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By G. R. A.

Treasure, Easter Services Planned by City Churches

Michigan Goes Republican

Defeat of the Democratic candidates for State Highway Commissioner and Governor in last week's election in Michigan reveals this important fact: a majority of those who vote are those who are opposed to the growing influence of the CIO in the policies of Governor Williams.

Birmingham will pause in its customary activities Friday when the churches of the city unite in the traditional Tre Ore services, to be held in the First Methodist church.

It must be remembered that the election of Governor Williams last November was, as the vote recorded, not so much in favor of Williams as a vote of protest against former Governor Kim Sigler.

The Rev. William Lovejoy of the Franklin Community church will open the first of the three services, which are to begin at 12 noon, with the call to worship. Dr. Glen Harris, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will preach on "The Cross in History", opening the three-sermon theme of "The Man on the Cross". Special music for this service will be in charge of Mrs. Mildred Ritter of the First Baptist church, Mrs. Manly Tyson and Robert Erwin as soloists.

Upon assuming office, Governor Williams, himself an honorable tradesman, allowed the CIO labor organization too much prominence in his office. This news was spread to the voters as the days since January 1 have gone by, and it apparently turned many voters from the Democrats to the Republicans.

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Cranbrook Philanthropist Is Dead



GEORGE G. BOOTH

George G. Booth, Cranbrook Founder, Dies Monday at 84

George Gough Booth, of Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, passed away early Monday at Harper Hospital, Detroit. He would have been 85 years old on Sept. 24.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 3 p.m. from Christ Church Cranbrook. Mr. Booth was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Birmingham, along side his wife and in the same cemetery as his father and mother.

His passing removes from life a man who, in the realm of journalism wielded widespread influence not only in Michigan but nation-wide; his interest in the development of better cultural opportunities for human beings remains symbolized in the art and educational center he and the late Mrs. Booth established in the several institutions at Cranbrook.

Surviving are a brother, Roland B., and four sisters, Mrs. William A. Pratt, Mrs. A. C. McGraw, Mrs. Marshall Miller and Mrs. Henry T. Wigram; two daughters, Mrs. Grace Booth Wallace and Mrs. James A. Beresford, and three sons, James S., Warren S., and Henry S., 21 grand-children and 19 great-grandchildren.

Joined The News In 1888

Mr. Booth was appointed business manager of The Detroit News in 1888, became general manager in 1897, and succeeded to the presidency following the death of James E. Scripps, the founder, in 1906; he continued as president until January, 1929. Since then, however, he has been a member of the board of directors.

The son of the late Henry Wood Booth and Clara Gagnier Booth, George G. Booth was born in Toronto Sept. 24, 1864. In 1881 the family moved to Detroit. It was while he was building up a small ornamental ironwork factory in Detroit that he met and married Miss Ellen Scripps, daughter of James E. Scripps in 1887.

Under his direction, The News grew from a comparatively small newspaper to one of the nation's great journals. A strong believer in a newspaper's responsibility to its readers, Mr. Booth developed editorial policies in defense of the public interest. The organization that grew up with him included William E. Scripps, son of the founder, and now president.

Exchange Honors Members at 25th Anniversary Meet

Members of the Birmingham Exchange club observed their 25th anniversary at their regular luncheon meeting Tuesday noon. Charter members Ralph A. Wilson, Robert Chisum, Ralph Moulthrop and Fred Debusias were present at the meeting, which was presided over by Walter Morgan, president. Dr. Otto Beck is also a charter member.

Ernest L. Ray of Detroit, immediate past state president, was the guest speaker. He told of the history of Exchange clubs and of the part they could play in the nation's affairs today.

Philip J. Watson of Ferndale, also a past state president, presented 100 per cent pins to Chisum, Robert S. Clark, M. Lloyd Dean, William Howing, Morgan, W. Carlton Scott and Dr. Russell B. Stephens. M. Lloyd Dean, past president of the local club, was given a past president's plaque.

Another anniversary celebration is planned by the club which Ladies' Night will be observed at Northwood Inn April 27.

Our New Mayor

With the death of Ralph H. in 1931, George G. assumed the direction of these properties, a position taken over by his son, Warren S. Booth, in 1942. In 1946, Mr. Booth, during his life, was also interested in other business ventures, as well as taking an active concern in the development of Detroit's cultural life.

A firm disciple of the simple and enduring truths of life, Mr. Booth early shaped his path along ways that would allow these truths to find application in areas of human reality. He believed that the old Biblical maxim, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven, and all these things shall be added unto thee," is a first-rate guide for all people. In his thinking and conversation he frequently quoted the old philosophers, the leaders of cultural achievement.

So, following his resignation as president of The News, indeed, even some years prior to that date, he first glimpsed the possibilities of using his great fortune to further the development of the artistic, the scientific, and the social values of life in human consciousness.

Moved to Bloomfield Hills, near his home in Cranbrook, and Mrs. Booth purchased lands in Bloomfield Hills, joining a few (See BOOTH, Page 2)

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Bus Line Changes to Give Residents Increased Services

E. W. Budd, 356 Lake Park drive, president of the Great Lakes Greyhound, has announced that new lines and schedules for the company will go into effect here Sunday, April 17. The additional lines will give more complete service to Birmingham residents for the Detroit area, and will include one line directly from Detroit to Clawson.

Hartwick Settles Suit Against City

Birmingham's roadwork program has been upheld by Circuit Judge George B. Hartwick, although he eliminated as unreasonable the dustproofing of Suffolk, between Raynolds and Redwing where only one house is located.

Busiest in History

March is the busiest month in the history of the community house and this March was no exception in its history. The board of directors was held by Mrs. Velma Iley, executive director at Monday's board meeting. Her monthly report recorded an attendance of 16,880 at 366 events, which was 1,375 more people at 120 more events than in March 1948 when a new peak of activity was reached.

Five Vicinity Cars Found Defective in Police Safety Check

The first combined report of the Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham police departments, cooperating in the state-wide brake and light checking program, shows that five cars in the vicinities were found to be complying with the law.

Two Youths Jailed on Weapons Charge

Justice John J. Gaffill last week released two Pontiac youths and ordered two others bound over to district court where they appeared before him on a charge of carrying concealed weapons. Herbert Walker, 19, and Walter A. Yeargin, 18, were released.

Dinner Speaker

Albion college graduates in Birmingham and its environs will observe Albion's Round-the-World festivities at a dinner meeting of the North Woodward Albion Club at the Birmingham Community House next Wednesday evening, April 20, at six-thirty.

Reappointments

City Commissioner Ralph A. Main, City Assessor Elmer Hasck, Mrs. Cyril B. Lewis and Dave Lezinska have been reappointed by the city commission as Birmingham's representatives on the Oakland County board of supervisors. Robert K. McClellan, a former member of the board, replaced Kenneth McBride.

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