annual membership drive of the Charles Edwards Post was inaugurated Tuesday night at a meeting of team captains in the Community House. The captains are C. P. Hamill, Gordon L. Bailey, J. B. Minton, A. H. Cooley and Gerald Robinson. Meetings of the captains and their teams will be held at 7 P. M. every Monday during the remainder of the drive.

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R. D. Montgomery, the new delegate from the Charles Edwards Post, will be introduced at the monthly meeting of the Oakland County Council of Veterans to be held tonight in the Legion Home at Pontiac.

Pontiac To Hear Mrs. Nellie Ross

Mrs. Nellie T. Ross, former governor of Wyoming, will be the chief speaker at a meeting to be held in the Pontiac High School Auditorium at 8 P. M. Monday. Mrs. Ross is now director of women and one of the committee speakers for the Democratic National Committee.

William Comstock of Detroit, Democratic nominee for governor, will also address the meeting.

LEVINSON HANDLES 8 CASES IN MONTH

Justice of the Peace David Levinson handled eight police cases during September, collecting $101.20 in fines and $37.60 in costs, according to his monthly report.

Five of the eight defendants were charged with speeding, one with violating a traffic signal, one with disorderly conduct, and one with drunk driving.

CHURCH ORGANISTS TO APPEAR IN RECITAL

A. Stanley Rose, organist at the First Baptist Church, and Miss Sibyl MacDonald, organist at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, will give a joint piano-organ recital at the Baptist Church Wednesday evening, Nov. 2, it was announced yesterday.

They will be assisted by Mrs. M. E. Rossenkemper, violinist.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

W. Cochran, Bloomfield Hills (who is building state roads in the Upper Peninsula): "The foliage on the trees up here above the Straits of Mackinac is beginning to color. Wherever the eye may look, a variety of colorful splendor greets one. This country is at its best from now until snow flies—those who want a real outdoors treat cannot find a better time to do so than every fall in Michigan."

Local Gardens In National Contest

Photographs Of Four Birmingham Prize Winners Go To Davenport

Photographs of four of the prize winning gardens in Birmingham's Front Yard and Garden Contest are entered today in the annual nation-wide contest, conducted by the National Yard and Garden Contest Association, Davenport, Ia.

The local gardens entered are those of Mrs. E. F. Baumann, 708 Shirley drive, which won first prize among the larger gardens in the class open to those who did all their own work; E. E. Altherton, 344 Baldwin avenue, which won first prize for smaller gardens in the same division; Thorn Smith, Cranbrook road, first prize winner among the larger gardens in the class open to those who hired some of their work done; and Richard H. Harrah's garden around the Quarton Lake Gas Station, which won a special prize in the local contest for showing the greatest improvement made to a place of business.

The photographs were dispatched to Davenport Friday by Wm. Wesling Raymond, general chairman of the contest.

Library Issues 8,416 Books In September

Circulation Shows Gain Of 470 Over Same Month Of Last Year

The circulation of books at Baldwin Public Library for September showed a gain of 470 over the corresponding period a year ago, according to the monthly report of the librarian, Mrs. Nancy E. Thomas.

A total of 8,416 books were issued during the past month, as compared with 7,946 in September, 1931, the report showed.

New registrations recorded totalled 38, five of which were non-resident, and 77 new books were added to the shelves, most of them for juveniles.

Christmas gifts received included a copy of "American Pewterers" from Miss A. White, a copy of Ellen Glasgow's "Sheltered Life" from S. V. Norton, and a copy of Esther Frayne Hayes' "At Home in China," autographed and presented by the authoress herself.

The book describes the many interesting details of every day living in China, and should be in great demand in view of the unusual interest readers have shown in China during the past year. A "most personal and friendly little book" is the way Bookman describes it.

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MAE BRUMSTED RESIGNS POST

Was Head Of Baldwin High Music Department For Five Years

The resignation of Miss Mae E. Brumsted, for the past seven years instructor of music in the Birmingham schools, and for the past five years head of the music department of Baldwin High School, was tendered and accepted by Charles W. Crandell, superintendent of schools, Saturday, pending official action by the Board of Education.

Due to the change in the local curriculum omitting music and other vocational subjects as an economy measure, Miss Brumsted was assigned this semester to the Adams School where she has taught grammar and rhetoric since the opening of schools on Sept. 13.

In her resignation Miss Brumsted stated as her reason the fact that she felt she could be of greater service as a teacher of music than in any other capacity.

"I regret the necessity of severing my connection with Birmingham schools," Miss Brumsted said, "as I enjoyed my work as a teacher of music. For this reason, I plan to open a school in Birmingham which will give children an opportunity to continue the study of music as I taught it in the public schools. I feel that I can be of greater service in this, my own department of work, than I could by remaining in the employ of the Board of Education as a teacher of any other subject.

Miss Brumsted will open her school in one of the club rooms of the Baptist Church, Monday, with the opening class for first grade pupils at 3:30 P. M. Other classes during the week will include one for the second grade, Tuesday at 3:40 P. M.; third and fourth grades, Monday at 4:10 P. M.; fifth and sixth grades, Wednesday at 4 P. M. and a junior high school class Thursday at 4 P. M.

Miss Brumsted will enroll pupils, she announced, Friday from 2:30 to 4:30 P. M., and Saturday from 9 to noon. Subjects to be taught include theory, music reading and appreciation.

Miss Brumsted's resignation will be submitted to the Board of Education at its next meeting, Mr. Crandell said. The vacancy at the Adams School caused by her resignation is being tentatively filled by a substitute teacher.

Fight Principal Bound To Court

John Schwenk, 42 years old, 700 Bennaville avenue, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of felonious assault when examined before Judge Floyd S. Buck Friday on the complaint of a neighbor, William Smith, 60, of 708 Bennaville avenue.

Schwenk had previously waived examination, but was brought back to justice court on the request of his attorney. He was released in $750 bond.

Smith charges Schwenk walked into his home early on the morning of Aug. 26 and beat him severely about the head, using a plaster ornament from a phonograph for a weapon. Schwenk claims the quarrel began when Smith addressed Schwenk's wife in abusive language.

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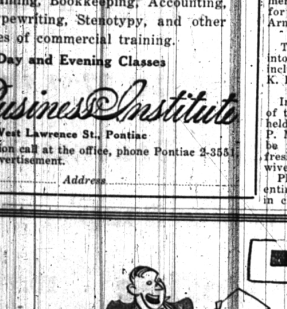

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