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BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1902.

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To be economical in buying school shoes does not necessarily mean to buy shoes cheap and at a small price, but rather it means paying a fair price for them and then getting your money's worth. That's what you get here. We claim that we can give you more for your money than any other store in the country. Twenty-five years' experience in buying, together with the advantage of having the choice of the best makes on the market, enables us to offer you the strongest line of these goods to be found anywhere.
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We want your trade on school shoes and we know it's money in your pocket--so let us have it.
Bring the children or send them
GOING'S CORNER SHOE STORE
Pontiac, Mich.

OAKLANDS SHARE OF THE STATE TAX
OAKLAND county's contribution to the treasury of the great state of Michigan this year will be \$61,773.66, that being its share of the state tax for the year 1902. It is encouraging to note that the total state tax is lower than last year by \$1,685,901.32 and the total levy is \$2,609,943.63.
It was at first given out from the office of the auditor general that the total levy would be \$2,867,206.15. Then came the announcement of a reduction. This year it will not be necessary to levy any tax for the Spanish war loan sinking fund. It is to this fact that the reduction in the total levy is due. The law under which the war bonds were issued provided that the money which would be paid them should be raised by a tax which would be levied on the state and a greater sum was raised than was necessary to retire the bonds. The balance was to revert to the general fund of the state. Inasmuch as they are to be paid by the state, it was thought necessary to raise an additional sum for interest and the item was included in the appropriation. The law provides, however, that the state has the right to reduce the sinking fund at the end of five years, which will be in May, 1905, and there has already been raised and is now in the state treasury sufficient money to pay them all and have over \$40,000 to revert to the general fund. The appropriation for this year has been accordingly lessened.
The various purposes for which the tax is levied and the amount credited to each one is as follows: University, \$397,325; Agricultural college, \$100,000; State Normal college, \$124,491.40; Central Normal school, \$45,000; Northern Normal school, \$27,800; Michigan College of Mines, \$97,875; State library, \$12,000; Soldiers' home, \$124,000; Home care for the Feeble Minded and Epileptic, \$88,000; state public schools, \$2,500; School for the Deaf, \$80,500; School for the Blind, \$30,700; Jackson prison, \$4,000; Industrial Home for Girls, \$58,750; state fish commission, \$1,000; compiling records of adjutant general's office, \$1,250; dairy and food department, \$25,000; Michigan Dairyman's association, \$300; library commission, \$800; National guard, \$12,949.40; navy and marine corps, \$12,104.91; state board of health, \$6,500; state weather service, \$1,000; Michigan war loan of 1898, \$197,262.50; Michigan Agricultural society, \$4,500; State Horticultural society, \$1,500; current expenses of prisons, \$98,000; current expenses of asylums for insane, \$64,318.24; general purposes of state government, including salaries, expenses of judiciary, awards of state and county officers, \$1,218,440.00. Oakland is better off than some counties of the state from the fact that it is not included. There was a back charge of \$1,200.00 on this account taken up by Truax Hoag from the district tax fund.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.
OFFICIAL.
COUNCIL ROOM, Sept. 15, 1902.
Special meeting called pursuant to notice. Two days written notice served on each member.
President H. H. Elliott in the chair.
Trustees present: Shaw, Johnston, Whitehead, O'Neal, Abbott, Daines, and Johnson.
"Show motion," suggested by Whitehead, the following resolution be adopted: "Vote of thanks be given to Superintendent Johnson, Whitehead, O'Neal, Shaw, Johnston, Whitehead, and Abbott."
Resolved, The Village Clerk be authorized to report to the board of assessed assessors the list of assessors in the village, in front of the following described houses. The said board to instruct the assessor to assess for such proportion of tax as the ordinance requires to be paid by the abutting owners.
Mrs. Edmond James Est. Original Pet. \$78.72
Lot No. 43-422 80 ft. 50 ft. 10.00
Lot No. 66-120 80 ft. 50 ft. 10.00
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Total cost \$60.00
Original Pet. \$78.72
Walter Nichols, Original Pet. \$2.00
Lot No. 4-41 80 ft. 50 ft. 10.00
Original Pet. \$2.00
George E. Daines, Hunter 1471. \$7.00
Lot No. 5-275 80 ft. 50 ft. 10.00
Minutes read and approved.
Moved to adjourn. Carried.
A. W. CAMPBELL, Clerk.
J. P. REYNOLDS, President.

THE DISTRICT SCHOOLS
Commissioner Elliott Talks of Their Condition, Etc.
Commissioner of Schools H. S. Elliott has written a book which he has had an inspirational institute held at the high school in Pontiac, November 29 and 30, Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving. This institute will be conducted by J. L. Laird of the State Normal assisted by Superintendent MacDonald and Miss Wise of Vassar College. All teachers throughout the county are urged to attend these meetings. The law allows a teacher to close school to attend these institutes appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction throughout the year. Commissioner Elliott hopes that the county boards throughout the county will see that the teachers attend these meetings, which play an important factor in the educational work of the county.
There are 207 district schools in this county, each with a range of about one mile from 12 to 15. The school work for the year is under way and the prospects for the year are encouraging. Nearly all of the district schools now have a full eight grade course. Besides the district schools there are several high schools, exclusive of Pontiac, which is in a separate district, in the villages throughout the county, which are under the supervision of the commissioner. Every school in the county has had at least one visit from the commissioner during the school year.
Commissioner Elliott states that nearly all the schools wishing teachers have been supplied. The county with a few notable exceptions has a very low ratio of school boards last year in securing teachers. He has been to a great measure eliminated. He is also making arrangements to have the county with a few notable exceptions having the trancy law enforced with more rigidity than ever before. He will endeavor to have every boy and girl amenable to the trancy law in school before the end of the school year.
The next regular teachers' examination will be held at the Geove school house in Pontiac, October 16 and 17.

A Boy's Wild Ride for Life
The following boy, who is now in the hospital, was riding his bicycle, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. W. H. Brown of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma, but this wonderful medicine gave him relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night. Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grippe, this medicine cured me of my asthma and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Little bottles free at Whitehead, Mitchell and Cobb's drug store."
A Remarkable Record.
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has a remarkable record. It has been in use for over thirty years, during which time no million bottles have been sold and used. It has long been the standard and main reliance in the treatment of this group in thousands of homes, yet all this time no case has ever been reported to the manufacturers in which it failed to effect a cure. When given as soon as the child becomes restless or coughs as the coughing grows intense, it will prevent the attack. It is pleasant to take, many children like it. It contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given to a baby as confidently as to an adult. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell.

MR. POTTS AND THE BULL
Battle Was a Piece One Farmer Quite Severely Injured.
Martin Potts of Troy, who is the efficient foreman of the Bert Peasbody farm, had an experience with a bull on his place last Saturday that he would not duplicate for the entire farm. Lumbering the "letter" along and going ahead, he first realized was that Mr. Bull had struck him in his work by plunging ahead and striking him in the back. The bull is a "tommy" and had he horns it doubtless would have been all the worse. Mr. Potts in falling lay face up against the stone and John Hill was felled for he wouldn't strike him a fair blow. Working his chains, Mr. Potts sprang to his feet, gave a start to the bull and came to the rescue of his employer. Dr. Shaw was summoned and found two broken ribs, a cut face and head and black and blue back. The victim is doing nicely and we all congratulate Mr. Potts on his fortunate escape. We wonder what might have been a great deal worse, and are glad the bull was a "cousin" bull.

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AN EXCELLENT BEGINNING
AT THE THEATERS.
WHITNEY.
"For Love and Honor," the stirring comedy drama by Wm. W. Lapointe, is booked for the attraction at the Whitney theater next week, opening Sunday matinee, September 28. Presenting a powerful dramatic story of modern times, replete with thrilling incidents and staged with a lavishness seldom before witnessed, "For Love and Honor" has never failed in drawing crowded audiences everywhere. Mr. Ed. H. McDowell, under whose management the attraction is presented has spared neither expense nor research in securing the strongest cast and a first-rate scenery ever before on the road. Following are among the members of the company: May E. Conrad, Lillian Ames, Elinor Ward, Al Clements, Guy Spangler, Gustav Wallace, Jas. A. Hecchi, Jas. W. Hartman, Eugene Rowley, Fred Green.
LYCURIUM
Ward & Yokes will bring their new production "The Head Waiter" to the Lycurium theater next week, beginning Wednesday evening, Sept. 28, matinee Wednesday and Saturday, and this means that an evening's treat is assured to lovers of musical farce. They need never enjoy the confidence of the theater-going public, and this has been gained by years of faithful catering to the tastes of their clientele. The yearly offerings of these comic comedians bear a similarity in style only. They need never change the titular handle of their entertainment, for the public knows that their show is going to be filled with good things in the musical and laughing line. This year the menu has been especially prepared and will be set before the public in an all-new scenic garb and with a wardrobe of even unusual richness. The old favorites of last season are all to be in evidence, with the exception of George Sidney, who is drifting before the footlights as a star in this same class of entertainment. In his place will be found Allan Curtis, a comedian who took the roles created by David Warfield when the Weber-Feld productions were taken on the road. This year's chorus is forty strong and the usual big bouquet of pretty girls is promised.

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