

Action Delayed On Rezoning Petition

A decision on a petition for rezoning a section of land just inside the east city limits on East Maple avenue from Business A to industrial, is expected at a meeting of the City Commission on January 2. The hearing was conducted by the Commission Monday Dec. 17, with Joseph R. Buckley, 2040 Yorkshire, and owner of property on the north side of Maple avenue, opposite the property in question, filed an objection to the proposal.

Commissioner Wm. Colt Allen, who had a part in earlier study of the proposal was not present Monday evening and the Commission decided to await his attendance before completing any official action.

Ask Water Main
The Commission accepted a petition for a water main extension on Fairview avenue and set a hearing for January 2. The cost was given at \$675.40.

City Manager Harold H. Corson reported that building permits had been issued for 56 new homes in Birmingham during the past eight months. Of these only one has been completed, he said.

Plans for the new Birmingham Express terminal, authorized to invest about \$50,000 in special city funds in short term government securities.

Women In Service

Set. June E. Meagher, Motor Transport, is at home on Christmas furlough from Fort McClelland, Ala. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Meagher of Walnut Lake.

AT TOWN HALL JAN. 4
Detroit Town Hall at the Cass Theatre re-opens the Friday Morning Series of Lectures on Jan. 4 at 11 o'clock, presenting Bartolini, the one-man theatre, in a production of "Portraits in Soap."

Engaged



Betty Jane Sprague

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sprague, of 1551 Big Beaver road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Jane, to Ensign James W. Graham.

Ensign Graham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Griffith, Cadillac, and James Graham, Benton Harbor. The wedding will be planned after Ensign Graham is released from war duty.

THE QUEEN FOR A DAY
Mrs. Robert Richardson, 692 Hanna, bride of a day, found herself queen for a day the next day down at a Detroit theater, where she won the Queen For a Day contest. Mrs. Richardson, the former Lenore Bailey, was married on Saturday and Sunday afternoon, with her husband, attended a theater performance and came away with a big bouquet of Mums, a dozen nylon stockings, makeup kit, an outfit of new clothes, fountain pen set, dinner tickets, theater tickets and other accessories.

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THE ELMER HACKES were over at Lansing for their annual Christmas visit, spending the day with relatives, as is their custom.

MR. AND MRS. LEE E. MOON will be home from Ontario, for Christmas week with Mrs. North's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson. They plan to return to Birmingham early next week.

MR. AND MRS. A. EDWARD PHILLIPS, of Henrietta street, are spending the holidays in Washington, D. C. with their son, Franklin, and his wife.

SOCIAL NEWS IN BRIEF

Joint hosts at cocktail party and dance to be held at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club on Friday, December 29, are **MR. AND MRS. E. A. ANDERSON** and **MR. AND MRS. E. A. SCHIRMER**.

MRS. W. N. KNOWLES gave a tea on Sunday, December 23, in honor of her daughter, Patricia, who is home from Valley College, Mass. Patricia leaves today for the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., where she will be the guest of Cadet John A. Gillespie. Before returning to her studies, Pat will attend a winter sports houseparty in Vermont.

MR. AND MRS. LEWIS CLARK DIBBLE were hosts to a group of their friends last Sunday evening. The guests gathered to sing carols by candlelight and were then served Smashes and other refreshments at the Dibble home on West Lincoln road.

THE DONALD MURRAYS of Tibury road had as their Christmas guests Mrs. Boyden Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Curry and their children, Charles, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Murray of Battle Creek, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thrasher and their children of Ann Arbor; and Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Eliot H. Rice, who have just returned from Hawaii. Mr. Rice was the first Spar to be married in Honolulu.

MR. AND MRS. NEIL C. McINTOSH of Lone Pine road have as their house guests Mr. Gustavus D. Pope, Jr. Their daughter, Marjory, is also at home now, on leave from the Waves at Jacksonville, Fla.

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Tells Engagement At Orchid Dance

The engagement of Phyllis Elaine Sander, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Sander, to Edward W. Nitz, son of Mr. and Mrs.



I KNEW HIM BEFORE HE DISCOVERED

J. H. Gardick & Sons
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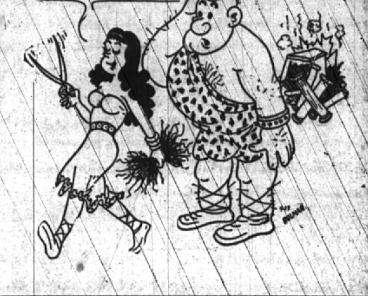
Phyllis Elaine Sander
E. J. Nitz, of Columbus, Wis., was announced on December 15th at the annual Beta Christmas Orchid Formal at Purdue University.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Baldwin High School and is in her senior year at Purdue, where she is affiliated with Phi Beta Phi social sorority.

Her fiance attended Oberlin college, was with the Navy V-12 program at Purdue, and is a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He will enter the Medical School of the University of Wisconsin this June.

Edward is spending the holidays at the Sander home on Filgrim road.

There are no immediate plans for the wedding.



Added Compensation Given A & P Workers

NEW YORK—Additional compensation totaling approximately \$1,500,000 was distributed to employees of The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company before Christmas. It was announced today by John A. Hartford, president.

All A & P employees throughout the country, with six months or more service with the company, participated in the cash distribution. The company's employees were voted similar compensation last year.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR · 1946

WE SALUTE YOU AS THE NEW YEAR DAWNS

Now, when the hopeful New Year is about to take its place on the world stage, we salute the brave men and women who have so splendidly guarded America's precious heritage of freedom. We salute you, too, good friends and neighbors. Ours is a debt of gratitude we can hardly repay.

Better days are ahead for all of us, we are reasonably sure, and we want you to know how deeply we appreciate your friendship.

BODINE NEWS



"Glorious the year that for you waits, Beyond Tomorrow's mystic gates"

... a year relieved of the tensions and worries that have marked the past few twelve months... a year in which you will know again the unfettered freedom and the "will to do" of the good old days—that is our wish for you as we are about to enter 1946. May it be, indeed, a glorious year for you.

NOTICE
WE WILL BE OPEN
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29
From 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.
and SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30
From 12 noon until 9 P.M.

Ritter's
297 E. Maple



THE JAY SHOP
145 N. Woodward

THE SEASON'S BEST TO ALL OUR FRIENDS



Peck up your troubles in your old kit bag and board the magic carpet for the Land of Better Days.

There are 365 of them "in the bag" for you in 1946—if we have our way about it—and every day will be better than the one preceding.

A thousand thanks for past favors—and **HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU!**

STROPP'S MARKET
Wabeek Building



OUT OF THE darkness of four bitter years of war, America emerges into a New Year blessed with Freedom's Holy Light. In the heart of each American should be the firm resolve that that light shall not be dimmed by the bigotry that pits class against class, creed against creed, race against race. The fellowship of man is the best assurance that this will be a Happy New Year.

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