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NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Work on Building Progressing Rapidly. Date Set for Completion is September 1, 1917.

Work on the Baldwin High School, which stands on the corner of West Maple and Chester, has progressed far enough to show the general plan of the building. The brick and stone work for the second story has been completed, and the concrete floor slab will be poured next week. Favorable weather has done much to overhasten jobs in securing the structural steel required, and if good fortune in this respect continues, it is hoped to have the roof-on by January 1, 1917. The date set for the completion of the building is September 1, 1917.



BIRMINGHAM SERVICE COMPANY.

One more proof of the rapid growth of Birmingham as a choice suburban is the organization of the Birmingham Service Company. The purpose of its organizers is to handle and sell coal, lumber, and builders' supplies; provide storage facilities to meet the growing demand of the rapidly increasing population; furnish trucking, teaming, and grading wherever and whenever required.

During the past week, buyers for the company have invaded Eastern Michigan and purchased the best horses obtainable.

The company has secured by purchase, the property formerly owned by the Freer Sales Company, also land for the erection of a storage warehouse, which will be absolutely fireproof in every respect.

The entire plant will be conveniently located just off Woodward Avenue, the Detroit and Pontiac Interurban line, and the Grand Trunk Railroad, thus giving excellent facilities for the prompt and easy handling of all materials.

Coughed 15 Years.

Coughs that hang on after a few weeks in the night are relieved by Foley's Honey and Tar. R. F. Hall, Manab, Virginia, writes: "For 15 years I was afflicted with a troublesome cough and irritation of the throat. Foley's Honey and Tar relieved me, and after taking one bottle the cough ceased. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

A CRITICISM.

To the Public: "We have, in this fair land of ours, a day set apart by the President of the United States, as a National Thanksgiving Day, and our President, on last Thanksgiving Day, especially urged the people to remember the suffering Armenians and all needy ones in the war-stricken zone."

The appeal was made to a large audience, when filed the tubercular on Pierce Street. We had a good surplus on our national gratitude, and are grateful for the occasion. All very good. But, when the test of our thankfulness and sympathy came, the meager sum of one hundred and nine dollars was received. I have reasons to believe that there was some service to have made the collection, at the least, three hundred dollars. Now, I do not believe that there is a town in all the United States that is more favored or has any more people to express gratitude than the people of fair and prosperous Birmingham. So I confess, I was disappointed and disgusted when I learned that two families gave one-fifth of the collection at that time.

Dear friends, let us put feeling and if our Christianity means anything, let us prove it by our deeds, when such urgent appeals are made to us.

JOHN MCCARROLL, Birmingham, December 11, 1916.

OBITUARY.

William J. McKinney, aged 79 years, of Bates Street, died Friday, December 6, at his home, having been in the best of health until stricken with paralysis, the second stroke causing his death.

He was a son of James and Martha McKinney, and was one of a family of seven children, three boys and four girls. Mr. McKinney was born November 11, 1837, in the township of Southfield, Oakland County, where he lived nearly all his life, with the exception of 15 years, a resident of Birmingham. June 23, 1870, he was united in marriage to Sarah E. Gillespie, who died February 11, 1899. To this union were born two children, Thomas G., now deceased, and William, a resident of Brown Street, Birmingham. April 2, 1902, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Addie Cook Reaser, who survives him.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, at his late home, where Rev. William E. McKnight, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiated, and burial took place in the Franklin Cemetery.

STOPPED CHILDREN'S CROUP COUGH.

"Three weeks ago two of my children began choking and coughing, and I saw they were having an attack of croup," writes Willie Mayberry, Southfield, Michigan. "I got a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and gave them a dose before bedtime. No more trouble. Their coughs and all signs of croup were gone." Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Charles E. Jones has sold four lots

on Hayes Street, four on Elm Street, and four on Bowers Street to Dr. F. W. Young, of South Woodward Avenue, and a lot on the corner of Vinewood and Lakeside Avenues to R. O. Smith, of this place, and another on the corner of Knox and Worth Streets, to William Luth, of this place.

Garrick Theatre.

"The Only Girl."

An event that should prove to be of more than general interest is the management of the delightful musical comedy success, "The Only Girl," which represents Henry Blossom as librettist with Victor Herbert, as composer, at their highest, to be the return attraction at the Garrick Theatre, all next week.

Its story tells of a librettist, who has a musical play to write, but no one to compose the music. From the flat above him comes the strains of a wonderful song, and he sends for the unknown musician. The librettist, who is not exactly a womanhater, for he has as friends, a soubrette and some chorus girls from his last show, but has no idea whatever of giving his love to any woman, expects to meet a young man, but the writer of the music turns up to be a pretty young woman.

Joe Webster, who is making the production of "The Only Girl," which ran for an entire year at the Lyric Theatre, New York, promises a cast of unusual excellence, including Ernest Torrence, Laura Arnold, Helen Siler, Adle Lawson, Miriam Carson, Nettie Velle, Alfred Fisher, Emanuel Turner, Richard Barst, Frank Conroy, and others, and all the pretty show girls will be employed in the production here.

Cut This Out—It's Worth Money.

Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, include with 5c to Foley & Co., Chicago, Illinois, writing your name and address clearly. You will receive at once a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for bronchial coughs, colds and croup; Foley's Kidney Pills and Foley's Cathartic Tablets. Specially comforting to toilet persons. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CASSIUS E. WAKEFIELD, PASTOR.

Public Worship and Sermon at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Bible School with classes adapted to every age at noon. Men's Bible Class, led by Pastor Wakefield, at noon.

Epworth League Meeting for young people at 6:30 p. m. Adult Class Meeting at 6:45 p. m. Mid-week Praise and Prayer Meeting on Wednesday evenings at 7:45.

A hearty welcome for the stranger and newcomer at the services of this Church.

NO ICE TO TAXPAYERS.

For the purpose of collecting taxes, the State savings bank will be open Friday, December 15, 22, and 29, 1916, and January 5, 1917, at the County Treasurer's office, in Pontiac, on Saturday, December 16, 23, and 30, 1916, and January 6, 1917, at Spokane & Bell's Market, Tuesday, December 19, and 26, 1916, and January 8, and 15, 1917.

WM. G. OLSEN, Town Treasurer.

RATHER RENASCANT.

The members of the Bible School of St. James Church are doing a unique thing this Christmas in their gift making. They are to give an entertainment at the Temple Theatre, consisting of a Christmas picture, recitations, singing, and singing of the Christmas carols by the entire audience. The whole program to be quite varied, but very Christmasy.

Tickets are to be sold at 25c each and the proceeds to be given for the work of the Red Cross Society. The entertainment is to be given on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Temple Theatre. Save the date and save your money which will go to help a Red Cross Nurse save a life. Tickets will be on sale within a few days.

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Open Evenings till 8 O'clock

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Registered Optometrist

ROYAL OAK, MICHIGAN

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The Baptists, Methodists, and Presbyterians have formed a union organization for a five-weeks' revival campaign. The following officers for the year: Mrs. Birdie Dawson, Most Excellent Chief; Mrs. Nellie Wood, Excellent Senior; Mrs. Francis Peck, Excellent Junior; Mrs. Alice Bailey, Manager; Mrs. Emma Montgomery, Mistress of Devotion; and Corresponding: Mrs. Elizabeth Wandafo, Mistress of Pityance; Mrs. Adelaide Hall, Protector; Mrs. Carrie Smith, Guard.

CARD OF THANKS.

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