Every day that comes to you brings with it the opportunity for changing your lot to a better one, no matter how deeply troubled you may be today, tomorrow is your voucher for fewer troubles. You can win and hold more health and happiness any time you WILL to do so. Mere WISHING is no method of getting this voucher.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

A few weeks ago, you who read this column may recall, I published my personal feelings about the making and serving of "sissy sandwiches"; in particular, I referred to the fact that the home economics department of the Baldwin High School, which department was responsible for the sandwiches served at a local evening function of parents and teachers), was aiding and abetting youth to waste a portion of the national abundance. For I held that the sandwiches were too thin and entirely without crust — and that after eating fourteen of them I was hungry still, etc., etc., and so forth.

So, in rebuttal, the home economics dept., (and my spies inform me that it is the handiwork of Eleanor Miller, in charge of that phase of higher learning), presented me last week at the Rotary Club meeting with something that most certainly WAS NOT a "sissy sandwich". It consisted of about an inch and a half of both ends of a loaf of bread, these crusts kept apart like book ends with about a quarter pound bologna, (boloney, to you, Louis C. Hascall, who presented it to me for Miss Miller). The entire week's supply of food was nicely done up in oiled paper and placed in a candy box; snuggled close to the barbarian sandwich was a nice sheet of letter paper, and upon it was printed: "Belated Valentine Greetings from the B. H. S. Home Economics' Class".

Well, so I took the sandwich away with me, completely thrilled over my victory in getting our local High School faculty to recognize the truth that while man may not live by bread alone, there is such a thing as a breadless sandwich when they go "sissy".

(By the way, Miss M Iler, I've often thought, too, that those pies and cakes you bake are wonderfully delicious; no, I didn't say "sissy". Does it really make any difference, anyway what I call 'em—so long as I call for 'em?)

Again the subject of capital punishment in Michigan is being discussed. And again sides will be taken, those for it presenting the emotional argument of "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth", and those against it offering the proof that States now having capital punishment are unable to curb the crimes of murder. This newspaper is opposed to capital punishment, just as it is opposed to war; if capital punishment could be proved as a deterrent to murder, perhaps we might be convinced otherwise. But as yet such evidence is not available. We hope that the discussions which may take place as the subject is being argued in Michigan this year will be free from emotion and maudlin sentiment—from the emotion of pure hatred or the sentiment of what the hard-boiled boys refer to as "sob-sisters".

A Michigan Legislator wants to have an automobile license plate last for the life of the car, instead of renewing them annually. We hope he fails to put his idea across. Nothing spoils the beauty of the modern motor car more than an old and dirty license plate—unless it be the foolishness of a reckless driver.

A Connecticut justice of the peace is issuing cards reading: "This card will entitle one couple to have their marriage ceremony performed in 1937 and pay for it in 1938." But the justice fails to make similar allowances for the payment of the alimony.

"THE TEN BILLION MAN POWER OF THE DEAD"

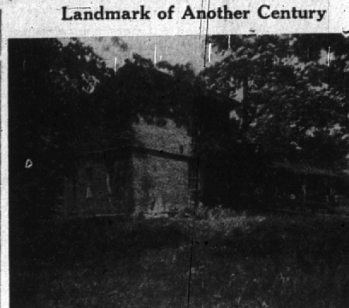
Theyo is living in Berkeley today one of the world's foremost philosophers, Count Alfred Korzybski, of Poland, whose famous work *The Manhood of Humanity* is required reading in many of the advanced schools of this and other countries. One of the stimulating ideas which the engineer-philosopher so strikingly presents is that "the liberty of mankind is this: That today our progress, our only progress, is made because through us flows, and in our work is carried on, conserved and perpetuated "the ten billion man power of the dead". At this weekend, the typewriter upon which this was written, the paper, the presses, the electric current for power and light, the motors and trains that carry this paper to you, are all the vital, useful, available energies and forces that they are because they are the essence, the survival value of the right thinking, the forward looking, the self-forgetful research, the strivings of the scientists who have gone before. We are what we are, we have what we have, because the present moment reveals the "ten billion man power of the dead".

—Garth Cate in "Shining Lines."

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Miss Adeline Cook, Baldwin Public Library: "We find the people of Birmingham to be very good readers, as well as showing excellent taste in their choice of reading materials."

Landmark of Another Century



Above is pictured "The Old Benedict Place," which is occupied now by Clara E. Benedict, daughter of John and Emma Benedict, who purchased the house from Elijah S. Fish in 1857. The house stands on what was formerly an Indian reservation, and is paneled with walnut beams, two and a half inches thick which served as a protection against the arrows of the Indians.

118-Year Old Benedict House Stands On Site Once Used As Indian Reservation

By Jane McClellan

"... a house that has done what a house should do,
A house that has sheltered life,
That has put its loving wooden arms around a man and his wife,
A house that has echoed a baby's laugh,
And held up its stambling feet."
—Joyce Kilmer.

Have you ever passed an apparently empty house and wondered who once lived there? Have you wondered when driving out Wider Woodward, just beyond Lone Pine road, what history lies behind the old brick house that stands in the shadow of its ancient pines? It is an old house, standing alone in the midst of a world that is hurrying by. It is surrounded by evidences of a former generation, as the barns and sheds of another day fall in decay in the back lot.

All that remains now of what was once a fine estate, a landmark to the traveller as he took the railroad north, is the house and one good barn. It was only a few years ago that the old barn, the original meeting place for members of Birmingham's First Presbyterian Church, crumbled and fell to pieces. A pile of dirt and old timber lies in its place now, mute witness to the work of men long dead. The excerpt of Joyce Kilmer's poem, "The House With Nobody In It" was given to us by Clara E. Benedict, youngest daughter of the Benedict family, who living in the house alone, feels that after years of activity, her home has become relatively empty.

The legend of "The Old Benedict Place" takes one back to pioneer days when Wider Woodward was nothing more than an Indian Trail winding lazily up through the hills to Saginaw and the Slope in the back of the house, formerly an Indian reservation, was said to be the site of Chief Pontiac's last stand.

In 1819, when Michigan was still a territory, Elijah S. Fish and his wife were deeded 68 or 70 acres of land by the United States government. The land ran along the Indian trail and was bounded on the north by what is now Long Lake road. Included with the land was an old house that stood on a hill in the back orchard. Fish moved the house down to the ridge overlooking the trail, built the brick facade and lived in it until 1857 when he sold it to John E. Benedict and his father Eri Benedict for $1.25 an acre.

When the Benedicts bought the Fish place they were living in a house just west of the trail, on what is now the front part of the Booth estate. Part of their home served as the postoffice for Bloomfield territory. The Benedicts had come west from Saratoga, New York, to Detroit, but because of ill health moved out to the country.

Marries Ellen Adams

On June 19, 1871 John Benedict married Ellen Celestia Adams of Bingham Road and took her to the new farm to live. Here they raised their children, Hattie, who is now Mrs. Sherman Brody of Silver Lake, Edward, who died in 1931, and Clara. Mr. Benedict died in 1913, and after that Clara, abandoning a promising musical career, returned home to live with her mother, who aging and in ill health, demanded a great deal of time and attention. Mrs. Benedict died in 1931 at the age of 91. On her father's side Miss Benedict is the fifth generation removed from Sir Francis Cook who came to America on the Mayflower.

The men of the Benedict family have always been clever in handiwork. Just behind the stove in the living room is a small trunk made by John Benedict when he was a boy. The trunk is still in good condition and though darkened and mellowed with age and the warmth of the stove, it is used by Miss Benedict to preserve old family keepsakes. There is a small end table made of cherry wood that John's brother Charles made, and on a cabinet in a corner of the kitchen is a box of highly polished wood made for the bride, Ellen Benedict, by Will Benedict, and in which are kept the old arrowtoeytoes of members of the family.

So "The Old Benedict Place" is rich in furnishings as well as in tradition and history. For Miss Benedict has preserved, with devotion and care, the possessions of her grandparents as well as her parents. As one enters the house, through the side entrance and directly into the original kitchen, which has not been greatly changed, the sight of hooks hanging from the ceiling recalls to one's mind stories of the old method of drying meats and fruits. In back of the stove is a large fireplace, once use for cooking as well as for providing heat for the room, flanked on either side by baking ovens, and above the mantel, by small cupboards in which are stored pewters, bells and candle moulds that Miss Benedict remembers her mother using. A spinning wheel, used by her grandmother, Della, is also in the kit-

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HALF-MINUTE INTERVIEWS

Question: Do you favor or oppose the present plan to enlarge the United States Supreme Court?

Charles J. Shain, 813 Pierce: "I am backing President Roosevelt, for I feel that of all the methods that have been suggested to revamp the Supreme Court his is by far the best. If we must have a change I think the plan offered by the President is the one to support."

Mrs. Gordon Bailey, 427 Hamilton: "I am in favor of changing the Supreme Court of the United States. If we have arrived at a time when the chief executive of the United States can control our Supreme Court, which this legislation seems to indicate, we are approaching the monarchial form of government. I am quite satisfied that over the years the Supreme Court composed of nine men has done sufficiently well in insuring us of a continuation of the democratic form of government."

Mrs. W. C. Byers, Tooting Lane: "I am opposed to the new legislation pertaining to our Supreme Court. I do not feel that their decisions will be weakened in any way, for it surely will take ten or fifteen men as long, if not longer, to reach an agreement than it would take nine men. With this legislation a precedent would be set insuring future presidents of our country entirely too much power."

Howard D. Crull, 444 Lincoln: "Personally I am opposed to the President's new legislation concerning the Supreme Court. I feel that enlarging a group tends to make the group unwieldy, detracting from the speed and rightness of decisions they are called upon to make. With this large group there is much less chance for a sympathetic understanding of the problems of the nation. In increasing the number of judges for the Supreme Court, qualifications, must, of necessity, be lowered. Only those supremely capable of carrying on this work should be qualified, for the Supreme Court is the fundamental judicial group of our government."

300 EXPECTED AT FATHER, SON BANQUET HERE

Dr. Ormond Is Toastmaster For Annual Affair Friday Night

The 24th annual community Father and Son banquet, to be held at the Community House tomorrow night starting at 7 p. m., will be featured by an address by Denis Strong, inter-city secretary of the Detroit Y. M. C. A., movies for boys under 1 0years of age, imitations of wild life calls and sounds, and songs by a male quartette, composed of local men, Dr. John K. Ormond, President of the local "Y" organization, and general chairman of the program, will serve as toastmaster for the event.

Rev. John E. Martin, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, will deliver the invocation to start the annual affair. Dinner will then be served an estimated throng of dads and sons, 300 strong, during which community singing will be led by Floyd Franklin with Wilson Jenkin at the piano.

A particular feature of this year's banquet will be the exhibition of bird and animal calls and imitations, given by Walter Nicklolls, of the Cranbrook Science Institute, and Harold Jones, Barnum School student. Immediately following this part of the program the male quartette composed of Floyd Franklin, Young C. Smith, Walter Moreland and Emmerson Brown, will sing a number of popular songs.

'Movies' For Youngsters

Merlyn Smiley, as director of the motion pictures arranged for younger boys, will entertain his charges in the Boy Scout room while Mr. Strong delivers his address on, "Fathers and Sons". The principal speaker is a past president of the Michigan State PTA council.

The evening's program will close with the entire assembly singing "America". It is expected that the entire program will be presented within two hours.

Norman Grubbs is chairman of the music committee while General Chairman Martin is the ticket committee. In addition, Robert Lynd, local "Y" secretary, F. Morse Cooke, James Dalley, J. C. Smith, W. C. Moody and Dr. Ormond will assist in handling tickets. Mr. Lynd also is working with Dr. Ormond an arrangements.

Tickets for the event are on sale at Shain's and Wilson's Drug Stores, and at Peck's and the Community House.

BOWLS 687 TOTAL TO TOP TOURNEY

Wife of Local Recreation Proprietor Nears 712 World's Record

Coming within 25 points of the highest score ever posted by a woman bowler, Mrs. Betty Chapman, wife of Russell Chapman, proprietor of the Birmingham Recreation, posted a 687 total for a three game series in the women's city tournament Sunday at the Vernor-Livernois Recreation alleys, Detroit.

Mrs. Chapman, who has been knocking down pins for only six years, rolled individual games of 232, 222, and 233 for her total score of 687. Perfect score in an individual bowling game is 300. The world's record for women is held by Miss Marie Clements, of Chicago, who posted a 712 series score in 1934.

A former state champion, Mrs. Chapman bowled 546 in the city tournament series the past Saturday, following it up with a 561 count in the doubles. For nine games she has an average of only 6 pins under 200. Her singles total is certain to stand throughout the present tournament and her all-events total looks almost as good.

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Birmingham Post 2645 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will sponsor a bake sale at Stroups Market, Saturday, Feb. 27.

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Thursday, March 4, students of Baldwin High School will present a play in the school auditorium. Rehearsals for the three act comedy are being held daily.

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In the recent winter-term class elections at Michigan State College, Barbara Sears was elected secretary of the freshman class. Barbara will be one of two representatives of the class on the Associated Women Student's Council.

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Friday evening, Feb. 26, at 7:30 P. M. members of the Missionary Society of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Southfield will hold a special temperance program to which the public has been invited. No admission will be charged.

The program will be in charge of the president of the No-Tobacco League of America, Reed O. Brigham, a practising physician of Toledo, Ohio. He will show stereopticon pictures in addition to speaking on intemperance. A play entitled, "The Price of Liquor Revenue" will be presented to supplement the program.

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The trip to the Detroit News Radio Matinee sponsored by the Sunshine Group of the Building The Methodist Church will start from the church at 12:45 P. M. tomorrow afternoon. All having tickets for this trip and desiring transportation will meet at the church before the time set for leaving. A few tickets are still available and may be reserved by calling 1656.

Nearly 300 Enjoy Varied Musical Program Presented By Orpheus Club Tuesday Eve

By MARJORIE ELAINE PORTER

For the second time in recent years, the Orpheus Club of Detroit came to Birmingham Tuesday evening when they presented a program at the Community House under auspices of the Birmingham Musicale. Many music lovers will recall their previous appearance here in 1931, and the memorable program they offered.

Their performance Tuesday evening was all that could be anticipated in the light of their reputation in choral work. Charles Frederic Morse directed the program.

The opening number, "A Prayer of Thanksgiving" a Dutch folk song, won appreciation of the audience that filled the auditorium and lounge. The harmony of masculine voices blending richly in the strains of a hymn, is always inspiring, and the Orpheus Club did not fail to move those listening to the beauty of the fine old Dutch prayer, as they interpreted it.

The first of the six groups of songs included in the program, were "Brothers, Sing On!" by Grieg, "Villanela" a spirited song by Orlando Di Lasso, and the famous old English Hunting Song, "John Peel." The latter song is more generally known than the two others in the group, and its appeal is unfailing.

A. C. Cooper, baritone soloist, was heard in two numbers in the second group, "Feldeinsamkeit" by Brahms, and "Zueignung" by Strauss. His voice, though somewhat lacking in strength and power, was rich in melody and expression.

The third group comprised five part songs by Edward Elgar, with words from the Greek Anthology. They were varied in their musical message and appeal. The first was "Yea, cast me from heights of the mountains." "Whither I find thee, "After many a dusty mile," "It's oh! to be a wild wind" and "Feasting I Watch."

Following the intermission, the club was heard in another group which won hearty applause from the audience. So enthusiastic was the applause at the conclusion of this group, that the singers responded with a moving interpretation of Brahms "Cradle Song." The first of the four numbers included was "Suomi's Song" by Franz Mair, "Serenade" by Josef Haydn, "The Broken Melody" by Jean Sibelius, and "War Song" by Edward McDowell.

An encore was called for again following three solo numbers by Harry Friesema, tenor. Mr. Friesema sang, "Nina" by Pergolesi, the inspiring "Wherefor You Walk" by Handel, and the more popular "Hills of Home" by Oscar Fox. Mr. Friesema's voice is particularly pleasing, and capable of fine shading. He sang the Handel number with dramatic effection, and restraint in keeping with the dignity of the theme. His interpretation of "The Hills of Home" struck a sympathetic chord in the audience shown by the enthusiasm of applause. He responded with an encore, "Where My Caravan Has Rested."

The concluding group of the program was composed of the lovely "Rapturous Hour" by Reynolds Hahn, "O Heart of Mine" by H. Clough Leighter, the familiar old Negro melody, "Deep River," arranged by H. T. Burleigh, and the "Sword of Ferrara" by Frederic Field Bullard.

Many of the songs were sung without the piano, but so clear and harmonious was the performance, that one was hardly aware of the lack of accompaniment. The entire concert was an inspiration, and gratified expectations prompted by the memory of the other performance here.

SERVICE IS HELD FOR DR. HAWKINS

Well Known Former Detroit Physician Dies Here Sunday Morning

Funeral services for Dr. Harriet L. Hawkins, of 859 Reddington Road, widely known as a former Detroit physician, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from St. James Episcopal Church with Rev. Warner L. Forsyth officiating. The remains were taken to Ypsilanti for burial in Highland Cemetery. Dr. Hawkins died at her home Sunday morning.

Dr. Hawkins was born in Ypsilanti. She graduated from the University of Michigan medical school in 1898. Following the completion of her collegiate studies she established offices in Detroit, practicing her profession there until 1926, when she retired from active work.

She was a member of Alpha Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Iota, the American Medical Association, the Wayne County and Blackwell Medical Associations. Surviving is a brother, Bernard F. Hawkins, of Youngstown, O.

Have You Met?

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott S. Kinney, who have moved to Birmingham recently from Highland Park to make their home at 359 South Adams road. They are both parents of one child, Barbara, aged six.

Mr. Kinney, who is connected with Snyder, Buck and Bennett, local real estate agency, is a native of Bay City, Michigan, while Mrs. Kinney is a Canadian by birth.

Moving to Birmingham because of Mr. Kinney's business connections, Mrs. Kinney is more than pleased with living here, and finds Birmingham a splendid place for Barbara.

DODDS WITHDRAWS HIS NAME AS CANDIDATE

Bruce Dodds, 384 Puritan, announced this week that he was not a candidate for the city commission despite the fact that a number of his friends had circulated nominating petitions seeking to place him on the list of eligible candidates for office. Mr. Dodds pointed out that he had not signified, in any way, his intention of running for municipal office. The petition, naming him as a potential candidate, was taken out at the city clerk's office nearly two weeks ago.

A. S. A. PRESIDENT

Harry Allen

Former mayor of this city, Harry Allen, 556 W. Maple, was elected to head the newly formed American System Advocates at a meeting in the municipal building, Monday evening. Mr. Allen will address a mass meeting in the Community House, Mar. 1, at 8 p. m. on the subject, "Hands Off the Supreme Court."

PARTY PROCEEDS FOR FLOOD AREA

VFW Dinner Dance Friday At Community House Well Attended

A large number of local and out of town members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars were present at the anniversary dinner dance, held at the Community House Friday evening.

Mrs. R. K. Lewis, general chairman of the party, stated that she was well pleased with the turn out for the affair and that the entire proceeds derived will be turned over to aid in relief work in the flood area.

R. J. Vandenburg served as toastmaster for the occasion, introducing several department officers of the organization in addition to Mayor John E. Maartz and Fire Chief Vern Griffith.

Mayor Martz addressed the diners briefly, referring to the work accomplished by the veterans in this community and the cooperation they have always given in civic enterprizes. Following, an interesting entertainment program was presented by the Dalis Art Studio of Wyandotte.

Junior Vets To Meet

Junior Veterans of the local VFW will hold a meeting in the Knights of Pythias Hall in the Birmingham Theatre Building Friday evening at 7 p. m. About 21 boys, sons of veterans, have enrolled in the newly formed group as charter members. Ray Spencer is in charge of the youth's activities and he is largely responsible for the junior organization getting under way here.

18 Women Enroll In Physical Ed. Class

Approximately 18 women of Birmingham were present Monday morning, Feb. 22, at the initial meeting of the Physical Education class that is sponsored for their benefit by the Community House.

The meeting, held at the House, was directed to a lecture by Ilene Muir, instructor, on the clothing required for the course, enrollment and payment of fees.

The class will meet each Monday morning for twelve weeks for instruction in various forms of exercises by Miss Muir, who is Junior Women's director of the Highland Park branch of the Y. W. C. A.

CAR STOLEN HERE ON MONDAY IS RECOVERED

The car belonging to Mrs. Charles Johnson, 987 Argyle street, Pontiac, reported stolen here sometime Sunday evening between 8:30 and 10 p. m. was recovered by Detroit Police, Monday, Feb. 22 at 1:35 p. m.

The car had been left in the Theatre Parking lot.

Police report five minor accidents happening in Birmingham over the weekend, none of which resulted in injury to the occupants. Damage was involved in the collisions was slight.

PETITIONS FOR A. J. KANE, W. C. ALLEE CIRCULATED

Two new petitions for nomination to office as city commissioner were taken out at City Clerk Irene Hanley's office in past five days. Saturday a petition was placed in circulation for Arthur J. Kane, present member of the board whose term expires this april. The other petition was circulated for William Coit Allee, prominent Detroit Attorney and local resident.

For as little as 25 cents you may insert a CLASSIFIED AD in the columns of The Eccentric. Try one when you want to buy, sell, trade, hire help or sell cow, or for hiring a maid. Telephone 11 before Wednesday noon each week. —(Adv.)

WORK IN RESEARCH FIELD EXPLAINED

G. M. Executive Is Speaker At Exchange Club Meet Tuesday

In a humorous but informative address before members of the Exchange Club Tuesday noon in the Community House, Henry G. Weaver, head of the General Motor's customer research staff, Detroit, told his listeners that the GM research bureau uses the formula of finding out what people want and using more of it, and finding out what they don't want and using less of it. Dr. John P. Wood, president, was in charge of the session with Dr. Kenneth Stolpman serving as program chairman for the day.

Mr. Weaver asserted, in his discussion of, "The Human Side of Customer Research," that to his knowledge no other large corporation resorts to the large scale customer research that General Motors employs. He said that in sending out questionnaires legal text books were frequently referred to for aid in phrasing questions.

In summing up customer research activity, Mr. Weaver stated that it is paramount to serve the customer in the way the customer wants to be served. Points under this heading, he said, include: (1) finding out, by asking, what the customer wants; (2) Building the product the way he wants it, (consent, of course, with sound engineering; (3) Describing the product or service in the same language that the customer uses in expressing his wants; (4) Synchronizing sales and service procedures with customer psychology and buying habits.

In concluding his talk, Mr. Weaver said that, in his judgment, future progress in merchandising efficiency depends on the gathering, interpretation and utilization of pertinent facts concerning customers' habits and influences.

LOAN ASSOCIATION IS EXEMPT FROM S. S. ACT

The Birmingham Federal Savings and Loan Association and its employes are exempt from the Social Security Act, according to advice received by the Association yesterday from the Federal Home Loan Bank Board in Washington, D. C.

Exemption from Social Security taxes is based on the fact that the Birmingham Federal Savings and Loan Association is an "instrumentality" of the United States Government, because of its membership in the Federal Home Loan Bank System. The report from Washington said a ruling of Guy T. Helvering, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, on the status of unit members of the System, explained the exemption.

NON-PARTISAN A.S.A. GROUP TO BUCK 'PACKING'

Harry Allen Chosen Leader Of Organization At Session Monday

Sounding the tocsins of war, a non-partisan group of 35 local residents, organized to prevent "packing" of the United States Supreme Court, and other constitutional infringements, met in the commission room of the municipal building Monday night, selected the name of American System Advocates, elected officers, and outlined various provisions which the group will incorporate in the organization's by-laws.

Harry Allen, prominent Detroit lawyer and former mayor of this city, was unanimously chosen to head the new organization. He will speak on the points advocated by the group at a mass meeting scheduled for Monday evening at 8 p. m. in the Community House, which will be presented to the United States Supreme Court or to dominate or control any federal court; to defeat any attempt by Congress or the executive to usurp these rights and privileges reserved to the states and the people by the constitution, except for the orderly changes provided therein.

Membership pledge, as adopted, proves (1) I believe in the Constitution of the United States of America as now written and amended, including the liberties guaranteed therein; (2) I believe in government by law and not by men (3) I pledge myself to do all in my power to support these principles to the end that constitutional Democracy may be sustained and continued in my country. A small membership fee was established at the meeting.

The meeting Monday evening was the outgrowth of a session the past week, at which time it was decided to send telegrams to Congressmen representing this district and state, urging them to protest "packing" the supreme court. Seventy six signatures were obtained and the message was dispatched the past Thursday.

T. H. Millington presided at the organization meeting Monday with Fletcher Renton, of Royal Oak, assisting in drafting the by-laws. Officers elected to head the American System Advocates, in addition to President Harry Allen, were F. L. Dunn, vice president; T. H. Millington, secretary; and K. B. Olson, treasurer. The officers will serve as directors and a council of ten sponsors will be selected to hold office for one year. With the officers, they are to be made up of Democratic and Republican members in an equal ratio.

HEALTH DIRECTOR TO SPEAK MONDAY

Dr. R. W. Kelso Will Discuss Child Welfare Work In State

Monday evening, March 8, at 8 p.m. residents of Birmingham will have an opportunity to learn of the type of work that is being done in this state for needy children, in an open meeting sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

Dr. Robert W. Kelso, director of the Institute of Health, and Social Sciences in the new University of Michigan graduate school of Detroit, will speak on "The State of Child Welfare in Michigan." Dr Kelso, who spoke here in December before the members of the Rotary Club, has devoted his life to the study of social work, having been connected with the Boston Council of Social Agencies, as well as serving as commissioner of public welfare in Massachusetts. During a three year period he worked as a field representative for Harry L. Hopkins, Federal Emergency Relief Administrator.

Working on the committee for the success of this meeting, for which no admission fee will be charged, are Mrs. John K. Ormand, Mrs. Angus McLay and Mrs. H. H. Corson.

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