# City Considers Awning Ordinance

**A new ordinance to govern awnings and canopies was decided on by the City Commission Monday night when it was concluded that the present building code does not cover the sort of canopy which has been erected on the new enlarged LaBelle store on West Maple avenue.**

The canopy, made of metal, extends out 14 inches at an angle from the top of the window. The glass itself is in small panes and the whole effect is one of quaintness. Alfred J. LaBelle, present at the meeting, explained that he examined store fronts in many sections of the country in order to get a design for his new and enlarged quarters.

The present building code has nothing to say about awnings but prohibits copings, lintels, and other like projections from extending more than five inches over the sidewalk. The Commission at first pondered whether the canopy was in violation of this ordinance.

Commissioner Harry J. Bissett argued that the projection was a sort of awning and therefore not covered in the ordinance.

Another such store front is being constructed at the northwest corner of South Woodward and Davis, City Manager Egbert revealed.

**It's Sport**

"It is being whispered around that you and your husband are not getting on well together."

"Nonsense. We did have some words and I shot him, but that's as far as it ever went."

# FRANKLIN

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hammered together with square, hand-made nails. The walls are of narrow unpainted clapboard with knot holes here and there through which shafts of light penetrate. Two large forges, bellows, and anvils stand as testimony to the art of blacksmithing, for shoeing horses was considered a busy occupation a hundred and some years back.

With but little imagination one could picture a ruddy faced smithie dressed in plaid wool shirt, with open throat and snug fitting breeches, busily at work. Aye, ope could even smell the never-to-be-forgotten odor of a burning hoof and hear the anvil-ring out as he pounded the shoe into the proper shape. Picture, too, a lackey nearby and perhaps one of the gentry, waiting there, the latter dressed in tall hat and velvet vest ornate with huge buttons; and wearing a heavy gold watch chain roped carelessly across his rounded-out figure.

Directly behind the blacksmith shop is the carriage shop and there all types of vehicles were fashioned by hand, and then rolled to the second floor where they were painted. Runabouts, phaetons, victorias, hansoms, shays, cabbies and grain wagons were beautifully turned out in this shop. On the walls are to be seen handbills advertising the coming attractions to be offered at the local playhouse. Posters depicting scenes from "Uncle Tom's Cabin," and the "Streets of London," are here, as are pictures of burlesque queens whose voluptuous figures lean so heavily against the crude walls.

**Attractive Cottage**

The cottage, a Cape Cod, is a winsome place. It is a low, two-story structure painted white with a bright green door. Miss Glass supervised, and in fact did a great deal of the work to make it livable, for it was in a deplorable condition when she bought it four years ago. Her vision and courage have made a little gem of the place. A genuine Paul Revere lamp hangs at the entrance. The old-fashioned window frames are, of course, hand made and the imperfect small square window panes still have occasional air and sand bubbles, so characteristic of the glass panes a century ago. The cottage contains six rooms, three on each level. The ceilings are low and the 20-inch plank flooring is a combination of ash, pine, and oak. The upper windows are not much more than ventilators for in the olden days folks did not believe great drafts of air were necessary in sleeping quarters. Then, too, heating units were very much of a luxury. The enclosed stairway leading to the upper rooms is so small and the stairs so narrow that we were obliged to hunch our shoulders and tip-toe up the six inch treads. Evidently this stairway was designed for children only; one cannot imagine a burly smithie climbing them—he would surely be wedged, midway.

When but a small child, Mary Glass had the urge to collect antiques which her father indulged, and so from an early age she began accumulating some rare and beautiful things. The house is furnished with them and as she accumulated so many she was obliged to store the overflow in the carriage shop . . . and so at last she decided to go into the antique business, and dispose of the things she could not use.

It was a privilege to be shown through her charming little home and to have her explain the history of some of her collection, which is so much a part of her surroundings and so dear to her heart.

**Few Museum Pieces**

She has a few museum pieces, among them a very old rosewood desk which proudly enhances her "sitting" room. Two snake leg tables, a set of crows nest tables, turned leg and drop leaf tables are scattered throughout her home. A melodeon adds a delightful and music box still pour forth their sweet and low tones. Several old rockers coax one to tarry too long. A love seat upholstered in flowered tapestry, invitingly stands in a cozy corner, banked on either side by Windsor chairs. Currier & Ives prints decorate the walls, as do what-not-cupboards filled with choice bits of china and vases. The entire place reflects a discriminating taste, a love for the unusual; and the mistress of it all, with her gracious manner, completes the effect.

As I was about to leave, Miss Glass said, "Come, you have not seen the great eggtugy-old apple tree at the rear."

And so she ushered me to the back door. There hovering over her house, so close it seems to be caressing it, grows the most beautiful apple tree I have ever seen. It is reported to be over a hundred years old and in the Spring people from miles around come to see it in full bloom, a sight to behold, 'tis said. Its gnarled branches protectingly reach over the roof of the cottage and seem to enfold it, in its great arms. Our visions sturdy little bodies of long ago who hoisted and climbed to its very top, then shook to earth the luscious fruit of the great old tree. Then one remembers somewhat sadly they are no more!

# WAR

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tration, and compromise; that is the way our courts function," stated Judge Hartrick.

He pleaded for a calmness among our citizens in the United States, to prevent hysteria and untoward drift toward getting into Europe's war itself.

"The European dictators laugh and scoff at the slow methods of democracy; they make fun of the United States, and even say openly that they can confuse us and, if they wish, conquer us by force. Well, that never will happen if each man and woman in our great country does what democracy demands of him," added the Judge.

He also said that too many public officials fail to take the people into their confidence in matters affecting the whole society; he affirmed his own belief in the old axiom that "you can tell the people the facts and they will arrive at a reasonable and democratic solution."

Six forest fires burned over only six acres in all of Michigan in the twenty-first week of the forest fire season, as generally wet weather kept the fire hazard low.

# BOUGHT BY DR. CHRISTIE

**The Harold H. Shuart home "Crown Gables" in Middlesex on North Adams road has been sold through Walsh, James & Wasey Co. to Dr. and Mrs. Edward A. Christie, who with their two daughters have moved there from Cheboygan. Dr. Christie practiced in Detroit and Pontiac formerly, and is joining his brother, Dr. J. W. Christie, who has been in Pontiac for many years. One of the newcomers' daughters, Barbara, 10, will attend St. Hugo of the Hills Country Day School; Virginia, 10, will go to Pontiac.**

# REFUND

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in a prospectus he helped prepare, pointed out that unlike many other cities, Birmingham has shown a consistent gain in the value of its property, despite the fact that more than $100,000 in assessed valuation was lopped from the tax rolls when the scavenger sale was held.

He pointed out further that in 4½ years, since first refunding in 1936, more than 25 per cent of the total debt has been paid off. Further reduction will be made when Scavenger sale receipts are received.

**James Letter Read**

Before the bids were opened, a letter was read from Charles E. James, president of the Birmingham National Bank, declaring that it is not necessary for the School District to have two agents to handle interest and principal payments. (Both the Birmingham Bank and the National Bank of Detroit were designated as paying agents in the prospectus).

The Board has been "misinformed" if it believes that any better bid would be received if only one paying agent were designated, James wrote. On a small issue, this factor would have no bearing on price or terms, he declared, and the additional expense will not be justified. The market and the credit standing of the municipality are the governing factors, he said.

**Bond Men Questioned**

James suggested that before the bids were opened, that the bond men present be questioned on this point.

President Lee E. Joslyn, Jr., made this inquiry.

Several said that smaller banks outstate had occasionally made excessive charges, and all appeared to be of the opinion that it would be more difficult for them to dispose of the bonds if there were no paying agent in Detroit. The City of Detroit, maintains a New York paying agent it was said.

One bond man said it would be more difficult to dispose of bonds outside Michigan.

None would commit himself on whether this factor would make any actual difference in his bid, however.

Business Manager Louis M. Randall said that paying agent costs approximate $75 a year.

# SERIES

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On Thursday, Feb. 7, the author of the celebrated "Captain Horatio Hornblower," C. S. Forester will lecture on the subject "The Practical Novelist."

To bring the lecture series to a close, Alexander Kipnis will appear in a song recital on Wednesday evening, April 9. His rich and varied experience has justly merited the acclaim with which he has been received, not only in the Metropolitan but also on the concert platform.

**What Is Truth?**

The deepest truths are best read between the lines, and, for the most part, refuse to be written.—Amos Bronson Alcott.

# CLASSES

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slip covers, draperies, dress forms, knitting, etc.; and Mrs. Edith Doench teaching methods and recipes, balanced meals, vitamins, meat planning, table setting and decorations.

**Homemaking Schedule**

Class schedule is as follows: Adams School, Wednesday mornings from 9 until 12; Barnum School, Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 5; persons wishing to enroll may call next Wednesday at these hours.

Parliamentary Law class, taught by Otto Tuttle, will begin Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 7 p. m., at Baldwin High.

Public Speaking, taught by Mrs. Margaret Scrimgeon, meets for the first time Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 8 p. m., Baldwin High School. This course will include voice and speech training, selection and arrangement of material, training in the effective presentation of ideas, round table, forum discussion method, etc.

Further information on these courses, and on the many valuable University of Michigan correspondence courses, may be obtained from Mrs. Stringham at Baldwin Library, or from the Superintendent of Schools.

# LETTER

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ers of all parties, and demands a "Strong Man" who will solve all our problems overnight.

He prates of race superiority, and the "inevitable leadership" of a master "race."

He glibly spreads anti-Semitic propaganda one day, and anti-Catholic propaganda the next, hoping, as President Roosevelt pointed out, "to create confusion of counsel, public indecision, political paralysis, and eventually a state of panic."

**Enforced Harmony**

He boasts of the "harmony" that exists under dictatorships, forgetting to mention that this is not the harmony of a nation of free men—but of a nation of serfs.

He plays on every hidden fear in order to add recruits to his tanks—tanks which pledge allegiance, not to the American flag, but to a foreign banner.

In knowledge there is strength. Cohorts of the fifth column may be found anywhere, in high places as well as among humble men and women. Once recognized and exposed—their power is lost.

Let's keep our eyes open—and let's keep our heads!

EDWIN MINKS,
Commander
City of Birmingham Post 2645, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

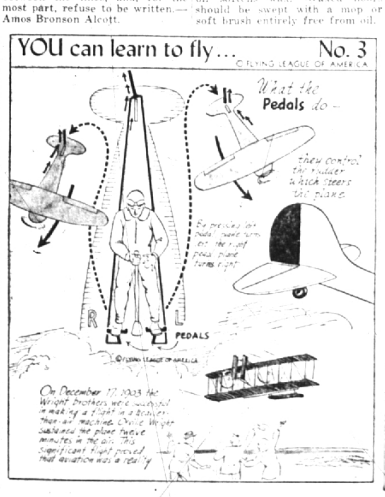
**Watch Closely**

Dr. Slickem—Are you going to operate on that broker right away?

Dr. Gouger—No, I'm going to hold him till the market rises again.

**Waxed Floors**

It is not a wise policy to use an oiled mop on waxed floors, as the oil softens wax. Waxed floors should be swept with a mop or soft brush entirely free from oil.




# Semi-Tame Bears Problem to State

**MARQUETTE** — Bears—the semi-tame variety — are the cause of out-size headaches suffered in recent weeks by conservation officers stationed in the upper peninsula.

The reason is that more persons than ever before have been playing nursemaid to bear cubs which they have picked up in the woods in the mistaken belief the cubs had been abandoned.

The cubs are growing up and are no longer the roly-poly, cuddly creatures which were so entertaining during babyhood. They are beginning to show their claws and their self-appointed guardians want to know what they should do about them.

The conservation department issues permits for the keeping of wild animals in pens but it discourages the practice and exercises strict supervision. The pens must be of approved construction. The cost of food for a growing bear—granted permission is given the keeper to keep it captive—runs heavily into the average budget.

These disadvantages considered, the alternative must be considered also—the turning loose of the animal. Unfortunately, both the animal has lost its fear of man, and a bear loose in the woods that on occasion may want to display a friendly interest in man's affairs is likely to frighten persons whose nervous systems are not shock proof.

Conservation department officers report that black bear are more numerous in the upper peninsula counties this year than during any period recalled by veteran officers.

# THIS AND THAT

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it is so true that even we who live in urban areas have a kinship for the soil, a kinship that probably goes back to the primitive days of mankind when human fingers dug themselves up the incline of Progress by contacting the good, clean soil that lies so abundantly rich upon the bosom of Mother Earth. (Even a simple window box in a crowded city tenement is a direct step toward being a farmer, don't you think?)

**A New Rising Star in Michigan's Political Firmament**

Unusual, indeed, is the rise of Dearborn's Dr. Eugene G. Keyes in winning the Republican nomination for Lieutenant-Governor of Michigan September 10. This chap, completely unknown outside his own community, where he is a member of the city council, led a large field of candidates, a majority of whom were much better known than the versatile Doctor. Dr. Keyes has graduated from the medical, dentistry, and law.

At a meeting in Birmingham last week, Dr. Keyes briefly addressed a room full of Republicans in the Community House. He is not very tall, fairly rugged in physical appearance, and keenly alert and alive; his manner of speech appears very sincere—and he is almost completely a novice in large-scale politics.

To what does he credit his success in the recent primary election? Well, he had a local audience that 60 per cent of it must go to advertising; he mentioned the large billboards that were located in every section of Michigan. He used newspapers extensively. He made some radio talks. He spent something close to $7,000, all from his own pocket, he claims.

But the remainder of the credit goes to friends and class-mates, stated Dr. Keyes. "I had medical fraternity brothers in some areas of Michigan, law and dentistry being represented in other sections of the State, and these chaps certainly helped me to win," laughingly commented Dr. Keyes to his Birmingham audience. A chuckle went around the room because, as Circuit Judge George B. Hartrick and I agreed at the time, mighty few men aspiring to public life can boast as many professional degrees as this man Keyes can—so what chance has a man with only ordinary schooling to win against this new star in Michigan's Republican political firmament?"

In a brief conversation with the Dearborn physician after his talk, I told him that he ought to go far in politics, providing he remained true to his instincts and inclinations. "You were elected as Keyes, in the primary," I said, "and your future can only be successful if you continue to be Keyes—not a stooge for any person or group." He admitted his inexperience in State political circles and asked me to give him some of my ideas in writing. I consented to hand them to him at a future luncheon date.

But I do suggest, Folks, that you keep your eyes upon Dr. Eugene G. Keyes. He will either go much farther or else just flicker for a couple of years and then go out. Personally, I hope he will measure up to his new responsibilities and go far; for, if he and Governor Dickinson are elected November 5, and if the 81-year-old Governor should fail to live out his two-year term, Dr. Keyes will become Michigan's Governor. And, in those times, being a State's Chief Executive is a weighty responsibility.

**MAN SAFE INSIDE**

MARQUETTE.—When lightning struck the metal flagpole atop the new 100-foot high Turin forest fire observation tower in southern Marquette county, it destroyed the flag, melted several feet of telephone line, and made Robert Bezzi, towerman on watch, thankful that both flagpole and phone line were well grounded.

# INSURANCE

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retain for Springdale park only. Self-insurance on rest.

Boiler insurance—retain.

Windstorm insurance on house on 66 acres—retain.

Egbert suggested that to start an insurance fund, the city appropriate $5,000, taking one-third from the general fund; one-third from the water department fund and the other third from the sewage disposal system fund.

In addition, all money now appropriated for insurance to be cancelled would be placed in this fund, every year.

Egbert declared further that a fund of this sort would provide more protection than the city now gets; small miscellaneous losses of various kinds, not covered by insurance, are now paid from the general fund.

"In my opinion it is more conservative a plan than our present set-up," he said.

He said that Ann Arbor started with $5,000 in 1931 and by annual appropriations of this amount now has a fund of $20,000. Grand Rapids and other cities insure themselves.

"I do not believe that it is either practical or good business to attempt to carry our major risks under a self-insurance plan; however, certain portions of our insurance could be carried by the creation of a self-insurance fund," he stated in his recommendation.

# Can't Stop Hunting On St. Clair River

PORT HURON.—Closing St. Clair county to hunting on Sunday will not prevent the illegal hunting of wild waterfowl on the St. Clair river and Lake St. Clair in the season beginning Oct. 1, as these areas are specifically exempted in the act.

The St. Clair county primary election vote of closer to 3,342, raised to eight the number of southeastern Michigan counties now prohibiting Sunday hunting entirely: Branch, Hillsdale, Huron, Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe, Sanilac and St. Clair. Four counties, Lapeer, Shiawassee, Tuscola and Washtenaw, prohibit Sunday hunting "on the lands or premises of another." In Oakland and Macomb counties, and parts of Wayne, Sunday hunting is prohibited "on the lands or premises of another without consent of owner or lessee."

**Tight**

He spent several days fishing, and presented his landlady with eight fish to supply the whole boarding house. At the end of the week his bill included the item:

"Land (for frying fish)—25c."

**ERE THE DAY STARTS**

In the still morning when I quit my bed
Before most sleepy folks are present astir,
Kitty, the early riser, comes to purr
Her friendly little tune and rub her head
Against my legs, imploring breakfast milk.
Kitty, a bundle of soft fringy silk!

Then Tommy quickly tends the morning mail,
Conveying in his canine way to me
That he expects to fare as well as she
With speedy steps and motions I prepare,
His dish, so his insistent calls will cease.
Fry they demolish all the morning peace.

Tasks come to life. The day is soon begun
Breakfast is to be got. The dog and cat
Go back to sleep. I turn to this and that,
As duties come parading one by one.
The charm and peacefulness soon wear away
As morning ventures forth into the day.

—BEATRICE McDONALD

# Willkie Clubs Now Active in 43 Counties

**Organization of independent voters' clubs already active in 43 Michigan counties and projected in the other half of the state is under supervision of the new State Advisory Board of the Associated Willkie Clubs of America.**

Clarence E. Wilcox, chairman, named as outstanding members of the state board Judge Arthur J. Lacy, who was a Democratic candidate for governor in 1934, and Hon. Martin H. Carmody, of Grand Rapids, a past Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus of the World.

Judge Lacy, in his statement accepting the appointment, said: "I am and have always been a Democrat, and I am not changing my politics nor political principles; but I am going to vote for Wendell Willkie for President because I find Democracy under his leadership. I think the 1932 platform of the Democratic party the best statement of Democratic principles ever penned; but I find but few planks of that platform that have not been violated by the New Deal. I am against the third term because I believe no President should ever have placed in his hands the vast powers of our government for three successive terms."

**The Day's Worst Pun**

Nebraska town forbids barbers eating onions during working hours—cutting a few scents off the top of a Shave.—Dallas Morning News.


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