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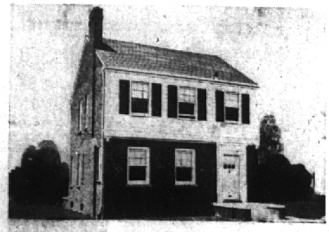

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LIBRARY LOANS 340 BOOKS DAILY SINCE BEGINNING OF JULY

Since the first of July the number of books that the local public has taken out amounts to a daily average of 340, an indication that the residents of Birmingham have undertaken a great deal of literary advancement during these summer months.

Included in the list of new books are ones that go back in subject matter from the years before the Civil War right down to the present day, with an account of the actual inside workings of Federal relief.

Fanny Kemble, a Passionate Victorian, by Margaret Armstrong. A biographical story of a girl who, by an unusual twist of fate, succeeded in becoming one of the favorite actresses of London. Written with a humor, a warmth, and a spirit that makes Fanny seem real, this book is a true story with real persons; it contains no imaginary characters, conversations, or events.

Paris to the Life, by Paul Morand and Doris Spiegel. Well known for his **New York** and **London,** Paul Morand takes one back to the Paris after 1929, recalling scenes one has never seen but may some day. Doris Spiegel, an artist with great originality and an understanding of life, found a wealth of material for her facile pencil here in Paris. She succeeded in a most remarkable way in capturing the French atmosphere in her sketchings of French types, full of character and humor, and notable for their simplicity.

Concord in Jeopardy, by Doris Leslie. A story of a man whose life is a conflict of emotions and the fight between his material and spiritual self. An artist dominated by his mother until he turns to the greater domination of a girl whom he marries, he becomes very popular in England and accumulates a lot of money as an artist in black and white. England and Florence are the settings for this tale and shows Concord as he grows from adolescence to maturity through significant years and events—from the English Dock Strike of 1889 to the World War.

We Too Are the People, by Louise V. Armstrong. An Administrator of the F. E. R. A. for three years, Mrs. Armstrong has written this book which is a record of her work, but more important it is a story of the people work rescued. In it may be found some simple stories of unfortunate men and women unable to cope with the world; the bulk of it deals with strange people, fantastic and terrible people, who have been headed back from degradation and even from lapses into barbarism. Many readers will be shocked and surprised that such a book could be written about the United States. Besides the compelling human interest of this book, it displays a kind of relief work by the government that is hard to attack.

Prelude for War, by Leslie Charteris. In this, a full-length novel of the latest adventure in the brilliant career of Simon Templar, the author has written his best Saint story to date. It is by accident that the Saint discovers that a group of munition manufacturers are planning to involve the French in a civil war. And once aware of this scheme, the Saint sets about ruining the plot. His own life was in jeopardy and he faced the greatest risks he was ever forced to take before he encountered any success. With the ingenuity that only such as the Saint possessed, he was able eventually to obtain the papers that prevented the munition makers from plunging France into a Fascist revolution.

'Phone Co. Protests Order To Cut Rates

On June 27, 1938, the Michigan Public Utilities Commission ordered the Michigan Bell Telephone Company to reduce its intrastate toll message rates to the same rate level charged and established for interstate telephone calls.

Up to the present time this Company and the Public Utilities Commission have proceeded upon the theory that the rate schedules for the two types of services should be separately determined from the circumstances and costs relating to each. Apparently the Commission now proposes to abolish this distinction. The principle involved is one of fundamental importance to the Company, and in the long run to its subscribers.

The Company holds that the Commission's view is incorrect and should be submitted to judicial examination. Accordingly, it will be appealed to the Ingham County Circuit Court.

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HEADS PONTIAC LECTURE SERIES

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Mr. Moule this week announced the fall-winter series for Birmingham's neighboring City.

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Announcement is made this week of numbers for the 1938-39 Civic Lecture course at Pontiac, sponsored jointly by the University of Michigan Alumni Club and the Pontiac Board of Commerce. Eight lectures will be given, by men and women outstanding in their fields, and as in past years it is anticipated that a number of residents of Birmingham and other towns of the county will attend.

While the course is run close to cost, any profit that is realized is placed in the Michigan Alumni funds for scholarships to which graduates of any high school in the county are eligible.

Announcement of the 1938-39 course is made by Maurice M. Moule, president of the Michigan Alumni club, and lecture course chairman.

Numbers on the coming winter's course, and their dates are as follows:

Oct. 18—John T. Flynn, economist, speaking on business outlook.

Nov. 8—Elissa Landi, stage and screen actress, "The role of the audience in the theater."

Nov. 23—William Lyon Phelps, "The Art of Living."

Dec. 6—Capt. John D. Craig, deep sea diver, "Adventure is my business."

Jan. 3—Dorothy Fuldheim and Abram L. Sachar, symposium on present day social trends, "Mistakes of Yesterday."

Jan. 17—Capt. C. W. R. Knight, naturalist, illustrated lecture.

Jan. 31—Dr. Gerhard Schacher, London journalist, on international problems in Europe.

Feb. 28—John Mason Brown, New York dramatic critic, "Broadway in Review."

A capacity audience has marked previous lecture course numbers in the Pontiac High School, and to accommodate those who desire advanced reservations, these will be accepted later in the summer at the Pontiac Board of Commerce, starting on a date to be announced soon.

Attache To Speak On Netherlands

W. K. von Weiler, attache to the Netherland's consul, William G. Bryant, in Detroit, will give a program on the Netherlands over station WEXL in Royal Oak on Monday, July 11, at 10:15 p. m. This same program will be given afterward in Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids. His daughter, Flora von Weiler, will play music from Holland collected by Mr. von Weiler on his recent trip there.

Mr. von Weiler, of 4253 Cooper Avenue, Royal Oak, returned in April from Holland, where he spent several months gathering material for his broadcast, and studying the political, economical and educational aspects of the modern Netherlands. He is extremely interested in the proposed Netherlands Museum in Holland, Michigan, and is collecting objects of art that have to do with the colonization of western Michigan by the Hollanders. The plan for the new building there is in pure Netherland style, designed by a noted Amsterdam authority. It will also house the City Library.

SUPREME COURT PETITIONS FILED FOR NOV. BALLOT

Lansing: An opportunity for the people of Michigan to vote on whether they want to take the State Supreme Court out of politics at the general election November 8, seemed assured when R. Wayne Newton, Secretary of the Supreme Court Amendment Committee, filed petitions estimated to contain the signatures of 260,000 voters with Secretary of State Leon D. Case, today. Thousands of additional signatures are being received daily and a supplemental filing is planned before the final filing date.

The proposed amendment was drafted by a committee of the State Bar of Michigan and is sponsored by a state-wide nonpartisan committee headed by John W. Miner of Jackson, George E. Brand of Detroit, President of the State Bar, was in active charge of the petition campaign.

"Credit for the excellent response to our petition campaign must be accorded the many State-wide and local organizations who have assisted us by endorsement of the amendment or by making available their lists of officers or members for our direct solicitation of support," Newton said.

The assisting organizations were: Michigan Bankers Association; Michigan Building & Loan League; Michigan Federation of Women's Clubs; Michigan Real Estate Association; Michigan Retail Lumber Dealers Association; Michigan Retail Dry Goods Dealers Association; Michigan Retail Hardware Association; Michigan State Bar; Michigan State Grange; Michigan State Farm Bureau; Michigan Funeral Directors & Embalmers Association; Michigan Retail Furniture Association; Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants; Michigan Farm Equipment Association; Michigan State Pharmaceutical Association; Michigan State Medical Society; Michigan State Chamber of Commerce; State Association of Mutual Insurance Companies; Michigan District of International Kiawanis.

In the City of Detroit the Wayne County Medical Society, the Detroit Board of Commerce, officers of the Detroit Citizens League, and the Wayne County Road Commission also rendered valuable service.

Officers and members of the statewide non-partisan committee consist of Mr. Miner, N. P. Hull, Lansing, George R. Averill, Birmingham, Glenn H. Braamble, Lansing, Frank D. Eamon, Detroit, Mrs. Maurice R. Keyworth, Hamtramck, Frank A. Picard, Saginaw, and Clarence J. Reid, Avoca.

Angna Enters On Town Hall Roster

Angna Enters will close the Detroit Town Hall season for 1938-1939 in the Fisher Theatre, it has been announced by Kathleen Snow Stringer, director.

Actress, mime, satirist, Angna Enters has created an art of her own. In "The Theatre of Angna Enters," she will present a varied program of "episodes." Miss Enters designs her own costumes, composes the music for a number of sketches. Her book, "First Person Plural," has been one of the best sellers of recent months.

The series of 20 Wednesday mornings at 11 o'clock opens Oct. 12 with the Ballet Caravan. Three one-act ballets, "Yankee Clipper," "Filling Station" and "Promenade," much-talked of in New York, will be seen for the first time in Detroit.

Among the world celebrities who will speak during the season are Frank Lloyd Wright, architect; Elsa Maxwell, international social leader; Stefan Zweig, European biographer; William Lyon Phelps, literary critic; Jim Tully, writer on Hollywood; Vicki Baum, glamorous Viennese writer; the University of Chicago Round Table, Capt. John D. Craig, deep-sea diver; and Capt. C. W. R. Knight, "eagle man"; both with new moving pictures. The Eva Jessye Choir, from the colored opera "Porgy and Bess," will sing.

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PARK IN SOUTH AREA PROBABLE

Action on the proposed new park in the vicinity of Emmons and Cummings avenues in the southern portion of Birmingham was postponed by the City Commission Monday night until City Manager Donald C. Egbert had written the Leinbach-Humphrey Co., subdividers of the proposed park, requesting a letter embodying their offer, which was to give the City a quit-claim deed on the property.

This offer was made in a verbal form to a special committee representing the residents in the neighborhood of the proposed park, reported John Ryan, 1127 Smith avenue, chairman of this committee. Monday night this committee in turn reported this agreement to the Commission. However, the Commissioners wanted something more to work on and authorized City Manager Egbert to contact the Leinbach-Humphrey Co., asking for a written offer.

The special committee, composed of Mr. Ryan, Mrs. Victor R. Ogden, of 1276 Smith avenue, and Ora Clark, of 1047 Emmons avenue, voiced the opinion that a majority of the people in the discussed area would like to have such a park. Ryan expressed the idea that it might include a sort of playground for small children especially, with the rest consisting of shrubs, trees, etc. He even suggested that a tennis court or skating rink might be constructed in the park.

It was decided by the Commission to defer action until next week, when it hoped that a reply would be obtained from the Leinbach-Humphrey Co., and the City Manager could have definite figures on the cost for landscaping the discussed property.

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