# High Court Clears Record in Oil Suit Of Clarence Bangs

Following six years of litigation in Michigan courts over royalties from oil well production in Midland County, the Michigan State Supreme Court Monday handed down a decision contrary to one arrived at by Circuit Judge Ray Hart, of Midland. This new decision, affecting royalties amounting to approximately $1,000,000, in oil local interest inasmuch as one of the two chief beneficiaries is Clarence H. Bangs, of Kensington road, Bloomfield Hills.

According to Mr. Bangs, he and D. S. McCutcheon, of Detroit, organized oil pools in Midland County in 1931. The method used was to have owners of prospective oil lands sign a collective agreement in which each would pay a portion of his royalties into a common pool, this fund to be re-apportioned back to the owners and to Bangs and McCutcheon.

During the drilling operations a gusher was struck on the Porter field, said to be the largest ever found east of the Mississippi River. Soon thereafter, it is reported, 26 members of the pool endeavored to withdraw from its general co-operative features, although 180 land owners were originally signatories.

This suit was prosecuted in the Midland Court over a period of three years. The Court upheld the claims of the 26 plaintiffs to withdraw from the pool, inferentially supporting their allegations that while mis-representation and fraud had not taken place in the formation of the pool, yet there was evidence of violation of Michigan's Blue Sky law.

Monday's Supreme Court decision, however, reversed the finding of the Midland Court, in this latter contention, and also stated that "We have carefully reviewed the extensive record, and have come to the conclusion that no fraud whatever was practiced upon the complaining parties, who, incidentally, had the benefit of the advice of many of the most able members of the legal profession in the State throughout the entire proceedings. We are in accord with the finding of the trial Court that no fraudulent representations were made by any of the defendants in the preliminary organization of the pool or in its incorporation."

"This unanimous decision of the Michigan Supreme Court is a distinct relief, of course," stated Mr. Bangs this week. "During the long litigation proceedings a strain has been imposed upon both Mr. McCutcheon and myself, and we are gratified that the highest tribunal in Michigan has thus cleared our names and reputations in this case."

# Hudson Gets Award For Safest Car Design

The 1941 Safety Engineering Award for the safest body design was made to the Hudson Motor Car Company and received by A. E. Barit, President of Hudson, at a meeting of Greater New York Safety and Insurance Officials held last week in New York City.

The trophy was formally presented by Alfred M. Best, head of Alfred M. Best Co., Inc., nationally known insurance analysts and publishers of "Safety Engineering," a magazine recognized as an authority in the field of accident prevention.

# 'A Junior Album'

. . . Presenting young people of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills . . . Business and social stars of the future . . .

TOP, LEFT TO RIGHT: Dickie, Peggie and Donnie Booth, children of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Booth, 867 Adams road. Nancy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald G. Nimmo, 716 Forest. James, Bruce and Forbes Stewart, sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Loftus Stewart, 575 Waddington road. CENTER ROW: Bret Edward and Marjorie Joan Uebele, children of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Uebele, 852 Yarmouth road. Mary and David Gilchrist, children of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gilchrist, 559 Overhill road. Lee, Barbara and Jane Bertling, children of Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Bertling, 655 Glenhurst road. BOTTOM ROW: Janet, Ann and Diana Roosevelt, children of Mrs. Dorothy G. Roosevelt, 516 Waddington road. Pamela Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Taylor, Orchard Ridge road. (The first baby born in the Birmingham area in 1940.) Jane, Tony and Barbara, children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Underhill, 712 Fairfax road. (Mellen Portraits)

# To Prepare Hurry-up Meal You Need Well-Stocked Pantry, Refrigerator

The popular hostess is the one who can casually invite people to stay to supper without a worried look on her face. To be able to prepare a hurry-up meal, she must keep a well-stocked pantry and refrigerator. These are some dishes that may be prepared easily.

**Shrimp Oriental**

1 can dry pack shrimp
½ cup flour
Salt
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 egg
½ cup milk

Clean the shrimp. Combine the liquid and the dry ingredients. Stir until smooth. Dip each shrimp into the batter, being sure that it is well coated. Fry in hot deep olive oil until both sides are a delicate brown.

**Scalloped Corn and Clams**

1 can cream style corn
1 can minced sea clams
1½ tablespoons chopped onion
2 slices crisped bacon chopped
2 tablespoons melted bacon fat
1 egg well-beaten
½ cup cream
Salt and pepper
1 cup cracker crumbs

Put corn and clams and liquid into a bowl. Add the chopped onion, bacon, bacon fat, well-beaten egg and the cream. Mix well and season with salt and pepper. Reserve ¼ of the cracker crumbs for the top and mix the rest into the corn mixture. Pour into a greased casserole. Sprinkle the cup of crumbs over the top. Bake in an oven 350 degrees for 35 minutes.

**Greengage Plums with Coconut Custard Sauce**

1 No. 2½ can of greengage plums
1 cup coconut milk drained from 1 can of milk made of coconut
1 cup milk
2 eggs
¼ cup sugar
Salt
Vanilla

Chill the plums in the can. If you're in a hurry, put them in the freezing cabinet of your refrigerator. Scald the coconut milk and milk in top of double boiler. Beat eggs slightly, add salt, sugar and vanilla. Add hot milk to egg mixture gradually. Return to double boiler and cook over hot water stirring constantly until custard coats spoon. When ready, pour into a chilled bowl. Chill and serve over the plums and thin syrup. If desired, add coconut to the custard.

**Cherry Alaska**

4 tablespoons cornstarch
½ cup sugar
2½ cups pitted cherries
1 pint vanilla ice cream
8 baked tart shells

Mix cornstarch and sugar and stir into cherries. Cook slowly until thick, stirring constantly. Cool. Just before serving place 4 teaspoons of ice cream, 4 teaspoons of cherry sauce in each tart shell. Cover completely with meringue. Brown under broiler one inch from heat.

**Pineapple Stuffed Apples**

Core and pare good baking apples allowing one for each person. Place close together in baking dish and fill each cavity with drained crushed canned pineapple, topping with a small cube of butter. Add the pineapple juice with half as much water and pour into pan around the apples. Cover and bake until done, basting occasionally with pineapple juice. Top each apple with a marshmallow and return to oven to puff and brown. Serve hot with the syrup and light cream.

**Salmon Loaf with Pickle Sauce**

1 No. 2 can salmon
2½ cups stiff bread crumbs
2 hard boiled eggs
1 cup thick white sauce

Bone and flake the salmon. Combine with bread crumbs, eggs which have been chopped and the white sauce. Place in a greased pan and bake in an oven 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Serve with

**Pickle Sauce**

2 cups medium white sauce
½ cup sweet pickles chopped
2 hard boiled eggs chopped

Mix all together and serve with the salmon loaf.

**Hot Bostons**

6 slices bread
2 tablespoons butter
1 No. 2 can baked beans
tomato sauce
½ pint of prepared Thousand Island dressing
1 tablespoon of finely chopped onion

Toast the bread. Spread each slice of toast with butter. Cover each slice generously with cold baked beans. Add the onion to the dressing and spread over the beans, being sure that it is completely. Place under broiler and cook until dressing is melted and turns golden brown. Serve hot.

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# Belgian Conductor To Lead Symphony

Desire Defrane, who for the past seven years has been one of the most important musical poets in Rochester that he was sometimes referred to as the musical dictator of that city, will lead the program of music by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in one of the season's most unusual programs at 8:30 p. m. Thursday, Jan. 16, in Masonic Temple auditorium.

Paul Schoenfeld, concert master, and Cornes Minguelle, first cellist, two of the orchestra's most popular members, will be featured soloists in the first performance here since 1936 of the Brahms Concerto in A Minor for Violin and Violoncello, Op. 102.

The Brahms "Double" Concerto, the rest of the program will be given over to performances of Beethoven's Overture to the Consecration of the House, Op. 124, and Fantastique, of Hector Berlioz, Op. 14.

**What If There Had Been Three?**

Twins, I understand. How would you have distinguished the father of twins, if they had been named them get?

Probably Jack would call the first Adam and Eve, and Alice would call the second Eve and Steve.

Logic is magical. Rastus, but you can't call the second one Steve.

Why not? It wasn't on the program at all.

# From the Women's Angle

By NELLIE HURLEY MINIFIE

I've an idea that the man who brought that bottle of rum blend would have touched his right ear with his left hand by noticing all the work that it took before he could finally ready to go forth to meet him.

It was a fascinating performance to watch that evening in the powder room of one of Detroit's largest hotels. And it was a performance that called for more complicated routine than any ballet dancer ever had to master. Every bare face that emerged from the powder room after that evening for another performance in the ballroom was accompanied by a steady flow of "Oh, I'm so thirsty" chatter, you've ever heard.

Before the next hour's dinner in the establishment and the powder room really deserved a medal that dropped by itself that night. Every woman who had been pushing past the glass and hard candy counter had a chance to look in the mirror and see how her Primrose Triumph had survived the evening. Each hand had come with compact, a hand mirror, lipstick, powder, mascara and three sticks of Double Mint chewing gum.

And then the show began. First she primed her hair into her head. Second she completely powdering herself. Third she applied another coat of lipstick to a mouth already dripping with paint.

Then she started in on the eyes, hauling before she returned to her face for retouches of the powdering and lipsticking process.

And along with this she went into the most engagingly unself-conscious steady stream of social chatter you've ever imagined. Chewing noisily on a stick of Double Mint she informed a friend in particular and the rest of us in general of life's latest developments.

By my new wrist watch she powdered and combed for 20 minutes before relinquishing that mirror. Twenty minutes some man waited for her while she dabbed and patted and combed.

Twenty minutes he waited, and for what? When she finally went forth to meet her fate she had to pull a run in her stocking!

Miss Minifie

# Julien Bryan to Give Latest Impressions Of South America

Complete motion picture tours of Brazil and the Argentine are being offered at the Detroit Institute of Arts, Woodward at Kirby, next Sunday afternoon and evening, Jan. 5, when Julien Bryan, world-famous newsreel man, appears in person to report on an expedition to South America he completed only a few weeks ago.

Considered the leading creator of documentary films, Mr. Bryan returns with a report of what is happening in South America economically, politically and socially. He explains fully what inroads are being made by Nazi propaganda. His is a tour of entertainment well seasoned with authentic information.

Mr. Bryan is presenting two lectures at the Institute of Arts next Sunday. At 3:30 p. m., his subject will be "Brazil Today," and at 8:30 p. m., "Argentina Today." Mr. Bryan will be remembered by Detroiters for his motion picture surveys of Russia, Germany and Poland. The return here is sponsored by the World Adventure Series, the public lecture course at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

**Margaret Bourke-White Coming to Fisher Theatre**

Margaret Bourke-White, famous camera woman, will speak before the Detroit Town Hall in the Fisher Theatre Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 11 a. m. on the subject "Lens Behind the News."

Dodging bombs, perching precariously on the legs of a 60 story building, crashing through pools of water in a grimy coal mine are everyday experiences in the life of Margaret Bourke-White, most famous of all women photographers.

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Old shabby things that have grown dim and dull;
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Of cobwebbed lace, embroidered ribbons, bits
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A frosted star, three little fat brown elves,
Some tarnished Yule tree trimmings, two gold rings
And in a package old and closed and shriveled
And underneath two blue glass stoppered jugs.

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What trifles that have lain against the heart.

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# Genealogist Talks To Exchange Club

Elijah Hunter Owen, professional genealogist, of Detroit, was the speaker at Tuesday's meeting of the Exchange Club.

He related that searching out family records had long been a hobby, and that when this decision came on, he turned his hobby

Rice A. Howell

into a business. He displayed some of the methods used in genealogy and told of the large demand for work. At the close of the meeting, he gave thanks for family trees prepared by Rice A. Howell, genealogist.

At the meeting it was announced that the A. Harry Moore Co. awarded the annual prize for the best appointed display in the Exchange Building to the Kroger Co. Mrs. Edward Eberle, chairman of the committee in charge for the Exchange Club, made the announcement.

Edwin Brown was welcomed as a new member at the meeting. He is office manager here for the Consolidated Power Company.

# A & P to Pay Men Taken by Draft

NEW YORK—All married employees of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company affected by the United States military service will receive from the company 10 per cent of their wages in addition to their payment of $30 per month, it was announced today by John A. Hartford, president.

The company's policy to provide that "we will pay great attention to the interests of the employees entering the service for the one-year period. As approved by the board of directors, we will pay to the wife or dependent children or parents of the employee and all part-time employees working at least 30 hours a week and with six months' continuous service."

# Grant Improvement Hearing Jan. 20

Jan. 20 has been set by the Commission for a hearing on the improvement of Grant street from 14-Mile road to Ruffner avenue, a street now impassable. A gravel road with an oil aggregate surfacing is proposed costing about $6,000. Citizens in the district petitioned for the improvement, declaring that such action was necessary if that area is ever to develop. Notices are being sent to all who have to pay for the work.

Hearings will also be held Jan. 27 for three proposed closing of three alleys which petitioners said are of no use.

# Prof. Pollock Tells Worth of Referenda

ANN ARBOR—Michigan's thirty years of experience with the initiative and referendum are reviewed in Prof. James K. Pollock's study, The Initiative and Referendum in Michigan, just published by the University of Michigan Bureau of Government.

Expanded from a shorter bulletin on the same subject, the new publication goes into greater detail on the workings of the initiative and referendum and the way in which they have been used by the people of the State. Professor Pollock concludes that the voters of Michigan have used the initiative and referendum enough to test the effectiveness of these methods of popular government.

"Getting in the Gaff

"I'll be a wreck dressing in your room," the maiden, "I know, but you are calling before eight after tonight appropriating my stockings and keeping other nice young men away. You and the to marry you, don't

"I don't gasped the astonished suitor man.

"I thought so. Very well, I will."

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# BIDS WANTED

## $443,875.00 Refunding Bonds of the City of Birmingham, Michigan

Sealed proposals will be received by the Clerk of the City of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, up to 2:00 P. M., E. S. T., on Monday, January 20, 1941, for two series of Refunding Bonds of the City to be dated February 1, 1941, payable as follows:

| Series A-1 | $343,875.00 |
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| $ 6,875.00 | April 1, 1942 |
| $ 9,000.00 | April 1, 1943 & '44 |
| $10,000.00 | April 1, 1945 & '46 |
| $11,000.00 | April 1, 1947-48 incl. |
| $12,000.00 | April 1, 1950 & '51 |
| $20,000.00 | April 1, 1952-63 incl. |

| Series F-1 | $100,000.00 |
|---|---|
| $2,000.00 | April 1, 1942 |
| $3,000.00 | April 1, 1943-46 incl. |
| $4,000.00 | April 1, 1947-52 incl. |
| $5,000.00 | April 1, 1953-56 incl. |
| $6,000.00 | April 1, 1957-63 incl. |

with interest payable October 1, 1941, and semi-annually thereafter on April 1 and October 1 at a rate to be fixed by the bidders, not to exceed 3½% annually to October 1, 1945, and 3¾% thereafter. Bonds of each series maturing on or after April 1, 1960, are to be callable at par plus accrued interest on any interest date on or after April 1, 1945. Bonds shall be bid for not less than par.

The high bid will be determined to be the bid that produces the lowest interest cost to the City after deducting the premium, if any. Interest on premium will not be deductible in determining net interest cost.

Legal opinion of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit will be furnished by the City as will also the printed bonds.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check in the amount of not less than 2% of the par value of the bonds bid, to be forfeited to the City as liquidated damages should the bidder be successful, fail to take up and pay for the bonds. No interest will be allowed on such good faith checks. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities in any bid.

Bids may be submitted for either or both series but if the acceptance of any bid for one series is contingent upon the acceptance of a bid for the other series, the bids must so state.

Bids are to be plainly marked "Bid for Refunding Bonds" and sent to Irene E. Hanley, City Clerk, Birmingham, Michigan. They will be publicly opened and read after 2:00 P. M., E. S. T., January 20, 1941. The recommendation for award will be submitted to the City Commission for action at its regular meeting at the Municipal Building at 8:00 P. M., E. S. T., Monday, January 20, 1941.

By order of the City Commission.

IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk
Birmingham, Michigan

January 8, 1941.


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