

THE SEPTIC TANKS, THE TERNINGERS, THE SPEAKERS, THE BEEKEEPERS

Excavation is Completed. President of Oakland County Y. M. C. A. Gives Fine Report from Michigan Meeting Held at Lansing. To Take Part in Program for 1918 Teachers Meeting Held in Pontiac Friday January 18. Of Oakland County to Form Association. Meeting to be Held in Birmingham January 15.

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By the time you read this the excavation for the Imhoff septic disposal basin in Southfield Park will be completed. This hole is 65 feet across at top, 25 feet at bottom and 30 feet deep and the sides are all clay, except in one place which froze as fast as dug, so there has not been the least trouble, we are fortunate to find the lower half hard blue clay instead of quick-sand because it made it easy to dig by the day work which we save over \$1,000 over contractor's prices.

Two carloads of cement are on hand with 12 tons of soft steel reinforcing, and also a pile of gravel, with all apparatus for heating the gravel and water, for the cement will be poured into the forms hot and kept from freezing by salamanders. This septic basin is more than double the size planned by our former civil engineers. Our Mr. Coleman advised sufficient tankage for all the territory in and out of the village, which would contribute sewage for this disposal basin.

The last paragraph should serve to impress our citizens, and those in "no man's land," that when the modern improvements of Birmingham are being installed, they should be planned for practical use when the land that naturally will come in. A small sized drainage which will bluster about, doing things for a mile square in such a way as to make extensions to the land further out impossible, will make future improvements mighty expensive.

The land near to Birmingham to which we can extend our sanitary sewers, water drains, water mains, pavements, fire and police protection should be taken into consideration by the village management when making plans, and those owning lands adjoining outside should remember that over half the value of those lands has been created by the fact of their nearness to the improvements of the village.

The waterworks and mains are worth nearly \$100,000 and are fully paid for except \$2,000 for extensions and new wells. Five or six plots on the edge of Birmingham are being served by our water works and as many more propose to co-tract for water privileges but maybe the village will not take them.

New territory taken into Birmingham will never pay its full share for the improvements and benefits it has and will receive, as compared to what the old part of the village has and will pay, for the benefits.

The payments cost the village in general about \$40,000 and the frontage about \$40,000. Now no matter who benefit it has been to the village property, it has benefited the lands adjacent to it.

Should the payments be extended into new streets and out into "no man's land"? Shall the water privileges, sanitary sewers, drains, walks, fire and police protection be extended?

The plots outside of Birmingham are not worth one-half what they would be inside, and everybody knows it. What valid reason is there for opposing annexation of one-half mile at a point?

W. D. CLIBBE, President.

SCHOOL NOTES. Dayton, Eckstein, and Marguerite Young are new pupils of the past week in the Senior Class.

The Literary and Debating clubs were postponed until last Tuesday when their regular meeting took place in the Baldwin High School.

Baldwin High School has entertained with much pleasure during the past two weeks many friends and relatives of the pupils and members of the faculty who were interested in the new building. They were very welcome and it is hoped many more who are interested will be present in the near future.

The pictures presented to the school by the classes of '16 and '17 were hung in the Senior session room last week.

Also the picture presented by the Literary Club was hung in the Library of the school.

The "gym" will be in use the early part of next week.

The physical examinations for girls have been completed. The scenery for the stage in the auditorium has been placed, and the result is very pleasing.

William Barnes has been welcomed back into school by his school mates. He has been ill some time.

Water Bromley, Chester King, and Beale Trotter of the Junior High School have left school.

The following pupils have received an average of at least "B's" during the past month in their subjects:

Ethel Chaffin, Helen Daniels, Williams Johnson, Tom Slater, Jessie Stutsman, Norma Clark, Eunice Groves, Clarence Leonard, Russell McGary, Florence McKinney, Harna Reynolds, Thomas Parker, Marion Leland, Milton Thorpe, Rollin Smith, Alice Vliet.

M. E. W.

The following program has been arranged for the teacher's institute to be held at the high school auditorium, Pontiac Friday January 18. Forenoon session, 8:30 o'clock Central time.

Call to order, Commissioner A. L. Conroy; invocation, Rev. E. P. Bennett; "The Town of the School," President Charles McKenny; reading, selected, Miss Barbara Miller; address, Dr. C. H. Judd; piano solo, "Valse brillante," Op. 34, No. 1, Chopin, Miss Marguerite Ballard; "Growth in Service," Pres. Charles McKenny. Noon intermission.

Afternoon session, 1 o'clock Central time. Vocal solo, "The Trumpeter" Dix, Prof. Carl Lindgren, Miss Goida Connell, accompanist; address, Dr. Charles H. Judd; reading, selected, Miss Barbara Miller; "The Geography of the War," Pres. Chas. McKenny; cornet solo, selected, Mr. Raymond E. Addis; address, Dr. Charles H. Judd; vocal solo, "Why do the Nations" from "Messiah" Handel, Prof. Carl Lindgren.

Evening session, 7 o'clock Central time. Reading, "Patsy's Story," Mrs. C. J. Grace; vocal solo, (a) "Benediction," (b) "The Holy Spirit," (c) "Stone Cracker John," Choates, Prof. Carl Lindgren; address, "Rebuilding the World," Rev. M. S. Rice, D.D.

President Charles McKenny of the State Normal College, Ypsilanti, will act as conductor of the institute and Dr. Charles H. Judd of Chicago University and U. S. editor of the food conservation leaflets will be instructor. Rev. M. S. Rice of Woodward Avenue M. E. Church of Detroit, who has recently returned from France and Belgium, has been appointed lecturer, and will give the evening address.

Prof. Carl Lindgren, of the State Normal Conservatory, will furnish the music. Two of Oakland County's popular readers and entertainers will give several selections, Miss Marguerite Ballard of the Pontiac Institute Conservatory, and Mr. Raymond Addis, cornetist of Holly will furnish instrumental numbers. The school commission announces that this is one of the best institute programs given in Oakland county, and advises all teachers to attend the meeting, which is the regular teachers' institute appointed by the Supt. of Public Instruction. Teachers closing sessions and attending the meeting, are entitled to draw their regular salary if enrollment cards are presented to the school boards.

Arrangements will be made so that teachers may get lunch at the high school building. The public cordially invited to attend this meeting, especially the evening session. A special invitation is extended to school officers and eighth grade pupils to be present.

Special cards will be run after the evening session which closes at 9:30.

Her Trouble is Gone. Mrs. Thomas H. Davis, Montgomery, Indiana, was troubled with her bladder and had doctors for several months without relief, when Foley Kidney Pills were recommended and she commenced using them and got relief. They relieve backache, rheumatic pain, stiff, swollen joints, and kidney trouble. **SOME POETRY.**

Some people were made to be soldiers, And money was made for the Jew. Sazerack was made for the Germans, Spagetti was made for the "Wops." Fish was made to drink beer, Buns were made to drink booze. Banks were made to hold money, And money was made for the Jew. Everything was made for something, Everything except the miser. One who will not give and get no return, But who in it—made back again.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH NOTES. Sunday Jan. 13. Archdeacon Hastings will conduct services. Study School following services.

The annual Parish meeting of St. James Church will be held on Tuesday January 15.

A short service will be held in the Church conducted by the Rev. H. H. Simpson followed by dinner in the church basement. A roll call will follow dinner and it is earnestly requested that every parishioner will be on hand to answer to their names.

The annual report of the several parochial societies will be read, and Mrs. Simpson will deliver a pastors message.

Election of a vestry and other business will be conducted. All parishioners should show that they are interested in the parish by being present.

ANNOUNCEMENT. The maid was dressing four-year-old Bobby. His mother was in an adjoining room. When she overheard her small boy say a naughty word, she called in several tones, "Bobby, what are you saying to your mother?" Bobby replied, "You are supposed to be sleeping, mamma."

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There will be a meeting of the beekeepers of Oakland county at the residence of Miss Addie Sly, 139 North Woodward Avenue, Birmingham, on January 15. B-th forenoon and afternoon sessions will be held, beginning at 10 a. m. and 1 p. m. respectively.

The principal speaker will be F. W. Erbaugh, special U. S. Extension Agent in Beekeeping, Washington, D. C. He will speak on the topics "Winter and Spring Management of Bees," and "Comb Honey Production."

Mr. E. J. King, State Apiary Inspector for Michigan, will be present and will discuss some questions of vital interest to the beekeepers. He will probably be on "How to Eliminate Foul Brood from Oakland County" and "Extracted Honey Production."

It is hoped by the aid of such meetings to materially aid the disease situation and at the same time get the beekeepers of the state of Michigan, through the application of better methods and greater effort to do their "bit" and produce a bumper crop of honey in 1918.

The beekeepers of every county in the state would be benefited by a county beekeeper's association, and efforts will be made at this meeting to organize such an association. All who are interested in beekeeping are most cordially invited to attend.

Was Feeling All Run Down. Mrs. Buckner, Somerset, Virginia, writes: "I was feeling all run down; tired, with pins in my back. After taking Foley Kidney Pills I felt like a new man." Backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles, swollen ankles, and a sleep-disturbing headache were held quickly to this time tried remedy. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

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Cominger, Mrs. Edward Jaugar, Mrs. Habie, Mrs. A. Locke, Fred Pimpert, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perkins, Mrs. William Sweetman, Mrs. F. (2) Lynsry, Rev. Charles Stuart, Gerald Snook, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wallon, H. L. Wightman, Daniel

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised." GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

Had the Grip Three Weeks. With January comes in grip and influenza colds seem to settle in the system, causing one to ache all over, feel nervous and chilled, and get tired and drooping. Mrs. Lizzie Tyler, Henderson, Kentucky, writes: "My daughter had the grip for three weeks. I gave her Foley's Honey and Tar, and now she is all right. Sold everywhere.—Ad.

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NOTICE TO PARENTS. Have you a son overseas? Have you a son in the U. S. service? We would be pleased to print their letters—leaving out the personal and home matters. Such letters would prove very interesting to our readers. Bring them in and we will do our part.

THE ECCENTRIC. Phone 254 Birmingham, Michigan

We are squared away from holiday cheer and interference with the normal conduct of business, and are off in a bunch on the first quarter of 1918.

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Lamp Cluster Scene of Pretty Wedding When Private Gordon Bailey of Birmingham Takes Bride.

Christmas day brought a real wedding to Camp Custer. Although our fair village is considerable of a burg we do not have many weddings. For the most part we are ready to annex the good of cordially hated Bill Kaiser to have much time for weddings. But Christmas was an exception and the boys at Battery F, 328th Field Artillery were privileged to be guests at a genuine wedding.

Camp Custer's Christmas bride was Miss Thelma E. Starkey, daughter of Mrs. C. A. Starkey of Chicago. The groom was private Gordon L. Bailey, of Battery F, 328th Field Artillery. The ceremony was performed in the mess hall of the groom's company just before the noon mass, the officiating clergyman being Rev. William Hellman of the Episcopal War Work Commission.

As noted before, this was a real wedding. A soldier played the Bridal march from Logenbrun as the bridal procession entered the room. This was headed by Lieutenant Kerwin, Brezva and Manroe and the officers were followed by the bride and groom, the matron of honor, Mrs. Leland, and the best man, Sergeant Moiner. The members of the wedding party ranged themselves before the Christmas tree and the battery stood at salute until the minister began to read the ceremony. The bride was given away by her mother.

Following the ceremony and the customary congratulations, the boys in the Battery showed more good taste than the average civilian at such an occasion. There was no rough housing of any sort, not even the usual throwing of rice, although there was plenty of this brand of Chinese grub available if any of the soldiers had been so disposed.

Private Gordon L. Bailey is one of Birmingham's well known and highly respected young men, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Bailey, of Hamilton Avenue. Among the guests present from Birmingham were Mr. Bailey's mother, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wendall, and Privates Ernest Burtraw, Harold Groves, and Howard Groves all of Battery F, 328th Field Artillery. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey were the recipients of a beautiful engraved silver loving cup from Battery F.

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