

## COST OF PAVING

Woodward and Maple Avenues Should Not Be Raised by General Tax Says M. W. Beals.

To the Editor: Regarding the proposed paving of Woodward avenue and Maple avenue and west, would like to express your valuable space in order to express my views on the subject. First, on general principles, I am, and have always been in favor of all needed public improvements and developments, but I certainly am not in favor of the village paying 40 per cent of the cost of paving the above streets, from the fact that the abutting property gets an immediate benefit by reason of the advance in the selling as well as the rental value of the property. The village should pay for the cross walks and street intersections, but no more. After the pavement is laid, it is up to the owner to keep it clean and well as your valuable space in order to express my views on the subject.

What He Will Do For the Good of Birmingham If He Is Elected - Sounds Very Good.

Birmingham, Mich., March 1, 1915. Not asking for any village office, but having been nominated president on the Citizen's ticket, I wish to state if elected, I will give the duties of the office my personal attention. One of the first things I would endeavor to do would be to put in septic tanks and find out if our trunk sewer is in working order before we spend any more money on laterals. Take care of the surface water which floods the Stanley farm, destroying property. I understand it suits is now pending against the village for damages. Clean up the property known as the handle factory, preserving enough of the best of the buildings to serve the tool handling factory. Build a large reservoir at the pumping station to be kept full of water in case of fire, thus preventing the necessity of connecting with the river, filling our mains and pipes full of river water liable to spread some contagion. It seems to me the volunteer fire department should have pay for their time going to and returning from each and every fire. I am seeking no special favor. I have no axe to grind other than cutting down expenses where it seems advisable, not to interfere with the best interests of the village.

JOHN HANNA.

## BISHOP LEETE

Of Georgia will Preach at Methodist Church Sunday at Dedication of New North Memorial Organ.

The past months have witnessed a complete transformation in the appearance of the interior of the First Methodist church of this place. It has been renovated, redecored and refurbished throughout. An up-to-date steam heating and ventilating plant has been installed and is working perfectly. New lighting arrangement makes the auditorium even more attractive by night than by day. Several new rooms have been provided for the use of the Bible school, and a home-like parlor for the use of the ladies' societies of the church.

Probably the one improvement of greatest popular interest in the new organ just completed, made possible by the generous gift of Mr. and Mrs. Plinder Worth, both now deceased, and given to provide a memorial for themselves, their daughter and Mr. Worth's parents. The instrument is from the factory of M. P. Moeller, at Hagerstown, Md., one of the largest and most reliable organ manufacturers in the country. It is of the duplex type, tubular pedal to a, with unusual modern accessories, and is electrically supplied.

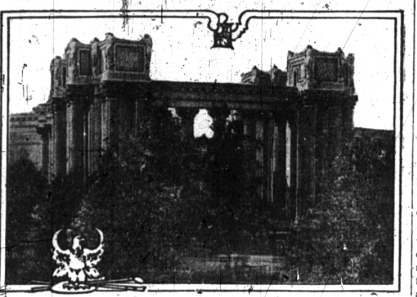
Next Sunday is to be Re-opening Day. There are to be three public services—one at 10:30 in the morning, one at 3:00 in the afternoon, and the third at 7:30 in the evening. The preachers of the day will be Bishop Frederick D. Leete, of Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Edgar Allen, of Anderson, Ind.; and Rev. Charles Bronson Allen, of Detroit. The large chorus choir will be used at each service and the organ will be in the hands of a specially engaged musician. The public is cordially invited to be present at each of these services.

Victor Veider, of Mt. Clemens, visited his sister, Mrs. Edwin Kratz, at the school of Bloomfield, purchased the property, known as the "Simeret," located on North Woodward Avenue in Birmingham Village, and described as follows: A parcel of land bounded on the north by Craigie, east by Woodward Avenue, south by Vinwood Avenue, west by lot 62 Willet plat, for the sum of nine thousand, five hundred dollars (\$9,500.00), said property to be used as a site for the proposed new High School and Auditorium.

Shall School District No. One Franchise of the Township of Bloomfield, purchase the property, known as the "Town Hill Block," located in Birmingham Village and described as follows: Lots 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60 of Merrill's plat, bounded on the north by Martin Street, on the east by Bates Street, on the south by Merrill Street, and on the west by Chester Street, at an estimated cost of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), said property to be used as a site for the proposed new High School and Auditorium.

The polls of this election will be kept open three (3) hours. Dated, February 26, 1915. C. H. CARTER, Secretary School Board.

## Superb Colonnades of Palace of Fine Arts at San Francisco Reduced to Plain Black and White



HERE is shown one of the sections of the 1,100 foot colonnades of the Palace of Fine Arts at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco. The original is beautiful with color. The columns are of red alabastrine and verde antique, and the facade background is of poppeian red.

## JNO. HANNA SAYS P. O. SCANDAL.

Innocence and Friendliness Mistaken For Guile. A Story of Shameless Remorse.

The afternoon sun streamed through the west window of the post office; it was the hour when there was nothing doing and the stamp windows, where stamps are sold, mail delivered, and gossip exchanged, was deserted; the postmaster in the rear office was almost dozing in his chair and Bose, the watchdog of the post office was napping on a pile of mail sacks.

Came midday entering so quietly that her footsteps were scarcely discernible and she had her only casual glance. But it was a different matter when she settled herself comfortably on a seat near the door. She had been there many a time and before, and he began stroking her hair, black and glossy as the raven's wing and her lovely gray eyes were gazing soulfully into his, while her smile, whether that ivory showed in a healthy gleam or in a sickly grin.

Bose was aroused, and no wonder! While his own reputation is scarcely parallel with that of Casanova and Romeo, but he has a decided liking for chickens, the master's reputation must be liquid and lose all its glamour if this thing could be divulged. What would the postmaster's wife say if she ever heard of it? Why, even the J. P. Department at Washington might take cognizance of it if some of the village notables saw the report too. Right here in a public office, too, shame! What was the boss thinking of?

With a growl of rage he sprang upon her with a view of sinking his teeth in her shapely limb which was shamelessly exposed; but even quicker than she could flee, she snatched his hand and placed his hand along the alley to Woodward Avenue where she placed his forehead against the wall. There was no response from the deserted street and with a graceful leap she sprang into the lower branches of one of the gigantic maples bordering the street and smiled derisively at the defeated Bose, who placed his forehead against the tree, barked his displeasure and ebb, and slowly retraced his steps to the post office, reflecting sadly on the frailties of humanity in general and his master in particular.

Bose never did like cats.

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## JONES' HOUSES

The Editor Hears Tell That These Houses Are Well Worth Seeing And He Visits Them.

"I have come to see your beautiful houses," said ye editor, as he nimbly leaped on a grassy spot to some of yesterday's oak leaves and rested beside a big tree.

"It is almost time you did," returned Mr. Jones. "Everyone else in town nearly has been here."

"Why what a nice view you have," pursued we, wishing to divert the conversation to other channels than our delinquency.

"Then we fell in line behind Mr. Jones, who led the way through house number one. This is the house furthest north and fronts on the west with a fine view up Harmon street and north and south and east it scans the tree covered hills and hollows.

"Why the house is full of closets and rooms and the rooms are full of windows," said Mr. Jones, "and don't forget there's a wash room and toilet on the first floor, besides the full tiled bath room upstairs."

"And we shall also mention," said ye editor, "that there are flower boxes underneath the windows and hot water heat, oak floors, private porch and French doors."

"Well, if you are going to say all that," remarked Mr. Jones, when we had only stopped for breath, "you might mention the sun room, which can be used as a sewing room, or a nursery, or sleeping porch, and also the big dusting porch—that's a new idea from Chicago."

"We looked down into the basement. Eight feet in the clear and as dry as a bone, and indeed it should be, for it's twenty feet more or less above Woodward Avenue and the River Rouge.

"And while we were still enthralled with the view of the flower boxes of Birmingham, Jones was leading us away to number two, so called for it was the second one started, which fronts on Ravine road and with a view that gives out, as the English say, upon the Poppleton plateau. It will be a grey coupe with a flaring monolithic base and will be steered clear of the ground line, no cement blocks showing. It is like number one, only different in many ways and it is also a little larger. Jones made us climb up the temporary ladders and view the surrounding country from the big bedroom windows of the second floor, and then we went up on up of our own accord to the big porch that covers the whole of the house.

"This house also is full of rooms and closets," said Mr. Jones, repeating our own bright observation made earlier in the afternoon.

"Yes," said we, and then following Mr. Jones again we hurried the trench made by the village water department and skirted house number three. This was Woodward Avenue.

"This one is after the lines of an English cottage; is slightly Gothic in appearance and will be even more so when it is stuccoed. The color scheme will be gray and brown, a light ochre brown. There's a fine big porch on this house, and it has four bedrooms and a sleeping porch.

In all these houses the living and dining rooms are big rooms and the people who live on the hill in Jones' park will be able to give some fine parties."

Mr. Jones then showed us all around the property and told us so much of what he is going to do that we haven't space this week to do it justice. May be later, or you can ask him about the cement bridges and the island.

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