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## HOME

Advertisers are again cautioned that copy for changes MUST be in the printer's hands not later than 9 a. m. Tuesday morning of each week. Yes, the printer is busy too.

Do you want some of the best seed oats ever grown in this section? Let Fred Quarton tell you about them.

James Daly, of Troy, has come inside the inner circle, having sold his farm of 85 acres for $14,500. J. J. Levy is the happy owner.

One of the first signs of the coming "Excursion Season" was visible April 20, when F. J. Watkins sent 20 Shetland ponies down to Belle Isle, to care for the demands of the children and visitors already "taking in" the parks.

The funeral of Samuel Alger, 81 years old, who died last week, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Cassius Carter, was held Sunday afternoon with burial in Royal Oak cemetery. Surviving are two sons, Charles and Thomas Alger, of Royal Oak, and one daughter, Mrs. Maude Carter, of Birmingham.

Clarence G. Parmalee, of Walled Lake, arrested by Deputy State Game Warden John McDonald on a charge of attempting to take and kill fish with an artificial light, pleaded guilty, Monday, in justice court here. By request of the state game warden, Justice Campbell let him off on suspended sentence by paying $2.75 costs.

Lavsa Avery Hale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glade Hale, aged 1 year, 3 months, and 9 days, died Monday at four o'clock, of bronchial pneumonia. Relatives from Northville, Petersburg, and Detroit attended the funeral, which was held at 10 a. m., Thursday, Rev. Wakefield officiating. Interment in Roseland Park Cemetery.

Epworth League of Big Beaver Church has elected the following officers for the year: President, Rev. R. J. Chase; first vice-president, M. Hillis; second vice-president, Mrs. A. N. Dean; third vice-president, A. N. Dean; treasurer, Miss May Stumps; secretary, Miss Loretta Johnson; chairman of flower committee, Mrs. William R. Lamb.

Next Monday, free delivery begins. The inspector, while here, gave the particular and special instructions to allow no mail delivered to anyone without a box, and whose house is not numbered correctly. You have had two months of constant pounding to get your house numbered, and no one is to blame but yourself, if you do not have your mail delivered.

M. Levinson, our busy, live, and energetic merchant, will be busy all this year. With closing out his immense stock of goods to avoid moving it, he will superintend the planning and building of his immense new store between the Johnson-Shaw block and the D. U. R. waiting room. This sale, he is now running, is your opportunity. Everything in cash and 20 per cent off. No accounts made on these terms. See M. Levinson for bargains.

Four elegant new stores will be built on Woodward Avenue this summer with offices overhead. M. Levison will build on the Nixon place, a store 44 foot frontage on the avenue and running back 110 feet. E. C. Huston will follow suit. This is right; Birmingham needs more new stores. Adjoining the D. U. R. waiting room and the Webb Bray homestead, the Boughner Bros. are now busy erecting an immense garage. It fronts on Woodward running back with an "L" annex, making a fine business investment and location. In the Poppleton subdivision and Rundel subdivision, 39 new houses will be erected, and they are all fine homes costing from $3,000 upwards. Whitehead & Mitchell subdivision of 69 lots is all closed out but 12. These are now $1,000 each. A number of new houses will be built on this subdivision. All over the village the pound of the hammer and the buzz of the saw can now be heard in the building of new houses. The old Nixon store will soon be facing on Pierce Street and converted into a first class apartment house. As Louie, the erstwhile No. 1, would say, "Let th e good work go on."

Mrs. E. W. Agrus and baby spent the week-end at Ambarstburg with her mother.

"The Pride of Old Oakland" is to have some new business places this summer.

M. H. Blunt will sell a lot of stock and grain for Charles Moore, one mile east of Birmingham, on Monday, May 1.

Mrs. Wilson Reid will speak at the United Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "The Dry Bones of the House of Israel."

Birmingham lodge of Odd Fellows, No. 547, will celebrate their 97th anniversary on Tuesday night, May 2, in their lodge room. A good program has been prepared. All come.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman announce the engagement of their daughter, Nina June, to David E. Anderson. Miss Newman will be one of the June brides.

Easter was a cloudy day. The great throng of people did not materialize as well as last Sunday. While it did not rain very much, the appearance was like it was going to all day, and that was what kept the people inside.

Mrs. Bert Quarton will entertain the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church on Friday afternoon, May 5, at her home on the Quarton Road. A most cordial invitation is extended to all ladies of the church and congregation.

The last meeting of the Woman's Literary Club will be held at the home of Mrs. R. J. Taylor, Southfield Avenue. The retiring officers will have charge and will give a Shakespeare program. A picnic luncheon will be served.

Walter O. Thompson, 245 Pasadena Avenue, Highland Park, arrested by Deputy County Game Warden John Wardell on charge of catching bigmouth black bass out of season, pleaded guilty Monday in Judge Campbell's court and paid $10 fine and $7.75 costs.

Born, Tuesday, April 25, to Rev. and Mrs. F. F. Kraft, a son. This young lad, without a doubt, is one of the finest baby boys born on Southfield Avenue, and weighs seven good, big pounds. He will make an eminent record as Conrad Lawrence Kraft, we sincerely prophecy.

Attention Birmingham Chapter No. 96, R. A. M. Regular convocation on Monday evening May 1. There is plenty of work in sight, and a combined well informed set of workmen can accomplish more than artisans who occasionally step in to assist in the work. Please make extra effort to be in your station. M. Hanley, H. P; J. A. Bigelow, Secretary.

When we see so many men with their hair parted in the middle and hanging down over their foreheads so as to obscure every trace of intellect, and so many young women with their hair all frizzly-frowsly and flopping around over their faces in fifty different directions, we are not surprised that the followers of Darwin are now positively sure that mankind descended from the monkey.

Did you ever see so much going on in Birmingham, in the way of building, in all your life? Look in any direction you may, and a new building is in process of erection. Even Pierce Street has the bug. Notice the real estate building now being erected next the Telephone building. It will be for an office for a new firm soon to begin work in real earnest in our midst. Success to them.

Attention, all patriotic citizens! The regular annual stated meeting of the Birmingham Memorial Association will be held on Tuesday evening, May 2, at 7:30 Eastern Standard time, in the council room, in the library building. A good attendance is good evidence of patriotism. Dot Daniels, Secretary; John N. Heath, President. This meeting is for the purpose of making arrangements for Memorial Day.

Our school board is wise and onto its job. Offering the Martha Raldwin property on West Maple Avenue for sale, the buyers to hand in sealed bids, two offers were received. This property consists of the home of the deceased and has 148 feet frontage on the avenue. W. D. Clizbe bid $3,177 and Charles E. Jones offered $4,900. Both were refused, the board knowing that the property is worth much more.

Jacinto Diaz, Filipino window-cleaner of Los Angeles, California, fell three stories to a beaten court, recently, breaking one of his finger nails. His body was unbruised. Diaz was cleaning windows on the third story of an apartment house when the rope slipped. As he fell, he revolved. He thinks he broke the finger nail while trying to clutch the side of the building. Persons who heard the screams of Diaz, looked out expecting to see him dead. What they saw was Diaz with the bruised finger in his mouth and brushing his clothes off with the other hand.

We heard, not long ago, a really good man of our town, one of the good, old patriarchs, say that it is true that every man has his price. We believe it, and some of them are as cheap as two cents, and woman also. A clerk in the postoffice told us the other day, of a circumstance that seems little enough, but this woman sold out for 25c. The woman buyer of some stamps at the window asked for 25c worth of two-cent stamps. The sales clerk, or salesman absent mindedly counted out 25 two-cent stamps and immediately discovered the mistake. The buyer was hastily caring for them, and the seller waited for her to say something about the oversupply for the money, but she did not. The seller made up the deficiency. Later this woman was bragging how she had received 50c worth of stamps for 25c. Strange how cheap some folks are, huh?

The school baseball season opens today.

"In time of peace, prepare for war." Get that lawn mower sharpened.

On Tuesday, May 2, A. M. Cannon will sell stock and farm tools on the Thirteen mile Road, two miles south and one-fourth mile west of Birmingham. M. H. Blunt will be on the job.

It makes us very tired, indeed, to have merchants insist on us to urge the people to trade at home and not send away to mail order houses or big city stores for their household goods, etc., and when we go around to settle our accounts, have presented to us a bill head printed away from home or receive copy for an ad written on a letter head which never "trade at home." Yes, we believe in it, but those who cry out so loudly and persistently should certainly be first to set the example.

Why not make the best of things as they come to us? There are certain ones in this town who have been complaining of hard times ever since we knew them. They could not enjoy the last few weeks of warm winter for fear the fruit buds would start and then be killed. They know that crops will be a failure this year. There is always something disastrous going to happen. It is just as cheap and you are worth more to your family and the town if you will look on the sunny side of life.

Citizens of Birmingham, on Tuesday evening, May 2, is the stated annual meeting of the Birmingham Memorial Association. At this meeting, heretofore the arrangements have been made for the proper observance of Memorial Day, which is a national affair. The village and town officials have in the past helped the association annually to the amount of $15. This was used to buy flags and flowers, what will the citizens of Birmingham do this year? As American citizens, we ask that the citizens, not the soldiers, take hold of this, and make the old veterans the guests, and not the entertainers.

A local newspaper is absolutely necessary to any community. It is the home paper that keeps the people of the community in touch with each other by giving them all the news of their own neighborhood and county. For that alone they are of value and worth far more than the small subscription price. They keep the local pride and progressive spirit aroused and in various ways are worth far more to a community than a community ever spends on them. The daily paper, with its large news service and quicker facilities may, in some instances, overshadow the weekly, but the weekly home paper fills a place in the hearts of the people that a daily cannot fill. It comes to your home as an old and tried friend, while the daily enters as a stranger.

**Notice of Special Assessment for Sanitary Sewers.**

Notice is hereby given to property owners of the intention of the Village Council of Birmingham, Michigan, to construct the following improvement, to-wit: A lateral Sanitary Sewer beneath the surface of Pierce Street, in said village from Maple Avenue to Frank Street, the same being Special Assessment District for Sanitary Sewers No. 4. The following property is liable to special assessment for the construction of such improvement.

All the lots and premises fronting and abutting on said improvement as shown by the plats and diagrams of said Special Assessment District for Sanitary Sewers No. 4 now on file in the office of the Village Clerk.

Notice is hereby given that said village council will meet in regular session in the council rooms on Monday, the 15th day of May, A. D. 1916, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m., to consider any objections or suggestions that may be made by the parties interested with respect to said improvement. The plats and diagrams of said proposed improvement together with the estimates of the cost and expenses thereof are now on file in the office of the village clerk for public examination at any time during business hours up to aud including the 15th day of May, A. D. 1916.

By order of the Village Council.

THOMAS E. HARRIS,
Village Clerk.


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FOR SALE CHEAP.—Spring Wagon, Surrey, 2 Top Buggies, set Light Bobs, Barn 30x60. Call or phone. Benjamin Stop on D. U. R. Phone Royal Oak 18 J—2. J. W. Hawkins. 25*

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FOR SALE.—Good Mixed Hay—Clover and Alfalfa. A. F. Pierce, R. R. 3, Birmingham. Phone Pontiac 720F—6. 28*

FOR SALE.—Oak Dining Table, 6 Chairs, Oak Bed and Springs. 217 Woodward. Call Friday and Saturday afternoons. 28

FOR SALE.—Oats, Potatoes, and a good Black Mare. W. T. Bradford. Phone 282. 28

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**ORDER APPOINTING TIME FOR HEARING CLAIMS.**

State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court held at the Probate office in the City of Pontiac, in said county, on the 22d day of April, A. D. 1916. Present, Hon. Kleber P. Rockwell, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of

*JOHN TOOLEY, Deceased.*

Earl Tooley, executor of the will of said deceased, having filed in said Court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said Courts it is ordered that four months from this date be allower for creditors to present claims against said estate. It is further ordered that the 20th day of August, 1916, at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased. KLEBER P. ROCKWELL,

A true copy. Judge of Probate.
JUDSON A. FREDENBURGH, Register of Probate.
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**AUCTION**
M. H. BLUNT, Auctioneer
The undersigned will sell at public auction, on the premises on the Thirteen-mile Road, 2 miles south and ½ mile west of Birmingham, on
**Tuesday, May 2**
At 1:00 o'clock p. m. sharp, Eastern Time, the following described property:

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| Grade Guernsey Cow, 6 years old | Hot-Water Incubator — Grindstone |
| Guernsey Heifer, 1 year old | Bob Sleigh — Hand Corn Planter |
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| Disc Harrow — Truck Wagon | Five-H. P. Gasoline Engine |
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