

Each day and each night the Universe unfolds to human eyes its mysterious workings. Many of these things that rise and glow, clouds and cloudless sky, birds and flowers, streamlets and hills will come to all of us.

New Parking Ordinance Is Approved

By G. R. A.

Gov. Sigler Comes Through Due to his excellent general physical condition, Gov. Jim Sigler came through his recent operation well. When he was wheeled from the operating table at the Lawrence Hospital in Lansing, Wednesday forenoon to his private home, he was unconscious. He was a tired and weary man. Two hours later, I stood at his bedside with Fred B. Dr. C. Criss and G. Gardner; the former was trying to persuade the Governor's semi-conscious wife, Mrs. Dr. Criss, to tell him the Governor Sigler; you've come through this well and your operation is a success." He was holding the Governor's right hand at the time. As the Governor moved his left hand my way (I was kneeling opposite Dr. Criss), I took it in my own, received a firm grip, and I said: "This is George Kim, it is whereupon he muttered: "Why, Hello, George!" and "lapsed into unconsciousness."

Joe Louis Loses in Victory

Joe Louis, heavyweight champion fighter, both in and out of the ring, is praised for his integrity, his manliness, his decency and sportsmanship. He has done much to raise the morale of the business, not to mention the impact for good that he has made upon the Negro community.

Cites Safety Rules to Help Prevent Christmas Fires

Use a little care to keep your Christmas tree safe. Birmingham Fire Chief Vern Griffith cautioned this week in a reminder on fire safety during the holiday season.

Conservation Note

Calm down, some of you boys who are interested in the subject of conservation in the State of Michigan! Don't get the notion that you, Kim Sigler plans to inject "conservation" into the constitution; he's as intelligently opposed to that as anybody inside or outside of the State.

Sewer-Cleaning Program Expanded

The city's new power driven sewer cleaning machine is performing so adequately that DPW program has advanced to the point where it is possible to clean about 100 manholes a day.

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A \$4,200 contract for the construction of the proposed Redding well pump house was awarded to the city by the city commission to the Chissus Construction Co., Birmingham.

Gas Furnace Explosion Causes \$4,000 Home Damage

Faulty controls resulted in a gas furnace explosion last Thursday afternoon at the home of Arthur Hawkins, 347 E. Adams street. Resulting fire caused an estimated \$4,000 damage to the house and furnishings, according to the fire department.

City Commission Compromises on Church Provisions

Effective today, all future construction in the residential area of Birmingham will be required to provide a specified amount of off-street parking facilities in accordance with the ordinance adopted by the city commission Monday night.

Quarton School's Safety Program to Be Recognized

Quarton School will be cited for its outstanding traffic safety education program during the 1947-48 school year when the Automobile Club of Michigan presents it with the Traveling Safety Cup award at 9 p. m. Wednesday, Dec. 17.

Community Council Will Cooperate in Adult Education, Family Week Plans

Forty member organizations of the Community Council will cooperate in a recreation commission of the city and inspired the installation at the Community House of the Ranch Room for the young people who will be holding a recreation center of their own.

Elect 24 Students to Baldwin High Honor Society

Fourteen students were elected to one of the highest honors Baldwin High School when the semi-annual National Honor Society induction assembly Tuesday morning.

Santa and His Reindeer Write About This Year's Preparations for Christmas

Hello, Boys and Girls! This is Santa Claus writing to you from the North Pole. Christmas is just around the corner and we're all ready to get into the spirit.

Rev. Runkel Heads Church Council

Rev. Arnold Runkel, pastor of the First Methodist Church, was elected to succeed the Rev. W. Harris, minister of the First Baptist Church, as head of the council of the Birmingham Ministerial Association.

Sidewalk Awaits April Balloting

A sidewalk up the east side of Eton road, from the corner of Buckingham, will be constructed in connection with the development of a new residential area now under construction to the east of the railroad right-of-way just north of the city limits.

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Birmingham Jaycee Caravan Plan Spreads Through State

"Share your budget with hungry, free Europeans—hungry man makes good Communist bait" is the slogan of the state-wide Junior Chamber of Commerce campaign to collect food from Michigan communities to send to the hungry, starving peoples of Western Europe.

Play to Depict Development of Constitution

Incidental story of Michigan's cumbersome state constitution will be revealed at an open meeting of the Birmingham League of Women Voters in the Community House next Monday afternoon at 8:15.

State Board Approves

Last week Wednesday Andrews presented the campaign idea to the Junior Board of Commerce, which immediately endorsed the plan. The board member of the Detroit board, and Andrews presented the matter to State Jaycee chairman of the publicity, Larner and Andrews were designated co-directors of the caravan.

Will Start Up-State

Andrews said that the caravan would start up-state with the various other communities joining the group as they move southward Detroit.

Charles Wright Dies Following Short Illness

Charles Wright, a resident of Birmingham for the past 24 years and well known business man, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Wright, Friday after a short illness.

Promote Educational Study

The U. S. domestic economy and its effect on Michigan industry, the Michigan constitution and what steps should be taken to improve the northern part of the state. He was also associated with the U. S. domestic economy and retired from active business with that firm. Upon the death of his son-in-law, late Frank M. Dandridge, 1937, he took over the management of the Mulholland clothing store, and continued to manage it for five years, when his grandson, Charles Mulholland, took his place.

Men's Chorus in Concert Dec. 16

The Birmingham Male Chorus will present its annual winter concert at 8:15 Tuesday evening in the Barnum School auditorium. The concert will feature a number of Birmingham and vicinity, are under the direction of A. Shanley Ross.

Receive Instruction in Operation of State Branch Office

Mrs. R. S. Plexico, assistant secretary of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. J. L. McGuire, 1646 Bessie street, who will assist Mrs. Plexico in the operation of the office, this week will complete two weeks of instruction in the operation of the Birmingham State branch office. The two women have been attending classes in the Detroit office of the Secretary of State.

71 Building Permits

Insurance of 71 building permits, valued at \$678,755, during the month of November brought Birmingham's building program to more than \$2,000,000 during the present year. Building Inspector Scott A. Hersey reported this.