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TWENTY-NINTH YEAR. BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY FEBRUARY 1, 1907. NO. 40. WHOLE NO. 1502

THE ORCHESTRA A FEW CHANGES

The Birmingham High School Orchestra Will Give Another of Their Delightful Entertainments.

Our people again have a chance to show their appreciation of the high school orchestra by patronizing them liberally. They deserve it. This popular organization will give a concert at the school house, Thursday evening, Feb. 14th, next, and the admission will be the low price of 20 and 25 cents. Everybody should attend and prove their loyalty to this home organization.

- The following program will be given:
1. March, "Dieu Blessons," Orchestra
 2. Overture, "Bridal Rites," Laralies Orchestra
 3. Vocal Solo, "Mr. Cupid," Miss Bessie M. Kelley
 4. Overture, "Marrying Mary," Hein
 5. Reading, Selected, Eva McClellan
 6. Overture, "Reception," Schlegelgrew Orchestra
 7. Vocal Solo, "The Bandolero," Dr. Rainey
 8. Selection, "Apple Blossoms," Roberts Orchestra
 9. Quartet, "Moonlight Will Come Again," Thompson
 10. Misses Kelley and Spear
 11. Messrs. Smith and Rainey
 12. Overture, "Prince of Pilsen," Luder's Orchestra

The Right Name.

August Sherpe, the popular Overseer of the Poor, at Fort Madison, Ia., says: "Dr. King's New Life Pills are rightly named, they act more aggressively, do more good and make one feel better than at any other laxative." Guaranteed to cure biliousness and constipation. 25c at Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores.

OBITUARY.

MRS. R. H. WELLER.
Elizabeth M. Tillson, wife of R. H. Weller, died Jan. 27, 1907, after an illness of less than a week of pneumonia. Deceased was a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Philo Tillson. She was born in Romeo, March 1, 1848. Here she spent her girlhood and was married to R. H. Weller, May 25, 1881.

Mr. and Mrs. Weller spent a year of married life in Romeo, Mr. Weller then engaging in business in Newberry, Mich., where a new home was built and awaited Mrs. Weller's arrival about a year later.

Here they lived for ten years, then moved to Flint where they resided until 1895. Finally removing to Birmingham, Mich., to make a permanent home.

Mrs. Weller was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church and of the Ladies' Church Society and of the Ladies' Literary Society.

Her life was lived very quietly and unobtrusively. She lived largely for others in the home and in the church. It may be truly said of her that she was always ready unto every good work. Life to her, was intensely real, earnest and practical. She delighted to care for her aged mother, who is almost 96 years of age. She also cared for the mother of Mr. Weller's mother, whose home was with them for 10 years until her death.

Sweetness and faithfulness seemed characteristic of her experience in the maturity of her earthly Christian development. Yet she was the most unassuming and self-forgetful woman. She knew the measures of trial, sorrow and bereavement, the keenest of all perils; being the death of her only child, Edna, who died May 10, 1900, a bright young life, full of promise and hope for the coming years. But none of these things moved Mrs. Weller from her life of true faith and hope and love.

"Her spirit in God's hands, bending to His will, was a pure world, by His loving, matchless skill."

The earthly home of her tabernacle has been dissolved, but she has been made with hands eternal in the heavens. The earthly home, with all its blessed and sacred associations has been exchanged for a heavenly home in the many mansions of the All-Father's house.

Deceased leaves a husband, an aged mother, four brothers and two sisters: Alonzo Tillson, of Dixon, Ill., W. A. Tillson, of Salem, Ore., W. Z. Tillson, of Pool, Neb., F. T. Tillson, of Phenix, Mich., Mrs. Getrude Pool, of Ravens, Neb., and Mrs. Nellie Beardlee, of Birmingham, Mich.

Cured of Lung Trouble.

"It is now 11 years since I had a narrow escape from consumption," writes C. O. Floyd, a leading business man of C. O. Floyd, S. C. "I had run down in weight to 130 pounds, and could not eat constant, both by day and by night. Finally I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and continued this for about six months, when my cough and lung trouble were entirely gone, and I was restored to my normal weight—170 pounds." Thousands of persons are healed every year. Guaranteed by Whitehead & Mitchell's and Cobb & Cobb's drug stores. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

A. C. MCGRAW DEAD

Was Taken Sick in Wayne Hotel, Detroit, and Removed to Red Cross Hospital, Where He Died.

Augustus C. McGraw, who lived a year and two days at his country home, the EBBE Farm, just north of our village, which he sold last fall to Mr. Peters, is dead, aged 58 years.

He was removed from the Wayne hotel, Detroit, to the Red Cross hospital last Friday night and died Saturday morning at 3:30 o'clock, from heart trouble.

Mr. McGraw had been stopping at the Wayne hotel a while in the city looking after business interests. Friday afternoon he complained of having a pain around his heart, and Dr. Francis Duffield, 248 Semiole Avenue, was called and had him removed to Red Cross hospital, where he died.

The body was removed to W. R. Hamilton & Co.'s undertaking establishment. Funeral services were held from his brother's home, Dr. T. A. McGraw, Jefferson Avenue, Monday of this week.

THE CONVENTION TELEPHONE AGE

Republican County Convention to be Held at the Court House, at Pontiac, February 12, 1907.

To the Republican electors of Oakland county—Notice is hereby given that the Republicans of Oakland county will meet in convention on Tuesday, February 12th, A. D., 1907, at the assembly room in the Court House, to elect 14 delegates to the State Convention, to be held at Grand Rapids, Thursday, Feb. 14, A. D., 1907; also to nominate a candidate for County Commissioner. The several townships and wards will be entitled to the following number of delegates, viz:

- 1. Addicks, 2; Avon, 4; Brandon, 2; Bloomfield, 3; Commerce, 2; Farmington, 3; Groveland, 1; Holly, 1; Highland, 2; Independence, 2; Lyon, 2; Milford, 3; Novi, 2; Oxford, 4; Orion, 3; Oakland, 1; Pontiac township, 1; Rose, 1; Roy Oak, 2; Springfield, 1; Southfield, 1; Trenton, 1; Waterford, 2; West Bloomfield, 2; White Lake, 1; Pontiac, first ward, 2; second ward, 3; third ward, 4; fourth ward, 4; fifth ward, 3.
- Dated Pontiac, Jan. 9, 1907. GEORGE W. DICKSON, Chairman; GEORGE A. BROWN, Secretary.

How to Avoid Pneumonia. A new cure for pneumonia and other serious results from a cold, called FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR. It stops the cough and expels the sord from the system at its filthy lair. It is gentle, but has the genuine in the yellow package. All druggists.

MAY BUILD A NEW STORE.

A new store for Taylor-Woolfenden Co. is one of the understood business section improvements of the near future. Whether this new store will be on Woodward Avenue or on Washington Boulevard or on some other street west of Woodward is a matter of curiosity in business and real estate circles.

The stores now occupied by The Taylor-Woolfenden Co., at the corner of Woodward Avenue and State Street, owned by Mrs. Wm. B. Watson, whose representative is Col. S. T. Seymour. The Taylor-Woolfenden Co. lease will expire in 1909, and it is understood these stores are leased to other firms from that time.

Mr. Taylor, who has his firm put made a new lease for the present stores, but had figured with some other stores, but had come to no definite arrangement for another location.

This firm has been one of our advertisers for many years and many of our readers who have been their customers will be glad to know that this reliable firm are to have a home of their own. Personally the proprietors wish to say that Mr. Taylor of this firm has been an acquaintance for 25 years and has heard only words of praise for him and his partners in their business transactions. Success to Taylor-Woolfenden Company.

Building materials for the reconstruction of Valparaiso will probably be exempted from import duty. A proposal to this end is before the Chicago government.

Bleeding the patient is said to be a cure for lockjaw, but for the most part patients submit without a word.

Will that Indiana woman who dooped with her stepson be her own special announcement regarding the National Pure Food and Drug Law.

We are pleased to announce that FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug Law, as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. All druggists.

HAPPY HALSEY

Halsey L. Stephens is Doing the South and West, and Like a Good Fellow Writes What He Sees.

VINEBURG, CAL., Jan. 17, '07. EDITOR ECCENTRIC, Birmingham, Mich.

DEAR GEORGE—Here I am in California. Left Detroit at 8:27 a. m., Jan. 4th, on the Big 4, to Cincinnati, through Tennessee and Mississippi, by way of Memphis and Jackson to New Orleans, where I have seen a stop over one night and day, I've seen, as yet, little but water, cotton, Negroes, and half-starved cattle and mules.

But in this wonderful old town, known as the Crescent City, there is most of interest and beauty. I strolled into the First Presbyterian church, which faces a nice little park containing a statue of Henry Clay, and listened to a most excellent sermon by the pastor. In the afternoon I went with a gentleman, from Kansas City, to the docks, saw on half the French and Creole population going to the races, and later in the day, the other half, emerging from a theatre as we walked up Canal Street.

We saw women of exquisite beauty of face and form dressed in very rich colors. This is the greatest idling community in America, and as someone has aptly said, "Here you may see at some hour of the day, anybody from a St. Louis capitalist to the man who came the night before with no change of linen and seven dollars sewn in his waistcoat." A city of beautiful statues and parks and more beautiful lawns filled with palms and banana trees, climbing vines and flowers.

Late Sunday night I took the train for Yuma, Arizona, going through Houston, San Antonio, El Paso and Tucson, past the great oil fields at Beaumont. Yuma is the hottest place in the States. Here I was warned to keep off the streets after nightfall, which I did, for the police rounded up a crowd that day and put them in the lock-up. Twelve miles below the city is the great break in the Colorado river which has covered to the depth of 30 feet or more a tract of land, 2300 miles.

I arrived at San Francisco January 13th and found the destruction greater than I had anticipated. I failed to find a single large building in the "quake or fire district" that was not more or less damaged. Buildings, like the postoffice, still occupied, are at a distance, apparently intact, yet on examination one finds bulging cracks, 6 to 8 inches wide, through solid granite and marble from top to bottom. A good many rather cheap buildings are being repaired at old material. Rents and board are up, wages \$3 for common labor, \$5 for carpenters and \$6 for masons and brick layers, double pay for Sundays.

The streets are in almost impassable condition. All refuse is being hauled by railroads or scows and dumped to fill in, or into the ocean.

Twenty-two hundred saloons wide open day, night and Sunday, paying a \$500 a year when they paid but \$84 before the fire! No one here speaks of the earthquake, it is always of the fire. "Frisco" will be rebuilt in years to come but at present it will largely be patched up. Thousands of lots with vacant lots, like the postoffice, in the wooden district and others more than full with debris in the downtown district and all over town with water is what is left of hundreds of squares of the once prosperous city. Such is "Frisco" at the present time.

Very truly
HALSEY L. STEPHENS.

AN OPPORTUNITY

Another Taxpayer Expresses His Opinion of the Offer Made by the Ladies' Library Association.

That the Library Hall and the beautiful little park on the corner, may soon be the property of our village, would seem almost too good to be true, were it not that the Ladies' Library Board has practically donated the same. Had the offer been made without conditions surely there is not a taxpayer who would think that a sum less than that required by the Ladies' Library Board has been able to make this generous offer in due to the self-sacrifice and liberality of one who has done more than any other to make Birmingham the most beautiful place of its size in Michigan.

What greater boon—especially to the young—than a well-sustained, free, public library? The fact that the Ladies' Library Board has been able to make this generous offer is due to the self-sacrifice and liberality of one who has done more than any other to make Birmingham the most beautiful place of its size in Michigan.

Should we not show our appreciation by a unanimous vote of acceptance? Yes. TAXPAYER NUMBER 2.

FEBRUARY JURORS.

The following named have been chosen as jurors for the February term of the circuit court: Ransford Carlton, of Addison; Lucius L. Frank, of Avon; N. C. Heribson, of Bloomfield; Ellis Ford, of Brandon; Lincoln Benjamin, of Farmington; David Houdehewer, of Commerce; Robert A. Warden, of Groveland; B. J. Wisner, of Holly; Charles H. Opens, of Highland; L. C. Voorheis, of Independence; Samuel McKinley, of Lyon; Bartholomew Mahoney, of Milford; John Bettley, of Novi; Samuel Newman, of Oakland; Romain Clark Jr., of Orion; Sidney Copeman, of Oxford; Arthur Scott, of Pontiac township; Harry C. Lake, of Rose; Charles Cole, of Royal Oak; Frank Teggeler, of Springfield; Edson Jones, of Southfield; James Renshaw, of Troy; Walter W. Whitfield, Jr., of Waterford; Joseph Ellwood, of West Bloomfield; William Rockwell, of White Lake; A. D. Weston, Pontiac, first ward; E. P. Fisher, second ward; C. J. Crickmore, third ward; Floyd Loose, fourth ward; C. J. Hayer, fifth ward.

January Clearance Sale

1 lot Ladies' Rubbers, per pair..... 50c and 60c
1 lot Men's Rubbers, per pair..... 75c and 85c
1 lot Men's Rubber Overshoes, per pair..... \$1.00
1 lot Men's Fleece-lined Shirts, each..... 39c
1 lot Men's Laundered Shirts, each..... 58c
1 lot Men's Laundered Shirts, each..... 39c
New line of Muslin Embroideries, Beadings and Insertions, per yard..... 5c to 25c

Our Spring line of Wall Paper Decorations is beginning to arrive direct from manufacturers, and we can furnish new 1907 styles at very low prices.

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