

### Melon Baseball League Playoff Games Underway

Playoffs got underway Monday or the championship of the Birmingham recreation watermelon baseball league.

The two top teams in each class are competing for the title in the first games Monday, the Scrubs defeated the Spiders in class B, 10-7 and the Mohawks won over the Rinds in class A, 5-1.

**DURING THE** regular season, Paul Phillips of the Rinds led the class A hitters with a robust .362 average. Groves of the Mohawks hit .377 to lead class B. Leading hitters in each class were George Landino in A and Wex Sheldon in B.

The league all-star game is scheduled for this afternoon at 4:45 at Pierce field unless the lay-off series goes the full three games. In that case, the game will be played Friday evening.

Members of the all-star team are Gerry Beck, Art Clark, catcher; Charley Wood, Jim Wheeler, George Landino, Gordon Mutch, pitcher; Wex Sheldon, first base; Paul Phillips, second base; Mutch, third; Jim McFarlane, shortstop.

**OUTFIELDERS ARE** Gerry Wedge, Gordon Peacock and Bill Brandt. Alternate infielders will be Jack Donnelly, Tom Beck and Bob Karch and outfield alternates are Owens, Sickenberger and Swartz.

Team manager is Art Clark and coaches are Art Clark and Bill Leckie.

According to figures released this week, 102 players competed in class A and 117 in class B.

### July's 21 Accidents Injure Seven Here

Accidents in the city were three less for July than the previous month, according to the report issued by Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley. Personal injury accidents numbered four in July, with seven persons hurt. Property damage was estimated at \$6,310.

Following other cars too closely was again the number one accident cause. Five legal crashes were caused by improper passing and three from right-of-way violations. Disregarding stop signals, car not under control and defective equipment each figured in two accidents, with improper starting from a parked position responsible for one.

### Stag Picnic

Members of the Birmingham Lions club held their annual stag picnic last night at the home of Carson Bingham on Franklin road.

**Birthdays; anniversaries, guests, clubs, parties are all news—call the society editor about them.**

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### Obituary Notices

**DEWEY H. CRADDOCK**, 51, of 1668 Villa road died suddenly last week Wednesday while on a business trip to Lansing. Services were held at the Estes-Leadley funeral home there on Saturday with burial in Leslie.

A resident of Birmingham for the past two years, Mr. Craddock was a sales representative for the Detroit Reamer Tool company. Before joining the firm, three years ago, he had been associated with the Oldsmobile division of General Motors in Lansing for 20 years.

He was a member of Leslie Lodge, F. & A. M., the Detroit Consistory and Modern Shrine and was a veteran of World War I.

Mr. Craddock is survived by his widow, Margaret, and one sister, Mrs. Clare Warner of Lansing.

**MRS. EMMA B. DENKER**, 64, of Encino, Calif., died suddenly Saturday while visiting at the home of her son, Milton H. Denker, 2044 Franklin road. Mrs. Denker was a former resident of Detroit.

She is survived by her husband, Henry C. Denker and one other son, Edgar C., of Detroit and a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Ward of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Services were held from the Bell funeral home Tuesday afternoon with burial in Acacia Park cemetery.

**MICHAEL MENNING**, 77, of Youngstown, Ohio, died suddenly Tuesday at the home of his niece, Mrs. Warren Williams, 31260 Lucerne, Southfield township, where he was a guest.

Mr. Menning married Sophia Wellman in Transylvania on May 28, 1898. He was a member of the St. Paul's Lutheran church in Youngstown.

The body was taken there Tuesday from the Manley Bailey funeral home.

**MRS. EDITH BEISEL**, 77, of 859 Hedgesdale, died at her home Tuesday night after a long illness. She was born in Newport, England on Jan. 25, 1873.

Mrs. Beisel, a resident of Birmingham and vicinity for the past 42 years, was a charter member of the Royal Oak Unity Center church.

She is survived by her husband, Adam Beisel; two daughters, Mrs. George Callahan of Berkley and Mrs. Benjamin Sutch of Royal Oak; a son, Maurice R. Geisel of Detroit; four sisters, Mrs. Clyde Beardale of Ferndale, Mrs. George Stanbury of Detroit, Mrs. Florence O'Dell of Clinton, Mich., and Mrs. M. A. Humphries of Glendale, Calif.

Services will be held this afternoon from the Manley Bailey funeral home at 2:30, with burial in Greenwood cemetery, The Rev. Virginia Shipley will officiate.

**MRS. JOSEPHINE GILES**, 70, 3894 Crooks road, who died Sunday, was buried in Oakview cemetery Tuesday following services at the Bell funeral home.

She was born on Feb. 24, 1880 in Illinois and in 1914 was married to Harry V. Giles in Highland Park. The couple had lived at their present address 27 years, moving there from Royal Oak. She was a member of the Troy Presbyterian church.

The survivors include her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Brons and Mrs. Joseph Brown, both of Ferndale and one son, Elmer H. Giles of Arlington, Va.

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