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WELFARE LEAGUE

Royal Oak's New Club That Has Come to Stay---Attend Next Meeting Get The Fever.

At the first meeting of the Royal Oak Welfare League held at the school house on Tuesday evening Oct. 24th, the following officers were elected:—President, H. D. Montgomery; Vice Pres., A. D. Kidder; Secretary, C. B. Sage; Treasurer, C. P. Parsons; Recording Sec., G. N. Bailey. The above officers together with the following four comprise the executive committee:—C. W. Warren, F. E. Flewelling, J. W. Cummings, H. E. Richards.

Mr. Jno. A. Merritt spoke with enthusiasm on the necessity of advertising our village and its advantages; he suggested that if we boosted a little more than we are doing, we might increase the number of our taxpayers still faster than we are doing at present. In boasting of the advantage of our village, he could not, however, overlook the first thing that the stranger notices as he comes through here, viz—the poor roads, and his audience agreed with him, that means should be taken to at least make them look better as soon as possible. He pointed out that Washington avenue, in particular, looks pretty bleak to the couple of thousand people that see it from the cars every day. The sanitary cesspool or septic tank was talked on by Mr. Merritt and Mr. Tenney as a possible solution of our sewerage problem. A. D. Kidder, C. W. Warren and others also spoke of ways in which we could grow better and faster.

Mr. Montgomery closed the meeting with a few forcible remarks, stating that many conditions had been discussed and promising a definite plan of action in regard to some of them for the next meeting, and we can feel assured that the league is firmly established and is an organization of workers and boosters that is working with the council and the people for a greater and better Royal Oak.

Come out next month and get the fever.

Mrs. Peter Holan, 11041 Buckeye Road, S. E., Cleveland, Ohio, had a little son with a bad case of whooping cough. She says: "He coughed until he was blue in the face. I gave him Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, and the first few doses had a remarkable and almost immediate effect. A few more doses cured him. Yes, indeed; I can recommend Foley's Honey and Tar Compound." In the yellow package. Sold by all druggists.—Adv.

ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY ENDORSES STOCK SHOW.

The Hon. Eugene Davenport, in a recent interview, expressed himself as follows, relative to the International Live Stock Exposition, which will this year be held from November 30 to December 7:

"It is a mistake to suppose that the promotion of agriculture interests and affects only farmers. The truth of the matter is that other people are more interested and more affected by agricultural progress than are the farmers themselves. Along the line of live stock husbandry the greatest public need is that the common man should enjoy good animal products at a reasonable price. It is a simple proposition when reduced to its lowest terms, but to secure these products at a reasonable price means that every man specializing in live stock must employ every device known, and discover many more not known to improve the quality of his product as well as to lessen the cost of production. To this end, no single agency bears greater results than the bringing together each year at the International Live Stock Exposition, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, specimens of the best cattle, horses, hogs and sheep that the world has been able to produce. Such a gathering takes place this fall, and not only farmers but men in all kinds of business enterprise in the country should support and attend the Exposition."

"Tells the Whole Story."

To say that Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is best for children and grown persons and contains no opiates tells only part of the tale. The whole story is that it is the best medicine for coughs, colds croup, bronchitis and other affections of the throat, chest and lungs. Stops la grippe coughs and has a healing and soothing effect. Remember the name, Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. Accept no substitute. Sold by all druggists.—Adv.

Birmingham U. P. Church Notes

Services at Birmingham. Sabbath school at 1:30.

Preaching service at 2:30.

Preaching on Sabbath evening at 7 o'clock.

Service at Troy congregation at 9:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 10:30.

Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:15. All are cordially invited to these services.

WILSON REID, pastor.

Saturday Special—Carriage sponges 25c at Shain's.

A GOOD LETTER

Our Old Birmingham Boy Renews Acquaintance and Backs Up Volney Nixon's Big Western Stories.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 23, 1912.

Messrs. Whitehead & Mitchell,
Birmingham, Mich.

Dear Friends:—

A short time ago while hunting for some man who desired to invest some of his hard earned magumas in good California land, I met J. P. Campbell, erstwhile of Big Beaver and now living in a fine home in a first class orange grove in the San Dimas district about 20 miles east of Los Angeles. It seems that Mr. Campbell continues to take the Eccentric and he showed me a copy containing the vile slander on Volney Nixon. Having lived in the west some I am duly qualified to state Volney's stories undoubtedly approximate the truth and when he says that he caught 99 trout in 99 minutes and carries them 11 miles up the mountain I am sure that the statement is correct in substance if not in detail for Mr. Campbell knows thoroughly the country where Volney was camping and will swear in any court that there are some hills in that neighborhood as much as 100 feet high. I maintain that in this campaign year these statements of Nixon's certainly approximate the truth.

Judging from the predictions now being made by campaign prophets there will certainly be some great discrepancies between the anticipated and realized vote of various candidates. I assume that after March 4, 1913, Mitchell will be the post master, for certainly everything points to the election of Wilson. Even such rock ribbed republicans as I, will in large numbers vote this year for the Democratic candidate. There are four votes in our family and these were all cast four years ago for Taft but this year three of them are assured for Wilson and a fourth one is wavering. My vote will go for Wilson simply because of local conditions in California, where the third party adherents have so manipulated the Primary law that there is no place on the ballot for the Taft electors and rather than vote for the third party, there will probably be 150,000 republican votes in this state that will be cast for the democratic candidate.

We do this in spite of our time honored objection to the democratic theories with the full assurance that it will be better for the country to be under democratic rule than under the control of a man who seems to many of us to place personal ambition above principle.

I have heard rumors of a little petty thievery at Chicago, but as between a thief and a Pharisee, who is also a thief I prefer to consort with the thieves for there is some hope of converting a thief and there is no hope of converting a Pharisee.

A short time ago I bumped into Bert Peabody on the street of Long Beach where I live, he seems to have lost my address for I have not seen or heard of him since, but it seemed good to see someone from Birmingham. I understand that there are several others in Southern California but I have not run across them with the exception of the Quick family, Eva, Georgia and their mother. If any other Birmingham or Oakland county people come this way I hope they will hunt me up.

Campbell and I have decided that in order to be duly qualified for the position of postmaster, Mitchell ought to take a western trip and see for himself what a great country we have here, then our wager is ten to one that upon his return he will tell such stories as will discount Volney Nixon's at least 100 to one.

Here's wishing success to Whitehead and Mitchell and hoping to see them out in this God's country some time soon.

Very truly yours,
WILLIAM N. MCKEE.

P. S. By the way, Marian Sue McKee is a promising kid of six months, pretty as her mother, good dispositioned as her daddy.

"FROM THE CAR BEHIND"--IN THE DETROIT NEWS TRIBUNE.

The above is the title of a new serial story which will start in The Detroit News Tribune, Thursday morning, Nov. 7. It is the story of a young man through college at 18, his hero worship of a great automobile manufacturer and race car driver, and his defense and protection of his fiancee from the just charge of murder. It carries the thrill of the automobile race track from cover to cover. Did you ever attend a big automobile race? You hear a cry "Car coming," and before you fairly realize what has happened it is past like a flash. In "From the Car Behind," by Eleanor M. Ingram, such a situation arises. This story also has a fine love theme running through it, and aside from interesting automobile lovers will prove a great attraction to every man, woman and child who is fortunate to read it. You can only get this splendid, thrilling romance in The Detroit News Tribune. Be sure and read the first installment Thursday morning, Nov. 7.

Royal Oak Pioneer, Aged 87, Came There When 10 Years of Age

MARY D. WHITE.
(By Courtesy of Detroit News).

Died, at the residence of her son Harvey, in Royal Oak, on Oct. 29th, Mrs. Mary D. White, aged 87 years. She was born in Geneva, New York, in 1825 and came with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Chapman, to Michigan at the age of ten years, settling in Royal Oak township. She was married to William White in Detroit when she was twenty years old, Mr. White dying twenty-two years ago. After Mr. White's death she remained on the farm two miles north west of Royal Oak, near the Irish church until three years ago when she came to Royal Oak village. She was the mother of eight children, seven of whom survive her, William White of Detroit, Mrs. Chas. Adair of Pilford Pa., Mrs. Edith Clark of Bad Axe, Mrs. Emma Trask of Romeo, Mrs. Nellie Beekman of Birmingham and Harvey and Arthur White of this village. There are also twenty-one grand children and eleven great grand children. The funeral was held from the home last Friday afternoon and the remains were laid to rest beside those of her late husband in Royal Oak cemetery.

A Great Building Fails

When its foundation is undermined, and if the foundation of health—good digestion—is attacked, quick collapse follows. On the first signs of indigestion, Dr. King's New Life Pills should be taken to tone the stomach and bowels. Pleasant, easy, safe, and only 25c at C. J. Shain's and J. W. Cobb's.

A GENUINE SERVICE.

"I believe," says an old subscriber, "that every time The Youth's Companion enters a home it does that home a genuine service." That describes the purpose of the publishers exactly.

The paper is not filled with mischievous or idle thoughts to fill an idle hour. It provides healthy pastime, recreation that builds up. It is to the minds of eager and impressionable young people what sound athletics are to the bodies.

At a cost of less than four cents a week The Youth's Companion opens the door to a company of the most distinguished men and women in America and Europe. Whether they are revealing the latest discoveries in science or describing great industrial achievements, or telling of their wanderings in strange corners of the world, or feeding the imagination with rare stories, they are giving Companion readers the best of themselves.

Seven serials at least will be published by The Companion in 1913, and nearly 200 other complete stories, in addition to some 50 special contributions, and a treasure-box of sketches, anecdotes, expert advice as to athletic sports, ideas for handy devices round the house, and so forth—long hours of companionship with the wise, the adventurous and the entertaining. Announcement for 1913 will be sent with ample copies of the paper to any address on request.

Every new subscriber who sends $2.00 for the fifty-two weekly issues of 1913 will receive as a gift The Companion Window Transparency and Calendar for 1913, the most exquisite novelty ever offered to Companion readers; also all the issues of The Companion for the remaining weeks of 1912, free.

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R. T. ROBINSON,
Birmingham. 1 Jan 14

Hiram Steele, 628 North Sixth Street, Terre Haute, Indiana, writes: "I came down with a severe case of kidney trouble. I had to get up too often at night. There was pain and much sediment, puffs under my eyes, back pained terribly, and I was dizzy. Foley Kidney Pills cured me quickly, and I feel 100 per cent better." Sold by all druggists.—Advertisement.

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills for legache.

PIONEER IS TAKEN

Mrs. Grace Parks Dies on Sunday. Came From England When but Nine Years Old.

Mrs. Grace Parks, widow of the late William Parks, passed away Sunday at her home on Maple avenue, after a long illness. She was 73 years of age. Before her marriage Mrs. Parks was Miss Grace Montgomery. She came from England when but nine years of age and made her home with her grandparents near Birmingham. She was married in 1860 to William Parks, who died three years ago. They lived near Birmingham their entire lives. There are surviving six children, four sons and two daughters. They are: Alfred, of Cheboygan; and Fred, Hiram, Charles, Mrs. Eugene Smith and Miss Anna Parks, all of Birmingham. The funeral was held from the home Tuesday afternoon conducted by Rev. Jamieson, assisted by Rev. Wakefield and Rev. Reid. Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery.

Only a Fire Hero

But the crowd cheered, as, with burned hands, he held up a small round box. "Fellows!" he shouted, "this Bucklen's Arnica Salve I hold, has everything beat for burns." Right! also for boils, ulcers, sores, pimples, eczema, cuts, sprains, bruises. Surest pile cure. It subdues inflammation, kills pain. Only 25c at C. J. Shain's and J. W. Cobb's.—Advertisement.

BIRMINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

The morning preaching service will be at the usual hour at 10 o'clock.

Bible school at 11:15 a. m.

B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. Subject, "The Progress of the Temperence Cause" Leader, Mrs. Parmenter.

There will be no preaching service at the church in the evening, as we join in the union meeting at the Methodist church under the auspices of the Gideons.

A cordial welcome given to all who worship with us.

Flagged Train With Shirt.

Tearing his shirt from his back an Ohio man flagged a train and saved it from a wreck, but H. T. Alston, Raleigh, North Carolina, once prevented a wreck with Electric Bitters. "I was in a terrible plight when I began to use them," he writes. "My stomach, head, back and kidneys were all badly affected and my live was in bad condition, but four bottles of Electric Bitters made me feel like a new man." A trial will convince you of their matchless merit for any stomach liver or kidney trouble. Price 50c at C. J. Shain's or J. W. Cobb's.—Adv.

Road, Hood and Act.

George H. Mitchell, ex-druggist of Birmingham, says:—"Lambert & Lowman's White Pine and Red Syruce Cough Balsam during 25 years of his drug business sold most and gave the best satisfaction of any kind he ever handled. One good old lady declared that two 25c bottles cured her daughter of consumption." tf

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Commencing Monday, Nov. 11, 1912, we will close our stores at 7:00 p. m. (standard time)

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THE GIDEONS ARE COMING.

Commercial travelling men have not always been considered a religious clan. But many of them are so. A number of thousands of them in the United States are and they have formed a brotherhood, named after the fearless, manly Judge of old, Gideon. They are to be represented in Birmingham next Sunday by their state president, A. E. Gould, of Grand Rapids, and a live group of travelling men from Detroit. In the afternoon at three o'clock they will conduct a massmeeting for men only at the Presbyterian church; and at seven they will hold a union evangelistic service at the Methodist church, to which everybody is invited. The Gideons of America have been instrumental in placing in the lonely hotel and boarding-house rooms of the country 160,000 Bibles in the past three years, 8000 of them in Michigan. The pastors of this place, through gifts of local church people, have provided a fund for placing Gideon Bibles in all the rooms of our local hotels, and the visit of this band of the brotherhood is primarily to present these Bibles to the hotels and place one in each bed-room.

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Gentleman's Country Home — 200 acres of best land; lays beautifully with fine view on State road. Well watered by flowing wells. Buildings would cost $25,000.00. We can sell this place at a bargain.
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A Note To You

Birmingham, November 1, 1912.

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Yours truly,

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