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DE MOLAY LEADS CONJURER'S ART CITY LEAGUE IN BASKETBALL TO BE REVEALED BY MAGICIAN

DeMolay established itself as leader in the city basketball league last Thursday defeating Milks Service 27-24 to take the league lead with two wins and no losses.

Sherman's and Cranbrook Hillbillies also tangled in a tough contest as Cranbrook won 23-21. Birmingham Recreation defeated Pecks in a low scoring contest 11-6.

In the first contest of the evening, Cranbrook defeated Sherman's in a contest in which the lead changed many times throughout the game. Cranbrook came through with a foul shot and a field goal with about one minute to go and Sherman's were unable to match this.

In the second contest of the evening, Birmingham Recreation defeated Peck's in an unusual game which was very rough but very low scoring. Recreation led all the way although at no time did it have a good lead.

On the final contest of the evening, DeMolay scored a big upset by defeating Milks' Service, favorites before the contest. DeMolay began the scoring early but only 6-4 at the end of the first quarter. At the end of the half Milks had taken the lead 11-10. The final two stanzas were the fastest of the evening as DeMolay capitalized on fast breaks and height. Milks' seemed unable to hit the hoop although many shots were taken. Fear was high point man for DeMolay with eleven points while Kenneth McBride led Milks' with ten points. The officiating was handled by Dick Forester, former Baldwin student.

Postmaster Tells of Council Meeting

Joseph A. Byrne, local postmaster, told his fellow-Exchangees Tuesday noon of the Detroit Metropolitan Exchange Council meeting held one evening last week in Highland Park, when he and Exchangee W. Rice Howell were present. He said that every Exchange in attendance was enthusiastic over Exchange's various activities and announced that the next Council meeting will be held at the Eik's Club in Pontiac, when the Pontiac Exchange club will act as host.

Exchangee James W. Taylor told the members of the coming meeting of all the Michigan affiliated Exchange clubs, to be held at the Detroit-Leland hotel all day and evening, January 28. Prominent speakers from Michigan and other states will be on the program.

Dr. N. T. Shaw and Robert R. Allen were in charge of the local club's bridge committee which entertained Farmington Exchangees last night at the local American Legion hall on South Woodward avenue.

The second in a series of six programs to be presented this season in Cranbrook School auditorium will be an event of Saturday, at 8 p. m., when J. Elder Blackledge, noted magician, will demonstrate some of the wonders of his art. His subject will be "Riding A Magic Carpet." Mr. Blackledge is both lecturer and conjurer, and has traveled widely in pursuit of his knowledge of necromancy. Mr. Blackledge has a new contribution to make to the ancient lore of magic.

The program will include also, a recital by the Kingswood Glee Club and choir under the direction of Miss Marian Ruth McCort. Miss Frances Reese will be the accompanist. In the first group of the repertoire will be "Salutation" by Gains Weir. Weir will include "A Spirit Flower" by Campbell-Tipton-Treahme and the Kingswood Choir. The Glee Club will conclude with Mana-Zucca's "I Love Life."

Bloomfield School Obtains Unique Book

The library at the Bloomfield Hills School has succeeded in obtaining a copy of "Crisis." This unusual book is a report from the Columbia Broadcasting System, giving word for word the various broadcasts given by CBS at the time of the Czechoslovakian crisis.

The report begins with Adolph Hitler's speech from Nuremberg on September 13 and concludes with William L. Shirer's broadcast from Prague on October 23.

The Columbia Broadcasting System describes this report as a record of how "The world heard hour by hour, for 20 crucial days, the impact of Europe tearing up its map."

Oakland County Briefs

HOLLY—The date for the annual Easter and Sun banquet has been announced as Feb. 15, to be held at the Methodist Church. Max Freeman is general chairman, and is assisted by James Cole and Robert Bravender.

SOUTH LYON—Roy C. Van Vleet, president of the State Savings Bank of South Lyon and president of the Board of Education, died of a heart ailment Friday night at his home. He was 59 years old.

ROCHESTER—Three youths were injured Friday night when their automobile collided with a Grand Trunk passenger train in a blinding snowstorm. The injured were John Jacobs, 17, of Rochester, the driver; Carl Counts, 17, of Lake Orion, and Lester Rikard, 15, of Rochester. All were taken to Woodruff Geiger Hospital.

ROYAL OAK—The City's fire loss in 1938 was out more than half in comparison with the 1937 loss. Fire Chief Charles Henning announced today. The per capita loss for 1938 was 68 cents as compared to 82 in 1937. Actual fire damage in 1938 was \$24,226.99, or \$25,490.57 less than in 1937.

FERNDALE—An application for a \$70,000 sewer projection to continue the Troy avenue tunnel sewer and to construct other sewers was filed with WPA officials in Flint last Wednesday by City Manager Jay F. Gibbs. The application calls for \$635,042 in Federal funds for labor and materials, equipment rental and supervision.

PONTIAC—Miss Catherine Cummings, 40 Lincoln avenue has been chosen Queen of the City-wide Ice Carnival to be held at the rink at Edison and Montclair streets, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 21 and 22. Miss Margaret Catherine Cullen, 241 South Sandford street, and Miss Gloria Stetson, 449 East 24th, will be her attendants. The three girls were chosen Saturday afternoon by a carnival committee headed by Russell Williams.

OXFORD—Young people from the Epworth Leagues of 16 Methodist churches in this area met at the Oxford M. E. church Sunday for a subdistrict rally.

FERNDALE—Anthony J. Andre, 66 years old, 26372 Hendrix boulevard, Huntington Woods suffered a fracture nose Sunday, when an automobile driven by his son, Eugene, 24 years old, skidded and struck a utility pole as the younger Andre swerved to avoid another car that added in to his path. The other driver, George Biecketh, 35, of 230 Franklin road, Pontiac, was cited for reckless driving.

PONTIAC—One of Oakland County's few remaining Civil War veterans died Sunday, when John E. Thompson of Daviarsburg, expired shortly after he was admitted to Mellus Hospital, Brighton.

Seafarer



Capt. Tompkins

Captain Warwick M. Tompkins, author, adventurer, and skipper of the 85-foot sailing boat "Wander Bird," will show his exclusive sea-making pictures and speak on "Twenty Thousand Miles in the Schooner Wander Bird" for the World Adventure Series at 3:30 next Sunday afternoon, Jan. 22, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Captain Tompkins will relate the pictorial story of his exciting voyage in the tiny Wander Bird from Gloucester to San Francisco via Africa, Rio, and Cape Horn. His pictures tell a breath-taking story of storms and squalls, of 90-mile-long gales, and of the doughtless "Wander Bird" fighting her way through 50-foot combers. Captain Tompkins spent two transatlantic speed records for sailing ships less than 100 feet long by making the voyage in 16 days, 21 hours. For the last nine years he has lived aboard the Wander Bird.

PONTIAC—The number of students enrolled in public and parochial institutions passed the 15,000 mark during the past month, thereby setting an all time record for total school membership here according to figures recently released by the school authorities.

SCOUTERS TO HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET AT GM BUILDING

Between 50 and 60 Scouters and their wives are expected to attend the annual dinner meeting of the Detroit Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America to be held in the auditorium at the General Motors Building Saturday evening at 6:30.

Dr. George J. Fisher, who has served as Deputa Chief Scout Executive since 1919, will be the guest speaker at the affair. Dr. Fisher, who was graduated from the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery in 1908 with an M. D. degree, has had a long and distinguished career in the service of youth. He has received the Award of the Silver Buffalo from the Boy Scouts of America for distinguished service to boyhood and the Luther Halsey Gulick Award of the New York Physical Education society for distinguished service of a national character in the field of physical education.

Included on the program to be presented following the dinner will be a tableaux depicting some of Norman Rockwell's paintings of Scouting characters which will be staged by members of the troupe of the Metropolitan M. E. Church of Detroit. Sixty Cubs from Pack 612 of the Liberty School, Highland Park will present a singing program and the final presentation, a pageant entitled "A Dedication to Democracy" will be given by Scouts of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Special music for the affair will be presented by the girls' choir from Northern High School and by a selected group from the Detroit All-City High School Orchestra, under the direction of Arthur H. J. Searle, supervisor of music for the Detroit public schools.

Reports on the growth and progress made during the past year will also be given and the annual election of officers will be held at this time. Charles S. Kinnison, chairman of the Birmingham District Committee, is serving on the arrangement committee.

FERNDALE—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McCrory, 1965 Fox avenue are the owners of a 223 year old Guarnerius violin, which has recently been appraised by D. H. Leggett, Detroit violin specialist who established the identification of the maker as well as the date of the instrument. The violin has been in Mr. McCrory's family for 100 years having been acquired by his grandfather from a doctor's son. The doctor had taken it in payment of a bill owing him from a resident of the Oaks.

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HAZEL PARK—High school debaters concluded their league season by winning their first match which was against Hartland at the high school here. The local debaters lost the first four matches of the season. Bernard Shea, Pat Cosgrove and Norman Clineall, all of Hazel Park, took the negative side of the proposal that United States should form an alliance with Great Britain.

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