

**To Our Friends**

WHEN TRADING WITH ANY OF OUR ADVERTISERS, EITHER IN BIRMINGHAM, OUTSIDE OR THROUGH THE MAIL, AS A RESULT OF YOUR TO US YOU WILL NOTICE THE FACT THAT YOU NOTICE THEIR ADVERTISEMENT IN OUR PAPER A WORD FROM YOU AT THE TIME OF YOUR ORDER IS APPRECIATED AND WE WILL BE GREATLY WILL YOU BE GOOD AND DO SO?  
THE PUBLISHERS.

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OF THE ECCENTRIC are requested when they wish to have the publication of their notices or advertisements in this paper to be at no more expense than elsewhere and will do so a great favor.

**Friends**  
An assistant lady clerk wanted at Birmingham Dept. Store.

M. W. Deas and family are settled in their cozy home on Willet street. "Dinner for Three" is only one of the charming stories in the May St. Nicholas.

Harper's magazine for May, has an article on the scarcity of looks in Lincoln's time.

Your water rates are now due, pay them before to-morrow night and get your discount.

Don't forget tomorrow May 10th will be the last day to get a discount on your water rates.

It is coming. What? Detroit is coming to Birmingham. Sunday's paper tells us of two new subdivisions near the Mc Mile road.

Special Communication of Birmingham Lodge No. 41 F. & A. M. will be held Thursday May 15, next, to confer the M. M. degree, commencing at 7:30 p. m. Supper 6:30. J. H. Terry, W. M. J. H. Hunt, secretary.

The Family Theatre is, and always has been, a fine business every evening. When the big tent is pitched, the only standing room is to be had. Perfect order is maintained by Manager H. F. Smith, and ladies and children are especially cared for.

Suffering humanity in this village of 2,000 people have no place to buy a dish of ice cream or a cool drink on Sunday. A fine location is offered for the summer. Central, and an ice cream room and candy store ought to do money the next four months. See Mitchell, Eccentric office for particulars.

Any old subscriber of the Eccentric can get in on the wonderfully cheap offer of the Detroit Journal if they choose. By paying all arrears and the correct amount (see advt) they can enjoy all the benefits of the new subscriber to either the Eccentric or the Detroit Journal. Just read their offer again.

R. E. Grieg has removed his Real Estate and Insurance office to the Fort block, room 12, south side. He now furnishes Life, Accident, Indemnity, Cyclone, Automobile, and other forms of Insurance, besides the Old Reliable Hartford and Westchester Fire insurance, the best in the world. Real Estate exchange with the best properties in Birmingham listed.

Swat the fly! The fly question is again with us and as this pest is the chief cause of disease as a germ carrier, it would stand us well in head to "swat the fly." The fly is the most dangerous insect known to man. They are filthy-bred, live on filth and always carry filth around with them. They are maggots before they are flies. Their direct line of travel is from the garbage can to your dining room table. They carry millions of death dealing germs and they leave them wherever they go.

Michigan's greatest newspaper, The Detroit Free Press celebrated its 82nd birthday anniversary and its beautiful new, complete and modern home by a publication May 1, which is in itself as good a history of Detroit since 1830 as any one could wish to read. When this paper was founded, Detroit then was about the size or smaller than Birmingham. Its stores were log buildings or shacks. It had then about 400 dwellings. Free traders and soldiers came and went. Near by forests abounded with wolves, bears, deer and other big game. Indians were very numerous and the nearest mail station then was Erie, Pa. Today Detroit and the Free Press are known all over the world both as a "1" and have succeeded in the anniversary day celebrated by the Free Press Co., entertaining their guests who were numerous, and flowers in profusion were all over the plant. Music was furnished and the Free Press Co., gave the glad hand to thousands of callers who with us ended their continued prosperity.

Miss Alice Walker is home again from her trip to Ekwerville. Don't forget that to-day is Arbor Day and Bird day. Plant something. Build something.  
The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church is postponing to Thursday, May 25, their picnic to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cobb Tuesday, May 6 an 8th baby girl. Mother and baby doing fine.  
Have you noticed the neat appearance of the new homes on the east side of Woodward avenue north?  
The Village Improvement Society has cut a new tree in front of the Mansie in place of one dead and removed.  
Did you notice that all of the Birmingham people in '33 years ago? Under date of April 23, are dead, eight in all.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Donovan are in Ontario Co. catching trout and wading the lake and blossoms in the wilderness waving in the wild winds of Northern Michigan.

We have lost we fear all over praise all last year, by the dust nuisance this year. Never mind the oil now. It is too late anyway to regain our good name, fame, and hopes.

Every day these for Justice Campbell, Tuesday he gave Mr. John S. Jackson of Detroit a fine of \$10 and costs \$7.98 for having three black bass in his possession out of season.

Yes, it was J. Allen Bigelow who dared to bring to the attention of the public. He was down with it last week, and now we are sure spring is headed our way. Let'er come.

In a recent letter from California, Mrs. Hila Montgomery Peck says: "I am glad to note that several new subjects are to be introduced into the school at home. Now I can show a course in household domestic science would have helped me."

Regular meeting of Birmingham Temple 94 Pythian Sisters Monday evening, May 12th at 8 o'clock. There will be singing and a Ladies' initiation. All members are requested to be present. Brothers are especially urged to be present. Refreshments will be served.

For sale very reasonable, a new seven room semi-bungalow house with terrace of fine land inside village limits. A fine chicken house is with it. This land is nicely drained and the house has water, electricity and is sidewalked. Price reasonable. Good terms for selling. July 1.

Whitehall last week sold the handsome white brick bungalow of Charles Newman on Greenwood ave. to a Detroit Mr. John Gerow, who selected Birmingham after a careful scrutiny of all the suburban towns in the vicinity of Detroit. "Why this choice?" Charles is certainly building up his share of Birmingham.

An entertainment will be given by the You and I club of the First Presbyterian Church on Friday evening, May 12th at 8 o'clock at the home of Rev. W. J. Jamieson. An excellent program has been arranged. Miss Madeline Wilson who has pleased Birmingham audiences in the past will give violin selections. Miss Clark, pianist of Detroit, Mrs. Barnard and Mr. Plantstead will assist. Silver collection.

The meanest man has been found in Birmingham. Mr. Price of the Walker-Gordon farm took a plank to the Barton school so that his little girl could have a "teeter" and help other little girls to have a good time. Mr. Black, the janitor, was to make it the next day. Hunged if some ungenerous son of Balaud did not steal it during the night. Shame on you! You are known. Bring it back at once. Nuf' said.

Funny how two opposites will agree on some question. While the old hotel was apparently doomed to be wiped off the map, one dear old lady was down on her knees praying that the fire would be a success. We haven't the least doubt but that now Landlord Wooster wishes her prayer had been answered because the fire would have to build a new structure from the ground. This would have been a blessing to old Birmingham.

We call the attention of our R. F. D. readers to the Extraordinary Combination Offer made in another column. The Eccentric has been successful in making the same offer to the publishers of The Detroit Daily Journal for every subscription rates so that we might present a positive subscription bargain for your consideration. Both sides need readers here may avail themselves of this offer. Write over the advertisement carefully, and send in your order.

Birmingham Heights where it is the Top! In the morning always, is without a doubt the finest spot for a home in this city. Just off Woodward, half a block, sidewalked, drained, electric lights, city water and high and dry. What more in a location can one ask for a home? City people will soon have a Detroit Colony on this desirable spot. We look to see five or six new subdivisions go up on this subdivision.

Nothing succeeds like success. If you wish to advertise. So says Will E. Ray, the "Feed" man. Ever since he began advertising regularly, his business has continually been growing. A new bath room in his home put by William Hilliard, a fine addition to his comfortable home, is now closed for the time being by the new building under construction is 54 by 30, matches with the others all being built of cement blocks. Alex Groves is ahead in the construction of this needed addition. A. P. Vanden is a prominent business and William is all over baser than a bee in a bonnet.

Please remember the Christy dues. Mr. Geo. Spencer who has been quite ill with painters' colic, is on the gain.  
Five pages of home news this week. Be sure and read all of the paper from page one to eight.  
Mrs. George Burch and daughter Estelle, are guests at the home of Mrs. Wm. Whiting.  
WANTED—Carpenters. Apply to C. C. Cindbell-Mercell building on Washington, or call phone 37 J, Royal Oak, 2p.  
Thos. B. Hayes of Southfield before Justice A. W. Campbell Tuesday took a sentence of 60 days in the Detroit house of correction for disorderly conduct.  
U. P. Church notice. Mother's day will be observed next Sabbath at the usual evening service 7 o'clock. A sermon appropriate to the occasion will be preached. Mothers and parents are cordially invited to attend. It is requested that every one wear a white flower in remembrance of and respect to Mother.  
A hay stack belonging to Wm. Henry burned last Monday. It is said it caught fire from a combination of boy, cigarette and matches. Although outside of the incorporation limits Marshall Bray turned in an alarm, but the water works put on the pressure, but was of no use. The water interference saved a close by barn. Thanks.  
Frederick W. Goodwin and Miss Mae Clouse were married at the M. E. parsonage Thursday evening May 10. Rev. C. E. Wakefield performed the ceremony. Mr. Goodwin is employed in the grocery store of H. G. Spencer & Co., and Mrs. Goodwin's home was in Kierulff, Mich. They will make their home for the summer with Mrs. Goodwin on Willis street.  
"We always have said that the best people of Detroit when looking for a home come straight to Birmingham, the Pride of Old Oakland, and it proves true every day. Mr. A. D. B. Van Zandt and family are moving, and are comfortably settled in the pretty little home of J. C. Buckenburgh on Woodward ave. Mr. Van's business of course is in Detroit all day, but his family are delighted with their prospective village life.  
Landlord Wooster is overhauling the Birmingham Inn. The Insurance Companies figured that he was damaged only \$1,540. Jim knows better, but rather than go to law about it and be closed all the time he did the best he could. We've went have a new hotel after all, but the coming builders will be a good improvement over the old one. Mr. Wooster will make over ten bed rooms that will be equal and superior to many public rooms in any part of the state. When all the repairs are finished the Hotel will be the Pride of Bham.  
We wish to call your particular attention to the Dear Bird, change of advt. See what young men who have ambition, skill, education in their line of business, say: "These boys have for months past could not find electric school, training them for their business in wiring and estimating jobs. Here are a few of the large jobs they have recently finished and proved equal to the occasion and gave most excellent satisfaction in work and the price of each job. They have recently wired the home of Mr. Hansen R. R. 1, a 12 twelve room job. Mrs. Hattie Evans near Franklin, 9 rooms, Chas. Blougher's rooms, Miss Anna Parka 12 rooms, Albert, John and Seymour Adams, large home on Adams Ave. 18 rooms, Thos. Dickinson Birmingham, 16 rooms, Mr. C. E. Edwards (the late T. A. Ward's home) 15 rooms and the boys are busy now wiring the home of John W. Perry. They furnish estimates if desired and can save you money on them.  
After a search that lasted from Saturday night until Sunday night a horse belonging to George Dawson and stolen from the streets of Detroit, Michigan, was found tied in the woods south of Birmingham. Sheriff Wiley, Deputy Sheriffs Wiley and Kemp, and Marshall Bray of Birmingham lay in wait for several hours at the woods Sunday night in the hope that the thief would return for his spolia but nothing was seen of him. The animal was valued at \$200. As near as the officers can learn, the rig was taken by a youth, who drove the animal to near the Standard Oil tanks, situated in front of the carriage, broke one of the shafts evidently in the hope of throwing the officers off the scent by making them think the animal broke away, and scattered the harness along the road. About 10 o'clock the horse was seen going out of Birmingham in a southerly direction leading the horse. A good description of the youth could not be secured.  
The following gentlemen were before Justice A. W. Campbell Tuesday of this week: Perry A. Vaughan, Henry E. Kasky, Benjamin Jones and Matthew J. McCarty of Bloomfield township and James A. Nye of Waterford township were created by Deputy Game and Fish Warden John Wardell of Scotts Bluff Monday last upon a charge of poisoning fish. The men were asked to appear before Justice Campbell, and the question at the hearing arose as to whether or not Scott Lake is an inland lake. The case was adjourned until May 22 to permit testimony being taken about the score and the respondents were released on their personal recognizance to appear at that time. Assistant Prosecutor Gillespie appeared for the people and Judge E. C. Rockwell presided. The case was stated by Assistant Prosecutor Gillespie this afternoon that if the lake has an inlet or outlet persons have no right to fish fish, but that if it has no inlet or outlet the law permits the setting of traps and the property owners give their permission.

"And whatever ye do, in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."  
—Colossians 3:17.

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