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To Our Friends

When reading with any of our advertisements, either in Birmingham, Pontiac or Detroit, it will be a great favor to us if you will mention the fact that you received this notice in our paper. A word from you, at the time of reading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you be good and do so?

THE PUBLISHERS

HOME NOTES

B. Y. P. U. at 6 o'clock, topic, "Mission," leader Miss Eva McClellan. Don't forget the ball game Saturday afternoon. Bigtime, lots of fun. All go.

Frank Potter, the practical piano tuner. Leave orders now at Hanna's store.

Miss Gladys Horn, of Bay City, is spending the week with Miss Francis Salyer.

Girl wanted for general housework. Inquire of Mrs. Herbert Boppert, Birmingham.

Lost—U. of M. fob charm. Call at office, pay 25 cents, prove property and take it away.

FOR SALE—On account of ill health, 45-gallon milk route. Inquire of E. C. G., Birmingham, Mich.

Miss Beatie Carson is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Voorheis, at Clarkston, and is having a jolly good time.

Miss Mayme Daniels will go to the Sunny South for the winter and accompany J. R. Logan on his return home.

40 State fair tickets sold by the Eccentric office in two days. Friday and Saturday, to-day and to-morrow winds up the deal.

The Ladies' Church Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold a good salad at Frank Blakelee's store on Saturday afternoon of this week.

Mrs. Salyer entertained on Monday of this week, her sister, Miss Harriet Goodison, of Ypsilanti and her niece, Miss Alice Goodison, of Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Caroline Urtar celebrated her 7th birthday anniversary Sunday last in a quiet, peaceful manner. Many friends dropped in to say, "Many happy returns of the day."

Miss Edith Koonitz and friend, Miss C. Nort, who has been visiting Miss Koonitz for a few days, left Thursday for Dollar Bay where they will soon take up their school duties.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. Church will hold their regular monthly meeting in the church parlors on Friday p. m. Sept. 4th. Supper 10c at 5 o'clock. Everybody invited.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A complete threading outfit—engraving, separator, husker, and cutting box. Having no use for them, will sell cheap.

Mrs. Ed. SCHANNITE. Tickets for the ball game, Married Men vs. Buster Brown Sluggers can be bought at Hanna's store or from the boys. Come one, come all, and see the great game of ball.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church will hold a flower social at the home of Guy L. Watkins this (Friday) evening. Ice cream and cake, 10cents. Ice cream cones and watermelon will be sold. You are invited.

Go ring the bells, and fire the guns, and fling the starchy banner out. Shout Glory! 'till the lipping ones give back the cradle about. If any one should tell you the cause of all this joy, tell them O. B. Harper is the father of the bouncing baby boy who arrived Tuesday morning, weighs eight pounds and everybody as well as possible. Here's congratulations.

Birmingham to the front. In the Pontiac Press Gazette's contest Miss Rena Denton, the popular, pleasing and accommodating postoffice clerk was the first in the contest outside of Pontiac, she having received 80,594 votes. She will be allowed to take a friend on this trip and will take her cousin, Miss Hilda Upton, of Rochester. This trip is over the popular route of the Northern Navigation company from Sarnis to Duluth and return, with \$20. cash for expenses.

Never neglect your opportunities—especially when it knocks at your door. Keep your buildings and property insured and keep in good, strong, reliable companies. Fire, lightning and cyclones will come when not expected. For 40 years the grand old Hartford has been doing business in Birmingham and for 28 years J. A. Sigelow has been its representative and for 110 years this company has been good to its patrons and paid losses of \$110,000,000. A contract in this company is worth 100 cents on a dollar. J. A. SIGELOW, AGT.

When she lays in her coffin, Carrie Nation said in her address at the M. E. Church Wednesday that she didn't want "no all to say," "they loved her." They won't, especially the million men "they sold the palaces of hell" she has destroyed with her little battle axe. About 200 ladies and Brothers Williams and Salyer met the noted lady at the 10:30 a. m. car and went to the M. E. Church where she gave a temperance speech that was enthusiastically received by all her hearers. Tuesday evening she addressed 1,500 people at Pontiac.

Miss Goldie Moore, of Temperance, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Sidney Clark, of Willits street.

Don't forget the union temperance meeting at the Baptist church next Sunday evening!

There was only one bidder at the Polly Ann sale, on Thursday of last week, and he didn't bid!

A son-in-law of H. J. Myers, all the way from Anaconda Mine, Mont., is visiting his relatives in this vicinity.

A vote for Kleber P. Rockwell, for Judge of Probate, will be a vote for a careful and economical administration.

We missed a much longed for visit with our old boyhood friend, Charles Millard, whose home now is in Niles, Ohio. Sorry.

The Lady Macabees of the World gave their beautiful sofa pillow to Will Blumberg, who happened to hold ticket No. 85. The other 499 holders are in deep mourning and are wondering what Will will do with a \$50. sofa pillow. We know.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will hold its monthly business meeting and dinner Wednesday Sept. 2, at the home of Mrs. B. T. Brown, of Gilbert Lake. Conveyance will leave W. G. Crary's at 10 o'clock a. m. Everybody welcome.

Whatever force there is in the argument that experience is a valuable asset in the office of Judge of Probate applies with special force to Kleber P. Rockwell when we consider that he has had the benefit of fifteen years experience as a lawyer in the many duties now belonging to that office and the people can feel assured that with Mr. Rockwell's legal experience the present duties and those that are likely to be added by the coming legislature will be administered with care and saving to the estates in the way of lawyer's fees.

From the Morning Courier, Texas, dated Aug. 6, '08, we find the following and refers to Leo Mathewson, once a resident of Birmingham. Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved family.

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Rev. C. A. Salyer, of the Baptist church, has returned to his duties much refreshed by a trip to Niagara Falls and other eastern points.

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Stoupe, on Willets street, Thursday, Sept. 3, at 3 o'clock. Sec'y.

Sermon theme at the Baptist church Sunday morning, "Our Commission," evening, a union Temperance with addresses by the Pastor and others.

In less than four hours' morning the Eccentric sold 98 State fair tickets. Tomorrow is your last chance to get tickets at 35 cents each, or three for \$1.

Next Sabbath, Aug. 30, Rev. J. S. M. Attilgan, of Pittsburg, Penn., will preach at the U. P. Church at 10 a. m. and in the afternoon at 2 o'clock at the J. P. Church, of Troy. All are invited.

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It certainly was a jolly party who sailed the Ocean's blue to Buffalo and Niagara Falls Saturday last, returning Monday morning almost in time for breakfast. This trip is a fad among the people of Birmingham and vicinity. As it deserves to be, for a more popular and interesting trip cannot be had. This jolly crowd consisted of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Baker, and visitors, Addie Merritt, of West Virginia, Mrs. John B. Merritt and Miss Anna Parks.

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