New Opera Records On Sale Here

The new opera records being sold throughout the country by the Music Appreciation Committee are now on sale at Sells Electric company on West Maple avenue it was announced this week.

The "Carmen" and "Faust" albums are available now and new releases will be made each week until the series is completed.

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Hahn Seeks Drain Commission Job

William R. Hahn, 96 West Hopkins street, Pontiac, has issued a campaign statement in behalf of his candidacy for county drain commissioner on the Democratic ticket.

He is 49, married, the father of three children and a resident of Birmingham the past 20 years. For more than 25 years he has been engaged in the practice of engineering and surveying, and has been field engineer for the drain commissioner at various times, giving a thorough knowledge of the county. He has also served with the City of Pontiac Assessors department and the County Road Commission.

"If elected," he said, "I shall endeavor to serve the county to the best of my ability, keeping within the legal limitations of the duties of the office, and functioning with due regard for all."

Eccentric classifieds pay!

HAS YOUR LIFE STOPPED GROWING?

Are you among the many who have become disillusioned and discouraged because your life has not fulfilled the hopes you held for it? Perhaps you have expected a spreading elm or sturdy oak from a potted plant! Millions have made that mistake. They have been so limited in their faith, so starved in spirit without realizing it that at last they become smitten with the shrunken framework of their lives and its meager fruitage. The hope for such a life is that it can be transplanted. Even after many years the old roots can burst forth with renewed energy when they have been transplanted into the rich, unlimited soil God has provided for the growth of the heart and mind. This has been called "conversion" by the church. Some have objected to the word because it implied such a radical change and transformation in life. But we question what could be more extreme than the transformation of a dwarfed potted plant to a fruitful spreading tree! It has happened many times.—CHARLES A. WELLS.

General Election Notice

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE
CITY OF BIRMINGHAM
County of Oakland

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan on

Tuesday, November 5, 1940

from seven o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of voting on the following propositions:

Amendment to The Charter of The City of Birmingham

'Shall Paragraph 2, Section 3 of Chapter Two (II) of the Charter of The City of Birmingham, Be Amended to Read As Follows?

(2) To provide by ordinance for the licensing, regulating, restricting, and limiting the number and locations of billboards within the city."

Amendment to The Charter of The City of Birmingham

"Shall Chapter XVI of the Charter of The City of Birmingham Be Amended to Read As Follows?

CHAPTER XVI

Library

Section 1. The city shall maintain the public library and reading room, now known as "Baldwin Library," as a free public library for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the city, in all respects in accordance with the conditions of the Donation Deed of Birmingham Library Association to the Village of Birmingham, bearing date the eighteenth day of June, A. D. 1907, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Oakland County, Michigan, in Liber 224 of Deeds on pages 150, 151 and 152, and to that end, the commission shall levy a tax as hereinafter provided, of not less than one-half (½) mill and not to exceed one (1) mill on the dollar annually on all the taxable property in the city, such tax to be levied and collected in like manner with other general taxes of said city, and to be known as the "Library Fund."

Section 2. The taxes so levied shall, when collected and received, be deposited in the treasury of the city to the credit of the library fund, and shall be kept separate and apart from other moneys of the city, and be drawn upon by the proper officers of the city, upon the properly authenticated vouchers of the library board.

Section 3. There shall be a library board consisting of six (6) directors, two (2) of whom shall be elected at each annual city election to hold office for a term of three (3) years, and until their successors are elected and qualified. The members of the library board elected to office prior to the adoption of this section as amended, shall continue to serve as members of said board hereunder, until the end of the term of office for which they were elected and until their successors are elected and qualified in the manner herein provided for. Immediately after each annual election, said directors shall meet and organize by the election of one of their number president, and by the election of such other officers as they may deem necessary. They shall make and adopt such by-laws, rules, and regulations for their own guidance and for the government of the library and reading room, as may be expedient and may exclude from the use of said library and reading room, any and all persons who shall willfully violate said rules. They shall have the exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys collected to the credit of the library fund, and of the supervision, care, and custody of the grounds, building and rooms of said library, without any charge or expense for the use thereof other than the cost of maintenance and repairs. Said board shall have power with available funds provided herein, to purchase or lease additional grounds, to occupy, lease or erect an appropriate additional building or buildings for the use of said library; shall have power to appoint a suitable librarian and necessary assistants, and fix their compensation; and shall also have power to remove such appointees; and shall, in general, do everything necessary for the maintenance and operation of a free public library. The said Board of Directors shall make, at the end of each and every fiscal year, a report to the city commission, stating the condition of their trust at the date of such report, the various sums of money received from the library fund and from other sources, and how such moneys have been expended, and for what purposes; the number of books and periodicals on hand; the number added by purchase, gift, or otherwise, during the year; the number lost or missing; the number of visitors attending; the number of books loaned out, and the general character and kind of such books with such other statistics, information and suggestions as they may deem of general interest. All such portions of said report as relate to the receipt and expenditure of money, as well as the number of books on hand, books lost or missing, and books purchased, shall be verified by the affidavit of the president of said board. It shall be the duty of such board of directors, within sixty (60) days prior to the end of each fiscal year, to prepare an estimate of the amount of money necessary for the support and maintenance of such library for the ensuing year, not less in amount than one-half (½) mill and not exceeding one (1) mill on the dollar of the taxable property of the city, and report such estimate to the city commission for assessment and collection as herein provided for. Said library board is impowered to fill any vacancy occurring on such board by the appointment of a person to hold such office until the next annual election.

Section 4. The city commission shall have power to pass ordinances imposing suitable penalties for the punishment of persons committing injury upon such library, the grounds or other property thereof, or for willful injury to or failure to return any book belonging to such library.

Section 5. Any person desiring to make donations of money, personal property or real estate for the benefit of such library, shall have the right to vest the title thereto in said board of directors, to be held and controlled by said board, when accepted, according to the terms of the deed, gift, devise, or bequest of said property; and as to such property, the said board shall be held and considered to be special trustees.

IRENE HANLEY,
City Clerk.

October 24, 1940

Church News

St. James Episcopal Church
Rev. Warner L. Forsyth, Rector
Phone: Rector 1334, Office 2356
Sunday school: Kindergarten and primary, 11 a. m. Junior and senior school at 9:45 a. m.
Holy Communion each Sunday at 8 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a. m.
Holy Communion, 11:00 a. m., first Sunday of month.

Christ Church Cranbrook
Rev. Charles H. Cadigan, Rector.
Rev. Harmon L. Hamm, Asst. Rector
Holy Communion, 9 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a. m
Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month, 11 a. m.

Holy Name Catholic Church
Harmon at Woodland
Rev. Fr. David J. Duncan, Pastor
Rev. Fr. Lawrence V. Hamel, Assistant
Sunday masses at 7, 9, 11, 12:30.
Daily masses at 7 and 8:15 a. m.

The United Presbyterian Church
of Woodward at Forest
Rev. Joseph A. Mears, Minister
Bible school, 9:45 a .m. Dale Harbison, Superintendent.
Public worship hour, 11 a. m.
Weekday evening cottage prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

First Methodist Church
Minister, Rev. Charles C. Becker
Organist—Oscar W. Schmidt
Director of Choirs—Victor Ulrich
Morning worship—11. Sermon subject: "God In Human Life." Nursery for small children during the hour of morning worship.
Epworth League—6:30. The first of a series of discussions on the "Life of Christ."
Official board meeting Tuesday evening at 7:45.
Executive meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Wednesday at 1. Early adjournment for the Community Institute.
Union Teacher Training School at Berkley at 7:30.

First Baptist Church
Willits at Bates St.
Rev. Joseph O. Nelson, Minister
Karel Melass, S. S. Superintendent
Thomas Hartle, Director of Music.
10:00—Church school. Graded materials for children's department. Bible classes for adults.
11:00—Morning worship. Organ numbers played by Mr. Hartle as follows: "O, Rest in the Lord," by Mendelssohn; "From Sonata for a Musical Clock," by G. F. Handel; "Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior," by J. S. Bach. Anthem by the church choir, "Hallelujah, Amen," by G. F. Handel. Sermon by Robert Taylor, "A Word of Four Letters." Special music will be furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.
11:00—Junior church. Mrs. Brenkert in charge. Children 8 to 12 years of age.
11:00—Nursery for small children and babies.
6:45—B. Y. P. U. meeting in the club room.
6:45—Mr. and Mrs. Club meeting in the parlor.
7:30—Evening hour of worship and praise. Special singing, special music by the Taylors. Sermon—"Two Little Words," by Robert Taylor.
Special meeting every evening this week at 7:30 in the church auditorium conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. Good musical programs. The community is cordially invited to attend.

Christian Science Church
Chester and Willits Streets
Church each Sunday at 10:30 a. m.
Wednesday at 8 p. m.
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.
"Everlasting Punishment" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday.
The Golden Text (Proverbs 13:6) is: "Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner."
Among the Bible citations is this passage (Isaiah 3:10,11): "Say ye to the righteous, that it shall be well with him: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. Woe unto the wicked! It shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him."
Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p. 246): "The sinner makes his own hell by doing evil, and the saint his own heaven by doing right."

First Presbyterian Church
Rev. W. Glen Harris, Pastor
Norman S. Grubbs, Supt. Sabbath School
Sabbath school—9:45 a. m.
The church school groups will meet at 11 o'clock.
Morning worship service—11 a. m. The pastor will preach the sermon, the theme being, "Abounding Love Discerns."
Intermediate group meets at 5 o'clock as usual, while the Senior boys and girls will meet at 6 p. m.
At 7:30 p. m., the evening worship service will be held. "My responsibility as a Christian Citizen" is the topic which the pastor will discuss.

Calvary Tabernacle
608 South Woodward
Many new friends attended all services of Calvary Church at 608 South Woodward Ave.
The pastor, Rev. A. F. Johnson, spoke at the 11 a. m. preaching service on "Man's Most Needed Virtue" and at 7:30 p. m. his theme was, "God's Estimate of Sin." These messages stated clearly what sin has done for man and what God is able to do for man in his ruined state by sin, through the blood of Jesus Christ on Calvary.
Sunday at 11 a. m., Dr. Johnson will preach to his congregation on "Man's First Step Toward Redemption from Sin." At 7:30 p. m. he is to discuss the question, "Does God Favor Some People?"
This new church cordially invites anyone who wishes Christian fellowship and a positive Gospel sermon in love and power. Classes for all ages will be conducted at 10 a. m. in the Sunday school. Capable Bible students who are fully consecrated will teach the Bible. All groups study the Bible. Each person attending is expected to bring a Bible with him.

Troy Presbyterian Church
Livernois Road
Rev. John Reich, Minister
Jack A. Beamer, Organist
and Director of Music
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Graded classes for all ages.
Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m.

Southfield U. P. Church
10 Mile near Lahser Road
Rev. Frank Boyd, D. D., Pastor
11 a. m. Morning worship.
12 noon. Church school.
Preaching Mission, Nov. 4-8. Rev. Clarence J. Sutton, Drayton Plains, speaker. Time, 7:30 p. m. Theme of the week: "The Revival We Need."
Young People's Hour, 7 p. m.
Bible Study, 8 p. m.
Choir, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Redeemer Ev. Lutheran Church
Lincoln near Woodward
Rev. Theodore G. Wiegratz, Jr., Pastor
11 a. m., morning worship.
9:30 a. m., Sunday school.
Junior Walther League, second Sunday each month, 6:30 p. m.

Embury Methodist Church
Hennaville Ave.
Rev. Rudolph Boyce, Pastor
Church School—10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship—11:15 a. m.
Epworth League every Sunday at 6:30 p. m. at the church.

Aura-Lite Spiritualist Temple
Masonic Temple
Rev. Horace Drake, Pastor
Mr. Burton, Healing Service
Mrs. Jessie Riggleman, Soloist
Sunday evening service, 7:45. Everybody welcome.

Franklin Community Church
Rev. Howell C. Guin, Pastor
Morning services, 10:30 a. m.
Sunday School, 11:45 a. m.

St. Hugo of the Hills Church
Upper Road
The Rev. Daniel T. Wholihan, Pastor
Sunday masses at 8:00, 10:00, 11:45 and 12:30

New Leaf From The Fashion Book

Gold embroidery in a leaf motif trims the jacket of this mustard gold outfit worn by Brenda Marshall, film player. The dress underneath has a simple bodice and moderately full skirt.

Presbyterian Men Enjoy Annual Political Show

First Presbyterian Church's annual candidates' night was enjoyed by a crowd of 150 last Thursday evening as members of the organization burlesqued prominent aspirants to public office.

Cleverest skit on the list was that starring Thomas A. Schooley as "Dr. Watchem Gallup," and he went into a humorous explanation of what polls are all about. In his cast was a German Band of High School boys; also, Ralph Coryell, Rotheus Cole and Crawford Lee.

Bill Morrison enacted Gov. Dickinson, who brought his lunch in a paper bag, and pleaded with his listners to save Michigan roads by permitting Van Wagoner to remain highway chief. He brought along a wrench for possible repairs to his pipeline.

Murray D. Van Wagoner, portrayed by I. W. Robertson, was introduced as the "Great White Father of roadside tables." He wore a map of Michigan roads as an apron and stressed that the Oakland avenue underpass would serve as an excellent air raid shelter.

Ray H. Bechtold, as Wendell Willkie, advised his listeners to invest in Pennsylvania railway stock, pointing out that this company will do a big business carrying the New Dealers out of Washington after Jan. 1.

Karl B. Lutes, bushy eyebrows and all, portrayed Frank Murphy, who told the group to "vote as many times as you can." He confessed finally that he was really a Communist direct from Moscow masquerading as Mr. Murphy.

Ned Shattuck was in charge of the program. Oscar P. Peterson arranged the dinner, while Earl G. Potter, president of the club, acted as master of ceremonies.

Happenings of Long Ago

Fifty Years Ago
Oct. 30, 1890

Miss Hattis Drake, formerly of this place, has recently been appointed to a position in the Lincoln School, Detroit.

Dannie Pearsall, of Big Beaver, has gone to Owosso where he will fill a position of trust and profit.

Six voting booths are being placed in Library Hall and a clean, pure sweet will of the township voters is surely expected. At any rate it will be tried.

The Exchange Bank is progressing and now Cashier Whitehead pounds out his correspondence on a $100 Smith Premier typewriter.

Vote for the additional water works tax, by all means, if you don't, you deserve to have the future generations rise up and call you—well anything else but blessed.

Twenty-five Years Ago
Oct. 25, 1915

King George of England issued an appeal at London to all classes of the British people to come forward and share their responsibility in the war.

Anton Lang, who became world famous through his interpretation of the life of Christ in the Passion Play given at Oberammergau, has been killed in battle, according to word received from Berlin.

Dr. George B. Clark, wife and youngest son, have shaken the dust of "Birmingham, the Pride of Old Oakland," for a few days for the grand refreshing pastures of Grand Rapids, via the automobile route.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd S. Buck, of Townsend street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Vella E., to Virgel L. Lockrow, of Detroit. The marriage will take place late in November.

Lovers of good, clean comedy will be delighted to welcome the popular and fascinating "Peg O' My Heart" when it returns Monday to the Garrick Theatre, Detroit. The Ethel, a role calling for a capable young actress, is finely played by a young English beauty, Lillian Kemble Cooper.

Five Years Ago
Oct. 31, 1935

Two families long prominent in social circles of Bloomfield Hills and Detroit were united in a wedding day afternoon when Peggy Chalmers and Edward P. Hammond, Jr., spoke their nuptial vows at a ceremony in the rectory of St. Hugo of the Hills at 4 o'clock.

Ghouls and goblins, freaks and fools will fill the streets of Birmingham tonight as this city's community celebration of Hallowe'en gets off to a flying start with a mammoth parade about the town.

Walter O. Briggs, Jr., and R. L. Polk, Jr., as joint masters of Fox Hounds, will be hosts at a hunt breakfast to which the field is invited Saturday at Bloomfield Open Hunt at 11:30.

Divorce proceedings will be started at once against William J Chewning, Jr., his wife, formerly Miss Margot Couzens, daughter of Senator James Couzens, announced yesterday in Washington.

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Wilson to Present 'Blossom Time'

On Sunday night the Wilson Theatre will present that popular perennial operetta, "Blossom Time" in response to the demand on the part of the public of Detroit and vicinity for a revival of the musical play based on the life of Franz Schubert.

The plan was to present "Too Many Girls" for a fortnight, but, the fact that the motion picture version of the collegiate musical comedy was in readiness for release compelled J. J. Shubert to revise his original plans and curtail the run to one week.

For the local record it might be well to recall that "Blossom Time" was last presented in Detroit at the Cass Theatre in November of 1936. During the previous year at Navin Field it was part of the repertoire presented during the Opera Under the Stars season and proved to be one of the greatest financial successes of the season.

Undoubtedly there are many people who will be pleased to thrill again to the strains of "My Song of Love," "Serenade" and "Tell Me Daisy" in the score that Sigmund Romberg adapted from the original melodies of Franz Schubert and H. Brete. The production at the Wilson has been staged under the direction of Edward Scanlon. The orchestra will be under the direction of Pierre de Reeder, who on Sunday night will conduct his 2,596 performance of "Blossom Time," he having weilded the baton over the original presentation of the operetta.

Should

A correspondent puts forward the surprising suggestion that the buttons on new shirts ought to be fixed on with the same loving care as the price labels.—Punch.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the twenty-second day of October, A. D. 1940.
Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of John Baldwin, Deceased
George Verne Gable, administrator with will annexed of said estate, having filed in said Court his Final Account and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof, determination of the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the residue of said estate, and the discharge of said administrator with will annexed.
It is Ordered, that the eighteenth day of November, A. D. 1940, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.
And it is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.
ARTHUR E. MOORE,
Judge of Probate.
(A true Copy.)
FLORENCE DOTY,
Probate Register
CLARENCE BLEICHMAN,
Attorney for Estate,
Wabeek Building,
Birmingham, Michigan.
30-31-32.

Mrs. Taylor Plays Friday Evening

An enthusiastic audience heard Mrs. Mary Taylor's piano recital Thursday evening at the First Baptist Church and an even larger group is expected to hear her second and final program Friday at 7:30 at the church.

Mrs. Taylor studied in New York City and has played on the

Mrs. Taylor

concert platform of many of the leading cities throughout the country. She has chosen for her recital a varied program which will appeal to all. It follows:

Moonlight Sonato ... Beethoven
Gigue ... Bach
Liebestraume ... Liszt
Violin: Largo ... Handel
Chardas ... MacDowell
Leyenda ... Albeniz
Hymn ... Arr. by Taylor

The subject for the evening will be "Heaven."

The Rev. Robert Taylor, in charge of the spiritual recovery crusade in progress at the church, will speak on "Dad Taylor's Life Story" at the closing service Monday evening.

He will tell the thrills, sorrows and joys of a man who pioneered in the days of the Gospel Wagon throughout England, relating how he sold over 130,000 New Testaments, was criticized, slandered and almost jailed for preaching the Gospel. Rev. Taylor will also tell his father's love story.

Mrs. Taylor will play a request program of music.

Higher Lake Level

LANSING — Normal winter snowfall and spring rains should assure northern Michigan cottage owners of higher inland lake levels next summer, the geological survey of the state department of conservation reported today. Inland lake levels may equal or exceed those of 1938, officials say.

Famed Orson Welles To Appear Next On Fisher Series

Orson Welles, 25 years old genius of the theatre, coming direct from Hollywood, will speak before the Detroit Town Hall in the Fisher Theatre next Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 11 a. m. He will include excerpts from his famous roles in his lecture, "The New Actor."

Summoned to Hollywood after revolutionizing Broadway, Welles wrote his first motion picture, "Citizen Kane," which he has produced, directed and starred in as leading actor.

At 13, young Orson was directing a theatrical group in the Todd School at Woodstock, Ill. At 14 his father took him to Dublin where he told whopping tales of his reputation in the United States, and so impressed the members of Dublin's famous Gate Theatre that they cast and precast him in the most difficult of character parts. He was next engaged as a guest artist by the Abbey Players.

Back in America, he toured with Katharine Cornell.

His spectacular activities capped the climax two years ago when his "Man From Mars" broadcast, a feature of his famous Mercury Theatre of the Air, set a nation spinning on its ears.

Explanation Wanted

Science is truly wonderful and can explain everything—except why moths pass up ten suits in a closet to lunch on the flannels within a mothproof bag.—Detroit News.

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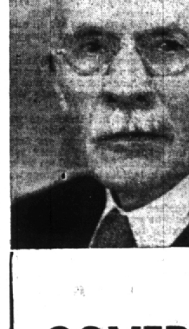

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