Learns Lesson From 3 Young Capitalists

By WILLIAM H. THOMAS

There's one born every minute, Barnum said, but I don't know why I had to be one of them.

It all happened when I stopped at a gas station near The Eccentric to fill up with gasoline. I was just putting my red stamps away when three young businessmen pulled up and started to give the station attendant their sales pitch.

The young opportunists, Rob Rininger, 7, of 264 Ferndale and Larry, 6, and his brother, Gerd Rick, 7, of 156 Oakland, had a special deal on ink blotters—five for a penny with some printed matter thrown in for free.

TURNED down by the attendant, the trio started away, but I figured to bolster their morale and perhaps get a couple of lines for a story, so I called them back, bought their ink blotters and they, in turn, gave me their names.

My "extras" which the boys threw in were an ink-smeared copy of the Michigan Federation of music Clubs Bulletin, and the October-November copy of The Chief, house organ for the Wyandotte Chemicals Corp. (and a rumpled copy it was indeed.)

RIGHT there is when I should have put two and two together, but I drove off figuring that my penny had started three young sters on their climb up the capitalistic ladder.

It wasn't until I arrived back to the office and showed my purchase around that the light dawned.

Amused co-workers told me I could have all of the old press proofs on house organs and ink blotters I wanted by digging into The Eccentric's cast-off newsprint and supplies at the rear of the building.

TO SPELL it out—for those who might be as gullible as I (there aren't many left)—I brought back into the front office that which had been cast off as useless, and I paid out one good penny to do it.

But I'll bet it won't happen again right away (not this week anyway).

Now I'm trying to figure out how to get my penny back. Maybe The Eccentric will give me the throw-away concession and I can wholesale it to the boys.

Adams Separates Open Houses

Adams Parent Teacher Association announces that because of crowded conditions at its school this year it will have an open house for each of the school organizations.

Junior high school open house will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, while the elementary schools will follow at 8:00 p.m. Nov. 14. The P.T.A. will hold its regular meeting in conjunction with the open house on Monday, Nov. 14.

THE ROOM MOTHERS of Section 84 will dispense cookies and coffee in the gymnasium after the class meetings. Noah Blosser, principal, and Donald Parry, program chairman, will address parents briefly.

Adams' next square dance is Nov. 25, for adults, and Nov. 18 for seventh grade students.

H. D. Lester has tendered his resignation as membership chairman because of moving into another school district, and his duties will be taken over by William W. Lightbody.

TWILIGHT

Twilight is neither day or night,
But something in between,
The drabbest sights take on a glow
In sundown's fading sheen.
Lengthening shadows mark day's end,
With promise of the night
And things put on an eerie look
In the soft changing light.

Cora D. Holmes.

A BOY'S POCKET

Have you ever seen the contents
Of the pocket of a boy?
Things which are of little value
But to him, they are a joy.
A pencil, marbles and some string,
Old coins, a piece or two of gum,
Nails, for something he might build,
A little top, which he has won.
A boy scout badge, some chalk from school,
And even a small piece of tin.
You wonder why he wants them all,
But that is known alone to him.

Cora D. Holmes.

Steal Shotgun Shells

James Couzens, owner of McBride Hardware, 154 S. Woodward, told Birmingham police last week that shoplifters carried out a case of shotgun shells from his store during working hours Oct. 26. There were 20 boxes of shells in the case, police said.

Temporarily 2-Way

Birmingham Police Chief Ralph W. Morley said this week that the alley behind Wilson Drug Co. on N. Woodward would become two-way temporarily while the Leonard building was being remodeled. The alley has been one-way northbound. It will revert to one-way status in about two weeks, Morley said.

Sigma Chi Pledge

John Conroy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Conroy, 460 Bonnie Brier, has pledged Sigma Chi fraternity at the University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla. A graduate of Birmingham high school, Conroy is a sophomore taking a pre-dental course.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF FILING NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR CITY OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION BEING HELD UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CHARTER COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF SOUTHFIELD, DECEMBER 12, 1955.

Petitions are available at the Office of the Secretary of the Charter Commission at the Township Office, 24080 Berg Road, November 2, 1955.

All Candidates for elective offices must file petitions containing the signatures of not less than 200 nor more than 300, Registered Electors of the City of Southfield, who possess a blue registration certificate.

These Petitions must be filed by 4:00 P.M. November 21, 1955 with Fannie Adams, Secretary of the Charter Commission.

The Officers to be elected are as follows:

2 Members of the Council
1 Justice of the Peace
1 Associate Justice of Peace

FANNIE ADAMS
Secretary of the Charter Commission
(34)

SYNOPSIS OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTHFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD, HELD OCTOBER 25, 1955.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Swem.

Present: Allerton, Wagner, Lane, DeMeyer, Swem, Adams.

Absent: None.

Approved minutes of previous meeting.

Farmington Interceptor Committee's allotment of costs for Southfield in amount of $44,205.25 approved.

Authorized Township Police Bonds.

Approved hiring of extra truck for hauling gravel.

S.D.M. License for Town Drug's 29255 Greenfield and Wood Lane Market, 25099 Southfield approved. Lane dissenting.

Approved Plat of Bradbury Park.

Amended Ordinance No. 119 to require that septic well be located at least fifty feet from any septic tank field or installation.

Called special Public Meeting to be held at the High School, Lahser and 10 Mile, November 11th, to consider Major Amendment of the Zoning Ordinance with the present zoning map attached.

EUGENE SWEM,
Supervisor.
FANNIE ADAMS,
Clerk.
(34)

Forbes Oascall, Atty. Briggs Bldg., Birmingham, Michigan. 66-121

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County on the 27th day of October A. D. 1955.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of MAX MOSS ROENSCH, Jr., alsoin known as MAX M. ROENSCH III, Deceased.

Beulah L. Roensch, having filed in said court a petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to the petitioner or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered That the 5th day of December A. D. 1955 at nine o'clock in the forenoon at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, be and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition;

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause by delivering a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing such to each of them by registered mail with return receipt demanded addressed to their respective last known addresses as shown by the files and records in this cause.

And it is Further Ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Birmingham Eccentric a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE,
Judge of Probate.
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Troy Charter Ballot to Be Dec. 12

TROY — Township board members decided last week to hold charter election Dec. 12 and set registration deadlines for Nov. 14. All residents, regardless of previous registration, must re-register to qualify for the balloting.

To speed up sagging registration lists, Troy township officials have decided to "put the show on the road."

Beginning Nov. 1 and continuing through Nov. 12 the mobile registration office will be located as follows:

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NOV. 1. Rochester and 16 Mile. Nov. 2. Minnesota and Maple. Nov. 3. Rochester and Maple. Nov. 4. Pembroke school, Eton and Witherbee.

Nov. 5. Livernois and Maple. Nov. 7. John R and Alfred. Nov. 8. Livernois and 19 Mile. Nov. 9. Adams and Pine Hill. Nov. 10. Adams and Malvern. Nov. 11. Troy High School. Livernois and Hartline.

Nov. 12. Registrations also will be accepted from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and Tuesday until 8 p.m. at the township hall. Saturdays the hall will remain open from 8:30 to noon.

Order New Lights

Two new street lights for Woodlea, between Lincoln and Maplewood, have been ordered by the Birmingham city manager's office. Installations are running about six months behind ordering, the city was advised.

Camera Club Plans

Bloomfield Hills Camera club members are to hold an exhibit at their Nov. 3 meeting at Cranbrook Institute. Two "general" and "Farm or Harvest" prints may be submitted in black and white, or three color slides in the general classification.

Informally Approve Small Annexation

Formal arrangements for annexing a small triangle of Bloomfield township to Birmingham are going ahead.

Township officials have informally agreed the land, where N. Woodward and Hunter blvd. meet, would best be served as part of the city.

A gas station is proposed for that location, which also is involved in the extension of Oak street through to Hunter, a project ready for construction by the city.

VMI Alumni to Meet

Virginia Military Institute alumni in the area are invited to attend the Michigan chapter, VMI, on Nov. 8, to hear an address by Maj. Gen. William H. Milton, Jr. The session will be held in Detroit's University club.

Sophomore Veep

Sophomores at Hillsdale college recently elected James Sturgess, 1954 graduate of Birmingham high school, as their class vice president.

To Study Swimming Pool Ordinance

A proposed ordinance regulating swimming pools has been referred to the Birmingham building code committee. It has been asked whether it would be possible, under present regulations, to require certain safety features such as fences and chlorination equipment before a building permit is issued.

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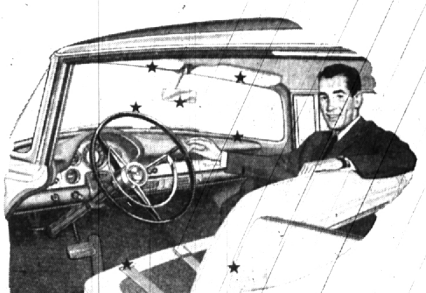

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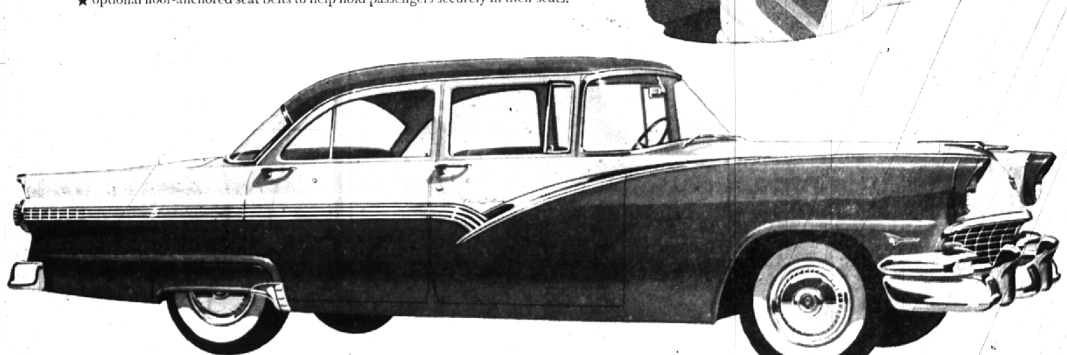

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