

THE BIG DRUMS

Birmingham Overflows With Patriotism, as Enthusiasm and Cheers Prove.

Any one with a doubt that Birmingham and Bloomfield were not sold for Americanism with its democracy for the whole entire nation of the world from the smallest principality to the late Russia, should have been with us Saturday night last and crowded with the great crowd of people gathered together to prove up, and assist in raising our quota of Bond buying.

It was announced correctly that the village of Birmingham went "Over the Top" for the quota that night (Saturday) and all was in good shape for the evening program.

Mrs. P. A. Gordon, who secured the Liberty band, a fine musical organization of fifty pieces of artists on instruments of their own instruments. After all had given up having a band in attendance, she began to get busy and proceeded. They arrived on time and the formation began at the M. E. church, conducted by Rev. W. C. McKnight.

They covered about a mile and a half on the principle streets of our village and ended at the corner of Maple and Woodward, where the speaking was held. Rev. Bready, of Pontiac, was introduced by Chairman Woodin for the first speaker.

Mr. Waldron, who had announced that the township of Bloomfield was still fifteen thousand dollars short, but in introducing the next speaker, the Hon. Daniel L. Davis, of Pontiac, who in that city had taken ten thousand dollars worth, he (Mr. Waldron) told his hearers that the speaker, Mr. Davis, had taken three thousand dollars of this, then making our shortage only twelve thousand dollars.

Mr. Davis gave his hearers a fine patriotic speech full of facts, good advice, and encouragement that we are in this fight to win, and to defeat the Beast of Berlin in what will make the whole world democratic.

He was generously applauded and the ceremony for the event was concluded.

It is estimated that four thousand people witnessed the parade. There were several floats, one in particular, with Foster and Heller and Mr. Drummer dressed in white wings and conical hats, representing the spirit of '76. Other floats showed much work and interest to the interest of all.

The G. A. R. boys were out, but alas, this brave line grows thinner and thinner every year. All hats off to the G. A. R.

Cut This Out—It is Worth Money. Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, inclose 5 cents to Foley & Co., 2535 Sheffield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial pack, complete containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, for coughs, colds and croup; Foley Kidney Pills, and Foley Cathartic Tablets. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

"AND HOME CAME TED." The Seniors of the Birmingham High School give a play in the auditorium of the Baldwin High School April 26th.

Program:	Orchestra
Selection	Act 1.
Solo	Miss Neva Green
Act 2.	Characters:
Sheet Kelley	The Clerk
Diana Garway	Lloyd Reid
Mias Loganberry	The Heiress
Dorot Stone	The Villain
Anto Jubilee	The Cook
Mr. Man	The Mystery
Jim Ryker	The Lawyer
Mollie Macklin	The Housekeeper
Miss Henrietta Darby	The Widow
Ted	Rachel Easterday
Elsie	The Bride
Marion Miller	The Father
Senator McCorkle	The Father
John Mackay	Tickets 25 and 10 cents

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed at the Birmingham-Michigan, P. O. for the week ending April 20:

Chamberlain, Mr. Harry
Edwards, Mrs. Edith Batech,
Flick, Mr. Jay D.
Powell, Roy J.
Van Dyke, Mrs. F. E. (3)
Cor. South and Ferrandale.

POST CARDS.
Wangeline, Mr. Wm.
Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised."—G. H. H. M. R. C. S. P. M.

Mrs. F. W. Smith and daughter Betty, of Spokane, Washington, visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Torrey, on South Woodward avenue.

IF YOU CAN'T ENLIST—YOUR MONEY CAN!



Volunteer your Cash!
INVEST IN LIBERTY BONDS

MINISTER & BOY

What the Y. M. C. A. is Doing for the Soldier Boy in the Training Camps of Uncle Sam.

The story of what the Y. M. C. A. is doing to meet the social, recreational, educational and spiritual needs of the soldier boy in camp is one that is being told more and more frequently nowadays by persons who have made visits to the camps. A large contribution to the fund of interesting information coming from the camps is being made by ministers who have accepted the invitation of the army Y. M. C. A. secretaries to visit the camp and speak to the enlisted men in public meetings and barracks room discussions.

At Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, as many as fifty ministers have answered the secretaries' invitations during the past winter, being guests of the camp Y. M. C. A. from Thursday to Sunday nights. They have not only been scheduled to make talks in the barracks, but have also been utilized behind the counters in the Y. M. C. A. but where they could meet the soldier boy, answer his questions and fill his needs. Apparently, this has been one of the most profitable and enlightening apprenticeships in which a minister of the gospel could have engaged.

"Four days' sojourn in camp put me in more vital touch with our boys than any amount of reading could have done," said Rev. Frederick K. Stamm, of Dayton, Ohio. "Anyone who visits a camp must be impressed with the work of the Y. M. C. A. A common expression on the part of the soldier is 'This would be hell if it were not for the Y. M. C. A.'"

From the United States Government work being done, the Y. M. C. A. boys are places of decided interest to every soldier. Here, in some of their spare time and enjoys the accommodations provided especially for him. Here he writes letters, reads the phonograph, smokes, plays in conversation with his fellows, brings his parents and sweethearts, asks questions of the man at the desk, etc. etc. It is indeed a home-like place. The secretaries are men of splendid character and every thing that can possibly be done for the soldier is done cheerfully.

"One can get an idea of the frequency of the visits by the men to the Y. M. C. A. when he reads the report for the month of February. The report indicates that over 102,000 soldiers entered one or more times during the month, and there are nine huts and two K. of C. halls at Camp Sheridan. If one stands behind the desk for just a few minutes, he will have a stamping: 'May I send a telegram?' 'Can I get a room at the community building?' 'May I have a stamp?' 'May I have some wrapping paper?' 'The lawyer has a dime?' 'Give me two nickels for a dime.'"

FARMERS ATTENTION.

Because of the greater demand for Tractors near Birmingham, we have decided to increase the number of Tractors working around Birmingham and decrease the number at Farmington. Therefore I am soliciting more work near Birmingham, and have decided to consider applications within five miles of Birmingham.

Application blanks may be obtained at First National Bank, at Eccentric office, and at Whitehead & Standart Co., 185 Chandler Avenue, Detroit, Mich., or Birmingham, Mich., or Farmington, Mich.

The Woman Found Relief.

Rheumatism, swollen joints, rheumatic pain, stiffness and like symptoms are caused by disordered kidneys and bladder. Mrs. Thos. H. Davis, Montross, Mich., writes: "I doctored months without relief. I commenced using Foley's Kidney Pills and got cured. Eight bottles cured me." Sold everywhere.—Adv.

AIN'T HER WRIBER

Royal Oak is Bound to Keep the County Courts Busy—Produces a Modern Blue Beard.

In the arrest of Hellmuth Schmidt, alias Herman Neugebauer, of Royal Oak township, the sheriff and prosecuting attorney believe that they have uncovered one of the most baffling mysteries in the history of Oakland county, according to proof in the hands of the officers. Augusta Steinbach, a pretty German girl living in New York City, about September, 1916, answered the following advertisement which appeared in the New York Herald: "Gas Inspector, 37 years old—without dependents, responsible and very good looking appearance—steady monthly income \$180, seeks a suitable lady—may be out of the servant class, to marry soon. In explaining, offers of only well-meaning persons requested. (Signed) Herman Neugebauer, 'Gen. Del.' Royal Oak, Mich."

Correspondence continued between the two and finally the man whom she knew as Neugebauer proposed marriage and the offer was accepted. In compliance with his request, Augusta Steinbach came to Detroit on February 3, 1917, and met Neugebauer. The courtship was continued at Detroit and finally on March 11, 1917, Augusta Steinbach left her friend's home in Detroit to be married to Neugebauer. She had written a great many letters to her girl friend in New York, telling her to believe that the man she was about to marry, how his two sisters were keeping house for him and of the beautiful life which they would live in on Oakdale Blvd., just south of Royal Oak. No one has ever seen Augusta Steinbach since that day.

A short time later information was brought to the prosecutor's office which led the officers to believe that Hellmuth Schmidt, who was undoubtedly Neugebauer, had murdered the girl and buried her body in the furnace at his home. Prosecutor Gillespie and the late Sheriff George Wentz, who had the honor of being in company with the federal agents under the pretext that they thought that Schmidt was a German spy, the officers found all of the Steinbach woman's clothing in three large trunks in the basement of the house and also a large quantity of jewelry. A few days later Schmidt shipped the trunks back to New York and gave the officers a letter which he claimed had been written him by the Steinbach woman asking him to have her trunks returned to her. This letter has been proved to be a forgery and a considerable quantity of the woman's clothing, all of her jewelry, and about \$200 in money, which she had with her, had disappeared.

Deputy sheriffs have been placed in charge of the Schmitt home at Royal Oak and a thorough search of every inch of ground will be made in an effort to discover what became of the body.

This will make the third murder case in Oakland during the present year. Allan Livingstone and Frank Paroski having been convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment. From stories related to the officers, it would appear that other women may have been lured to the Schmitt home and done away with for their money and many startling developments may be expected in the case.

Since the above has been put in type, Schmidt confessed the crime and then committed suicide in his cell in the Highland Park jail.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

REV. F. M. MACKAY, PASTOR.
10:30 Divine Worship, Subject, "The Lord's Supper."
11:15 Bible School, with a class suited for every member of the family.
3:30 Junior B. Y. P. U. Society.
6:30 Young Peoples' Meeting with lots of pep.
7:30 Evening Service, Subject, "What About the Future?"
Wednesday 7:45 Midweek Prayer Service.
The Home-Like Church with a welcome for all.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH NOTES.

REV. CHARLES H. M'CURDY, RECTOR.
April 28, Fourth Sunday after Easter.
8:00 A. M. Holy Communion
10:30 A. M. Morning Prayer and Sermon.
12:00 M. Church School.
7:30 P. M. Evening Prayer with Address.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

REV. WILLIAM C. MCKNIGHT, PASTOR.
Sunday, April 23, regular services will be held as usual in the Tabernacle at the corner of Pierce and Merrill streets. Strangers are always welcome here. If you have no church home, you will find you may be at home here.
10:30 a. m. Worship and sermon by the pastor. "Faith in God and Christ."
12:30 p. m. Sunday school for all. Adult class at same time.
7:30 p. m. Evening worship and sermon. "The Sifting of Life."
A popular service of prayer, praise and preaching.
A cordial invitation to all.
The church of the friendly handshake.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY.

Services at Birmingham Club Sundays 11:30 a. m.
Sunday School same hour.
Wednesday evenings, 8 o'clock. All are invited.
Harry Nichols, of Detroit, has returned after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nichols, in Bloomfield Hills.

Phone 38 CALL Phone 65

The Fair-Price Commission says:

- 50-60 Prunes 16c to 17c We sell for 15c, or 7½ lbs. for \$1
 - Can Corn 18c to 20c We sell at 15c, 18c and 20c
 - Pure Lard 33c to 34c We sell at 32c lb.
 - We also sell full quart Fancy Olives at 35c
 - Full quart Fancy Pickles at 35c
 - Full quart Fancy Apple Butter at 35c
 - Jams and Preserves, large jar, 25c
- COMPARE OUR PRICES
Our Quality Speaks for Itself

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Help Our Town Win the Right to Fly this Flag

John Harris, the 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harris of South Woodward Ave., while playing with a revolver which he thought was not loaded, Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gordon, on Southfield Ave., accidentally shot Leslie Gordon, age 11 years, through the face. The Gordon boy was taken to Harper Hospital, Detroit, where the injured lad is doing as well as can be expected.

Started the Natives.

Herrera, the Spanish historian, says that Uizarro when he landed in South America owed his life and those of his companions to the fact that one of the natives had succeeded in cutting off the retreat of the Spaniards to their ships, when one of the riders was thrown. The Indians were so astonished at the disclosure of partnership that they took flight at once. They had supposed before and now to be one annual.

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The Wise Housekeeper

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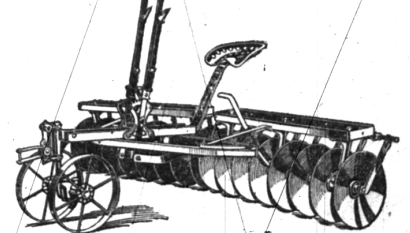
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