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LANDSCAPING IS DISCUSSED

E. H. Laird, Local Architect, Explains Profession At Rotary Session

Edward H. Laird, local landscape architect, entertained members of the Rotary Club here Monday night at the Community House with an interesting talk on various phases of his profession. Forth S. Hassell presided at the luncheon session and J. Mark Harbin served as the day's program chairman.

In defining landscape architecture, Mr. Laird stated that it is "the art of choosing wisely between practical alternatives in dealing with land and the objects upon it with a view to securing greater enjoyment from the appearance of outdoor surroundings." He pointed out that three classifications of his work include: designing, working and producing the landscape architect serving as the designer, the landscape contractor as the worker and the superintendent as the producer. Mr. Laird pointed out that while training requirements for landscaping work in Michigan and other states do not require any examination to practice the profession. He stated that the bachelor's degree in the work must be augmented by study of soils, drainage, shading and lighting effects, blending and the enjoyment by the client.

Two types of landscaping here include the formal and informal layout, he asserted. A formal arrangement provides for a garden constructed on straight lines, developed strictly from house features while informal or free style arrangement provides for the planting and laying out of the garden in three parts, the front part of the home, the service area and the living section. He said that a recent survey revealed that 90 per cent of all American homes are undeveloped as regards the landscaping.

In conclusion, Mr. Laird brought out the fact that many people have a tendency to match up the exterior appearance of their place themselves without technical knowledge of plants, shrubs or proper arrangement. As a result he stated, experienced help has to be called in within a few years to rearrange the entire layout. In the development of your garden, it is also to call in men trained in the work, he added, pointing out that adding landscape development to your property is one investment that does not depreciate with time but, on the contrary, increases in value. He said that five per cent of the cost of the house could be spent on an improvement of the grounds and still enable the owner to sell his place at a profit.

New Pianist Plays
Mrs. Edith Coryell attended the luncheon as guest of the club and was introduced as the club's pianist. She will provide the music each week for the club songs.

WILL SPEAK HERE



Richard Hadke

Richard Hadke, formerly a director of Rotary International and District Governor of the 4th District, will address the Men's Club of the local Presbyterian Church on Thursday, October 8. His subject will be, "Chemistry and Automobiles."

STATE WHO'S WHO READY NEXT WEEK

Twenty-one Local Persons Included In List Of 3,000

Work on the official "Who's Who in Michigan," a volume unique in the publication history of the state, has been completed and the book will be off the press in a week according to an announcement by the Editor, Herbert S. Case of Munroe. Twenty-one local names are included in the list, and women are included in the list.

The volume will contain approximately 3,000 biographical sketches of the outstanding men and women from all walks of life in the state, according to the contributors to the progress of Michigan.

The editor of the book is also editor and publisher of two Michigan newspapers, a vice president of the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce, and founder of the Northern Sportsman magazine. The Board of Editorial Councilors of "Who's Who in Michigan" is composed of William A. Constock, James E. Davidson, Walter H. Poore, T. Hawley Tappan, E. W. Thompson, and Arthur B. Wood. About 100 other distinguished Michigan citizens have aided in the compilation of the book, including leaders in the fields of science, industry, art, education, etc.

Among those given credit for a place in Michigan's "Who's Who" are as follows:

- George R. Averill, Mrs. Gordon Bailey, Ralph I. Coryell, Rolla J. Coryell, C. W. Candler, Hugo Erickson, William S. Gillworth, Mrs. Perry C. Hill, Hugh W. Hitchcock, Augustus W. Ives, Mrs. W. A. John, Emil E. Keller, W. Lloyd Kemp, Mrs. Angus D. McLary, Mrs. Charlotte H. Ormond, James W. Parry, Mrs. Thomas L. Thurber, C. Theron Van Dusen, Lee A. White, Mrs. Harry L. Winston, John P. Wood.

Evening Services Will Be Resumed

Beginning next Sunday at 7:30 o'clock, the First Presbyterian Church will resume services of evening worship. These services will be held until after Easter, 1937.

At the initial service Mr. Wright will discuss the recent split in the Presbyterian denomination. Several class members of the local minister are leaders in the session from the Church and a discussion from first-hand knowledge will be undertaken.

The second in the series of evening worship will be characterized by the presence of the Reverend R. E. Brady and the chorus choir of the largest Colored Church in Michigan, The Second Baptist (Colored) Church of Detroit has more than two thousand members and three great chorus choirs. The senior group will be present on October 11.

Following these dates Mr. Wright will present a series on "Who's Who in Heaven."

LIBRARY ADDS VALIANT DUST

Mrs. Helen Genung, Local Writer, Is Co-Author Of New Novel

"Valiant Dust" is the new novel authored by Mrs. Helen Genung, a local resident and Mrs. Cary May Hayes of Detroit, is among the right-able books added to the Baldwin Public Library shelves this week, according to Mrs. Aeteline Cooke, librarian.

"Valiant Dust" is the story of the Irish family, Dillon, who in the case of the automobile industry in Michigan. In particular it is the story of Nora Dillon, mother of her children save for Shona, a daughter, who has the misfortune of being married to a man of her mother's class.

Mrs. Genung and Mrs. Hayes have developed the theme of a maternal depot with pathos and vigor. Nora has written an unusually funny report of his sex life but her courage and vitality appeal to the reader.

"Fading Bedouin" or "Adrift in a Trailer" is the title of book by Vincent O'Brien, new book. The author, a former newspaper reporter and critic has written an unusually funny report of his sex life but her courage and vitality appeal to the reader.

Pierce P.-T. A. Holds Initial Meeting

The first meeting of the Pierce Parent-Teachers' Association was held at the school last Thursday evening.

The officers of the association are: President, Mrs. J. H. Tuggee; secretary, Mrs. Howard Tuggee; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Samuelson; membership, Mrs. Melvin Uppinger; hospitality, Mrs. William Morrison; historian, Mrs. Henry Chubb. A social hour was enjoyed by the members after the business session, refreshments being served.

Business Continues To Gain Momentum

Business generally throughout the country moved ahead during the week, according to reports to the Department of Commerce from key cities. There were, however, some bad spots. Lack of crisp weather in a few cities delayed Fall buying and put the breaks on retail trade to a marked degree.

Labels troubles proved another adverse factor in Minneapolis and along the Pacific Coast. In the latter region there was pronounced nervousness in business circles over the possibility of another water-food strike.

For the most part, however, retail trade moved along in goodly fashion showing added momentum from the previous week and a virtual increase in volume as compared with the same period last year. Wholesale trade generally was sluggish. In sections where Summer weather lingered into late September there was a brisk business in millinery while Fall buying and a smattering of holiday trade were in evidence generally. Reports from Florida indicated that the ensuing Fall and Winter season would show a pronounced improvement over last year.

Bill Estimated Figured And Guessed

Bill Cochran guessed best guess in the guessing contest conducted at Shain's Drug Store during the last six weeks. So Bill, your son of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Cochran, 784 Shepherd Road, started guessing the number of beans in the glass jar on display in the window.

At first Bill decided there must be "hundreds of millions" of beans. After a day's meditation he came to the conclusion that there were only about a million. Several additional trips past the jar convinced him that beans took up entirely too much room for their size, so he lowered his estimate to a measly 500,000.

"The way to win that prize really is to tackle this thing scientifically," he said to himself. So, again, Bill stood before the jar. This time he had a bright idea. If you count the number of beans showing vertically by the number across the top that would help.

Bill counted. Bill multiplied. Bill added a few beans for good measure. Then he subtracted a lot of beans for good luck. Finally, Bill marched into the store and plunked down his guess with, "That'll come close to being right."

And close to right it was. When the contest ended the other day, and the beans were counted, it was found that Bill had guessed within 62 beans of the correct number. There were 497 beans in the jar and Bill's estimate was 435. His guess netted him an attractive 62¢.

Mr. Charles J. Shain reported that hundreds entered their guess in the contest which was sponsored by the Quik Ink Company.

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