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### 3 Boxing Bouts On Scouts' Sport Card

Three boxing bouts will be on the card at the sports carnival to be held in Baldwin High School Auditorium Friday, May 19, sponsored by the Birmingham Boy Scouts. The bouts were held in an exhibition by a group of trained police cops from the Pontchartrain venue, Royal Oak, are also scheduled.

The boxing matches will find Dave Karp, fighting heavyweight Detroit and welterweight champion Billy St. George, state featherweight champ in the feature.

The other two bouts will bring Joe Nading, Golden Glove featherweight title holder, against Billy Stokes, runner up in the featherweight division of the Golden Glove tourney; and Dave Simpson against Andrew Brown, both of whom are also fighters of Golden Glove tournament prominence.

### Obituary

**CHARLES W. MAPES**  
Funeral services for Charles William Mapes, 2539 Rochester road, Troy, Tuesday, were held Saturday afternoon from the S. O. Wylie Bell Home here, with burial in Woodlawn cemetery, Detroit.

Mr. Mapes, who would have been 28 years of age on May 15, died late Wednesday of last week at Oakland County Obsequious Hospital. He was born in Detroit.

Surviving are his wife, Laura Mapes; two brothers, Philip of Dayton, O., and Frank at home; and seven sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Rozak and Mrs. Laura Belyea, both of Royal Oak, and Grace, Genevieve, Florence, Lucile and Pearl, all at home.

Rev. L. Earl Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, officiated at the services.

There are some of us," put in

Mr. Wright, "who will not trade stores which sell beer, so that will be an advantage to the others."

James W. Taylor, associate Municipal Court justice, was the best speaker.

"What's going to prevent beer gardens from being established all around outside the city limits?" he asked. "Wouldn't it be better to be able to control this beer business and derive a revenue from it?"

Mayor Allen agreed that what happened outside the city limits could not be regulated by the Commission.

**Lacks A Wallow**  
"Also," Mr. Taylor added, "I'd just like to ask the Commission if they've ever tasted any of this 3.2 beer? I have, and I don't think there's a kick in a cat's paw. I think you'll look back on this meeting a year from now and realize you've been talking a lot about near beer, frankly, I don't think all of you are being honest about it."

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Backus of York-shire road had as their guests for the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith of Jackson.

A group from Birmingham who attended the dinner dance at Forest Lake Country Club Saturday included Mr. and Mrs. Angus D. McVay, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Hawley, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Faxon.

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Bell Telephone and Consumers Power Companies, both of which have spoken for large blocks also, Mr. Elliott revealed.

A meeting of the organization committee will be held in the First National Bank at 8 P. M. tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Voornhuis of Kalamazoo drive were hosts at a party evening. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Stoverhouse, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Gibson of Royal Oak, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur MacFarland, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Meredith and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kassebaum.

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Corporation, Ford's own automobile financing company, and another concern in the same line.

Recent activities at the Highland Park plant have caused considerable discussion in that city and in Southern Oakland County, the first population growth in this area came with the development of the Ford Highland Park plant, some years ago. An increase in activity there would be bound to have considerable influence on this territory.

Among the rumors about this plant are:

That one of the principal Ford executives is already installed there.

That the offices are being given a thorough overhauling for an undetermined purpose.

That Ford was alarmed by the Briggs Body Company labor trouble recently and has determined to make more of all of his own bodies and not depend on other companies. Some are being made now in the Highland Park plant, these reports continue, and Ford will take over in the fall when the Briggs company's lease of part of the old Ford plant expires.

No word of official confirmation of any of these rumors can be obtained. They may have their basis in fact, but at any rate, they are providing one of the leading conversation-al topics of the day in Southern Oakland County.

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was opposed by Commissioners Vliet and J. Harry McBride. Mr. Vliet, former superintendent of public schools and a staunch prohibitionist, not only opposed the resolution, but voted against every application for a license.

Charles E. Lewis, a former village commissioner, opened the discussion with a plea that the sale of beer by the glass be prohibited.

"I think it would be a reflection on the character of the city," he declared. "Birmingham is a well-rounded community, and precariously residential. I don't believe we should cater to the entertainment of outsiders from Detroit and other places who do not have the interests of our community at heart."

Asked by Mr. McBride whether he would favor prohibiting the sale of beer entirely in Birmingham, Mr. Lewis said:

"I wouldn't object to that, but I think it would be futile. Nothing would be accomplished by that, because people who want beer would simply go to the nearest grocery store out of town and get it."

Mr. Lewis' arguments were supported by Rev. W. Clarence Wright, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, who said that if the sale of beer by the glass were allowed, "the tendency would be to let the bars down to young people."

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C. A. Ziegler, former president of the Board of Trustees of the Birmingham Y. M. C. A., argued that the consumption of beer in restaurants and other public places would have a harmful effect on the youth of the community.

"I came to Birmingham to live because I believed it was the best place in which to bring up a family," he said. "There isn't a father or mother in Birmingham who wants their children to hang around a place where liquor is sold."

Leslie C. Walton, Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company representative, objected vigorously to the Commission's intention to prohibit chain stores from engaging in the beer trade here.

"I don't feel that is exactly fair, either to our own or other chain stores," he declared. He pointed out that there are 17 A. and P. executives living in Birmingham who are among "the highest paid grocers in the country, own their own homes, and always pay their taxes on time." In addition, he said, there are 18 part time employes living here.

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Alex. Dowry  
President