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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 write to let us know that you received our advertisements in our paper. A word does you, at the time of reading, costs you nothing and benefits us greatly. Will you do this for us?
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HOME NOTES

Winter does seem to linger in the lap of spring cold and tight.
 Two Bradley incubators for sale, also Rose combed Rhode Island reds and Rose combed black Minorca eggs for hatching. James Cobb.
 John N. Bertle overlooked the depositing of 8,000 speckled trout in the many streams running around the city. He was very busy Tuesday at his work.
 Miss Blanche Heth celebrated her 15th birthday anniversary by giving a pleasant little evening party and entertainment at her home last Saturday evening.
 W. H. Wood, carrier out of Birmingham, has tendered his resignation to take effect April 1. The patrons on his route are very sorry to know of his departure.
 The Girls' Friendly will meet with Mrs. Hulbert Monday evening, March 23. A lady from Detroit will give the girls a talk and every member is urged to be present.
 The senior hop last week at the J-S hall was one of the very best of the season. Everybody had a delightful time and it was a success financially as well as socially.
 Prof. Griffith will give a lantern talk on Italy to the Woman's Literary club on Thursday, April 8, at the Art Museum, Detroit. All are most cordially invited to attend.
 Bert Quorton has rented his farm to James Rule. The house is large enough to hold the two families, so Bert and the good wife and the two little Quorts will not come to Birmingham this year.
 Congratulations are in order. Adam Gray has been appointed R. F. D. carrier No. 4, in place of W. A. very happy who has resigned. Mr. Gray will make a good man and we know will make good.
 Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bailey gave a farewell reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wood Friday evening, March 19, at their home. A very enjoyable time was had. Light refreshments were served.
 The next regular meeting of the L. O. T. M. of the World will be held on April 1. This will be an experience meeting and all the members are requested to be present and ready to tell how they earned their experience money.
 Almost everybody in town, having need of power, has installed a motor to run with electricity. Ed. O'Neal runs a heavy leather sewing machine and nearly all of the grocers have a motor power to their coffee mills. As a big man once said: "let the good work go on."
 A fifty light gas machine, complete with all accessories as good as new. Made by Detroit Heating and Lighting Co., and formerly used in the Exchange Bank and Shain's drug store. Having installed electric lights we will sell the lighting plant very cheap. Ask the man at the bank.
 George Jennelle is back home again in his old place in Shain's drug store. He studied a few months at the Ferris school of Pharmacy and took the state examination last week. Talk about hard and difficult questions: George says "they never gave us such a hard examination before" and we believe him.
 Isaac Broughton, the pioneer grocer of Pontiac, died very suddenly at his home in that city last Monday morning, aged 75 years. For 57 years he had been engaged in the grocery, meat and liquor business, combined in Pontiac, retiring only two years ago, going at it again after a few months of idleness.
 Katie E. Todd, of R. F. D. 1, Royal Oak, has the prettiest poultry yard in this section of the country and what more she is well versed in chicken lore. Her yards are full of the choicest birds from the particular strain she deals in. Her success is marvelous but not to be wondered at when one thinks of the time, patience and labor she spends on her flocks. If you are interested in chickens or eggs, turn right to her advert. and read it. Do it now.
 "Having sold one of our latest house-cleaning machines to Messrs. Dickinson and Harris, of Birmingham, with Birmingham and Royal Oak territory, we wish to thank our patrons for their work in the past and know that they will be well served by the new company. SEELEY & HADDEN." We will be ready for business the first of April. Write to our office at home or at our works on Woodward avenue. Book your orders early. GLOBE HOUSE-CLEANING CO., DICKINSON & HARRIS, Birmingham, lock box 15, phone 137-L.

Miss Sarah Ennis was home for over Sunday.
 C. E. Wakeman, of Pontiac Knitting Works fame is dead.
 Friends! Spring is here. For proof visit Shain's soda fountain.
 Several packages of pictures were sent from here to the county home last week.
 Miss Ethel Blackeale, of Rochester, is being entertained by Miss Blanche Bremer.
 Fred Richardson of Bay City has been making his parents a most welcome visit.
 The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Fred Trumbull on Thursday, April 1, at 2:30 p. m.
 Martin Potts, of Salem, made us a very pleasant visit yesterday. All were happy with him and his family.
 Mrs. Ettinger, a former music teacher of our school was the welcome guest of Miss Grace McKinney last week.
 The many friends of Mrs. Emma Tibbils will be pleased to learn that she has returned to her home at Lone Pine.
 Fred Goodwin has sufficiently recovered from his ill and severe attack of pneumonia to return to his work in Jackson.
 Birds like to rear their young near a house. A colony of 50 robins will keep an orchard free from worms and bugs.
 Fred Brading, who is on the pitching team of the U. of M. idle ball club expects to take the southern trip with the team.
 Dr. N. T. Shaw paid a flying visit to his mother in Canada last week. Going and coming so quickly that he was hardly missed.
 For sale—Brown mare, weight between 1000 and 1100, pounds, 9 years old. Price \$125. W. H. Wood, Southfield av., Birmingham, Mich.
 Ellis Paint was home for a few days last week. A piece of steel in one eye caused him plenty of pain and trouble but he had it removed while here.
 Charles J. Shain, druggist, snatched a few days vacation last week, much to the wonderment of his many friends who can't even guess where he has been.
 Mrs. Caroline Utley is still a "very sick" woman and on the whole seems to be mending very slowly. A trained nurse is with her all the time and she is attended by Dr. C. M. Kayvale.
 In another column please find the full and complete list of goods to be sold by Martin H. Blunt, auctioneer, for Joseph Douglas on Saturday, March 27, 1909. This is a big sale. Read it up.
 Mrs. Albert Quorton is slowly and safely recovering from a surgical operation of nearly three weeks ago. She will be joyfully received by her many friends when she is able to be among them as of old.
 Samuel Bertle is the happiest man on Ann street, being the very first to have installed electric lights to light up his pleasant little home. There is one thing that Samuel will insist on and that is to have the best of everything that is going.

Who wants to buy a stock of general merchandise, farm implements, hardware, etc., located in a thriving village on the Wabash railway in southern Michigan, and invoicing about \$8,000? Or will trade for a farm in this vicinity? Last year's sales amounted to \$12,000 and over. Best of reasons for selling. Inquire at the Exchange Bank, Birmingham.
 The death of Mr. J. P. Fredericks is announced. About 14 years ago he was a highly respected citizen of Birmingham and for many years was miller of the Birmingham Flouring mills. He was buried at his old home, North Adams, where his funeral was held. Mrs. Fredericks and two children, Miss Frankie and Charles have the sympathy of many Birmingham friends.
 FARM FOR SALE. Fine farm of about 30 acres, with more than a mile from the Electric Line, and in the fashionable Bloomfield Hills District. Brick house, two-story 30x36, eight large rooms, two basement barns; ice house; wood house; two chicken houses; tool house; hog house; wind pump; the pumps an abundance of pure water to house and barn. Soil, rich, gravelly loam. Buildings in good repair. Farm well fenced with wire and cedar posts. Good roads—no waste land. Will be sold for considerably less than \$100,000 per acre, if sold before the spring work begins. Call on or address the Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich.
 Hello central, please give me number—hello, hello, that is you! Say will you go to the social with me down in town April 9? You didn't know anything about it? Wal, that's queer—it is in the ECCENTRIC. Yes, it's to be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cassius Crawford, corner of Brown and Ferry streets, Friday evening, April 9. What kind? It's to be a Quaker social, and everyone is to wear sunbonnets or pay a fine of five cents. Say, will you make me a sunbonnet? What kind? Oh one of tissue paper for about a day. It's going to be a Quaker social, and I will, but no one can talk for about an hour. Sal, can you keep your mouth shut that long—ha, ha! Say, don't get mad, I was only teasing you. But honest you have to pay a cent a word when you talk, but we can laugh and like. What's giving it? Oh, I thought I told you, it's the B. Y. P. U. and there is to be a fine program, a sketch by three young ladies, recitations, and songs and—hold on central, we're not through yet—Wal, I started to say they are to have games, and something to eat, and something to drink, and—central, hold on central—Wal, it don't matter no how, for I know that Sal won't miss going.

The Rev. D. M. Dean, of St. Mary's church, Detroit, will preach at St. James church next Sunday morning.
 It seems to be up to the clairvoyants to tell who murdered Ethel Kinrade, and to locate Harold Moon, the missing Flint lad.
 WANTED—A clean, dry room, about 20x15, to rent for six months, for storage of furniture. Address, lock box 20, Birmingham.
 T. H. Blumberg will close out every thing at an auction sale Wednesday, March 31. See full bill of sale elsewhere in this paper.
 The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed in the First Presbyterian church on Sunday, April 4, in connection with the morning service.
 You won't fail to read B. T. Brown's auction-sale of stock and farming tools. A full and complete list appears in this paper. Sales commences Saturday, April 3, at 10 o'clock.
 See Edward Smith, Jr. and his new Sheelard pony? They make a happy party. The pony is a gift from the Watson's parents, and the pony is from the Watson's pony farm.
 The regular annual meeting of the Birmingham Cemetery association will be held at the council room Saturday, April 3, at 2 p. m. A full attendance is requested. M. Baldwin, secretary.
 Miss Gertrude Reynolds, of Northville, formerly of Detroit, called on Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Shattuck Sunday, also their son, Arthur, was home from Detroit. They returned on the evening car.
 You couldn't convince people that your store was a big one if it occupied the smallest store room in the town. You couldn't convince people that your store ad is important if it occupies the smallest space of any store ad in the paper.
 The Woman's club met with Mrs. Hemenway March 16. Her partners were well filled with friends of the club, who had been invited to listen to Mrs. Arthur, of Detroit. Miss Plumstead, accompanied by Miss Roy, furnished appropriate music. Mrs. Arthur is the woman who championed the play ground movement in Detroit and the woman who brought about the public bath house. Her subject Tuesday was Equal Suffrage.
 Birmingham is very proud of its girls. There are very few of these who are not doing something either in the way of actual work, or in self-improvement. Some are studying music, some painting and book-keeping. More than one is working hard all day and taking up a course of study the correspondence working at it nights. One of our bright girls is now taking a course in Domestic Science, at the Thomas' Training School in Detroit. These girls are a credit to the town and we are proud of them.
 The many friends of Mrs. Emma Tibbils will be pleased to learn that she has returned to her home at Lone Pine, after an absence of nearly six months, having been very improved in health. Mrs. Tibbils is now at her home, Mrs. Addie Riley, Greenville, Mich., last September to be detoured by a physician from whom she had taken treatments some time ago. Dr. O. C. Jensen pronounced her trouble ovarian tumor, and immediately set to work to effect a cure. With what result it is plain to see. He now pronounces her entirely free from any form of tumor; she will be weak for some time as the strain has been a severe one, though no knife was used in the treatment. Mrs. Tibbils heartily recommends Dr. O. C. Jensen of Greenville, Mich. to anyone who might be troubled in a similar way.
 Have you a pain of any kind, anywhere? Stop just a minute and think! It matters not whether it be womanly pains, head pains, or any kind of a pain, Postpaid get the large box. F. W. Floyd, sole proprietor, Birmingham, Mich. Sold at Cobb's and Shain's drug stores.

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M. H. BLUNT, Auctioneer

Having decided to quit farming, the undersigned will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, on the premises known as the GILBERT LAKE FARM, 1 mile north and 2 miles west of Birmingham, on
Saturday, April 3,
 At 10:00 o'clock a. m. sharp, the following described property:
 4 Horses
 5 Shovels
 Hay Rake
 Huber Potato Digger
 Cow, due May 1
 Narrow-tire Wagon
 Pair Heavy Bobs
 Pair Light Bobs
 Two-seated Spring Wagon
 Two-seated Trap
 2 Two-horse Cultivators
 2 Single Cultivators
 Spring-tooth Harrow
 Spikes-tooth Harrow
 Set Double Harness
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We have renovated our Fountain throughout, and everything is sanitary and clean, which shall remain so throughout the season. Everything that is dispensed at our Fountain is pure and guaranteed under the Pure Food Law, and we invite the public to examine our Fountain for cleanliness.
 We were very successful last season with our Fountain, which we give the credit to the cleanly state that we kept our Fountain, and we shall be ready to dispense an assortment of Fancy Drinks, and the purest obtainable Fruits and Fruit Flavoring for the coming year.
 We shall take the pleasure of giving a souvenir to every lady that shall call at our store the day of the opening. It will not be necessary to go out of the city to obtain Brick Ice Cream in plain Vanilla or in ANY FLAVOR YOU WISH, and we shall be ready to pack your order on short notice.
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