

An undependable man or woman is a burden upon all who are thrown into the circle of such people. There are many desirable virtues to seek, not the least of which is dependability... the art of being faithful to a promise.

New Cub Scouts

Den 11 of Pierce Cub Scouts has recently enrolled two new members, John Holden and Edmund Rhoden. They, with the complete enrollment of all dens, already are looking forward to their visit to

Have You Met . . .

Mrs. M. W. Stinson who has moved with her daughters, Margie and Rosalie from Detroit to 4416 Seminole?

Bits of Birmingham

Just as the Michigan Fire Marshal's office in Lansing will not forget, the city commission Monday night sent along a formal resolution asking that Birmingham be informed of any conclusions reached on the Dec. 11 gas explosion here. Commissioners also asked that they be given a report on the present status of the state's investigation. Lawyers for the estates of Wilson Jones and his mother, Mrs. Edith J. Jones, shop owners who were killed in the explosion, have notified the city of Birmingham that it may be held responsible for the deaths of the two persons, and damages resulting therefrom. This notice is required by city charter "within 60 days of the happening of any accident, and preserves any right plaintiffs have under the charter."

Monday's snow and slush made the businessmen's regular drive to their Detroit offices a very unpleasant one. City Commissioner Milton F. Mallerder said it took him two hours and fifty minutes to make the distance. "We spent an hour of this just below the Detroit city limit as the result of another driver hitting the rear of my car," Mallerder explained. Even at that, an hour and fifty minutes is plenty long for an 18-mile drive. Mallerder, this Wanderer learned, spent Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday in bed at home. He collapsed in district court in Toledo the day before. "Just working too hard. I've got to start taking life easier," he said.

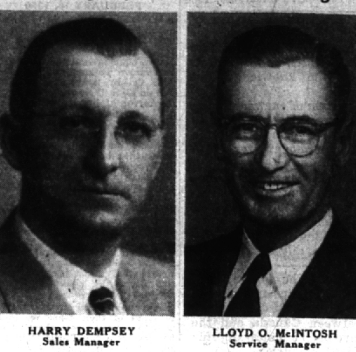
The Eccentric staff was pleased this week to fulfill a request from Orrin R. Taylor of the Archbold Backery, in Archbold, Ohio. Taylor explained that he was making a display in the 1949 NEA News-Papers to be shown at the Ohio News-Paper association's annual meeting in Columbus. Since the "Buckeye" has won five national newspaper contests we feel Taylor has

if you checked with the city's traffic ordinance, or looked for the signs strategically posted along the curb, you would discover that U-turns are not permitted on Woodward avenue between Lincoln and Oakland. But if you watched the traffic, you could get an entirely different picture. This Wanderer notes that an unusual number of motorists (and some taxi-drivers) are still U-turning. Very little of it is done while a policeman is nearby, however.

According to the Cub Scout grapevine, their coming circus should be quite an affair. Denis III and X of the Pierce pack visited the shrine circus in a body last week and according to this Wanderer's informant, the pencils were just about as busy as the circus performers. While the boys are steadfastly refusing to tell anything about their program, they modestly admit they came home from Detroit "just loaded with wild ideas!"

At last week's annual Community House Assn. meeting, Mrs. Carol Plumstead, assistant house director, told how many residents feel the house can answer ALL their problems. She recalled the following questions which have been recently asked of the staff: "Can you tell me where I can buy a canary?" "May we use a truck horse for a program in the auditorium?" "Do you know where I could find a worthy home for a three-year-old bed?" (or a half ton of coal?). "How can I get rid of six pounds of embroidery

Wilson Agency Sales, Service Managers



HARRY DEMPSEY Sales Manager

Charles E. Wilson, Jr. and Edward E. Wilson, owners of the Wilson Pontiac-Cadillac agency here, have announced two personnel changes in their establishment. Harry Dempsey has been appointed sales manager and the company has engaged the services

Explorer Scouts Plan Paper Collections

George Scott, 787 Hazelwood, and six members of Birmingham's Explorer Scout Troop, B-8, returned last week from a camp-out trip to Niagara Falls, N. Y. Side jaunts while there gave the boys ample time to view the great falls in all their winter glory.

McIntosh has spent 27 years in the Detroit-Pontiac area as a service man. With his wife and three children, he has been a resident of Birmingham for the past nine years. The company plans installing several new types of equipment in their service department, and complete modernization of the parts department.

Explorers Scout are the seniors of scouting in America. These boys are all 14 or older, and are at present mapping a schedule of activities which will appeal to older boys. Scott said the Explorers had been organized to create sufficient interest to hold the boys in this age group in the general scouting movement.

To Attend School

Barkley Omans, assistant city building inspector, has been authorized by the city commission to attend the annual school for building inspectors to be held at Purdue University Feb. 27 to March 1.

"This Wanderer might add that the Community House isn't the only place in town where questions of this type are asked. The Eccentric also is a clearing house for such odd bits of information.

Copies of that recently released Community Council survey on services to youth and children in the Birmingham School district are available at the Baldwin Public Library. Larger amounts for distribution to groups may be obtained from Mrs. Lee A. White, 652 Brookside.

It has come to this Wanderer's attention that a need exists for a sewing machine at the Oakland county hospital for crippled children. The present machine is so old that even the manufacturer cannot accurately trace the date. They tell us that either an electric or treadle model (or both) can be used to great advantage. Attachments can be placed on the electric for use by the blind, while the treadle model offers an opportunity for splendid exercise for crippled legs and a chance for usefulness and accomplishment at the same time. Any Birmingham resident who has a machine in fairly good condition which is not used regularly may call Mrs. Charles Murdock at her home, 1144 Smith street.

Y Church League's Weekend Play Sees Tie for Top Spot

Holy Name quintet moved into a tie with St. James Episcopal church for the leadership in the Birmingham YMCA church league with their 23-22 win over the Episcopal quintet. Each team has five wins and one defeat. Trailing 26 to 11 at the end of the third period, St. James put on a scoring spurt to close the gap to 28 to 22 before time ran out. They held Holy Name to just one basket by John Donnelly in the last ten minutes of play but the large lead garnered by the Harmon avenue boys in the first half proved too much of a barrier for St. James. Games next Wednesday night feature DeMolay vs. St. James at 7 p.m. and Lathrup Townsite vs. Holy Name at 8 p.m.

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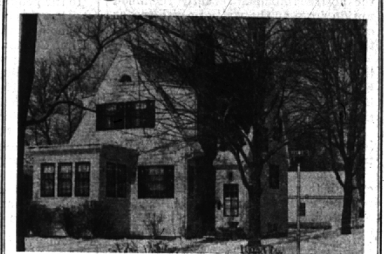
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