

**Franklin**  
By DONNA POLCZYNSKI

**Coming Home**  
Mrs. Clifton Hoffman is arriving home today with the latest addition to the family, Frances Elizabeth, from Providence Hospital in Detroit. She was born Nov. 29 and weighed 7 pounds and 13 ounces. P.S.—Papa is doing well.

**Surprise!**  
Juanita Pearson played hostess to a surprise party at her home on Lakeside road last Sunday night for guests who... M.I. Among those who topped out from be-

**CHOICE BALSAM**  
**CHRISTMAS TREES**  
A LARGE SELECTION OF FINE TREES OF ALL SIZES

Buy Your Tree Early  
TO ASSURE YOUR FAMILY OF HAVING THE TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS

Lot Located On  
**WEST MAPLE AT CHESTERFIELD**

**Gifts**  
TO BE GIVEN A MAN - - -

Dad or Son will look fine in

**STYLE-MART**  
clothes

**SUITS . . .**  
See the new IRON TONE WORSTED Fabric by Botany Mills \$35.00  
Other Suits \$28.75 to \$31.50  
**OVERCOATS and TOPCOATS**  
VELVET, MEDIUM WEIGHT COAT \$29.50  
WINTERGORA Heavy Weight Coat \$39.50  
ALPINE  
Fleece Topcoat \$25.50

WE ISSUE GIFT CERTIFICATES FOR SUITS AND OVERCOATS

**Selected Christmas Gifts FOR Men and Young Men**

Gloves Hats  
Ties Pajamas  
Shirts Robes  
Sweaters Boy Scout Uniforms  
Socks and Equipment  
Handkerchiefs Jackets  
Belts Topcoats  
Suspenders Overcoats  
Gloves Suits  
Slippers Slack-Suits  
Mufflers Sport Shirts  
Socks Jewelry  
Buxton Billfolds for Men and Women

**GIVE HIM A Gift Certificate for a HULBERT or KNOX HAT**

**PECK'S**  
S. WOODWARD NEAR MAPLE

Men's Wear . . . Tailoring  
Cleaning . . . Pressing  
Altering . . . Repairing  
PHONE 230

**Obituary**

**Carrie Louise Holmes**  
Carrie Louise Holmes passed away at Harbor hospital Saturday afternoon following a brief illness. She had made her home at 1345 Washington boulevard, Birmingham.

She was born 76 years ago in Van Buren county and lived most of her life in Chicago, where she was stenographer in the apparel store until three years ago.

Surviving is her brother, Glen Holmes, of Chicago, and a cousin, Mrs. H. M. Stephens, with whom she made her home in Birmingham. Services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the John Waite Funeral Home, Bloomingdale, Mich.

**Mrs. Grace Ely Church**  
Following a long illness, Mrs. Grace Ely Church, 572 Pierce, died last Saturday at St. Joseph's hospital.

Born in Avon township July 11, 1877, she was married to Bert J. Church 47 years ago and moved to Southfield township where she lived for 28 years. Three years ago she came to Birmingham, where she was a member of the Methodist church.

She is survived by her husband, E. J. Church; her father, Joseph Ely; two sons, I. H. and Stanley J. Church, of Birmingham; and three daughters, Mrs. Walter Lang, of Birmingham; Mrs. Clark Nixon, of Howell; and Ruth I. Church, of Birmingham.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday from the Bell Funeral Home, with burial in White Chapel Cemetery.

**Mrs. Carrie Reynolds**  
Mrs. Carrie Reynolds, 207 High street, died early yesterday morning in St. Joseph hospital. She had been ill for about a month.

The daughter of Frank G. Pearson, she was born in Troy township, and lived all of her life with the exception of 12 years in Toledo, in this county. In July, 1911, she married D. H. Reynolds, in Sarina.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Edna M. Johnson, of Birmingham; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Townsend, of Rochester. Five grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services are tomorrow, Friday, at 2 p.m. in the Bell Funeral Home. The Rev. Glen Miller will read the service.

**EARLY PUBLISHING DATES**  
Both the Christmas and New Year issues of The Centric will appear a day earlier than the usual Thursday publication date, that is, on Wednesday, Dec. 22 and 29.

All advertising should be prepared earlier and organizations having material to contribute should submit it by Monday of each week. Deadline will be at noon Tuesday, Dec. 21 and Dec. 28.

**WEEK-END FOOD SPECIALS**

**GROCERIES**

SPRY or CRISCO	PET or CARNATION MILK
3-lb. jar 66c	3 cans 27c

**BEST SWEET PEAS - No. 2 cans, 2 for 27c**

Defiance TOMATOES 2 No. 2 Cans 27c	Kellogg's CORN FLAKES 2 11-oz. pkgs. 17c
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**We Carry Bird's Eye Frosted Foods**

**FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES**

Florida Sweet ORANGES 2 doz. 41c	Texas Seedless PINK GRAPEFRUIT 70 size 4 for 25c
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**CALIFORNIA SUNKIST SUNKIST ORANGES . . . dozen 45c**

Fresh California BROCCOLI bunch 29c	GREEN ONIONS 2 bunches 19c
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**MEAT DEPARTMENT**

Kirby Pure Randered LARD 2 lbs. 33c	Kirby Tenderized HAM Whole or Half lb. 39c
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**ARMOUR STAR Boneless and Skinless Ham whole or half lb. 41c**

Center Cut Small PORK CHOPS lb. 35c	End Cut PORK CHOPS lb. 28c
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**PURE CREAMERY BUTTER - lb. 49c**

**Maple Fruit Market**  
160 W. Maple Phone 4416  
"THE FINEST FOODS AT LOW PRICES"

**Football Warriors Banqueted by Mothers; Letters, Gold Footballs and Jugs Given**

To honor the members of Baldwin's championship and Jug-winning football team, a banquet was given Dec. 1 at the Community house by the mothers of the football players.

The program began with an invocation by Reverend Glen Harris, pastor of the "Star Spangled Banner." Dr. Dwight R. Ireland, superintendent of the athletic in Baldwin and Ross A. Wagner, Baldwin principal, spoke briefly in appreciation of persons who contributed to the successful season. A review of each game of the season was given by the respective game captains.

The captain's trophy was presented to Carl Blauman by Tom Spiegel, and Don Bonscoter presented a gift from the team to Coach Hal Helmer.

Carl Blauman, Sr. presented gold footballs, the gift of the fathers of the players, to all letter winners and Dr. E. W. Deer, team master and president of the Side-line Quarterbacks, gave each letter winner a copy of the "Little Brown Jug," in honor of the team's defeat of Royal Oak.

The climax of the evening was the presentation by Coach Helmer of letters to the following players: Walter Lang, Ray Bell, Carl Blauman, Ed Bruner, Pat O'Connor, Dick Dunn, Dana Elcar, Pete Gahn, Don Fisher, Pete Good, Bud Keller, Bob Joyce, Tom Roth, Bob Little, Frank Watts, Harold Kelley, Tom Spiegel, and Dick McCann.

The evening closed with the singing of the Baldwin school song. The program, attractively decorated with Acorn-Maple cartoons, was provided by a committee of mothers headed by Mrs. Lake Little.

**Children Can Meet Santa on Dec. 18**

From 2 to 4:30 p. m. a week from this Saturday, Dec. 18, Howard C. Holah, manager of the Birmingham Theatre, and Santa Claus will entertain the children of Birmingham and vicinity. There will be a gift for every child attending. The regular program will be resumed after the matinee, starting at 5 p. m. This party is an annual feature by Mr. Holah and one eagerly anticipated by the town's small fry.

**Here Are Books Telling How to Make Gifts in Place of Those You Can't Buy**  
By LINDO MOORE

shop ought to make any child's eyes shine.

How about a squashy rabbit for the baby? A paper applique picture for the nursery? A decorated tray for your favorite hostess? For the men on your list, there are objects to make out of leather, that are not too hard. You can even hand-weave a scarf.

It isn't hard to make some really charming things—and there are plenty of books to aid and abet. New ones on such handicrafts, recently added to Baldwin Public Library, include:

**Design from Peasant Art**, by Kathleen Mann.

**Wooden Toy Making**, by W. M. Horton.

**Decorative Handicrafts**, published by the Manual Arts Press.

**Block Printing Crafts**, by W. R. Perry.

**Metalcraft and Jewelry**, by E. F. Krout.

**English Embroidery**, by L. F. Perel.

**Applied Leathercraft**, by C. G. Groneman.

**Woodworking for Fun**, by A. J. LaBerge.

**Children's Work in Block Printing**.

**Paper Toys**, by Anna Pauli.

**Hand Puppets and String Puppets**, by W. S. Lancaster.

For younger readers who like to make their own, there are several simply written books.

**Holiday Handicrafts**, by J. N. Jordan.

**It's Fun to Make Things**, by Martha Parkhill.

**New Ideas in Woodcraft**, by P. T. Lemons.

**The Book of Little Crafts**, by Margaret Powers.

**Bowling Scores**

**JUNIOR HOUSE LEAGUE**

Team	Won	Lost
Birmingham Recreation	10	12
H.P.C. Service	14	12
M.K.'s Auto Service	14	12
De Moley Ward	16	14
Montgomery Ward	15	15
Peck's Clothing	15	15
Martin Machine	10	17
O. Z. Machine	10	25

**LADIES' ALIBI LEAGUE**

Team	Won	Lost
M.K.'s Auto Supply	26	10
Birmingham Recreation	26	10
Birmingham Drums	25	11
Knobbeville	22	14
Dinas Ford	18	19
Olsen's Market	22	19
Birmingham Cab	17	19
Berkley Dress Shop	20	21
Maxwell Shop	14	22
Rhode's Machine Works	14	22
Wolverine Potato Chips	12	24
Shain's Drugs	16	26

**High Scores**

Individual 1 Game—J. Walstrom, 294.  
Individual 3 Games—J. Walstrom, 105.  
Team 1 Game—Wam Drums, 741.  
Team 3 Games—M.K.'s Auto Sup., 2081.

**HOUSE LEAGUE**

Team	Won	Lost
De Ray Tool	31	17
Associated	30	18
Gandy	25	20
Home Craft	26	20
T. Smith	25	23
Dayner's	25	23
Adam	25	23
Erson-Dakin	28	25
Torrey	28	25
Ladd's	21	27
Wickman's	12	32

**High Scores**

Individual 1 Game—Kern, 429.  
Individual 3 Games—Kern, 216.  
Team 1 Game—Dayner's, 973.  
Team 3 Games—Dayner's, 2782.

**LADIES HOUSE LEAGUE**  
Monday, December 6, 1943

Team	Won	Lost
McNella	29	18
M.K.'s Service	29	18
Milges	21	18
Hilkey Furniture	19	17
Matthews Tailors	19	17
Malbe-Inn	19	17
McBride's Hair	19	17
Ladd's	17	19
Wiley Hall	16	20
W. H. Service	15	21
LaBelle's	15	21
W. H. Service	15	21

**High Scores**

Individual 1 Game—T. Smith, 166.  
Individual 3 Games—R. Eason, 499.  
Team 1 Game—McNella, 2144.  
Team 3 Games—McNella, 2144.  
Matthews, 2144.

**BANKER AT HI 12 CLUB**  
The High Twelve Club heard William B. Cudlip, General Counsel for Michigan Bankers' Association, speak at their weekly meeting in the Birmingham Community House Monday night. Mr. Cudlip's subject was "The Function of the State Government."

**RB SHOPS**  
A GIFT FROM THE RB MEANS  
**A Gift With a Wearable Future**

What's the gift winner this Christmas? Wearables with a bright future of course! And we've the cream of the crop—all hand picked for extra smartness, double-duty, practicality. The same fine RB quality and service you're so used to having all year 'round now stand ready to serve your Christmas needs.

**Illustrated Above:**  
Gloves—Van Houtte fabrics and genuine pigskin in all the desirable colors.  
Hosiery—A lovely selection of prints and solid whites moderately priced.  
Bags—Fine fabrics and leathers in a grand assortment of styles.  
Hats—The finest rayon and cotton available in all colors and sizes.  
Blouses—You'll find a grand assortment of tailored and dressy styles.  
Skirts—All wool plaids and solids from size 24 to 36.  
Sweaters—Plenty of the famous "Station Wag" in lovely new colors.

**RB SHOPS**  
Smart Feminine Apparel  
**GIVE WAR BONDS — THE BEST GIFT OF ALL!**