

# The Birmingham Eccentric

## CHURCH PAGE

### United Church Women Plan Installation Service

Installation services will be conducted during the United Church Women's annual meeting Friday at the First Methodist Church in Birmingham.

Following the regular meeting which began at 9:45 a. m., Mrs. Lynn Russell will be installed as president of the local group.

Mrs. Russell, who has been active in the women's organization of the First Methodist Church, has served as vice president of the United Church Women for the past two years in charge of Christian social relations.

**THE NEWLY ELECTED** vice-presidents to be installed at this service are Mrs. George Jackson from First Baptist Church; Mrs. Wilbur E. Saylor from the Kirk-in-the-Hills; and Mrs. Ronald Craig from the Second Baptist Church.

Others elected are: Mrs. John Vender Root, Christ Church; Mrs. Fred W. C. Scott, Central Baptist; Roy Trautaud, Franklin Community Church, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Herbert Wood, First Presbyterian Church, treasurer.

Mrs. Earl Triplett, retiring president, will serve as director at large.

**STANDING** committee chairmen will be: Mrs. James B. Johnson, church bulletins; Mrs. Richard B. Sneed, G.O.P.; Mrs. Harold Van Dragt, Methodist; Mrs. E. Duquette, Detroit Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women; at 1:30 p. m., Sunday at St. Michael Parish Hall in Southfield.

Rev. Francis X. Hoffer, O.F.M., pastor of St. Michael, will address the group on the council and Catholic social action. Mrs. E. Duquette, Detroit chairman of organization and development will speak on "What is the 'NOW'?" and Mrs. Clarence J. McInerney, 1st past-president of the Detroit Council will talk on "How Does the Individual fit into the Council Picture?"

### S. Oakl'd Deanery Plans Day Institute

Representatives from 13 parishes in this area are expected to attend the Day Institute sponsored by the South Oakland Deanery, Detroit Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women, at 1:30 p. m., Sunday at St. Michael Parish Hall in Southfield.

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### 'Eureka' To Be Title Of Sunday's Sermon At Baptist Church

"Eureka" will be the title of the Pastor Wallace Arthur Alcorn's sermon Sunday at the Birmingham Hills Baptist Church.

Rev. Alcorn points out that a contemporary English expression, "eureka" means a "triumph over a discovery." Archimedes in the Long Lake Road Sunday School classes will meet at the same hour on Thursday evening a Post-Lock dinner will be held at 7 p. m., in the W. a t. Bloomfield Township Hall.

Mrs. Fisher, who is an architect, will be the guest speaker and will present a picture of "Perspectives" of the first unit of the proposed church building to be erected on a site at Middlebelt Road near West Long Lake Road.

### Congregationalists Await Church Site

"WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHRISTIAN?" This question will be the subject of Dr. Alfred D. Gray's sermon at 11 a. m., Sunday at the Pine Hill Congregational Church's service in the Pine Lake Elementary School on West Long Lake Road. Sunday School classes will meet at the same hour on Thursday evening a Post-Lock dinner will be held at 7 p. m., in the W. a t. Bloomfield Township Hall.

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The Children's sermon will be a continuation of a series on "Hope" and the message for the week.

Six o'clock evening worship service will be "O Foolish Galatians." Congregational singing will be led by Jack White at both services which will be held in the Hickory Grove School on Lahser Road.

**Beautiful Savoir Lutheran Church**  
North Adams Road at Whitmore (1/2 Mile North of East Long Lake Road)  
Sunday Worship 9:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.  
Rev. Donald C. Zill, Pastor MI 6-5041 MI 6-5124

**ST. PAUL METHODIST**  
165 E. Squirrel Lake, P.O. #2211—PE 2-2152  
Morning Worship 10 A.M. and 11:15 A.M.  
Church School 10 A.M.  
Seniors and Intermediates at 9:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.  
Rev. James A. McClung, Minister  
SUPERVISED NURSERY — ALL SERVICES — AMPLE PARKING

**NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
19800 W. Twelve Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan  
10:30 A.M. Church School  
10:30 A.M. Morning Worship  
"ONE BODY, ONE GOSPEL, ONE WORLD"

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Birmingham, Mich.  
Bates and Willis Ministers:  
Dr. Homer J. Armstrong, Rev. William W. Sutterlin  
1122 RIVERSIDE at WOODWARD  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Worship by Pastor and Sunday School  
"THE EXTRA DIVIDEND IN LIFE"  
Dial-A-Devotion MI 4-5234

**Morning Worship SUNDAY 11 A.M.**  
**Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.**  
WHEELER UTLEY, Preacher  
**CHURCH OF CHRIST** "Practising New Testament Christianity"  
11 Mile at Evergreen  
Sunday School for all ages — 10 A.M.  
Bible Study Wednesday — 7:30 p.m.  
Channel 9—Each Sunday 8:30 a.m.—"Herald of Truth"

**ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
355-W. Maple — Birmingham, Mich.  
Sunday Services  
8:00 A.M.—Holy Communion  
9:15 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon (H.C. 1st Sunday)  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon (H.C. 1st Sunday)  
5:00 P.M.—Young People's Fellowship  
(Church School and Nursery—9:15 and 11:00)  
Midweek—Holy Communion—Wednesday 11:00 A.M.  
Clergy—K. H. Gass—W. E. Shoxell—David B. Van Dusen  
Mus. Dir.—Kent McDonald

**HIGHLAND PARK BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Southfield Branch  
Meeting in Birney School  
11 Mile at Evergreen  
9:00 A.M. morning worship  
9:00 A.M. children's church  
10:15 A.M. bible school  
6:45 P.M. young people's service  
7:00 P.M. evening service  
Dr. Lehman Strauss, Pastor

**NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Northwestern Highway at Lahser Road  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service of Worship  
MINISTER: DR. RALPH H. READ  
11:00 a.m. Church School (Nursery thru Senior High)  
ALL ARE WELCOME

**Franklin Community Church**  
On Franklin's Village Green  
1 block west of Franklin Rd., at Wellington and Normandy  
**MORNING WORSHIP 10:00 A.M.**  
Nursery through 3rd grade at 10:00 A.M.  
4th Grade through Junior High School at 11:15 A.M.  
Hugh Clifford White, Minister  
John L. Carlson, Director of Youth Activities

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST**  
Christian Science Services  
191 N. Chester — Birmingham, Michigan  
Beginning Sept. 11th and during our remodeling  
Sunday Service Community House, 380 Bates Street 10:30 A.M.  
Sunday School Church, 191 N. Chester 10:30 A.M.  
Wednesday Evening Church, 191 N. Chester 8:15 P.M.  
Infants' Church (335 E. Maple) 10:00 A.M.  
Reading Room, 355 E. Maple Street  
Open 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Except Wednesdays and Holidays  
Evenings 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

## 'C'est Magnifique!'

Members of St. Martha's Guild of St. James Episcopal Church get in a little practice in preparing some of the dishes that will make up the Guild's Gourmet Buffet to be held Jan. 27 from 5:30 to 8:30 p. m. in the church undercroft. Sampling some of the delicacies are (from left) Mrs. Harold Gallagher, 483 Huntley, Clawson, Mrs. Rich-

## Child Study Group Plans Guest Speaker

The Child Study Club of the Congregational Church of Birmingham will hold its monthly luncheon meeting on Thursday, January 19, at the home of Mrs. Max Morden, 917 N. Glenhurst, Birmingham. Luncheon will be served at 12:45 p. m.

The guest speaker this month will be Roy Mead Miner Bailey, Minister of Education of the Congregational Church. His subject will be "Narcotics and Youth."

Rev. Bailey's background includes — Staff Occupational Therapist at Riverside Hospital in New York City; past member of the Professional Advisory Board of Hope, Inc., a non-profit organization sponsoring and directing research in rural mental hygiene; former member of the rehabilitation staff at Willard State Hospital, New York State Department of Mental Hygiene; and he completed graduate study at New York University in the field of Vocational Rehabilitation and Counseling.

## B'ham Congregational Church Joins United Church of Christ

The membership of the Congregational Church of Birmingham recently voted to approve the proposed constitution of the United Church of Christ, thus indicating its desire to affiliate with the newly created church body.

Action of the local congregation came as the climax of a period of over two years study and evaluation, first by an affiliation committee appointed by the church's Fraternal Committee, and finally by the entire membership of a church-wide educational program.

The United Church of Christ, formed in 1957 by the union of the Evangelical and Reformed Church and the General Conference of the Congregational Christian Churches, is unique in that it brings together for the first time in church unions two denominations with differing governmental structures and national backgrounds.

**THE EVANGELICAL** and Reformed Church is itself the result of a merger of two denominations, both of which had their beginnings in Germany, and which adhere to the presbyterian form of church government.

The Congregational Christian Churches, formed by the uniting of the Congregational Churches with the Christian denomination in 1957, had its beginning in England in the 18th Century and came to America with the Pilgrim Fathers.

Discussions regarding merger of the two bodies began over twenty years ago and culminated in the United Synod in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1957. Since that time major groups and agencies of the two denominations have been united.

**OF THESE** the merged bodies of Christian Education have established a new church school curriculum for use by member churches. The Statement of Faith, the Statement of Faith was completed and submitted to the Second General Synod in 1959 for approval. The approved Statement of Faith is now in use in the member churches.

The Constitution, on which the local church was asked to vote, was drafted by a joint committee of both clergy and laymen of both denominations. In its revised form, it was presented to the individual congregations in the fall of 1960 and congregational approval of it indicated the church's desire to become a member church.

Recent reports indicate that the majority of the Congregational Christian Churches that have voted an affiliation have ratified the Constitution, thus becoming member congregations of the United Church of Christ.

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, County of Oakland, Michigan:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, County of Oakland, Michigan, on Monday, January 30, 1961, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a. m. and 8:00 o'clock p. m., Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of voting on the following proposition:

**Bonding Proposition**  
Shall Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, County of Oakland, Michigan, borrow the sum of not exceeding Four Million One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand (\$4,135,000.00) Dollars and issue its bonds therefor for the purpose of erecting and furnishing additions to present school buildings; erecting and furnishing additional new school buildings; improving existing school buildings and sites; and acquiring additional school sites in said School District?

Each person voting on the above bonding proposition must be:

- (a) A citizen of the United States of America over twenty-one (21) years of age;
- (b) A resident of the State of Michigan for six (6) months and of the School District for thirty (30) days prior to the date of the election;
- (c) The owner of property assessed for taxes within the School District; or the lawful husband or wife of such owner;
- (d) A registered elector in the City or township in which he resides.

**The places of voting will be as follows:**

Precinct No.	Place of Voting
1. Bloomfield Hills High School—4200 Andover Rd., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.	
2. Bloomfield Hills Junior High School—4200 Quarton Rd., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.	
3. Vaughan School—1609 Vaughan Rd., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.	
4. Wing Lake School—4490 Wing Lake Rd., Birmingham, Mich.	
5. Eastover School—1101 Westview Rd., Birmingham, Mich.	
6. Hickory Grove School—2800 Lahser Rd., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.	
7. Pine Lake School—3333 West Long Lake Rd., #2 Orchard Lake, Mich.	

**THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 O'CLOCK A.M. UNTIL 8:00 O'CLOCK P.M., EASTERN STANDARD TIME.**

TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Education has estimated the expense of erecting and furnishing additions to present school buildings; erecting and furnishing additional new school buildings; improving existing school buildings and sites; and acquiring additional school sites to be \$4,135,000.00, all of which it is necessary to raise by borrowing and issuing bonds of the District.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the bonds to be voted on at said election, if authorized to be issued, shall be payable from taxes to be levied without limitation as to rate or amount as provided by Article X, Section 27, of the Michigan Constitution.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, County of Oakland, Michigan.

Dated: December 19, 1960.

William B. Bachman, Jr. Secretary  
Bloomfield Hills Board of Education

**Poet to Speak To Unitarians**

The Rev. Kenneth L. Patton, humanist poet, will be guest speaker at the Birmingham Unitarian Church at the 9:30 and 11:30 services on Sunday. His subject will be "Beliefs and Doubts."

Rev. Patton will also speak at two meetings Sunday afternoon at the Unitarian Church under the auspices of the Michigan Area Council of Liberal Churches. At 4:30 p. m., he will present "On Frontiers of Liberal Worship" and at 7 p. m., on "Why I Am An 'Atheistic' Mystic."

Besides being the author of several books of prose and poetry, Rev. Patton is minister of Boston's Charles Street Universalist Meeting. He also conducts the Meeting House Press, which publishes books, leaflets and pamphlets.

HE FORMERLY WAS minister of the Madison, Wisconsin Unitarian Society. His books are in prose: "Beyond Doubt" and "Gods and Goals," and in poetry, "Hello, God," "Stranger," "Visitor," and "Recognition."

## Dr. Ormond To Speak at St. James

The Episcopal church women of St. James parish will have Dr. John K. Ormond, recently selected "Physician of the Year" by the Oakland County Medical Society as their guest speaker Wednesday.

Dr. Ormond, a noted urologist and medical missionary, who resides at 31069 Marlin Court, Beverly Hills, will speak on "American Missions in the Congo" and show films of his work.

Dr. Ormond and his wife made a tour of service in 1956 to mission hospitals in the Congo. Prior to that time the Ormonds spent two and a half years in India as medical missionaries supervising the establishment of urologic training programs in Indian medical schools while he served as chief of the department of urology at the Miraj Medical Center.

A GRADUATE OF Princeton and Johns Hopkins Universities, Dr. Ormond came to Detroit to join the staff of Henry Ford Hospital in 1916.

Except for service as a captain in the Army medical corps from 1918 to 1919, he served continuously on that staff until he became chief of the department of urology in 1925. He remained in that position until his retirement in 1948.

Dr. Ormond holds staff privileges at Pontiac General, St. Joseph, Mercy and William Beaumont hospitals. He is a member of many honorary lay and professional societies.

## Kirk in the Hills Features Soprano

Miss Dolores McNelly, noted soprano, will be the featured soloist Sunday in the third of a special series of four vocal recitals at the Kirk in the Hills. The series is designed to foster a renaissance in religious music. Sunday's recital at 4 p. m. will be devoted to "Sacred Music for Solo Voice."

Miss McNelly, a concerto winner at the National Music Camp at Interlochen, is a graduate of Capital University and has been featured soloist at Tanglewood and the Berkshire Music School.

She has performed with the Ruckham Choir in Detroit and has also appeared with the choruses at the Columbus, Buffalo and Wheeling Symphonies.

CURRENTLY A soprano soloist in the Kirk choir, Miss McNelly's vocal program will include the Roger Wagner Chorale last year during their tour of South America. Her vocal home returned to the U.S., Miss McNelly was engaged to sing for the group's recording of "The Mass in D Minor" by Ralph Vaughan-Williams.

Miss McNelly's program will be devoted to the almost-forgotten sacred solo voices by Buxtehude, Schütz and the early Moravian composers. She will be accompanied by string instrumentalists and her vocal soloists which will be played by Philip Steinhilber, organist-choirmaster-organist.

**Queen of Martyrs Ladies Open Project**

A group of 30 women of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs parish have organized to donate their time and efforts to bring some cheer to the lives of some of Detroit's senior citizens.

The ladies have volunteered to furnish dessert for the afternoon meal of the Kundig Center, residence for senior citizens of Detroit, on the 6th of each month during 1961.

The group will prepare the delicacies and serve them at the center, or may make their first visit last week.

**Plan Trip to Monroe**

Women of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1800 W. Maple, Birmingham, will leave at 10 a. m. Jan. 19 for a bus-trip to the National Home for the Aged in Monroe.

The trip, free of charge, is also open to any other interested persons.

## Franciscan Fathers To Conduct Retreat

The Franciscan Fathers will conduct a Day of Recollection for men on Saturday, sponsored by St. Elizabeth and Pius X. Franciscans, Third Order of St. Francis, at St. Francis College in Southfield.

The one-day retreat beginning at 7:00 a. m. will consist of spiritual talks, meditation and supper, followed by an open-forum and a Holy Hour. Activities will conclude at 8:30 p. m.

Men of all denominations are invited. The season's eight sessions will be held on the Saturday before the second Sunday of each month from October to May.

## Nature Now

(Continued from 8-B)

tree trunk, with icy brook and with the richly colored stems of weeds and shrubs.

Men of plants demonstrate varied protective patterns against the hazards of winter. Annuals and biennials, and perennials which after autumn's dispersal can lie secure until spring-time, their seeds, often make snow their protective coat.

In perennials, the life of the plant, both or both until it is called forth by an awakening sun.

Primitive mosses and lichens make spots of var-colored greenness in the winter woods. Some plants to frost they carry on their tiny self protection water storage throughout the bleakest day. The hardy "evergreen wood" shrubs, often lose their leaves in the hills and hollows.

Other plants such as gold thread and wintergreen, often lost in the lush confusion of the summer forest; now stand out in bold relief.

We were also delighted to count several groups of a rare orchid called "phantom root" (*Aplectanthus hymalea*). Its low stem, clothed with single blue-green plates, is leafless in winter, and the snow. In June, its protectively colored flowers of gold escape notice.

## Birmingham Community Church Meeting at 400 E. Lincoln

MEETING AT  
BIRMINGHAM Y.M.C.A.  
400 E. Lincoln  
Sunday School ..... 8:30 A.M.  
Morning Worship ..... 9:00 A.M.  
Evening Worship ..... 7:00 P.M.  
Midweek Prayer  
Meeting (Thurs.) ..... 7:30 P.M.  
Bible Study—3:00 P.M.  
Gordon K. Donaldson  
Pastor

## Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church

Temporary meeting  
Hickory Grove School  
2800 Lahser Road  
Sunday School ..... 10 A.M.  
Morning Worship ..... 11 A.M.  
Evening Worship ..... 6 P.M.  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:30 P.M. (Wed.)  
Pastor: Rev. Wallace Arthur Alcorn  
PE 6-5222

## Kirk in the Hills

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — PRESBYTERIAN  
Dr. Harold C. DeWint  
MINISTER  
9:30 Sunday Services  
9:30 and 11:30 A.M.  
Vesper Service 7:00 P.M.  
Dorcas McNelly, Soprano

**BIRMINGHAM UNITARIAN CHURCH**  
651 Woodward at Lane Pine  
Duplicate Services  
9:30 and 11:15 A.M.  
Sermon Subject: "RELIGION AND OUR TIMES"  
Guest Speaker: Rev. Kenneth L. Patton, Humanist Poet  
LESTER MONDALE  
Minister LI 8-7282