

POLICE DOUBT YOUTH'S STORY

Believe Messenger Found In Ditch Wounded Girl's Sympathy.

William Kurel, 18-year-old messenger boy, of 4655 Granby avenue, Detroit, was still confined in St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital yesterday, with law officials satisfied his story of being kidnapped and attacked was without foundation. Instead, they were convinced that Kurel, who was found lying in a ditch along East Long Lake and Square Lake roads late Monday afternoon, tramped up the kidnapping story in an attempt to impress his sweetheart, who had been cold toward him for the past several weeks.

Kurel was found by Mr. and Mrs. Elden G. Benis of Square Lake road, suffering from shock and bruises, and with a necktie tightly around his neck. Kurel claimed he had been forced into a car in Detroit by four men who demanded a telegram he did not have.

They took him and his bicycle to the lonely Bloomfield Township road, beat him and left him in the ditch, where he had been lying several hours before being found, he claimed.

Deputy sheriffs and Bloomfield Hills police to whom he was turned over by Mr. and Mrs. Benis, however, said the boy had been reported seen riding his bicycle in the vicinity an hour and a half before he was found lying in the ditch.

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George Wellington Smith

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Bits O' Birmingham

By THE WANDERER

Gordon L. Bailey, commander of the American Legion, was elected vice-commander of the Oakland County Council of Veterans at a meeting in Pontiac Friday.

For several years, Irving Allen and Ralph Conzelmann, members of the Birmingham Archers, have been trying to bring down a bobcat with a bow and arrow. Not until one night last week, however, were they successful. While hunting in a woods near Tawas City, their dog treed a 16-pound bobcat which Mr. Conzelmann bagged in true Robin Hood style (he didn't shoot the cat). Anyway, the two men were as pleased with their efforts as a pair of boys with an air rifle, and a dead sparrow to attest to their skill.

Two Birmingham artists are represented at the annual show for Michigan Artists now in progress at the Detroit Institute of

(Concluded 1 from Page 1) the extension of credit where credit is safe, sound and constructive.

Liquidation Too Slow
"I wish to state that we who were active in the organization of this bank are not satisfied, nor do we ask you to be satisfied, nor do we wish to see the liquidation of this bank. Our principal objective in the founding of our institution—I refer to the release of frozen assets of the old First National Bank, through its purchase of certain assets from the conservator of the First National Bank, was of great help in releasing funds to the depositors of that bank. The Birmingham National Bank, through the lease of the present bank building from the conservator of the First National Bank, has provided an income to the depositors of the First National Bank, rather than leaving it as a dead load and an expense in connection with the liquidation of the old bank."

"The disbursement of only 25 per cent of the old First National Bank to its depositors does not represent the fulfillment of the objective for which this bank was founded. I can only say at present that measures are being taken which will more nearly approximate the objective aimed at, and that as individuals, all having an interest in the affairs of the old bank, we will interest ourselves as possible in helping to bring about additional disbursements."

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M'History Expert Will Lecture Here

Prof. Preston Slosson of the history department of the University of Michigan will deliver a lecture in the Community House here Wednesday evening, Jan. 31, under the auspices of the University of Michigan Club of Birmingham. The lecture will be on the subject of "The History of the Michigan Club of Birmingham."

(Concluded 4 from Page 1) ship Board to approve the filing of an application for CWA funds with which to build a new township hall. The township offices at present are located in the garage, which would go to Bloomfield Hills under the provisions of the proposed settlement.

The Board thus far has failed to approve an application for about \$12,000 for this purpose. Mr. Vaughan said, and although the application has been made out, it would probably be forced to a site for the hall if its construction were approved, Mr. Vaughan said.

(Concluded 2 from Page 1) tempted to sip their bitter drops of ultimate sorrow. The writer made notes of this evening to your fathers and mothers for the protection of the consequences of the liquidation caused by the liquor they received for their money. A friend of the writer, a 17-year-old friend whose mental equilibrium was so shaken by drunkenness that he could not get upstairs; another 16-year-old friend who was trying to overcome his drunken stupor but was wickedly tempted to drink more by an older drinker. And these are only some of the instances in which someone's son was given liquor.

And were these unfortunate destinies from the narrow path of propriety to be seen among the boys alone? No! Boys and girls together sat in circles on the floor, in the midst of the ball room or any place that drank the vile misfortunes that unavoidably follow the use of intoxicating liquors. It is not the use of a bottle that astounds the writer, but the fact that among young men 15 or 16 years after their exodus from the cradle, their judgment has degenerated to the extent that instead of deriving the necessities of life, proteins, fats, vitamins, etc., they now drink to possible immorality and destruction.

In the name of everything that is wholesome and fine, parents act now! The boy who destroys a weed is to "nip it in the bud."

Every step in the world's progress has been made at the expense of effort. What better advancement could be made in this City of Birmingham than the restraint of drunkenness and the betterment of our Community House as a meeting place for your daughters and sons and my sisters and my brother who will soon step into the social set. It is this effort and result that test our mettle and give us that electrifying sensation of achievement.

Let us make the Community House a social haven where character is cultivated. Down with John Barleycorn and his spiteful cohorts for the protection of the stellar qualities of thrill-seeking and wholesome youth.

DAVID CURRY, JR.

(Concluded 3 from Page 1) and all he could see (or miles back were the lugs."

"I suppose you'll tell me now, interrupted by a man, "that the wagon sank in the mud and that it was the beginning of the first great road in the west."

"No, father, just tied the mules to the wagon. The next morning, the day was clear and sunny and there at the front gate stood the load of sand. The sun had struck the harness and pulled the wagon home."

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Earl Patter, 800 Riverchase road. "It seems as though there are almost as many receivers and receivers' assistants as there are banks around the country as there are postal employees."

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"SHOULD LADIES BEHAVE"

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Leslie Bergman, proprietor, Bergman Drug Company: "The CWA must be putting men back to work. Our stock of alarm clocks was practically exhausted immediately after the local CWA machinery started moving."

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Day Of Probation Too Much For Him

William Kerns, 50-year-old gardener (a Bloomfield Hills estate, sits in a County Jail cell today lamenting the haste with which he celebrated Kerns, arrested last August for drunk driving, was fined \$50, which Justice Haskell permitted him to pay in installments at definite intervals.

Unable to keep up the payments, Kerns appeared before the justice Monday morning and was granted probation for a year. Then he went out and celebrated.

Tuesday morning he was brought again before the justice, this time on a charge of being drunk. Leniency exhausted, the court handed Kerns a 60-day jail term.

Tramp—"Kin I cut your grass for a meal, mum?"
Lady of the House—"Yes my poor man. But you needn't bother cutting it; you may eat it right off the ground."—Staley Journal.

To the members of the Birmingham County House Association:
Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Birmingham County House Association will be held at the Birmingham County House, the City of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, Monday, February 2, 1934, at 4 P. M.

HAROLD W. FIFE, President
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BEEF POT ROAST	1 lb	7 ¹ / ₂ c
ROUND or SWISS STEAK	1 lb	15 ¹ / ₂ c
SWISS ROAST	1 lb	12 ¹ / ₂ c
ROASTING CHICKENS	1 lb	25 ¹ / ₂ c

Oysters

Whitefish	1 pint	25c
	1 pound	15c

NOT SPECIAL PRICES, BUT REGULAR EVERY DAY LOW PRICES

Worthmore Chocolate Drops	1 lb	10c
Ajax Soap	Small Size	10 bars 19c
Quaker Maid Beans	1-lb size	2 cans 9c
White House Milk	3 pints	17c
Hershey's Cocoa	or Baker's, 1/2-lb 10c	1-lb can 19c
Tem-ting Asparagus		1 lb can 17c
Bokar Coffee	Vigorous and Winery	1-lb tin 23c
Fine Granulated Sugar		10 lbs 47c
Campbell's Tomato Soup		1 can 7c
Palmolive Soap		3 cakes 14c
Jell-O	or Royal Gelatin Dessert	1 pkg 5c
Navy Beans	Michigan Hand Picked	3 lbs 10c

Waldorf Toilet Tissue	6 rolls	25c
Cheese	American Full Cream	1 lb 15c
Encore Macaroni	or Spaghetti	8-oz pkg 5c
Iona Peaches	Halves in Syrup	large can 15c
Rival Dog Food		3 cans 25c
Del Monte Apricots		large can 19c
Bread	Grandmother's, New Twisted Loaf, 1 1/2-lb loaf	9c
Sparkle Gelatin Dessert		2 pkgs 9c
Red or Kidney Beans	Sultana, 1-lb can	5c
Candy Bars	All 5c Varieties	3 for 10c
Vermont Maid Syrup		1 bot 19c
Camay Soap		3 cakes 13c

FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Celery	Michigan, Well Bleached	stalk 4 ¹ / ₂ c
Carrots	California, Large	bunch 5c
Navel Oranges	Extra Large Size	dozen 37c
New Cabbage	Florida	lb 5c
Florida Oranges		5 lb bag 29c

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