

# THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

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### To Our Friends

When reading with any of our old-fashioned friends, either in Birmingham, Pontiac or elsewhere, it will be a great treat to us if you will subscribe to our paper and send us the amount by check or money order. We will be glad to send you a complimentary copy of our paper for a week.

THE PUBLISHERS.

## HOME NOTES

Navigation has closed for the season on Weston Lake.

The High School class of '89 will celebrate its 20th anniversary on Friday, July 9, with an all-day picnic.

Miss Lewis, who taught in the Birmingham school the past year, visited her many friends here last Friday.

Several of Birmingham's most popular young ladies departed last month, but we can no longer Miss them.

Lost about June 16 one pair of iron blocks for pulling telegraph wire. If any one please return to telephone office and receive reward.

Flag Day will be long remembered by the Secretary of the Memorial Association, Mrs. Jenks, for on that day she was presented with a beautiful flag.

Good horse barn and hen house for sale cheap; also several hundred cement blocks. W. C. BURT, Woodward Avenue, two miles north of Birmingham.

The next regular meeting of Mary Day Hiv. No. 393, L. O. T. M. M. will be on Saturday, July 5. Great Deputy-Commander Sarah Latour will be present. All members are requested to attend.

The busiest man in town is John I. Keyser, who keeps the wheels going round as the brick yard. He has a forge and an anvil there, and keeps very busy these days doing everybody and everything.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—Not so much money down as to be secured. A good engine and thrasher complete. A good outfit for a little more. Address Mrs. E. Schanthe, Birmingham, Mich., for particulars.

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The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will hold their regular business meeting at the home of Mrs. John Crawford on Friday, July 2nd. A fine quilt will be at Mrs. Frank Blakelee's at 2 o'clock standard time or from the parsonage at 2:30 p. m. to take all who wish to go. Supper 15.

The Village Improvement Society wishes to return thanks to the many friends who so generously contributed to the food sale, recently held. The Society wishes to do all in its power to render our village attractive, and will do its best to heed and obey any call made on it.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Deer attended the graduation exercises of their son, Dr. G. A. Deer, who is now a dentist, and who graduated with high honors. He is down in Indiana looking up a location, and if the town fits our Birmingham boy he will settle down and practice his profession.

Now is the time of year to let your farm or village property to the real estate department of the Exchange Bank, and see what will happen. We have sold more property since Jan. 1st than ever before in same length of time. It will cost you nothing to try, and there will be nothing to pay if we don't sell.

Prosecutor Covert announces himself as pleased with the new search and seizure law, which goes into effect 90 days after June 2nd, and promises to ferret out many Oakland county blind pigs by aid of its provisions. What a that, blind pigs in Oakland? Why the sheriff and prosecutor told us they had been cleaned up months ago.

One of the most beautiful functions in some time was a linen shower given by Miss Mabel Camp last Friday, in honor of the Misses Blanding and Hulbert. Many guests were present from Detroit and this village. One enjoyable feature of the entertainment was the making of paper dolls, and a prize awarded to the most ingenious lady. Mrs. Botwick, of Detroit, was the happy winner. The gifts to the Misses Hulbert and Blanding were both beautiful and useful. A sumptuous supper was served in the dining room at 5 p. m., and one hour later the guests departed, declaring Miss Camp an entertainer.

Monday, June 24th, Miss Margaret Daly entertained the corps of teachers and principal of the Detroit Day School for the Deaf, at a supper at her home in honor of the approaching nuptials of Miss Ulla Voigt, and Professor Earnest Wuesthoff of the Detroit Eastern high school. A kitchen outfit, each article of which was presented to the bride-to-be with appropriate remarks, furnished much merriment. The dining room was prettily decorated with syringas and myrtle, and Miss Voigt's chair was trimmed in white and made to resemble a throne. The place cards were in the form of wedding bells and were done in water-colors. The teachers thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and accepted Mrs. Daly's invitation to repeat the experience annually.

Nelson Shattuck has gone to Massachusetts on business.

Some nice rich surface dirt for sale, short haul. J. H. Bortle.

C. E. Conway and wife are now cooly settled in the west rooms of Ed. Smith's double house on Maple avenue.

LOST—A gold bracelet engraved "W. J. Birmingham and Pontiac." Finder please leave at THE ECCENTRIC office.

Any one interested in thrashing out, fits should read Mrs. Schanthe's ad. She has a good engine and thrasher for sale on easy terms.

Have you seen the flower bed in front of Second Church? It is a fine line in town, and is the work of Miss Bottie's Sunday school class.

The W. H. M. S. of the M. E. church will meet with Mrs. Bookham on Thursday, the 7th of July, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Poole, secy.

P. B. O'Brien, who bought the Trux beautiful home on the corner of Woodward and Vinewood avenues, is certainly making an improvement in the place.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Leet, Miss Marion Leet and Clarence Leet, of Highland Park, spent Sunday with Mr. Leet's sister, Mrs. J. B. Hunt, on Brown street.

A large number of young ladies from this place attended a luncheon and theatre party on Saturday last, given by the Misses Crittenden and Robinson, in honor of Miss Charlotte Blanding.

Good cottage for sale. Corner lot, cement walk, a No. 1 cellar and cistern, brick and chicken park. Will sell cheap for cash or might trade for 40 or 80 acres of farm land. Box 146, Birmingham.

Remember this! That the postoffice will only be open up to 10 o'clock a. m. Monday next in order that the Postmaster and assistant postmaster may have a chance to celebrate the 4th as well as the rest of us.

Mrs. Louis Hamak, of Pontiac, called on old friends in town Saturday last. Mrs. Lon Carter, past president of the W. R. C. convention held at Kalamazoo last week. She was joyfully entertained and had a grand good time.

Levi P. Goodwin is home for a vacation. He is certainly a promising young man, and one who did honor to our village. You have missed a great treat if you miss his address that won for him the gold medal in an oratorical State contest.

"Gentlemen, I want to give the members of the Michigan State Pharmaceutical association a piece of advice. If you are doing business in a drug county give up the sale of liquor entirely after August first. It is not worth all the opprobrium and trouble which the drug trade must undergo."

The canvass for funds for St. James' rectory progresses most satisfactorily. While of course the undertaking will be completed without good hard work and sacrifice, yet the bulk of the funds will be secured in time, it is already evident, for the parish to proceed to buy or build this summer.

William B. Brown and family are now comfortably settled in their new Birmingham home on Southfield Avenue, recently purchased from Miss Mollie Beardlee. Mr. Brown is one of the few leading doctors of Detroit, having a fine establishment on Woodward Avenue, and is delighted with his new purchase.

N. J. Maugh, our enterprising, successful and progressive proprietor of Birmingham Roller Mills, has let the contract to paint the mill building. It will be of a drab color, trimmed with white, and lettered. Charles G. Parks is the painter. We will wager any one that it is 50 years since the mill has had a new coat of paint.

George Wallace, who left Birmingham some 10 years ago for Middletown, Virginia, has been here for several days looking up old friends. He brought back a number of war relics for his old friend, J. Allen Bigelow. By the way, it is quite a coincidence that Mr. Wallace should have purchased the real estate farm on which his friend and fellow-townsmen had lost his arm more than 30 years previously while leading his troopers against the enemy.

The Misses Sly gave an elaborate luncheon Tuesday for the Poppleton-Blanding bridal party. Eighteen young people were conveyed to the farm by automobile, and included Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Cummings, of Holy; Miss Charlotte Blanding, Juanita Plamstead, Roy Hamilton, John Robinson, Mabel Camp, Mabel Crittenden and Grace McBride; also Messrs. Knox Poppleton, Charles Toms, Clare Cummings, Roberts Hulbert, Earle Jenks and Fred Blanding.

Extracts from a paper read before Michigan State Pharmaceutical Association, held in Detroit last week. Our popular druggist, James W. Cobb, gave a very interesting talk on the subject; "15 Months of Local Option" and was full of interest to all members of the Association. It is almost impossible to say it, "It has now become almost unsafe for women to ride on the late interurban cars from Detroit. Several women of Birmingham have been insulted by drunken men on the cars. Later the drunks are seen on the streets and in the byways. And who gets the credit for their being drunk? The retail druggist! Every moral violation of the local option law in Oakland county is traced to the retail druggists. True some drug stores sell more than saloons, but we are all in the same class simply because liquor is used in large quantities in the county." The Dickinson News goes into effect Aug. 1. I understand that this law will further restrict the sale of liquor by drug stores.

The hay crop for 1909 is being gathered.

A magnificent flagstaff graces the top of Brac Burn hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ford have gone to Seattle, Washington.

The village sprinkler has done its work nobly during the recent hot days. You can't help but read the Royal Oak Lumber & Supply Co's new and big advt.

Seymour Jenks, of this place, is chauffeur for Henry B. Lewis, at Grosse Isle.

Five Birmingham couples walked inside of 48 hours in travelling some for account of the village, and some for account of the village, and some for account of the village.

Mrs. Herbert Harvey, of Orion, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Lawrence McHugh.

The June matrimonial harvest was largely in excess of the predictions by the Michigan Crop Report.

Mrs. Arthur Carpenter has just returned from a two weeks visit with her daughter, Miss Grace, of near Lakon, Ontario.

Pay electric lighting bills at the Exchange Bank before the 10th and save 10 per cent. Make checks payable to Exchange Bank.

The Village Improvement Society is to hold its next meeting to the village, and they will be placed and cared for by the Village Marshal.

There will be an ice cream social at Fred Parks', Wednesday, July 9, for the benefit of the Big Beaver Ladies' Aid. You are expected to attend.

Crude oil is being used largely in laying the dust between here and Pontiac. From the Cranbrook road to the foot of the hill, and along the premises of Messrs. Charles Stinchfield, John H. Wendell and P. B. O'Brien Woodward Avenue has been treated in this manner.

Erza Mathewson, a graduate of Birmingham High School, just 29 years ago, is in town. He comes from Oklahoma City, and is prosperous and happy. While here his class will hold a reunion. As Erza was 'the only boy graduate in a class of about 10, he certainly will have a big time if husbands will keep back.

Miss M. Baldwin has just returned from Toronto, where she attended the quinquennial meeting of the International Council of Women, of which Lady Aberdeen is President. Twenty-one countries were represented, there being 200 delegates from Europe. Very many subjects for the betterment of the world were discussed in the nine different departments into which the Council was divided. Each of these departments was presided over by an expert in the subject treated, as—on education, Froken Hansen, Norway; suffrage, Dr. Anna Shaw, U. S.; health of nations, Frk. Anna Buch, Denmark; and so on through the whole of 11 sections.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE  
**First State Savings Bank**  
At Birmingham, Michigan, at the close of business June 22, 1909, as called for by the Comptroller of the Currency, Detroit, Michigan.

Assets:	Liabilities:
Loans and discounts	\$61,229.12
Bonds, mortgages and securities	25,590.82
Real estate	2,049.46
Due from banks in reserve	
Cities	\$11,639.92
U. S. and National Bank Cur-	1,423.00
rency	400.00
Gold coin	139.00
Silver	175.00
Notes and cents	126.53
Checks and other cash items	
	\$101,126.79
Capital stock paid up	\$200,000.00
Undivided profits, net	35.28
Surplus fund	1,000.00
Commercial deposits	\$11,245.41
Savings deposits	42,927.34
	24,828.06
	\$109,126.79

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. I, THOMAS H. COBB, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS H. COBB, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, 1909. My commission expires February 2, 1911.

ALBERT W. CAMBER, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: FRANK HAGERMAN, J. T. SMITH, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE  
**ROYAL OAK SAVINGS BANK**  
At Royal Oak, Michigan, at the close of business June 22, 1909, as called for by the Comptroller of the Currency, Detroit, Michigan.

Assets:	Liabilities:
Loans and discounts	\$61,229.12
Bonds, mortgages and securities	25,590.82
Real estate	2,049.46
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Cities	\$11,639.92
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STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. I, Geo. J. Baker, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Geo. J. Baker, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, 1909. My commission expires September 3, 1911.

Geo. A. Donahoe, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: J. M. LAWSON, JACOB EBER, Directors.



A Good Square Loaf  
Of bread is what we give you for your money. By "square" we do not refer to the shape, but to the quality and size of the loaf.

The Size of the Loaf  
You can see at a glance. The quality will be apparent as soon as you begin to eat. Some of the very finest bakers in town have given up home baking, and are using our bread. Why?

**F. J. WARNER**  
**H. W. BAXTER**

FOR  
Graduation and Wedding Gifts  
Nice Souvenir Spoons  
Locketts Chains Rings  
Brooches Cuff Links  
Silver-Tenish Bags  
Manicure Sets  
Hand Mirrors  
Fountain Pens  
Cut-Glass Plates  
Watches and Clocks

Repairing of All Kinds  
Promptly done.  
H. W. BAXTER

# ELLIOTT-TAYLOR-WOOLFENDEN CO.

Woodward and Grand River

## In Our Shoe Department

We are showing a complete assortment of Women's, Misses' and Children's Boots, Pumps and Oxfords. In all leathers—Buna, Blacks, Taupe Greys and Bronze. Ooze Calf, Patent Calf, Russian Calf, Mat Calf and Vici Kid, in the newest designs for Spring and Summer. Boots and Oxfords \$3.00. A few Specials \$3.50. The Elliott Shoes fit your feet.

See our New Eclipse Tie, the newest pump creation in Tan Calf, Patent Colt, Taupe Grey and Black Ooze Calf, Our Special, \$3.50.

Our New 3-Eylet Ties in Tan, Gun Metal and Patent Colt are one of our newest effects in Low Cuts. All leathers, \$3.00.

In Button Oxfords in Patent Colt and Tan Calf with Brown Ooze Tops, with light and medium weight soles and Cuban heels. Very snappy for dress and street wear! All styles \$3.00.

Misses' and Children's Ankle-Strap Pumps and Oxfords in-Brown Kid, Gun Metal calf and Patent Colt. \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

The newest style for girls in low cuts.

## Specials for This Week

- LOT 1. Women's \$3.00 Lace Boots, all leathers and most all sizes. Reduced to \$1.95.
- LOT 2. Women's \$3.00 Oxfords; all leathers; turn and welt soles; most all sizes. Reduced to \$2.38.
- LOT 3. Misses' \$2.00 3-Strap Roman Sandals, with patent ramps. Reduced to \$1.48. Sizes 1 1/2 to 2, all widths.
- LOT 4. Infants' \$1.00 Shoes with Kent slip soles, narrow widths. Reduced to 29c. Sizes 4 to 6, to close them out.

## ABOUT ADVERTISING—NO. 1

# The Perambulating Showcase

By Herbert Kaufman.

The newspaper is a huge ship window, carried about the city and delivered daily into hundreds of thousands of homes, to be examined at the leisure of the reader. This ship window is unlike the actual plate glass showcase only in one respect—it makes display of descriptions instead of articles.

You have often been impressed by the difference between the decorations of two window-trimmers, each of whom employed the same materials for his work. The one drew your attention and held it by the grace and cleverness and art manifested in his display. The other realized so little of the possibilities in the materials placed at his disposal that unless some one called your attention to his bungling you would have gone on unconscious of its existence.

An advertiser must know that he gets his results in accordance with the skill exercised in preparing his verbal displays. He must make people stop and pause. His copy has to stand out.

He must not only make a show of things that are attractive to the eye but are attractive to the people's needs as well.

The window-trimmer must not make the mistake of thinking that the showiest stocks are the most salable. The advertiser must not make the mistake of thinking that the showiest words are the most clinching.

Windows are too few in number to be used with indiscretion. The good merchant puts those goods back of his plate glass which nine people out of ten will want after they have seen them.

The good advertiser tells about goods which nine readers out of ten will buy if they can be convinced.

Newspaper space itself is only the window, just as the showcase is but a frame for merchandise pictures. A window on a crowded street in the best neighborhood, where prosperous persons pass continually, is more desirable than one in a cheap, sparsely settled neighborhood. An advertisement in a newspaper with the most readers and the most prosperous ones possesses a great advantage over the same copy in a medium circulating among persons who possess less means. It would be foolish for a shop to build its windows in the alleyway—and just as much so to put its advertising into newspapers which are distributed among "Alley-dwellers."

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IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE  
WHOSE CAT'S TAIL IS IN THE DOOR

It makes a difference whether you get your Coal in the summer or not.

First, and quite important, it is cheaper.

Second, and quite as important, you get better coal.

Third, you have it over; and there comes a peace of mind.

IF YOU ARE THINKING OF PLACING  
AN ORDER FOR LUMBER

Consult us. An estimate will cost you nothing, and it will likely save you money.

# T. B. SMITH

The Lumber and Coal Hustler  
BIRMINGHAM MICHIGAN

# OXFORDS

For the 4th

Now is the time to get them! If you want to "make a big noise," you will need a pair of our swell Oxfords to complete your attire. You will find that our display includes everything that is correct and up-to-date, for both Men and Women. Let us show you.

# Henry Pauli

Pontiac

# 4 Per Cent Interest

Paid on Deposits

From and after June 1, 1909

# PONTIAC SAVINGS BANK

Capital and Surplus, \$ 68,000.00  
Assets, 600,000.00

S. S. MATTHEWS, Pres. F. R. HALE, Vice-Pres.  
GRAMER SMITH, Cashier.

...SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL PAPER...

PILES get immediate relief from Dr. Shoop's Magic Ointment.