

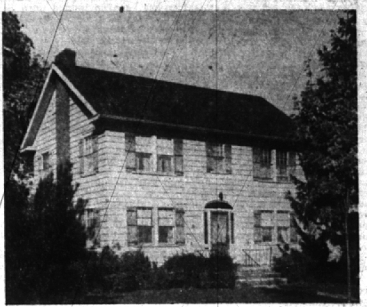
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Lathrup Village News

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Birmingham citizens literally "pulled in their necks" Monday noon when the weatherman gave a brief, but forceful preview of what the future holds for us. At just about 12:15 the sun began to become more or less solidified. At least it turned into little pellets of ice which bonded themselves along as they struck pavement and pedestrians. There was a general buttoning of coats, and with an inward groan, Birmingham resigned itself to the dainty little numbers which the sky is going to dump upon us for the next five months or so. BRRRRRRRR!

Attention! All would-be samaritan Santas! We can't all climb down chimneys or drive reindeer, but we can help out on the Christmas toy situation. Wilbur Johnstone of North Woodward avenue will be happy to receive all new or used toys which you don't want anymore. Johnstone says that any toys which are repaired are most welcome as he has, for many years, made a hobby of converting broken playthings into new ones. In the past, his efforts have been sent to the Family Service, the Crystal Beach trailer camp and the Juvenile Home. This year, Johnstone has his eyes on the families of servicemen as well. So, when you start cleaning out attics and closets and come across toys which need a little fixing up and afterwards look good as new, remember Wilbur Johnstone and the children. His efforts have made happy on Dec. 25.

A new wrinkle was added to the "trick or treat" routine on Sunday night, according to word which has come to this Wanderer. One group of youngsters armed themselves with the usual assortment of sacks to receive gifts, but went tradition one better. They also carried along a basket of very cute kittens, and presented one of the little fellows at any home where one was wanted and welcomed. According to the latest information we were able to unearth, all kittens received good homes and the youngsters had a wonderful time.

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With the additional expenditure of \$2,000,000 it is estimated that a new municipal building will have modern lighting where the need is greatest. City commissioners authorized this expenditure Monday night. A number of other offices got improved lighting some months ago. While the lighting in the city commission room itself is not scheduled for modernizing, Commissioner Theron Van Dusen declared, "It is remarkable what a coat of light makes on the walls and ceiling of this room would do to improve visibility." Mayor Donald S. Bell said a fire hose could even lighten it up.

The rising cost of living has even hit the Michigan Municipal League, city commissioners found out Monday evening. The League, which offers certain specialized services to municipal members, warned Birmingham that next year's dues will go up \$87.10. Last year's dues were \$193.30. City Treasurer Russell T. Berger noted.

News copy submitted early necessarily is given preference over late items. The "early bird" usually gets the space.

Republican Club
The women's Republican club of Southfield township will meet tonight at the home of the president, Mrs. Herman F. Lohr of Meadowbrook way, to hear Congressman George A. Dondero discuss state legislation and bills pending and their effect on the community at large. Members are asked to bring a friend.

At the last meeting John Deman of WJR spoke on the Communist influence and pitfalls experienced by persons innocently drawn into its clutches. The meeting was well attended.

Halloween Parties
More than 300 children attended the annual Halloween party Friday night, under the auspices of Woman's club and financed by Men's Civic Association and Southfield Recreation. The Southfield PTA sponsored another Halloween party Monday night on Southfield school children.

Double Celebration
If you see lots of cars and hear merry voices Saturday evening it's a "Happy Birthday" dinner party at the Drew Hanelines in honor of the "mistake" and Mrs. Lewis Thompson's birthday anniversary. Dinner for 24 guests will be at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Thompson resides at Orchard Lake.

FRANKLIN NEWS
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Girl Scout Week
Girl Scouts and Brownies joined to attend services at the Franklin Community Church last Sunday, commemorating the opening of National Girl Scout week.

26 New Cubs
There were 26 new cubs taken into the Franklin pack last Thursday. Several boys received awards including the first Webster badge awarded in the pack, which was Mike Nichols. Ben 2 took the honors. Mrs. Risk's boys won the pumpkin contest, retaining the pack flag for another month. They were given the use of the Indian type for their perfect attendance. Fred Davis, the new cubmaster, conducted the meeting.

Fair Plans Complete
The ways and means committee of the Fairly and Evening articles called at the home of Mrs. Glen Shoemaker on Tuesday evening to plan for the Saturday Fair to be held this Saturday. Doors will open at 9 a.m. to accommodate those planning to attend ball games. Marian Green entertained a group last Thursday evening to finish up articles being made for the fair.

A Welcome Noise
If you have noticed a lot of sawing and hammering in the village, you can relax and enjoy it, because Franklin's new fire hall and church annex are in the process of becoming a reality.

Welcome
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dodson and their two small daughters have moved into their new home on Fourteen Mile Road. Also, Dr. Hamilton's family on Bingham Lane.

Jimmy Ensign came home from the University of Michigan to spend the week end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Dwight Ensign of Franklin.

Mrs. Harold Roseberry and daughter Sue spent a few days in Toledo, Ohio, last week. Mrs. Roseberry's mother, Mrs. Deal.

The Bob Seavers and daughter Dee Dee drove to Chicago Friday, then on to Milwaukee Saturday to spend a few hours with another daughter, Barbara, who is touring the country with a ballet company.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell flew to New York City to celebrate

Seton Guild
The regular meeting of the Seton Guild will take place today in the Sarah Fisher home. Mending for the children will take place following the meeting. Tea will follow.

Woman's Club
Lathrup Woman's Club will meet Monday, Nov. 7, in the "House in the Woods" to hear Vera Richardson and her Novachord following the meeting. In charge of the tea will be Mrs. Drew Haneline with Mrs. Robert Slavsky, Mrs. Harry Hamill and Mrs. Hugh Robinson assisting her. President at the tea table will be Mrs. Glenn Parker, secretary of the club, and Mrs. Carl Busby. Presidents of outlying districts will be home guests.

On to Honolulu
Some of the neighbors in Lathrup have been corresponding with the Carroll E. Leedy family, which moved to San Francisco last year. Recently word was received that the Leedys have taken up residence in Honolulu where Leedy was transferred.

80th Birthday
About 60 relatives and friends honored "Granddaddy" Peppiatt Sunday when he observed his 80th birthday. An open house was held at the Guy Peppiatt home on Southgate boulevard. A feature of the party was a large cake bearing the inscription "Granddad—80".

The explosions were in an abandoned farm house on Inkster road. It seems three youths from Detroit made some bombs out of giant firecrackers, plus black powder, and "were just having fun" at the expense of the people whose windows were shattered by the blasts. They have been apprehended and sentenced.

Those queer balloons that Life magazine was interested in, were a new type flare replacing the old bombs used by trucks as trouble or stop warnings. The new ones can be seen more readily by motorists approaching a hill for they extend into the air. Just another road safety measure.

Bake Sale, Bazaar
Two dates to remember are Nov. 10 and 11—days of the bazaar and bake sale at the First Methodist Church.

Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all news—the society editor about them.

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