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SOCIAL BRIEFS Mr. and Mrs. Stuart M. Allen of Harmon avenue will spend Thanksgiving Day as the guests of Mrs. Allen's father, Charles H. Rayer of Wyandotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Mudge and Mr. and Mrs. William White will be the guests of Mrs. Harvey White of Royal Oak for Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller of Lincoln avenue will be hosts to a group of friends Thanksgiving Day. Their guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dahlquist, Mr. and Mrs. Everett L. Birchong, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Vierich and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Maytag of Pontiac, and the members of their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lyle of Yorkshire road and their family will spend Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mrs. Gahn's mother, Mrs. D. E. Taylor in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Klingensmith of Orchard Ridge road will introduce their daughter, Miss Betty, at a tea to be held at their home Dec. 15.

Dr. and Mrs. Jack F. Hollister of Woodland avenue were hosts at dinner Friday evening. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webb of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Zerbe, Mrs. Francis William Halladay and Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis K. Marshall of Winton drive will have as their guest for Thanksgiving, Mrs. Marshall's mother, Mrs. Clinton H. Hyatt of Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Welch, Jr., of Suffolk road will be the guests of Mr. Welch's aunt, Miss Agnes Cleland of Detroit, for Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Elizabeth Bemis of Cranbrook School will have as her guests for Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Roseboom of Michigan State College in East Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon P. Cooper of Kimberley court will have as their guests at dinner Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Donald D. Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Carl Lof, with members of their families.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wales Price of Oakland avenue will have as their guests on Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. Moore and their children, Billy, Tommy and Jerry.

CAPITAL LEVY HAS SUPPORT Confiscation of Wealth Certain To Be Urged Upon Congress

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—A steady pressure is being exerted upon the administration in favor of a capital levy, as the only means of ending the depression without actual revolution.

The People's Party, of which Prof. John Dewey is head, and Ben J. Min C. Marz, a executive secretary, with headquarters at Washington, is the Charles P. Stewart militant proponent of the policy. It has sympathizers, however, in Congress, and is likely to manifest itself forcibly at the coming session of the national legislators.

The theory advanced by the capital levy's advocates is that income and inheritance taxation could possibly redistribute the country's wealth rapidly enough to avert an economic uprising, that it can be averted by no other method, and consequently that nothing remains but the out-and-out confiscation of some proportion of present net fortunes, for the cancellation of the public indebtedness, the reduction of taxation, the wiping out of private mortgages and relief work on an enormous scale.

Nevertheless it was carried out in England—slight camouflage, but to the depletion of thousands of ancestral estates—as a post-war necessity. Every indication is that it will be a prime issue here by next winter, unless in the meantime a radical improvement has been accomplished by NRA, by inflation or by unsuspected economic experiment.

Institute Announces December Lectures Steffanson To Open Month's Program On World Adventure Series In Detroit Viljalmar Steffanson, world-famed Arctic explorer, who has traveled more than 20,000 miles by dog team, will open the December program of the World Adventure Series of the Detroit Institute of Arts. He will speak at 8:30 P. M., Friday on "The Friendly Arctic."

The next December speaker will be Captain Harry F. Haynes, who has captured and tamed more than 900 elephants. He will lecture at 3:30 P. M., Sunday on "My Friends, the Elephants."

On Saturday, Dec. 9, comes the Russian explorer and adventurer, who has traveled more than 20,000 miles by dog team, will open the December program of the World Adventure Series of the Detroit Institute of Arts. He will speak at 8:30 P. M., Friday on "The Friendly Arctic."

Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President in 1932, will return to the Institute to give two new lectures on Sunday, Dec. 10, under December speakers on the course will include Gerrit Bener, distinguished Massachusetts inventor, who will talk on "Art in Everyday Life." Dr. James P. Chapin, bird curator at the Museum of Natural History in New York, whose topic will be "The Congo, Ancient River of Mystery," and Larry Gould, explorer and geologist, who will tell of his experiences "With Byrd at the Bottom of the World."

Mr. and Mrs. Ada B. Nafew of Eaton-town, N. J., is rounding out her 44th year in the postoffice. Mrs.

Dondero Gives Sidelights On Life of Congressman

Some of the interesting, human sidelights which brighten the career of a congressman in the national capital were described by members of the Birmingham Fellowship Club, their wives and friends at a dinner meeting Friday evening in the Embury Methodist Church.

The speaker was George A. Dondero of Royal Oak, Michigan's 17th district delegate to the House of Representatives, who recited a number of interesting anecdotes from his experience since taking office last March, and wove his stories together with comments on various topics of local and national interest.

He was introduced by City Manager James W. Farry, who served as toastmaster. About 75 persons attended the banquet.

One of Mr. Dondero's most amusing stories illustrated the elemental humanity and democracy in President Roosevelt's character.

Mr. Dondero was a member of a congressional committee on interference with the President over a huge waterways project. The project was so planned that a maximum of the expense would be for labor, and a minimum for material and supplies.

When the committee informed him what the total cost would be, and assured him that 75.4 per cent of the full amount would go for labor, Roosevelt, with pencil and paper figured out that the same project would be more than \$3,000,000,000.

Laying down his pencil, Roosevelt pushed back his hair with his right hand, smiled broadly, and said: "Fellow, that's a helluva lot of money."

Mentions Physical Handicap Mr. Dondero referred briefly to the President's physical handicap, and said, "Though I am a Republican, and the President is a Democrat, I will always say that anyone in Mr. Roosevelt's physical condition, who is willing to accept the responsibilities of that great office, deserves the admiration and respect of every one."

The speaker told of several men with unusual histories who are members of the House of Representatives, one an ex-convict.

Ben Winter Opens Law Offices Here

Ben W. Winter, justice of the peace of Berkeley, has announced the opening of offices for the practice of law in Room 320 of the Wabcock Building.

Mr. Winter received his literary degree from the University of Michigan in 1921, and was graduated from the U. of M. Law School three years later, after which he practiced for seven years in Detroit.

He was elected justice of the peace of Royal Oak Township in 1921, and after that office had become vacant the following year, when Berkeley adopted the city form of government, he was elected Berkeley's first municipal justice. Last May he was re-elected for a four-year term.

While practicing in Birmingham, Mr. Winter will continue to maintain office hours in the Berkeley City Hall.

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