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Sidelights

By WILLIAM H. THOMAS

This week our readers are being introduced to two new sidelights of Birmingham's town news...



JOAN KATHRYN WALKER, sixteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. L. Walker of Lathrup, samples the Scotch shortbread made by her mother.

Scotch New Year's Eve Time for Fun, Excitement

By DOROTHY ZATELL

LATHRUP—Going "First Fittin'" on "Hogmanay" tonight? Aye, if you make New Year's Eve calls, you will be...

Anyone who hasn't seen the mountains of presents which the Goodfellows and Scotchmen distributed last week, would be amazed at the amount of work that must have gone into the planning, purchasing, wrapping and distribution of the gifts...

Finally, along about the fourth day of the new year, the opposing attorney moved for immediate dismissal of the case...

There were steaks and kidney pie, delicious shortbread, or sometimes even turkey stuffed with that wonderful flaked, melt-in-your-mouth dressing made from the fine ground oatmeal so typical of the Scotch highland...

ALTHOUGH it has been many years since the Scotch have still reach her table. This year she has a beautiful pound cake type fruit cake, and—mashed potatoes!

HERE IS Mrs. Walker's recipe for shortbread: one pound of flour, half-pound of rice flour, one pound of butter, one pound of sugar, one pound of butter, one pound of sugar, one pound of butter...

Method: Heat butter at room temperature. Sift rest of ingredients into bowl. Add vanilla and knead until very smooth. Make into desired shapes (half-inch thick) and prick with a fork...

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My Neighbors

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GOODEFELLOW DOLLS made a lot of little girls in Southfield happy last week. Mrs. Urban Hart (left) of 24391 Hazelhurst, chairman of the doll committee, holds some of the dolls dressed by Southfield women.

Petitioners Want Area Meeting

SOUTHFIELD — Petitioners asking election of a new charter commission were held Friday with the county clerk by Donald L. Swanson...

In connection with the new commission, backers of the petition have proposed a program to let the people tell what they want and then let them appoint representatives to see that their wants are respected.

HENRY M. DeMeyer, 21107 Glenview, and Marvin R. March, 2406 Beechwood, who led the fight to defeat the charter, have outlined four steps to be taken.

1. A meeting of officers and board of directors of all associations and interested citizens in Southfield to discuss the situation.

2. Prior to the meeting each association will discuss whether to remain a township or charter the next two charters or whether it is possible to write a charter that would be acceptable to the majority of the people.

3. AT THE PER 1 meeting a spokesman for each association will present their views on the action which they believe will be in the best interests of all people in all areas of Southfield.

4. At the meeting, those individuals who will become a citizens advisory committee. This committee will study all suggestions and proposals then make a meeting and be followed in light of the charter.

DeMeyer and March also suggested action is needed from individual associations. They ask each association leader to call members together, appoint a spokesman and group representatives in writing for presentation to the citizens advisory committee.

1. City commission candidate with highest number of votes, shall be declared de facto mayor.

2. Any 300 qualified electors can petition the de facto mayor for a new charter commission within 10 days of canvass of the vote. Other-wise the commission reframes the charter.

3. De facto Mayor certifies that a petition requesting a new charter commission election, has enough signatures and then forwards the petition to the county clerk.

4. COUNTY clerk presents to the Oakland County Board of Supervisors at the next meeting occurring in NOT LESS than 30 days of the petition's filing.

5. If the board of supervisors says the petition conforms with provisions of law, the board shall set a date for election of nine charter commissioners. County clerk prepares the ballot. Candidate has name entered on ballot if he or she has a petition signed by 20 or more qualified electors.

6. The nine commissioners must convene within 10 days and have 90 days in which to frame a charter.

7. Township clerk carries out county clerk's instructions, and new city registrations are added to those already on file.

Administer Oxygen

SOUTHFIELD — Fire department responded to a call at 1726 Hillon Dec. 23 and administered approximately 2400 pints of oxygen to Mrs. Millie Stuehlfeld, 65, who did not recover. It is believed she died from a heart attack.



THOMAS G. KAVANAGH JR.

Appoint Kavanagh HP City Attorney

SOUTHFIELD — Thomas G. Kavanagh Jr., 38 of 12905 Faircrest, has been appointed city attorney in Hazel Park, to replace Maurice Tripp, who resigned.

Appointment, made by City Manager J. G. Holway, must be confirmed by city council in meeting this week.

Kavanagh, with support of Oakland county Democratic committee, had sought nomination to State supreme court earlier this year.

A graduate of University of Detroit, Kavanagh has been practicing law in Detroit since 1943. Kavanagh has announced that he would accept the appointment.

Community Spirit Brings "Niciest Christmas Ever"

FRANKLIN — A spontaneous flow of money and gifts for a family whose loved one has been hospitalized for three months with auto accident injuries, brought a warm expression of thanks from the recipients this week.

"It was the nicest Christmas I can ever remember because of the feeling behind it," said Mrs. Joan Stiel, Robertson of 27349 Oval Street, who was hospitalized for three months with an auto collision at Franklin and Woodside. Robertson and her four children were injured in an auto collision at Franklin and Woodside. Robertson and her four children were injured in an auto collision at Franklin and Woodside.

FRANKLIN citizens, who wanted to remember Robertson and her four children at Christmas, staged a house-to-house drive which netted them \$107 in small gifts for the sick child.

Those who wanted to show us we were one big community," said Mrs. Robertson. "It wouldn't be possible to list all the names of those who would like to express my gratitude through the paper."

Southfield Kiwanis To Install Officers, Directors on Jan. 4

SOUTHFIELD — Installation of new officers of the Southfield Kiwanis will take place Wednesday, Jan. 4 at 8 p. m. at the Congregational church, 1115 Michigan and Southfield. The new officers will be installed at 8 p. m. at the Congregational church, 1115 Michigan and Southfield.

Southfield Kiwanis will be an other Ladies Night dinner will be served at the club at 7 p. m. on Friday, Dec. 30. Myer is looking forward to an other 100 percent meeting. Following this meeting a short musical program will be presented.

New officers and directors of Southfield Kiwanis will be installed at 8 p. m. at Albert Geraert, president; Ray Chavin, first vice president; William F. Lowan, treasurer; Donald W. Hanford, secretary and Howard F. Wilson, financial secretary.

Directors are: R. Snyder, John H. Pollock, Len Carson, Farham W. Haeger, Donald Cameron, Lee Stovall and Theodore R. Minke.

Talks About Diesels

SOUTHFIELD — Kiwanis club members heard Ray Mc Cloud of General Motors Diesel division at 7 p. m. on Tuesday, Dec. 27. A motion picture film on the work of diesel engines and farm machinery was also shown.

Lathrup and Southfield Are Ordered Into Court

At Press Time

Set Jan. 9 For Hearing On Pollution

TENTATIVE approval was given two plats presented by Nelson Realty Co. when township board met Tuesday night. One, Funk and Horger, at the Northeast corner of Ten Mile and Berg road will have 63 lots. The other, Woodwill subdivision in Section 35 between Southfield and Evergreen and just north of Eight Mile, will contain 18 lots.

LOUIS J. FLANNERY, 26700 Northwestern, asked township trustees to draw up an ordinance to license and control fruit stand operations. Flannery advised that he had a stand located at Northwestern and Labors, Berling at an expense and health hazard. He advised that he knew of eight other persons who wanted to open similar stands in Southfield. Eugene Kavanagh, township supervisor, said the owner had not negotiated a new lease with the fruit stand operators, and that the lease expires March 15.

EDWARD A. HENARELL township trustee was asked by township trustees to draft a traffic ordinance, which would serve as legal basis for the township to collect some of the costs assessed motorists. These costs are now turned over to county engineer. Henarell was backed in his request for the ordinance by several Township trustees, including Mayor Eric Robertson and four others who were injured in an auto collision at Franklin and Woodside. Robertson and her four children were injured in an auto collision at Franklin and Woodside.

SAN MARINO VILLAS Number One subdivision was approved by trustees but they refused to take over the water system as a continuing authority under township John C. and Charlotte Maloney, owners, said 123 lots were planned for the subdivision. The subdivision is located on 12 Mile and Section 18, south of 12 Mile and along Dikster road.

APPLICATIONS to fill the township board's vacant seat, and four openings on the zoning board, will be accepted up to Jan. 13, and will be accepted up to Jan. 13, and will be accepted up to Jan. 13.

LETTER HAS been sent to the Southfield school board by Washington Heights Civic Association outlining reasons why a new road may be built to reduce residential avenue which is being torn up with the addition to McKinley school. Association officials pleaded cooperation with board on the matter but expressed their dissatisfaction as to why the board did not face the matter before the addition was begun.

BEUKEMA CHAIRMANS MSU Alumni Council

LATHRUP — Chris F. Beukema, 18412 San Diego, a 1940 graduate of Michigan State University, was elected chairman of MSU's Alumni Association meeting Jan. 1.

Beukema, president of the Michigan Alumnae division of the U.S. Steel Corp. and vice chairman of Michigan State University, was a member of the council since July 1, 1954, according to Starr H. Kewler, director of alumni relations at MSU.

WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS MEN'S NIGHT JAN. 3

WALNUT LAKE — The Woman's Club will hold its annual Men's Night, Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 8 p. m. at the Bloomfield township hall on Orchard Lake road. Speaker for the evening will be William Lutz, editor of the Detroit News, who will speak on "Of All Things."

Chairman of the club, Mrs. R. Lester John, Mrs. Keith Kennedy, Mrs. James Swethney, Mrs. Robert Myers, Mrs. Arty Trzon, Mrs. Harry Howard and Mrs. John Smith.

Area Motorist's Car Kills Detroit Woman

A 15-year-old Detroit woman was killed Friday night in Royal Oak when she was struck in the path of an auto driven by Murray E. Stewart, Bloomfield township, according to Royal Oak police.

Stewart told police he did not see the woman. She was crossing Woodward near Webster when she was struck by the car. Stewart was arrested at William Beaumont hospital.

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