

REPORTS GAIN LIVE CAMPAIGN

Total of 214 Subscriptions Brings Funds Nearer Goal Set

With a total of 214 subscriptions representing \$1898.00, the "Y" campaign is moving forward toward its objective set at \$4250, according to Young C. Smith, chairman of the committee.

The response from interested persons has been most encouraging. Mr. Smith said, "and it gives me belief that, if every worker who has volunteered to help in this campaign, will make an extra effort to see his prospect, our goal may yet be reached."

One of the "Y" projects sponsored by Dr. John K. Ormond, president, is the establishment of a center in the southern area of the city for the youth of that section. Additional funds are necessary to accomplish this objective.

Among other activities sponsored by the "Y" are an outlet for Birmingham youth in the Basketball League. All young men interested are invited by Robert D. Lynd, general secretary, to attend the League organization meeting in the office of the Community House this evening at 8 p.m.

Birmingham "Y" workers will be interested in the approaching State Older Boys Conference to be held in Battle Creek, Friday, Nov. 26. Among the present-day questions to be discussed are "What Are the Hindrances to Worthy Citizenship in High School Life Today?"

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History Of Mississippi Written In Verse By Birmingham Poet, Now Grandmother

With several hundred poems to her credit, a Birmingham grandmother has set herself the task of compiling them in a publication. She Mrs. Effie Alger Allen, who spends the greater part of her time in Birmingham with her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. F. Ingram of Yorkshire road.

Mrs. Allen began her career as a poet at the age of four, when she sang her own jingles instead of nursery rhymes. The first of her life work was that of a teacher, she has made poetry her avocation, writing on inspiration. She has contributed poetry to newspapers and magazines for many years.

To crown her achievements in life, Mrs. Allen has decided to collect her poems in two volumes, which she plans to submit for early publication. The first of these, "These Twelve," containing a selected group of poems which have appeared previously in national publications. The other, which will follow, will chronicle the romantic events of her life history of the Mississippi River.

Mrs. Allen's life has been filled with a variety of incidents which probably accounts for her wide range of appeal in versification.

From the position of a critic teacher and instructor of method at the State Normal School in Oregon, where her husband was principal of the training school, Mrs. Allen turned her interests to writing, when her husband decided to try out some of his plans for living as a gentleman farmer, and purchased a large farm in Wisconsin, her opportunity came.

In the quiet of rural life, Mrs. Allen developed much of her time to study, and it was during this period, that she added considerable to her poetic writings. Through her readings, she became interested during these years, in the lore of the Mississippi River, and was inspired to write the volume she is now engaged in compiling. For her title, Mrs. Allen has chosen "These Twelve," which she begins with the scene of the river her husband decided to man, then comes the first Red Man, "DeSoto Sees The River," is the third poem, and from that follows the whole romantic history.

Mrs. Allen's poetry is expressive of many emotions, and reveals a quiet mood, deep appreciation of natural beauty. In the smaller collection of verse entitled "These Twelve," is a short poem, which exemplifies this phase of her art. The title is "Autumn." It follows:

Hush! The autumn comes with still shears and stealthy,
Sneaks into the basket the daylight's pendant hours,
Veils itself with shaded tints of purple cloud-fog,
Pins a latticed moment with gold and purple flowers.
Hark! Keen ears may hear the tearing of old textures,
Trusty woodland sentinels, below, on high,
Build watch-fires of orange, red and yellow flame-stuff,
Running up the hillside, flaring to the sky.
Now the autumn stems the wrack of summer's petals,
Breves a cup that steams a pungence of its own,
Picks the rusty lock on many a woodland cupboard,
Paints with blood and amber many a woodland stone.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—
Mr. J. B. Gay, of Sullied road. The spelling as taught in the public schools today is, in my estimation, pretty terrible. I cannot help but believe that youngsters who seek adult success in life without a good knowledge of how to spell are definitely under a handicap.

IT CAN HAPPEN HERE! SAYS MAN WHO SAW REVOLT

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government was bound to result in terrifying and terrible conditions.

Anarchy Prevails.
"As soon as the people discovered themselves free, they began to revolt. At first they fought for the cheaper tickets, but they fought to get into first class, railing and cursing. Finally they would climb aboard trains without tickets, and if the conductor sought to collect from them, they would kick or just dump him from the train. I well remember a conversation between two men on a train, one of whom was explaining that 'we just threw the conductor off the train because he tried to make us pay.'

"The mobs, prevented for years from enjoying good opera and theaters, started rioting first, by buying the cheapest tickets and demanding the best seats, then by not wanting to pay for them. In St. Petersburg when it was filled with the common people, half of them were soldiers with their rifles across their knees, bayonets still attached. The opera was a disaster. Finally they used force, and the common people were unable to appreciate it. Soon most of them were asleep in the warm auditorium, the sound of snoring called the opera itself.

Everybody Gets Drunk.
"Take the case of the vodka and wine warehouses as a typical illustration of a mob gone wild." Mr. Linnich said. "The government of the mob would collect before such a warehouse, which had been sealed by the government, and during the war prohibition had been enforced in Russia. Soon the mob started to break in, and the mob would break in for the liquor; soon all would be drunk. Then a detachment of the nearest police officers called out for local police enforcement had been abandoned—and the soldiers would drive the citizens out of the warehouse.

"As soon as they could, the soldiers would get into a second detachment of them would come to eject the first; then the first would get into a third, and a third summoned—and so it went until the liquor was gone. The famine and pestilence soon visited the populace. Many times I have seen starved and emaciated men and women, boys and girls, fall in their tracks as they walked along the streets. You might think that starving people are always ready to fight for food; yet for the first two or three days they are willing to fight—but after that they will accept their fate and go around just like so many ghosts, completely unable to do anything but stare at the ground. The year of the revolution more than twenty millions of people died of starvation.

"And so went the revolution—history repeating itself; human beings annihilating themselves in the midst of suspended law and order. Of course, since those days Russia has advanced, and will continue to do so. The revolution was brought on by two classes of people—two classes that live in all countries, even in the United States; they are the ultra-conservatives, who won't subscribe to any change, and the ultra-radicals, who want to change everything quickly. Unable to find a middle ground in Russia, the revolution was inevitable.

"It is my great hope that in America we may find the middle ground, and settle things in a peaceful manner.
"But the important thought I seek to put over with you today is, concluded the speaker, "is simply this: a revolution is inescapable in any country where the deep differences between great groups of people are not settled in the spirit of compromise. Russia failed to see the handwriting on the wall; and the revolution descended upon the whole nation without any warning and clamorous warfare. The same situation has since come to other nations.
"I am one who believes that eternal vigilance is the price of peace, and wherever I speak in any adopted and the United States, I plead for the adoption of methods that will prevent our people from going through the terrible experience of a violent revolution.

MRS. LILLIAN SILVERTHORN. Funeral services were held Saturday at 11 a. m. at St. O. Wylie Bell funeral home, for Lillian Wright Silverthorn, 60, of 812 Elm, who died at St. O. Wylie Bell hospital, Nov. 4, at 3:20 p. m. in Sunnybrook Hospital, where she had been for two days, with lobar pneumonia.

Burial was in Cass City at 11:30 a. m. Monday. The Rev. W. L. Moulton, of the Ferndale Methodist church, officiated at the service.
She is survived by her husband, Harold W. Silverthorn, and her daughter, Mrs. Gerald O. Elmore of Troy. She was the sister of Arthur Wright and Mrs. Benjamin Wright, of Birmingham; Mrs. W. Wright, Caro; Mrs. Minnie W. Wright, Mrs. James Cooper, Detroit; Mrs. Benjamin D'Arcy, Almont; Mrs. William Hale, Law; and Mrs. Oscar Bishop, of Reed.

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WE HEARD IT SAID BY— Miss Helen Swanson, chairman of the Teachers' Club benefit bridge.

"We want to thank all the people in Birmingham who attended the bridge party given by the Teachers' Club. Our net profits were \$250.00, which is an increase over every other such affair. We will use the money to buy shoes and gloves for the children of needy parents.

ARRESTS HERE RISE IN MONTH

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and 11 simple larceny were reported. Of the latter, three were cleared by arrest and goods stolen in three others were recovered. One robbery was reported by the Quanton Filling Station.
Seven persons were injured in 18 traffic accidents during the month. Police answered 164 calls, investigated 60 complaints, and watched 27 homes in the absence of owners. A total of 17 men were given lodgings at the city jail, and eight persons were bitten by dogs. Four juvenile arrests were made on charges of larceny.

Three youths, William Owen, William Vikys and Vincent Bauer, each 18 years old, and all of Detroit, were arrested by Detroit police, who charged them with breaking and entering the Quanton Filling Station on Nov. 2. According to a statement made by Detective Ed Moody, the boys confessed to breaking into several filling stations in Oakland County. A greater portion of the property taken from the Quanton station has been returned.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said court, held at Detroit, Michigan, on the 25th day of October, A. D. 1937.

James H. Lynch, Attorney for Plaintiff, vs. James H. Lynch, Defendant.
The Matter of the Estate of Harry R. Conley, Deceased.
Maud H. Conley, executrix of the said estate, having filed in said court her petition for appointment as executrix, and the examination and allowance thereof, determination of the heirs of said estate, and the discharge of said executrix, it is Ordered, that the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1937, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three consecutive weeks previous to said day of hearing, by the Birmingham Eclectic, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.
JAMES H. LYNCH, Judge of Probate.

A True Copy.
FLORENCE DUTY, Probate Register.
JAMES H. LYNCH, Attorney for Plaintiff, 19 Taylor Block Bldg., Pontiac, Michigan.

WILL ENFORCE PARKING RULES MORE STRICTLY

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to maintain suitable parking facilities. Therefore, in behalf of everybody concerned, it asks that the parking regulations be observed."

Will Levy Fines.
According to the local parking ordinance, a fine of one dollar for the first violation will be levied, two dollars for the second, and third and subsequent violations will be tried in the local Justice Court.

At a recent meeting of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, of which Chief Harrett is secretary, the following "Resolution on Ticket Fixing" was passed:

WHEREAS: The improper adjustment of violation complaint notices or so-called "fixing" of tickets served upon traffic violators is deterrent upon progress in the solution of the traffic problem, and
WHEREAS: Such practice tends to nullify the work of the police in the traffic regulation and safety field, and
WHEREAS: Ticket fixing brings disrepute for traffic laws and if traffic tragedies are ever to be reduced to a minimum all violators must be required to pay the penalty.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That it is the consensus of opinion of this Association that educational measures be pursued in the endeavor to reduce, do away with and in time eliminate altogether the practice, so-called, of fixing tickets in those violations in which speeding, reckless driving, failing to make required stops and in making improper turns.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said court, held at Detroit, Michigan, on the 1st day of November, A. D. 1937.

James H. Lynch, Attorney for Plaintiff, vs. James H. Lynch, Defendant.
The Matter of the Estate of Thomas Bell, Deceased.
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