

Vesper Service

A special vesper service, at which Paul Dutton will present a reading of "The Other Wise Man," will be given Sunday, Dec. 23, at 4:30 p. m. at Christ Church Cranbrook.

Pfc. J. R. Jones Home

Pfc. James Ronald Jones of the 17th Inf. Reg., 24th Inf. Div., has recently returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Alford Jones, at 51291 Labrub road.

Mayor Mallender Tells Realtors of Future City Plans

Birmingham realtors, gathered at the Community House last week for their last meeting of 1946, heard a talk on city government by Mayor Milton F. Mallender.

materially less than other communities have been able to procure. "Our traffic condition needs considerable study and, contrary to the taxpayers' oft expressed belief, the parking meters were not for the purpose of creating revenue but rather to control traffic."

Labrub Townsite News

By LILLIAN DIEDERICH

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MOON - JUNE - SPOON - THAT'S GOOD RHYME - AND IT'S GOOD REASON TO LOOK IN THE YELLOW PAGES OF THE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY FOR A FURNITURE DEALER. MERRY CHRISTMAS. May countless blessings bring true joy to you and yours at Christmastime. Stroup's MARKET Wabeek Building Phone 2800

Results of the election of directors for the coming year were announced by Whiting Raymond, Secretary, who was again returned to the directorate, as was the retiring President, Louis Hasall, Clyde Bennett, Jerome Benjamin and Fred M. Brook, most of whom had previously served.

Want Citizens' Suggestions Mayor Mallender prefaced his remarks stating that unfortunately the citizenry at large only too frequently was content to "let George do it," and that he, together with other City Commissioners, would be only too happy to hear from a great many more of the taxpayers with suggestions and constructive criticism in order that the Commission might continue in their efforts to make Birmingham a better community in which to live.

Reviewed highlights of the City's program and plans for the future.

Traffic Needs Study Mayor Mallender said Birmingham had achieved an enviable credit position in refinancing bonded indebtedness and that the city has the lowest rate (1.3%) of any community in the State and had just negotiated another refinancing program at 1.5% interest—still

Water softening, he declared, "is a problem of primary concern to the Birmingham residents and now being made that may incorporate casing head softeners at the well locations. This treatment is said to provide soft water which is considerably better than Detroit or Chicago. Something of this kind may be accomplished in this direction in 1948."

More recreation facilities, it is hoped, will be available as funds permit, he indicated.

On the question of better community service, improvements and other desirable City improvements, Mayor Mallender said the Commission was only limited by the amount of funds available from tax payments. Many improvements may have to be deferred until the most essential ones have been provided unless the taxpayers wish to make additional funds available, he concluded.

Community House Calendar. Thursday, Dec. 26 8:00 p.m. Horticultural Society. 9:00 p.m. Birmingham Band Reunion meeting. Friday, Dec. 27 8:00 p.m. Teen Canteen. 9:00 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tri-A dance. Saturday, Dec. 28 1:00 p.m. Hersey dance class. 2:00 p.m. Teen Canteen bridge tea. 8:00 p.m. Teen Canteen. Monday, Dec. 29 10:30 a.m. Musical Board meeting. 12:00 noon Rotary Club luncheon. 7:30 p.m. Ground School class. 7:30 p.m. Girl Scouts. Tuesday, Dec. 31 12:00 noon Exchange Club luncheon. 10:00 p.m. to 2 a.m. Black and White Club dance. Wednesday, Jan. 1 HOUSE CLOSED. Thursday, Jan. 2 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Ranch Room. 4:00 p.m. Girl Scouts. 6:30 p.m. Family Dinner. 8:30 p.m. Business Women's Club dinner. 8:00 p.m. to 11 p.m. Club 1930. Now there's a portable refrigerator for auto and boat trips.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Durr will have 12 guests at her home, Mrs. Charles Walker will be hostess at dinner, Mrs. Frank L. Grove and Mrs. Francis D. Overstreet, and Mrs. E. L. Richardson expect 11 dinner guests including Mr. and Mrs. Warren Piers of Saiton, Md., who will be house guests over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shure will have the family dinner at which an aunt, Mrs. Bertha Kreutzberg of St. Louis, Mo., will be present; the James Porters will be hosts at dinner; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Porter and daughter, Mary, will go to Manchester where the family dinner will take place at the home; Mrs. John J. Durr expect 16 members of the family for midnight supper.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lamplen, 19708 West 19th road, announcing the engagement of their daughter, Jean Dorothy, to Waide E. Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Porter, 18784 Dover road, N.E. There are no immediate plans for the wedding.

Mrs. Harry Sauer of Santa Barbara drive was hostess Thursday evening to 20 Sunday school members of Northwestern Baptist church of Detroit. Mrs. Willard noted a recent bride was honored and was tendered a shower gift with the Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged among the class.

The candlelight refreshment table was tendered with the Christmas cake surrounded by Christmas greens and a miniature bride and groom. The dinner was given by Mrs. Kit Loan, who is 78 years young!

Set Jack Bengal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bengal, formerly of the Birmingham Eclectic, recently received his new commission. He is home on terminal leave.

Bob Raus will be host New Year's Eve to 30 guests, former servicemen and their wives and guests. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Raus of Goldengate drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lucht of Glenwood boulevard returned last evening from New York City where they attended the American Society of Mechanical Engineers convention. Mr. Lucht was granted the privilege of sitting in on the UMRA meeting conducted by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt and their return trip they visited their daughter, Charlotte, an X-Ray technician with GE in Pittsburgh.

The college crowd of the townsite will hold forth with a New Year's Eve dance to be held in the school auditorium. All are invited to renew old friendships. Some of the ex-servicemen have not seen their pals for years, and may be surprised to see that five years have done for their former teen-age dates!

Railroads' Role in Winning of War Told Local Exchange Club. A. G. Thernstrom, agent of the Grand Trunk Western Railroad at Port Huron, spoke to the Birmingham Exchange Club at their regular noon meeting in the Community house last week. He told the part the railroads played in the country's defense during the war and told of improvements being made and also being planned for the future.

"A box car still looks like a box car," he explained, "but many improvements in design and safety have been made in even its lowly form of transportation. "No doubt the recent coal strike will bring about greater use of Diesel-powered locomotives as the industry plans the future," he added, "as a service to the public must be the first consideration, without interruption."

Guests of the club were E. E. Carl, local agent, and A. K. Wheaton, traveling freight agent for the district.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that I, Earl L. Carter, City Drain Commissioner of the County of Oakland, did on the 4th day of December, 1946, file in the office of the said Drain Commissioner an order designating a drainage district, to be known as the drainage district of the said County of Oakland, Michigan, under the provisions of Act No. 316, P. A. of 1929.

The name and source of said drain is as follows: Beginning at a point at an existing manhole on the Adams Road, said point being approximately 400 feet North of the intersection of Adams Road and the Mile Road in the SW 1/4 Sec. 15, Troy Township, Oakland County, Michigan, thence Northwesterly across part of the 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 15, to the point of N. & S. line of said Section.

The definite point of beginning, course and termini of the proposed drain, and the bench-mark deemed to be determined by a survey.

Said drain to be known as Wenderow Subdivision W 77.28 Acres of SE 1/4, SW 1/4 and SW 1/4 of Sec. 15, T. 14 N., R. 11 W., 1946.

Witness my hand and the seal of said County of Oakland, Michigan, this 4th day of December, 1946.

Earl L. CARTER, Drain Commissioner of Oakland County, Michigan.

Alumnae Group to Present Christmas Dance This Week

Cranbrook pavilion will be decked with Christmas greens and decorations Friday evening, Dec. 27, when the Cranbrook-Kingswood alumnae present their dance there. The time is set at 9 p. m., and formal dress will be the order of the evening.

This year's dance will be the first since the war, following the traditional Christmas dances. Purpose of the affair is to get together to renew acquaintanceships. Any proceeds raised will be used to swell both Cranbrook's and Kingswood's scholarship funds.

Members of the committee in charge include Otis C. Thompson, tickets; Maxine Apple, chairman for the Kingswood group; Dick Brandt, decorations; Chuck Himechof of Detroit, arrangements; Morgan D. Douglas, Jr., program.

Preceding the dance, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porter of Willis street will be hosts to the committee members for cocktails and dinner. Robert Porter is general chairman for the dance.

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Merry Christmas Folks. Illustration of a man in a Santa suit holding a gift.

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