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STATE FAIR

TICKETS ON SALE AT ECCENTRIC OFFICE

For a limited time only, admission tickets to Michigan's Greatest Fair will be sold at this office at cut-rate prices. Buy NOW while the supply is good. Remember, you can buy a

50c Ticket for 35c --- 3 for \$1

BASE BALL NIGHT

August 27 Will be Benefit Evening at Family Theatre for Ball Team. Help Our Boys by Attending.

Many loyal fans in this little city of ours know that Birmingham has one of the best amateur ball teams in the state. This summer has seen many really very fast games staged on Barnum field and our boys have won their share. Even when losing, the score is generally very close and the game one that no one need be ashamed to lose.

The grounds have been put in excellent shape and a bleacher stand built which will shortly be moved to a position under the trees and be made into a comfortable grand-stand. New uniforms have been purchased for the players and in every way the team has been put on a creditable basis.

All improvements have taken a lot of money. Much of it has been subscribed by our generous business men but there is still a considerable deficit which the management is rather hard put to raise.

John Schramm, of the Family Theatre has generously consented to put on a "benefit night" for the ball team on Thursday, August 27, and everyone who is the least bit interested in "our boys" should be there.

Tickets will be placed on sale the first of the week. Schramm has promised to make the program of more than ordinary interest so that all will be more than repaid for their attendance besides giving the ball team a boost.

Remember the date—Thursday evening, August 27, and plan to be there.

Summer Constipation Dangerous. Constipation in summer time is more dangerous than in the fall, winter or spring. The food you eat is often contaminated and is more likely to ferment in your stomach. Then you eat and drink much cold water during the hot weather, thus injuring your stomach. Colic, fever, pneumonia, poisoning and other ills are natural results. Do-Lo-Lax will keep you well, as it increases the bile, the natural laxative, which aids the bowels of the congested poison waste. Do-Lo-Lax will make you feel better. Pleasant and effective. Take a dose tonight. 50c at your drug, 25c—Adv.

Buy your State Fair tickets now. They are going fast. Save your money now. You will need it at the big fair.

Boys State Fair Will Educate This Fall

THE influence of the Boys' State Fair school, a novel educational feature of the Michigan State Fair during the past few years, is already being felt throughout the state. More boys wrote for the examinations the past spring than ever before, and practically every county in Michigan will be represented this year. The qualifications are that the boy must be between the ages of twelve and eighteen and that he must pass a better examination than any other boy in his county, 50 per cent being counted on

GREAT WAR WON

"Napoleon's Memoirs" in Three Vols. Gives Fascinating Story of European Struggle Years Ago.

History repeats itself—but with variations. A hundred years ago France alone, under the leadership of Napoleon, faced Germany, Austria, Italy, Russia and Great Britain—opponents.

At thirty-six, Napoleon had conquered every nation of Europe and the battle of Austerlitz in 1805, practically brought the continent under the subject of the French army. Then Austria, Germany and Russia formed the great coalition against France, only to be beaten in battle after battle until they were forced to sue for peace. England, thanks to her invincible navy, was the only nation not forced to acknowledge Napoleon's rule.

The present European crisis gives a particular opportuneness to the offer of Napoleon's Memoirs, announcement of which is made in another column of this paper. Few books throw a more illuminating and interesting light on the underlying causes of those years of conflict than the fascinating story of the man whose meteoric career left Europe sunk with the seeds of discontent.

"Eventually," said Napoleon, "Russia will rule the world." The present conflict will go far towards determining the truth of that prophecy, and day by day it will furnish an absorbing illustration of the advance which has been made in the art of warfare since the days, only a century ago, when France alone had Europe at her feet.

Napoleon's Memoirs, written by his private secretary, Baron De Meneval, will give you a clearer insight into that tremendous upheaval of Europe than the present crisis seems destined to reproduce.

You can have "Napoleon's Memoirs" in complete form free by subscribing for the Eccentric.

Summer Coughs Are Dangerous. Summer colds are dangerous. They indicate low vitality and often lead to serious throat and lung troubles, including consumption. Dr. King's New Discovery will relieve the cough or cold promptly and prevent complications. It is soothing and antiseptic and makes you feel better at once. To delay is dangerous—get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery at once. Money back if not satisfied. 50c and \$1 bottles at your druggist's.—Adv.

State Fair Tickets at reduced rate.

LIBRARY AWAKE!

Rev. R. E. Griggs, President of Board Tells of Splendid Improvements An Ideal Spot for Reading.

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors of Halvlin Library about a month ago it was resolved that a committee be appointed to take in hand the renovating and re-arranging of the library room and to secure some new furnishings and to make the place more attractive as a reading room as well as a library.

R. Eugene Griggs, president of the board, was authorized to go ahead with the work and with A. R. Nelson as associate, the work was begun the first Monday in August. Last Saturday the room was again thrown open to the public and the delighted expressions of patrons as they came into the room would seem to indicate that the work has been well done.

The old book shelving has been removed or made over and the new shelving is of uniform height all around the room. The new eight foot solid oak tables have been purchased and 24 arm chairs, some having extension book rests and other rockers have re-placed the hard wood chairs. The pictures have been re-arranged and a projecting shelf with a frame for the bust of Lincoln has been placed in an effective place. The general effect as one enters the building is certainly pleasing.

Over 100 new books have been placed on the shelves with more to follow and with a few more dollars in its treasury to work with the coming year the board of directors hopes to make our library an institution to be proud of as well as an aid to the culture of Birmingham.

W. M. Halfacre, Dexter, Missouri, bought Foley Kidney Pills for Mrs. Halfacre, who was down on her back with kidneys so sore he had to help her move. He says: "She would cry with pain across her kidneys, but after she took the second bottle of Foley Kidney Pills she was well and strong as ever." For sale by all druggists.—Adv.

Mrs. Albert Jones and Miss Clara McKay, of Houston, Texas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Quanton. Miss Matilda E. Walker was a dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Quanton last Thursday evening.

est machinery, heard lectures upon crops and the care of stock, witness soil demonstrations, learn how milk is tested and kept pure and see how good roads are made.

"The boys' school this year will be better than ever," says Thomas M. Satter of Jackson, member in charge. "Many of the commissioners have given additional prizes, such as a five gold piece or a large United States flag. The names of the boys who will represent the various counties are being compiled and will be made known in the near future."

The Avenue.

The regular stock season of the Permanent Players of the Avenue theatre opened, Sunday afternoon, with a mammoth audience ready to greet these favorite Detroit players in "Under Two Flags," a play through which is overheard the distant clash of arms on the Algerian frontier—a timely bill for these troupeless times.

Miss Corinne Cantwell, whose improved an artistic triumph, is possessed of youth, beauty and an unusual amount of dramatic ability. Miss Cantwell is surrounded by a number of last season's favorites and a number of new players of mature ability. For the coming week, David Higgins' play of life in Tennessee "At Pine Ridge" is underscored. This play deals with a peculiar incident of the civil war. Col. Branson is killed on the field of battle. He leaves a young son, who is adopted by an actor or mammy. She substitutes her own child, who has but a strain of colored blood for the rightful child, and through this substitution an interesting play has been built.

STRONG CANDIDATE. Former Holly Boy Who Seeks the Nomination for Register of Deeds.

The many friends in this part of the county of Daniel A. McGaffey, of Pontiac, the former Holly boy who seeks the Republican nomination for Register of Deeds at the primaries on August 25, are very enthusiastic over the manner in which his candidacy is "catching on" in all parts of the county. On account of Mr. McGaffey's experience in the Register's office as deputy and his thorough knowledge of the real estate study of real-estate law and land titles, he makes an especially qualified man for the place. The following regarding him is clipped from the Pontiac Press Gazette:

"Daniel A. McGaffey has announced himself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds, to succeed Harry Gardner.

"Mr. McGaffey has made a name for himself in the office of the Register and has won friends all over Oakland county because of the creditable way in which he has handled the business under his charge. Capable, conscientious and accurate, he is known as one of Oakland's best property men, and the campaign opens he will have many supporters in every part of the county.

"Mr. McGaffey would make an ideal officer and his nomination and election would be a promotion of the county, and if nominated and elected, will give the office his personal attention.—Adv.

G. ROSS THOMPSON, Candidate for Register of Deeds.

On the Republican ticket, has been a member of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors for the last eight years, serving on all the important committees. He was as Chairman of the Board, and upon taking the chairmanship request—that the Board should forget its politics and work for the interest of the taxpayers of Oakland county. Mr. Thompson is especially well qualified for the office, a thorough business man, well educated, and one of the best men in the county. Four years ago Mr. Thompson withdrew from the Register's race in favor of Mr. Gardner, and at this time feels entitled to the support of the electors of the county, and if nominated and elected, will give the office his personal attention.—Adv.

The State Fair this year promises to be bigger, better and greater than any Fair yet held by the great State of Michigan. You can, for a limited time only, secure all the tickets you want at 35 cents each or 3 for \$1. Listen! At the same time you can get a Free Ticket for every child you have under 12 years of age to be used on Children's day, 5 Saturday, September 12.

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Arthur M. Young

Candidate for Nomination for County Treasurer

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