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ASTORIA CHAIRS

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Sae Closes Saturday, Sept. 4

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Of Birmingham Will Open Next Tuesday, September 7—Increase in High School Attendance.

CHILDREN'S EXERCISES FEATURE

OF THE MICHIGAN STATE FAIR

25 YEARS AGO!

Items Published in the Eccentric a Quarter of a Century Ago This Week.

The Birmingham schools will open Tuesday, Sept. 7, with the following teaching force:

Clarence Vliet, A. B., superintendent. Office hours, 8:30 to 9 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. Telephone: High school, 263-F-2; Barnum school, 233-F-3; Lillian G. Stauch, A. B., principal of the high school, Latin and German; O. Cobb, B. S., science; Mary K. Geach, A. B., mathematics; Doris Robinson, A. B., history; Josephine Hayden, A. B., English; Isabel Foreman, Grade 8; Nina McWebb, grade 7; Wynn B. Easterday, principal Barnum school, grade 6; Ina A. Mills, grade 5; Stella Haskley, grade 5; Viola M. Hanna, grade 4; Wynna Wood, grade 3; Florence Stanley, grade 2; Isabel Lowesbury, grade 1; Laura Carpenter, substitute; Minnie Carter, music and drawing; Helen Brown and Katherine Apple.

The entire upper floor of the high school building will be used for high school purposes this year, the increase in the high school attendance making necessary such a change. Grades 9, 11 and 12 will be seated in the large session room under the supervision of Miss Stauch. Grade 10 will be seated in the old 8th grade room, under the direction of Miss Geach.

Children who belong to the primary, grade 1, and 2 classes are to report to their respective rooms of the lower floor of the high school building, while children who are in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 are to go to the Barnum school building. All of the rooms in the Barnum school will be used this year.

Supt. Vliet will be in his office in the high school building Monday, September 6, from 8 a. m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 2 p. m., to classify and advise all new pupils who desire to enter the grades of the high school. Regular classification for all former high school students and 8th grade pupils who hold promotion certificates to the high school will take place in the session room on Tuesday morning.

Parents of children who are to enter school for the first time should be sure to send their own grade card or promotion certificate received by the pupil. Parents are urged to have all children enter on Tuesday as greatly facilitates the starting of the new year for both pupils and teachers.

CHILDREN'S educational exercises which will be held at Detroit Sept. 4 to 15. The above picture was photographed at previous to the giving of a patriotic program by the children. The children were dressed in costumes of red, white and blue.

25 Years Ago! Mrs. M. Estelle Hemenway is visiting friends at Mt. Clemens, Mich. She visited Levi Wooster and Ed. J. Jr., visited Wm. Wright, of Syracuse, N. Y., was home on a short visit last week. Mrs. Amanda Jennings, of Grand Rapids, has been spending a week with her friends. Misses Maud and Nellie Camp have both been quite ill for a week or so, and at this writing Nellie is once again better.

Our village is thoroughly known throughout the state as a wide-awake progressive, cosmopolitan town, and we know it is so. The lively little Misses Sallie Smith, of Clarkston and Beatie Talbot, of Toledo, O., have been visiting M. Smith and family.

Neil and Mack Shan, Sunday with their mother, and had a very pleasant rest, and Monday scattered about the work.

The Bentley Lumber Co. is with us again, and Charley Warren the energetic manager, is pushing business and making much money for many men.

The fore part of this week Messrs. Taber and Mitchell visited Orion and Oxford and had a most enjoyable day. Miss Hattie Smith goes this week to Goshen, Ind., to fill her position in the public schools of that enterprising city, as teacher of music and drawing. We predict for this young lady a bright and successful career.

The real estate agency of Whitehead Mitchell sold to Rev. L. C. Houston, of Port Antrim, Mich., the house of Joseph Phillips in this village. Price \$1,400.

The thermometer borrowed while I was away from home was returned this afternoon and it appeared in your paper. Great is the power of printer's ink. Many thanks to the Eccentric. No questions asked or answered. T. L. Layton.

A customer called in W. & M.'s store the other day and found himself based on top of his bank "Mud" and Mitchell perched on the peak of his prescription counter, screaming "Punch!" All caused by their six-ounce kitten, "Punch," in duling in a fit.

John Wilkinson's eldest daughter, Florie, aged six years, died from diphtheria at Grosseau, where she was visiting her mother and her "Cora Brown" friend. She was a handsome, winsome child, and her loss is sadly mourned. Burial in Greenwood.

Died Saturday, August 23, at his home, after a long and painful illness, Darius Hulse, aged 72 years. Funeral at the house, conducted by Rev. R. H. Bird, Burial in Crooks' cemetery in Troy.

Frank Coranin, while working in the brick and the yard of B. D. Bigelow, near Franklin, was the victim of a cavity and nearly lost his life. He was completely buried, only his head being above the ground. It took two men over an hour to dig him out.

WHAT IS DOING OUR CITY AFFAIRS

In and About Birmingham.—Some Interesting Information by W. D. Clizbe.

Contract Awarded for Building New

Woodward Ave. Bridge.—Water Works to Fine Condition.

There are 19 miles of streets in Birmingham. If \$100 per mile annually were expended in repairing them it would cost \$1,900 per year, but many of these streets consist only of a few furrows thrown toward the center and some of them consist only of two rather imaginary lines. At present only a few miles will be re-finished and made permanently good, while about one mile has been gravelled from the pit, and in addition to this, will be all the work done on other streets by use of the paving dirt and gravel. Exclusive of paved streets there will be three times as much work done on streets as usual. Nearly 100 catch basins and the necessary cross ties will be placed to take the water away from the road sides. These facts are required for the pleasure of citizens who like to know what good work is going on, and also that the little kickers chorus can add one more string to their discord. Many property holders are lining up and grading the curbs with dirt from the paving job.

About the nearest curb is that of Messrs. Clay and Clyde Babcock on Chester street. Notice.

After September 11 we will all know the exact amount of our paving tax per foot. There is to be a big effort made to have each abutting land owner pay the whole of the cost of the paving at once and not issue short term bonds at all. Several have signified their wish to do so rather than to have to pay interest and collection fees for four years. Scarcely anyone likes to have such a cloud on their title stringing along for years, nor are there many who would rather go to the bank for the money so they could pay the debt as soon as possible and cut off interest and penalties.

The Cemetery Association, which has controlled Greenwood for 29 years, is re-incorporating. They have gone to the village or the township, and a special committee is examining the matter for the council. The original incorporators were the Messrs. Marsh, Baldwin, V. L. Post and M. A. Cromwell, with Mrs. C. J. Smith, J. Irving H. J. Blumberg, L. Sisson, A. C. Wallace, M. G. Shutes, J. R. Cronan Jr., C. Utter, Kate Alger.

The present officers are Mrs. Emma E. Snow, president; Mrs. Nellie R. Clizbe, secretary; Mrs. Willie Bell, treasurer; and Mrs. Verona Post, treasurer of perpetual fund.

The village has always owned the lots on the 20 feet of road running to Woodward avenue corpora l limits.

We heard that Rev. M. H. Brittain, of Davidburg, and one of his old friends recently, Wonder if he noticed the fine appearance of his Brown street property. It sure is a valuable piece of real estate.

The same firm has secured the contract for putting in the new bridge over the River Rouge on Woodward avenue. Several new taps have been made this summer, and yet we have reduced the pumping by about one-third. This makes a great saving on coal, which is brought about by dis-covering leaks mostly. Let it be fully known that Mr. Carter stands ace-high in an engineer with our water board.

By the way, Supt. Wilkinson can find a hawk quicker than a hawk can find a chicken. Have you noticed the long stretches of five roads Supt. Wilkinson and the boys with the big, strong teams have been making? The old steel road builder, now repaired as the village books are being audited for the year to date. We expect a complete audit made every six months from now until forever. An audit like this was never made before, nor could be with the system formerly used. Every leak and permit permit transfer—all except one ledger—is now so accurately cared for that not a dollar can get misapplied. The statement of village books will be printed this week or next. Our accountant will tell you at 5 p. m. every day the exact balance of every fund and the total funds. Try making good with a capital G.

Every Home Needs a Faithful

Cough and Cold Remedy.

When seasons change and colds appear—when you first detect a cold after sitting next to one who has sneezed, then is that a tried and tested remedy should be faithfully used. "J. N. King's New Discovery" is the best cough remedy we ever used, and we never tried them all. 50c and \$1.00. Ad.

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We want just three minutes of your time, when you are again troubled with Cholera, Diarrhoea or any bowel complaint. We will give you one dose of Nyal's Blackberry Carmine, free—you will be so well pleased with the result that you will return for a bottle of it. You will want to keep it in your home.

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FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to and before me on this day of December, A. D. 1886.

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Are you bilious, dizzy and listless? Dr. King's New Life Pills taken at once sets upon constipation and starts the bowels moving naturally and easily. Moreover they act without griping. Neglect of a clogged system often leads to most serious complications. If you wish to wake up tomorrow morning happy in mind and entirely satisfied, start your treatment tonight. 25c a bottle.—Adv.

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"The Big Staple House"

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Representing the Pythian sisters of Mrs. Anna Hitchcock is enjoying attendance at the state convention. Mrs. Emma Hallway is slowly recovering can give a good report from her home from her severe illness. Her sister chapters as it flourishes like a green Mrs. J. E. Conroy, of Jackson, is with her.