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To Our Friends

WHEN TRAINING WITH ANY OF OUR ADVERTISERS, EITHER IN BIRMINGHAM, PORTLAND OR DETROIT, IT WILL BE A GREAT PLEASURE TO US TO KNOW AND HEAR FROM YOU. THE FACT THAT YOU NOTICE THEIR ADVERTISEMENT IN OUR PAPER, A WORD FROM YOU AT THE TIME OF TRAINING COSTS YOU NOTHING AND WE WRITE YOU GREATLY. WILL YOU BE GOOD AND SO DO THE PUBLISHERS.

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EARL JENKS has added greatly to his home with paint and other improvements.

JOHN QUARTON, of Ypsilanti, called on Mr. and Mrs. John Leach, of Gilbert Lake, Sunday.

Luelle Gray, Ford Purdy and Stanley Ford left Monday night for Yellowstone Park, to spend the summer.

Any one can have two cherry trees in front of Mitchell's terrace on Brown St. free, for the chopping down and taking away. A good thing for some one.

What about the dust nuisance? Nothing will kill "Birmingham," the Pride of old Oakland," quicker than this dust that is now filling the air around the town. Get busy.

HOUSES TO RENT.—Eight room house on Brown St., also one on Bates St. Both have electric lights, bath, all modern conveniences. Inquire of T. W. Koozts, Bates St. Phone 7 J.

Farmington's city father, who has bought an oil tank and wagon and will lay the dust on every street in the village. Shall Birmingham—the Pride of old Oakland, do less? Mercy, No!

Shall we have the nearest town in Oakland county? In one Michigan town they had a clean up day and those who did not clean up, had to be by the town and the cost of it put in the tax.

Mrs. Ed. Patterson returned to her home in Baldwin, Ill., after spending the past week with her mother, Mrs. Grace M. Kinney, in Daines St. Mrs. McKinney has been very sick with dysentery, but at this writing is much better.

Some fine planting has been done around the electrical building and, no one enjoys it more than Mr. Murchie, the alert manager for the Edison Company here. He cares for it because it is natural for him to want everything perfect.

A new water tank has been put up at the Cemetery at a cost of over \$80. It is much larger than the old one, and does much more work for the water. Because of this extra, the City will appreciate the prompt payment of dues.

"There was a man in our town, and he was wondrous wise; he threw some paper in the street, right front of people's eyes; and when he saw the paper come, with all his might and main, he jumped into the street,—he did, and picked it up again. He put the paper in the basket, as every man should do, sir; he went and joined the V. I. S., and was that wise man you, Sir."

Over on Brown St. the other day Willie's mother found her young hopeful holding his pet rabbit by the ears, and from time to time "he would give Bummy a violent shake, and demand sharply: "Two plus two? Two plus two?" "Three plus three? Three plus three?" "Why, Willie," asked his mother with deep concern, "what makes you treat your poor bunny that way?" Well, replied Willie, greatly disappointed, "teacher told us in school today that rabbits multiplied very fast, but this dunny can't even add!"

We are metropolitan. Our barbers, owing to the high cost of living, as well as of everything connected with their business, have decided that from now on, shaving of the neck will cost six extra on holidays and Saturdays. The new rule went into operation last Saturday for the first time and worked out very good. Both shops say that their patrons accepted the raise with manners perfectly gentlemanly. Why not? You get shaved in the city and pay for a neck shave, besides the fee for the shave. Give the home boys a chance.

"Be a live wire and you won't get stepped on. It's the dead ones who use for door mats."

We have often stopped a clock by a mere glance, but it takes Charlie Cross to stop a running horse. Ask him to tell you all about last Thursday.

Three splendid, cozy rooms to rent over Eccentric office. Light house-keeping,—water free. \$8 per month to Oct. 1st. \$12.50 to May 1st, 1912. See Mitchell, this office.

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The banker calls it "interest," and heaves a pious sigh; the landlord calls it "rent," as he wipes the other eye. The merchant calls it "profit," as he tucks it in his bag. But the good honest burglar, he simply calls it "swag."

Attention R. A. M. No. 36! Birmingham Chapter No. 93. R. A. M. will go to Pontiac chapter No. 5, R. A. M. on eve of May 31, to exemplify the R. A. M. degree. A full attendance is asked. Take 9 o'clock at Birmingham, as Pontiac serves a banquet at 6:30. J. A. Bigelow, secretary.

Boughner & Senlaeck of Woodward garage, on Woodward ave. "in the Heart of the Village," are looking for business and are doing it, too. These young men are experts in all their business and always give the best of satisfaction in every instance. If your machine's transmission, spark plug, carburetor or any other part is out of order, see John or Glen and once and they will do the rest.

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AN ORDINANCE
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Section 1. That the title to said ordinance is hereby amended so as to read as follows: "An Ordinance prohibiting the riding of motorcycles, bicycles or tricycles on sidewalks in the Village of Birmingham, prohibiting the discharge of fireworks in said village, and prohibiting the throwing of stones and all other hard or heavy missiles in said Village and prohibiting the filling up or obstruction of gutters or drains in the Village of Birmingham within a certain specified distance from certain buildings in said Village."

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Section 3. No person shall discharge or fire any other hard or heavy missile in the Village of Birmingham within a certain specified distance from certain buildings in said Village.

Section 4. No person shall fill up or obstruct any gutter or drain in the Village of Birmingham within a certain specified distance from certain buildings in said Village.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect on the 1st day of May, 1912.

Made and passed by the Village Council of the Village of Birmingham, this 11th day of May, 1912.
GEORGE E. KEMP, Village Clerk.

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