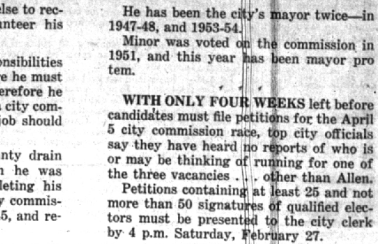
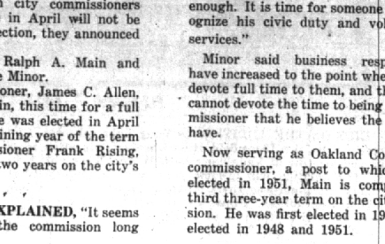
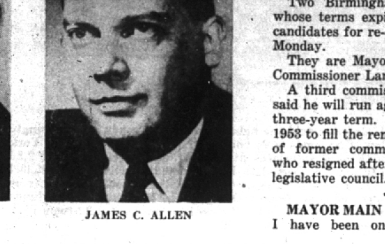


Main, Minor to Leave Commission; Agent to Run for Full 3-Year Term



RALPH A. MAIN

LANCE MINOR

JAMES C. ALLEN

MAYOR MAIN EXPLAINED, "It seems I have been on the commission long enough."

MINOR SAID BUSINESS RESPONSIBILITIES HAVE INCREASED TO THE POINT WHERE HE MUST DEVOTE FULL TIME TO THEM, AND THEREFORE HE CANNOT DEVOTE THE TIME TO BEING A CITY COMMISSIONER THAT HE BELIEVES THE JOB SHOULD HAVE.

HE HAS BEEN THE CITY'S MAJOR TWICE—IN 1947-48, AND 1953-54. MINOR WAS NEEDED ON THE COMMISSION IN 1951, AND THIS YEAR HAS BEEN MAJOR PRO TEM.

An honest admission of your faults, to yourself, is a good basis for the correction of them. Few human beings are so perfect and so pure that you know more about us than we do. Perhaps we inflate our virtues too much, as compensation for our faults.

THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

ALIEN TEXTBOOKS USED IN SOCIOLOGY STUDIES

One of the most ardent loyal disciples of rugged Americanism on the university and college campuses I have come upon these days is a man named George S. Bennett, president of Harding College, Searay, Arkansas.

Now and then he sends me a copy of his thinking upon various current problems.

In a recent communication from him, he writes about the disturbing contents of some of the sociology textbooks used in certain educational areas of our nation.

Following is something worthy of reading by every citizen and parent who is interested in preserving the freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States:

"There has just come to my attention a highly professional analysis of sociology textbooks which should be read by every school teacher, college professor and parent in America. It brings to light shocking facts about some textbooks now widely used in high schools and colleges of the country."

"THE AUTHOR, Dr. A. H. Hobbs, professor of sociology at the University of Pennsylvania, says some of the most widely used sociology textbooks are distorting facts, teaching devices and subtle techniques to convince high school and college youth—

"That religion should discard mysticism, supernaturalism, ritual, and tradition and adjust to conditions of modern life by concentrating on crusades against certain economic and social conditions. That educational practices and principles which involve discipline or drill, and the teaching of traditional beliefs about the government, the family, or the economic system are inefficient and harmful;

"3. THAT GOVERNMENT actively provide people with security, health, happiness and developed personalities; that increased governmental control over business and industry is the most important step toward attainment of the desired goals; but that such controls constitute only a phase of broader social planning;

"4. That redistribution of wealth and income, and unemployment, are the sole responsibility of our private enterprise economic system; and that government control of business and planning of "social engineers" will provide people with security;

"5. That social controls which relate to the family, religion, and traditional forms of education are irrational and give rise to "cultural lag"; and that rationalization should be the criterion of social control;

"6. THAT SOCIAL controls in America are no better or worse than those in other countries; which include Communist Russia and Socialist Europe;

"7. That the rising divorce rate may be a harbinger of family reorganization than an index of more "marriage of family" relationships; and that "companionate" marriages are the new goal;

"8. That heredity and innate traits are relatively unimportant in personality formation and motivation; and that personality is formed largely through "cultural conditioning";

"DR. HOBBS cites other controversial conclusions which he contends are fostered by the most widely used sociology textbooks. In his work he analyzed for content of 83 widely used texts which he considered as constituting the "heart of college and high school sociology"—the most swiftly expanding course of study in American education.

His book is entitled: "The Claims of Sociology: A Critique of Textbooks." The publisher is The Blackpole Company, Harrisburg, Pa.

"Attention is directed to this comprehensive analysis of sociology textbooks because if sufficient numbers of today's generation of youth are weaned away from the basic elements in our American education."

(See THIS & THAT, Page 6)

The Birmingham Eccentric

BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1954

SECTION ONE
36 PAGES SEVEN CENTS

Annie Lathrup Dies In Detroit Hospital

Mrs. Annie Lathrup, age 92, sister of the late Fred Malender of Birmingham and mother of Louise Lathrup Kelly, real estate developer who platted the area which is now the City of Lathrup Village, died at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, on Friday, Jan. 22, after an illness of three months.

Born on March 6, 1861, on a 40-acre farm in Sherwood Forest, England, she lived there until coming to the United States in 1887, living on land that had been handed down to the eldest son of each generation since the parcel was given to Guillaume de Malender (William Malender) in a grant from the Crown in 1252.

Her brother, Fred, the father of former Birmingham Mayor Milton Malender, preceded her to this country by one year. He died here last year at the age of 84.

MRS. LATHRUP was married to John W. Lathrup on July 2, 1892, and is survived by two sons and four daughters and one sister, Mrs. Hannah Robinson who lives in Highland.

Her sons are Douglas A. Sagnaw and Earl Farmington. Her daughters include Mrs. Louis Lathrup Kelley, Lathrup Village; Mrs. Margaret L. Mitchell, Dearborn; Mrs. Elizabeth L. Cole, East Detroit; and Mrs. Gladys L. Siggins, Dearborn.

She also is survived by nine grandchildren and a son seven great-grandchildren.

Lathrup at the Annie Lathrup school on Southfield road brought the school's flag to half-mast on the day of her burial Monday. The building, the first modern school in Southfield, was named after Mrs. Lathrup when it was constructed in 1927.

IT WAS in the twenties when the Lathrups moved their real estate interests from Detroit to Southfield township and began developing the 2 1/2 square mile Lathrup Township.

According to Charles Kelley, her son-in-law, Mrs. Lathrup continued her hobby of crocheting until two weeks prior to her death at the hospital.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at the Northwest Chapel of the Wm. R. Hammon Co. company funeral home with interment at the Woodlawn Mausoleum in Detroit following the services. The Rev. John D. Rose of the Township Community Church officiated at the service.



MRS. ANNIE LATHRUP

Van Dusen, Westerdale In February 11 Primary

Less than 10 per cent of the registered voters in the Birmingham - Bloomfield - Troy area helped send Republican Richard Van Dusen and Democrat John C. Westerdale into the February 11 special election for the vacant state representative's seat in Thursday's Jan. 21 primary.

In perhaps the lightest vote in this area in recent years, voters virtually elected Van Dusen to fill the Republican Third District post in Lansing vacated in November of last year by Howard R. Estes, Birmingham Republican who now is devoting his full time to the manager's job at the Oakland County Infirmary and Convalescent hospital.

Van Dusen, 28, of 1722 Pine, gathered more than five times the number of votes given the Democratic nominee, Westerdale, who lives in Commerce township. Voters gave 1,217 ballots to Van Dusen and 244 votes to Westerdale.

VOTES CAST for the three other registered voters in the Birmingham - Bloomfield - Troy area appeared at the polls while less than five per cent cast ballots in Troy township.

City Clerk Irene Hanley explained this week that Saturday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m. is the deadline for registration in the city clerk's office.

YAN DUSEN, understandably happy over his win margin of votes, expressed thanks to those residents who supported him enough in their state government to get to the polls in the primary—but added that he hoped this number would be materially increased in the February 11 election.

"I know that the active Republican organization in this city will make every effort to insure a large vote next month," Van Dusen stated. "And I hope that you can meet and talk with as many voters as possible before election day."

Westerdale also was gratified at the voters' selection of him to represent the Democratic side in the special election. He promised an active campaign for the legislative seat. He assured that the legislature in this session and the elected representative will have a voice in the vote on these matters," Westerdale said. "The people of the third district should be interested in how their representative acts on such legislation," he concluded.

Edward Wilson Named Jaycee Award Winner

Selected as Birmingham's outstanding young businessman for 1953, Edward E. Wilson was honored by fellow Junior Chamber of Commerce members Wednesday evening at a dinner meeting held at the Kingsley Inn.

This annual award is made on the basis of citizenship and the recipient's services and contributions to his community.

Wilson, since 1949, has been co-owner of the Wilson Pontiac-Cadillac, Inc.

He is chairman of the Oakland County Republican committee and also is chairman of District 1, Boy Scouts of America. He is a member of the Birmingham Hills country club and Bloomfield Open Hunt.

WILSON, with his wife and four children, makes his home at 5380 Beech road.

In addition to his other activities, he operates Willow Farm, located in Troy township.

Wilson is the son of U.S. Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson.

In presenting Wilson with the Jaycee award, Harry A. Smart congratulated him on his selection and on the part he plays in the affairs of his community and country.

Special guests at the dinner included Mayor Ralph A. Main and William E. Roberts, winner of the 1952 award.

In presenting Wilson with the Jaycee award, Judge J. R. Hartrick congratulated him on his selection and on the part he plays in the affairs of his community and country.

Wilson is the son of U.S. Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson.

Mothers to Answer Porchlight Signals

By ALICE E. MORGAN

An unusual blaze of light will follow the setting sun across this country tonight as porch lights twinkle their welcome to the thousands who will join the Mothers' March on Polio for Feb. 14.

Bissett, David Hetz, M. W. Davenport, P. J. Usher, Leonard Westrate, Donald Moore, William Hartman, David Mott.

Frank Reynolds, William Robinson, Hugh Mack, Thomas Stohrer, Murray Kates, Raymond Letour, A. W. Holcomb, Robert Pokorny, W. J. Harbage, Robert Hill, Stanley Anderson, Winona Springer and Patricia Plawinski.

"WE ARE happy to say, at this time," Mrs. Rieman said, "that" (See MOTHERS, Page 6)

City's Read to Try It Again

Next Monday night Birmingham city commissioners will take formal action to place on a bond issue proposition that city's sagging fire defenses.

The commission hopes that having pared \$16,000 from a previous bond proposition, and getting two fire stations instead of one, the voters will endorse the latest proposal.

The forthcoming ballot will contain a request for \$225,000 with which to construct stations at Chesterfield and W. Maple and Adams and Bowers.

THE AMOUNT anticipates the two-story station building will cost about \$130,000, and contain the city's major fire-fighting facilities.

Two years ago by a narrow margin voters failed to give the 60 per cent majority needed to approve a \$350,000 bond issue for the Adams-Bowers station. That bond issue included \$60,000 for fire equipment. The newly proposed \$225,000 proposition contains no provision for additional fire trucks.

At the Birmingham Rotary club luncheon Monday noon, City Manager D. C. Egbert outlined the pending bond issue, which probably will be retired over a 20-year period.

THE MANAGER said the city would need to spend about \$10,000 to equip the new buildings, and \$70,000 for the new all-purpose fire trucks, one of which already has been ordered.

"But the commission expects to get that \$80,000 out of its current operating revenue," he stressed.

Monday night, commissioners were ready to outline in detail for estate residents what was being proposed for the Adams-Bowers station.

Only a couple of residents showed up, and they were concerned with what street—Hazel or Bowers—would be used as a fire route.

THEY SUGGESTED Bowers, and Egbert agreed with them.

"However, it will require the state highway department's cooperation to move the Hunter-Hazel light one block south to Bowers, construct a crossover at Bowers, and close the one at Hazel," the manager said.

Bowers probably would have to be paved, he added.

He recommended to the commission that certain landscaping features be completed this spring so the plantings could retain adequate growth before the buildings actually were occupied.

It is estimated it will take about six months to complete the station if they are under construction.

No Paving for Pleasant, Says City

City officials were busy this week trying to reassure Pleasant street residents that their street does not have to be paved if the proposed \$100,000 bond issue is constructed as Westerdale and W. Chesterfield.

"I don't know where this rumor started, but it's absolutely untrue," declared City Manager D. C. Egbert.

"Pleasant street now is in good condition and it is unlikely that a fire truck will have to travel over it more than once in three or four days," he said. "That will not be required before it is paved. That is, unless the residents on Pleasant street petition the city for that improvement."

Artificial Ice Skating Rinks Being Studied

A proposal to provide artificial ice skating rinks for Birmingham winter sports enthusiasts is under study following last Thursday night's meeting of the city recreation board.

Frank Whitney, city recreation director, said the board decided to investigate possibilities of installing an artificial rink because of the many problems involved in trying to operate rinks with natural ice.

One motive for the plan to build an artificial rink is to provide a good skating place in the hopes of luring people away from skating on Quanton Lake.

BOTH THE city commission and the recreation board have condemned the lake as unsafe for skating.

The board reaffirmed its decision to observe a "hands off" policy with reference to skating on the lake.

"The city will not assume responsibility for skating on the lake or establishing a skating program there," said Whitney.

"Week-day skating would not be hard to control, but we can do nothing about the 300 to 400 people that come out to the lake on Sundays. If the ice ever breaks with that crowd on it, there's going to be a tragedy," Whitney said.

ANOTHER PROBLEM that national skating, Page 6

Southfield Woman Named Teacher Of the Month

A member of the teaching staff of Bedford high school for the past 20 years, Mrs. Fred Ouelley Samonset Trail, Southfield township, has been named as "Teacher of the Month" by the Detroit Teachers association.

Mrs. Ouelley was honored at a recent reception at the Detroit Historical Museum. She has been named as the originator of a family relations program which has been used as a model in Detroit schools for the past five years.

Mrs. Ouelley's educational background includes studies at Wayne University, University of Michigan, Columbia University, Chicago and Bradley universities and Merrill Palmer school.

Keeling said that if he can convince Judge Hartrick of the law's illegality, it might invalidate laws throughout the county and state.

Backing Abney and Keeling are members of the Oakland County Sportsman's club and many kennel clubs who maintain that vaccinations have harmful effects on dogs. In addition, said Keeling, "Many dog owners feel that it is unjust that they have to pay from \$2 to \$3 tribute to some veterinarian or pharmaceutical company for the privilege of owning a dog."

Dog Vaccination Law Faces Legality Test

By GIL HERMAN

Thirty-five years of history in canine jurisprudence will come to a climax in Oakland county circuit court today as Circuit Court Judge George B. Hartrick is expected to hand down a decision as to the legality of the Michigan state dog law passed in 1919.

According to an attorney on the case, the 1640 dogs in Birmingham, and their owners, may be directly affected, too.

Test of the law's legality is being brought on by Rex Abney, 3125 Mann road, Waterford, who claims he should not be denied a license because the required vaccination certificate was not submitted. Abney applied for a writ in circuit court to force Sparks to issue the license.

REPRESENTING Abney in today's hearing on the application for the writ is Pontiac attorney Ralph T. Keeling who claims the vaccination law is illegal because it does not apply uniformly to all residents in the county.

This, says Keeling, is in contradiction to the state constitution which says laws must be uniform and the United States constitution which guarantees equal protection of the law.

Bowers probably would have to be paved, he added.

He recommended to the commission that certain landscaping features be completed this spring so the plantings could retain adequate growth before the buildings actually were occupied.

It is estimated it will take about six months to complete the station if they are under construction.

WHEN A man continually puts his foot in his mouth, it can actually be sure he's got a big mouth.

The best living standard is still to be found in the Bible.

Will Elect 5 New House Directors

Five new directors are to be chosen for three-year terms when the annual meeting of the Community House association is held at 8 p.m., Feb. 6.

The meeting, open to the public, will present complete reports of House activities of 1953, said Mrs. W. Carlton Leary, director.

Section lieutenants are William Wallace Campbell, Meridian; John Pauver, Arthur Ochs, W. Barnett, Leonard Lewis, John Parrott.

CHARLES MASON, Vincent Secor, Charles Smith, Oscar Olmstead, Chris Sloman, Arthur Roller, Edward Downs, Norman J. Ellis, Vernon Casper, M. Drexler, John Nahaedden, Herbert Sedon, Chester Hard and Vernon Woyars.

All kinds of lower spring mattresses PAV. Div "0" and ask ESTERCO, 6219.

STRICTLY FRESH

Now that the President has suggested that the atom can be made to work for peace, there's only one troublesome question left. Can the Russians be made to do so?

The human race usually ends in a tie—a matrimonial one.

In Rockford, Ill., an irate motorist was fined for throwing eggs at a woman driver who cut him off in traffic. Guess he was egg-ed-on!

When a man continually puts his foot in his mouth, it can actually be sure he's got a big mouth.

The best living standard is still to be found in the Bible.