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## RETROSPECTION!!

These News Items Were Published in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC Just One Generation Ago.

We merry Christmas to all. A sell Commercial Advertiser Tickets. "Limerick Boy" at Library Hall next Tuesday evening. "The Peaked Sisters" at Library Hall next Tuesday evening. Mrs. E. R. Adams has gone to Windsor, Ont., where she will reside in the future. Mrs. C. M. Raypole and son George have been visiting relatives in Detroit this week. Archie Chatfield, the young man who had his head smashed near Drayton Plains recently, was returned to his work. School closed last Friday for the holidays and everything is busy for 12 hours led next February 27. Says he and his next Tuesday evening. Let's all go and give the L. L. A. a rousing benefit.

## Miles Theatre.

Holiday patrons of the Miles are promised an exceptional offering in the way of a comedy playlet. "It is entitled, 'The Salestady,' and introduces the former legitimate star, Lida McMillan, in the title role. It is along strictly modern lines, the scene being laid in a fashionable New York shop. An added attraction will be Louise and Robert Cottrell in an equestrian novelty that has been featured at the New York Hippodrome and with the larger circuits. Their mounts are a team of magnificent white horses. Alice Hanson & Co. will offer a medley of comedy and song. Miss Hanson is known as a clever little comedienne. They-Yanda, a full-blooded Sioux Indian in songs and native dances, the Great Polak, the roller skating juggler; Morrow Brothers, singers and dancers, and seasonal photo plays will complete the entertainment.

## Your Cold is Dangerous—Break it Up Now.

A cold is readily catching. A run-down system is susceptible. Get your nose over to yourself to other of your household to fight the germs at once. Dr. Hall's Flu-Far-Honey is good for colds and coughs. It loosens the mucous, stops the cough and soothes the lungs. It is guaranteed. Only 25c at your druggist's.—Adv.

## ALCOHOL AS A REMOVER

An exchange says that "alcohol will remove stains from summer clothes." The exchange is right. It will also remove the summer clothes, also the spring, the autumn and winter clothes, not only from the one who drinks it, but from the wife and family as well. It will also remove the household furniture, the chairs from the parlor, the smiles from the face of his wife, the laugh from the innocent lips of his children and the happiness out of his home. As a remover of things alcohol has no equal.

**This—and Five Cents.** Don't miss this! Cut out this slip, include 5 cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Illinois, writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a free trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds and croup—Foley Kidney Pills and Foley Cathartic—and the same for sale to your town by all druggists.—Adv.

## IMPROVED LONG DISTANCE SERVICE

Manager Chapin, of the Michigan State Telephone company, promises better long distance service this winter than ever before. He has just finished the big annual repair job of tree trimming, the lighting, fixing coppers, replacing bad poles and cross-arms.

While service may be good without going to this expense every fall, the Michigan State Telephone Co. takes no chances. The winter, with its sleet and snow, plays havoc with lines not in the best of repair and the service is of too great importance to the public to overlook any precautions.

Mr. Chapin says: "Trees make more bad telephone service than any other one thing. If the wires do not clear them suddenly, service is interrupted. Being part of the Bell system, which operates all over the United States, the Michigan company must be in a position at all times to handle long messages. This very fact forces us to keep our lines in better shape than if we handled messages for nearby points only."

## RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were read at the Detroit Presbytery on Monday, December 21st:

As men who are members of the First Presbyterian church of Birmingham and who have known Dr. W. H. Jamieson quite intimately for some little time, we have been appointed to bring a message to the Detroit Presbytery regarding him and regarding his ministry there, which is about to close. On next Sabbath Dr. Jamieson will close ten years of ministry in Birmingham, and he has been a member of our church with always a vision of larger things for the future of the community and his church. We believe that, with larger opportunity, he will accomplish greater things for the Kingdom. Dr. Jamieson is zealous and patient of toil. Perhaps his most striking qualities are his modesty of speech and demeanor, his faithfulness in purpose, his thoroughness in action and his self-control under provocation: With his love of God and of man, he is a leader in the community and Birmingham is poorer by his going. H. R. EARLE, F. G. PORTER, A. C. MCGRAW, Committee.

On Thursday last Eugene Brooks left for the balmy clime of Florida with his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Flora Martin, formerly Mrs. Frank Brooks. Eugene is in Florida and who has been the guest of Mr. Brooks for sometime past.

## A GOOD PROGRAM

Will Be Given at the M. E. Church on Thursday, December 31, Beginning at 8 o'clock.

Beginning at 8 o'clock, Thursday evening, December 31, a program will be offered to the public at the Methodist church in which all are cordially invited to unite. A Christmas cantata, by Dudley Buck, under the direction of Mrs. Leland, will be rendered by the chorus choir, assisted by Dr. Alvo, soloist, of Detroit. Rev. S. K. Braun, a well known Christian Jew, will lecture on Jewish religious customs. Late in the evening a visiting minister will preach, and the Lord's Supper be observed by all the members of Christian churches who are present and desire to partake. The meeting will close at midnight.

Every family which counts the Methodist church as its church home, is requested to come at six o'clock. A dinner will be served the free to all regular attendants of the church and their families, but all will be expected to contribute to an offering to cover the full expenses of the supper and program.

## BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL NOTES.

The Junior meeting of the Literary society was held Thursday, December 17, at the high school. The very excellent program was quite in keeping with the Christmas season. Four of the members, Martha Rosen, Helen Levinson, Ray Winegar and Carl Ely, repeated the play, "Christmas Chimes," which was given at Franklin recently. A very interesting paper, "Christmas in Germany," for which all the material had been translated from the German, was read by Miss Marguerite Hoskins. Miss Esther Wakefield gave a reading from Dickens' "Christmas Carol." Miss Marie Ferguson recited, "When Christmas Was Ill," most amusingly and was encored. The high school orchestra and Male Quartette furnished most of the musical numbers with the exception of two piano solos by Miss Francis Bradford, Chammade's "Pierrette" and "A Soliloquy" and "The Christmas Eve" beautifully. Last but not least came the "Junior Orator," edited by Miss Celestia Green.

Last Wednesday the pupils of Miss Foreman and Mrs. Easterday presented a Christmas program in the auditorium of the Barnum school. It was well attended by the parents of the pupils. Practically all of the fourth-grade of Mrs. Foreman's room took part in a playlet, "The Christmas Dream." The sixth grade girls performed a very pretty song drill, "Cherry Blossoms." Alice Baker and Catherine Parrsall all recited very well. Of Mrs. Easterday's pupils Thelma Morrow gave a recitation, Carl Corson and Thelma Morrow played a duet and Josephine Shattuck sang a song. There was also a play, "The Homeing Bird," given by Robert Neldredth, Herbert Spencer, Norman Tarks, Elsie Daying, Irene Neiton, Merle Schlaack, Margate Green, Mary Codgen, Ernest Clark, Martha Clark, Lloyd Smith and Wilson Jones. Wilson Jones also acted as Santa Claus and distributed presents to every one.

Miss Lownesbury's pupils of the first grade gave a Christmas entertainment on Tuesday. One very novel feature of the program was an exercise on rhythm, "The Homing Bird," by Virginia Taylor and Phyllis Edwards. Virginia Taylor also sang a very sweet "Dolly's Lullaby." There were several recitations including "Possibility" by John Cowan, "Somebody's Coming" by Bernard Jones and "Stockings" by Eugene Clark and Hazel Black, and "Round the Christmas Tree" by seven of the children. A pretty little play, "The Brownies and the Christmas Toys," was given by over twenty children. Several songs by the entire grade completed the program.

The fourth grade had a celebration and a tree all by themselves on Wednesday afternoon. Many pretty Christmas boxes, booklets, bookmarks and painted Santa Claus paper dolls had been made for the occasion. Recitations and the Christmas play, "On Christmas Eve," made up the program. The Kindergarten, second and fifth grades had Christmas trees also, and Miss Chubb's and Miss Walker's grades both had Christmas parties.

The eighth grade read "The First Christmas Tree" and "The Other Wise Man," by Van Dyke, for classics during Christmas week.

Several children in the second grade had 100 in spelling for the entire month.

The Mincest Man in Town is the one who is always cross, disgruntled and discontented in his answers. In nine cases out of 10 it is not the poor fellow's fault—his liver and digestion are out of order. It keeps him cross. Are you getting into that condition? Then start at once taking Dr. Herriek's Superior Bile Beans, which will clean you out, vitalize your blood and put your digestion in good order. Price 25c. Sold by Cobb & Jennelle.—Adv.

## Garrick Theatre.

### "The Tired Party"

"The Tired Party," a delightfully refreshing farce in three acts, by Mark Swan, will be presented by F. Ray Copstock at the Garrick theatre, Detroit, next week, with a special matinee New Year's day, after its long run in New York, with the original cast including Taylor Holmes, Walter Jones, Marjorie Wood, Edna Phillips, Richard Temple, Alma Belwit, Mattie Keene, George Gaston, William L. Elson and others. The play, prior to its engagement in New York, ran at the Princess theatre in Chicago for three months.

The first scene is laid in the Restaurant Royale in London. The proprietor of this place makes a specialty of providing chaplains to gentlemen who may be dining with some lady other than their wife, the chaplain, of course, in case of trouble, always rising to the emergency to explain that the lady is his companion. Mr. Pottinger, a member of Parliament, comes to the restaurant with a dancer, and is provided with a Mr. Cazzaza, who is not a regular chaplain at all, but a young chap about town who undertakes the commission for a lark. Mr. Pottinger and some relatives drop in for tea, and as Mr. Pottinger has been unable to get a private dining room, he is of course discovered, but the lady is introduced as Mrs. Cazzaza and everything appears to be all right. Mrs. Pottinger, amiable soul that she is, suspects nothing and invites Mr. and Mrs. Cazzaza to their country home. The story thus so humorously and auspiciously started goes on to a rapid finish. Three acts are required for the telling.

Mr. Holmes, of course, will be seen as Mr. Cazzaza, and the member of Parliament will be handled by Walter Jones. Miss Marjorie Wood is Mrs. Cazzaza. The other parts have been selected with the same degree of care.

## Prompt Action Will Stop Your Cough.

When you first catch a cold (often indicated by a sneeze or cough), break it up at once. The idea that "it does not matter" often leads to serious complications. The remedy which immediately and easily penetrates the lining of the throat is the kind demanded. Dr. King's New Discovery soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm. You feel better, and your cough seems to vary the very spot of its moment. 50c at your druggist's.—Adv.

## U. P. Church Notes.

SERVICES AT BIRMINGHAM. Sabbath School at 1:30 o'clock. Praying service at 2:30 o'clock. P. M. C. U. at 6 p. m. Preaching on Sabbath evening at 7 o'clock. Wednesday evening Prayer-meeting 7:15. SERVICES AT TROY CHURCH. Sabbath School 9:30 a. m. Preaching service at 10:30. All are cordially invited to attend these services and your presence will be appreciated. WILSON REID, Pastor.

## BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Sunday morning preaching service at the usual hour 10 o'clock. Preaching service at 11:15 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Evening preaching service at 7:00. Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:30. All are welcome. G. L. CONLEY, Pastor.

## ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed at Birmingham, post-offices for week ending the 19th day of December 1914.

Beatrice, Alex. e-o "Linda Viata" Champlin, Mrs. Dell Baum, Miss Leora Gunder, Miss Gaudy, Perry Smith, Mrs. E. Walton, Henry, R. F. D. 2 CARDS.

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## NOTICE, TROY TOWNSHIP TAXPAYER

I will be at the following places: At Chas. Baker's store, Clawson, Monday, Dec. 21 and Jan. 4; W. H. Lamb's, Big Beaver, Tuesday, Dec. 22 and Jan. 5; Cutting's store, Wednesday, Dec. 23 and Jan. 6; First National Bank, Birmingham, Saturday, Dec. 26 and Jan. 9, 1915. In my office every Friday. 18 dec ARTHUR HALSEY.

The Dairyman Says He has more milk and better cream since he began using Harvel's Condensed Milk. It keeps his cows in prime shape. It is a strictly medicinal powder, not a food, and is a general stimulant, power for every domestic cow, sheep, goats, hogs and poultry. Price 25c. Sold by Cobb & Jennelle.—Adv.

Phone 65 Phone 38

## Holiday Table Delicacies

Eating is a necessity to enable the body to perform its functions. "Necessity," or what one "must do," is usually irksome. WE are public benefactors! WE convert a "necessity" into a gastronomic pleasure—making of eating a refined art. When you inspect our large and finely-assorted stock of eatables, gathered from every clime, we are confident you will confirm our claim and place your orders with us for the Feasts of Yuletide.

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## Well What Do You Think of This?

"Laugh and the world laughs with you; weep and you'll weep alone." The morning after the fire, if you insured with the fellow who said his companies were just as good as those of R. E. Griggs, an insurance specialist, who represents the "Big Four" old insurance companies, the Hartford leading one, and I felt like a square deal. Phone 333, or see him at his office, 121 Willis street, next to Baptist Church.

## COBB & JENNELLE

The Cut-Rate Druggists

## BOX RENT NOTICE

In compliance with an order from the postoffice inspector in regard to the collection of postoffice box rentals, I beg leave to call the attention of patrons of the Birmingham, Mich., postoffice to section 2 of article 353 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, which reads as follows: ART. 353, SEC. 2.

Box rentals shall be collected at the beginning of each quarter for the entire quarter, but no longer. Ten days before the last day of each quarter postmaster shall place a notice stating the date of the last quarter in each rented box. If a box holder fails to renew his right to his box on or before the last day of a quarter, the box shall then be closed and offered for rent, and the same placed in the general delivery.

We trust that the patrons of this office, for all of whom we have the greatest respect, will take due notice, and by paying the box rent promptly when due, relieve us of what would be a very unpleasant duty to perform.

Very respectfully, GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

P. A. Morgan, Gore, Georgia, had occasion recently to use a liver medicine, and says of Foley Cathartic Tablets: "They thoroughly cleansed my system and I felt like a new man—light and free. They are the best medicine I have ever taken for constipation. They keep the stomach sweet, liver active, bowels regular." For sale by all druggists.—Adv.

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It reduces the cost of the operation very decidedly. It is very economical, costing from \$1.00 to \$1.50 every year—and that is for rubber mouth-pieces and pump valves. The average man can handle three machines to best advantage, milking three cows at a time and from 20 to 25 cows per hour, by using the extra pair.

There are exceptions to this as we have some customers using five and six machines, milking from 40 to 60 cows. If you are interested (and anyone having a cow to milk should be, and the more cows he has to milk the more he should be interested), should call on us for full information.

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## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The undersigned will receive taxes for the Township of Bloomfield as follows: At Bell & La Zoie's meat market, Tuesday, Dec. 15, 22 and 29, 1914, and Jan. 5, 1915; First State Bank, Birmingham, Friday, Dec. 11 and 18, 1914, and Jan. 9, 1915; at the County Treasurer's office, Pontiac, Saturday, Dec. 12, 19 and 26, 1914, and Jan. 2 and 9, 1915.

18dec DAVID A. BELL, Treas.

The board of directors of the Citizens League voted at its last meeting to give a smoker at the Birmingham Club, Monday evening, January 5.