

# FRANKLIN NEWS

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### Dessert Luncheon

The Franklin Friendly Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. C. J. Seaver on Wellington road, Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 12:30 for a dessert luncheon. Mrs. Duane Lurkins will be chairman, assisted by Mrs. G. G. Wright and Mrs. Wayne Breker.

### Live Wire Club

The Live Wire Club met for dinner and a meeting at the home of Mrs. Harry Seavey of Keego Harbor on Tuesday, Jan. 10.

### Circle to Meet

Mrs. Norman Currin will entertain members of the Evening Cir-

### Scout News

Scout Troop B-11, of Franklin, and the scout committee held their meeting last night at the home of Carson Bingham. The Bingham's provided entertainment and refreshments for the group. Three new scouts, Roger Hard, Fred Hunter, and John Bink, have been added to the troop. The Cub Scouts are working on an achievement for every child this month. Den 1 made bird feeding stations at their last meeting.

### Dates to Remember

Two future dates to remember to keep open are Jan. 27, when the Circles will sponsor another square dance at the Franklin community hall and Feb. 15, when Captain Don Leonard will speak at the annual meeting of the Men's association.

### Social Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Walker of Greenbriar road are spending several days in New York City, attending the Automobile show. Frederick Graef has returned from a three week vacation in Minneapolis, Minn., visiting his parents. Mrs. Lewis Henry is off to sunny California for a long vacation and a visit with relatives. F. R. Davis left for his home in Santa Monica, Calif. after spending several weeks with the Fred Davis's of Franklin. Mrs. J. M. Robinson spent last Friday in Ann Arbor helping daughter Betty, who attends U. of M., celebrate her birthday.

### Have You Met . . .

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ruffer and children, Carolyn Frederick, formerly of Detroit and now of 1869 Birmingham? Mr. Ruffer is with the Detroit Lubricator Corporation.

Former Detroit residents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Giliee and Leslie who are making their home at 557 Golfview? Mr. Giliee is an attorney with Griffin Emery and Seely.

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## Promoted by Consumers Power Co.



J. H. BETTENDORF

To assist in handling problems arising out of the growing demand for natural gas in this area, Joseph H. Bettendorf, local manager for Consumers Power Company, has been promoted to administrative assistant and transferred to the Company's division office in Pontiac, according to an announcement today by Division Manager D. L. Brown.

He will be succeeded as local manager in the Royal Oak district by Birum G. Campbell, Jr., who has been personnel and safety supervisor in the division office. The duties include supervision of not only the Royal Oak office but also the local offices in Birmingham and Ferndale.

In his new position Bettendorf will share responsibility for gas distribution and service not only in the Royal Oak district but also in Pontiac, Mt. Clemens and scores of other communities in Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties.

### Local Manager 25 Years

Bettendorf joined the Jackson Gas Company, a predecessor of Consumers Power Company, in Jackson 28 years ago. Except for a period of Army service in World War I, he remained in Jackson until 1924, when he went to Saginaw as industrial gas engineer of the Royal Oak district.

He has served as a director of the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce, the Royal Oak Credit Bureau and the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross. He is a past president of the Royal

B. G. CAMPBELL, JR.

Oak Exchange Club and he served on the Civilian Defense Councils in Royal Oak and Birmingham during World War II. Campbell joined the Consumers sales department in Pontiac in 1939 and left in 1941 to enter military service. He served 18 months in England and 16 on the European Continent with the Army Signal Corps and was discharged in 1945 with the rank of chief warrant officer. He holds three battle citations.

He returned to Consumers in 1946 as personnel and safety assistant in the Pontiac Division. In 1947 he was promoted to personnel and safety supervisor.

### Area Improvements More Economical, Auto Firm Told

Improving city streets by area instead of block-by-block is the most economical method for both city and residents, it was emphasized at Monday night's city commission meeting as a request was considered for paving Landon between Woodward and Ann.

The Landon paving was asked for in a petition submitted by W. A. Caltrider, Inc., auto dealers. City commissioners suggested that the firm circulate a petition for the improvement not only of Landon, but also of Purdy and Ann streets, between Lincoln and George.

"Area street improvements prove the most economical," pointed out City Manager Donald C. Egbert.

## County PTA Council Meets at Poppleton School on Friday

The first meeting of the Poppleton PTA in the new year, 1950, was held Wednesday evening, Jan. 4. There was a short business meeting during which the president of the PTA, Mrs. Emory Leomin, presented the charter for this year to the Boy Scout committee chairman, Walter Huff. Robert Pollard, local Scout

worker, presented a film, "Scout Citizenship Through Better Living". He spoke briefly on the local scouting program.

The PTA is sponsoring a new Club Pack which is in the process of organization. There will be a series of meetings for parents of prospective Cubs to be held on Thursday evenings, Jan. 12, 19 and 26, at the school, at 8:00 p.m.

The Troy and Poppleton schools will be joint hosts to the Oakland county council of the PTA at a meeting to be held at Poppleton

corner of 16 Mile and Crooks roads, on Friday evening, Jan. 13, at 8 o'clock.

Miss Esther Middlewood, state director of mental health will speak on "Parent-Teacher Relations." Everyone interested is very welcome to attend this meeting.

News and society copy must be in The Eccentric editorial office by 5 o'clock each Tuesday afternoon. Deadline for society club news is noon each Monday.

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