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FORTY-FOURTH YEAR—NO. 10

PEOPLES' COLUMN

This column will be devoted to the publishing of letters of general interest to the residents of Birmingham and nearby. All communications must be signed in full by the writer. Letters should preferably be written with typewriter and on one side of paper only.

By Major Richard B. Hewitt, Editor Birmingham Eccentric.

Why Birmingham has no water? The screens on the wells are too fine, also being of iron. The iron corrosion helps to clog them. Movement of ground water is of very low velocity; our wells are in the stratum, improperly located as to direction of flow, also too near, one to the other, five including the three twelve inch wells being within the same cone of depression, the yield of water is thereby reduced one quarter what we should have for five wells. We have eleven wells in commission and need only three with two properly placed and equipped.

The following is letter number two of the series.

Woodstock, Ill., May 12, 1921. Mr. L. G. Flowers, New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir: It is my understanding that one of the State Commissioners of Health has taken up with Layne & Bowler Company of Memphis, Tenn., the question of a water supply for Birmingham.

I can most sincerely recommend this company after my dealings with them. Before we installed the Layne & Bowler system we operated five wells requiring 250 H. P. and received 500 gallons of water per minute which was not sufficient for our use. Now with the Layne & Bowler system 21,000 gallons per minute from two wells requiring 55 H. P. operates each well with a minimum consumption of water is supplied by operating the two pumps only nine hours.

We decided on using the Layne & Bowler system after a long and thorough investigation and am more than pleased with the results.

Trusting the information offered may prove of benefit to you in making your decision, I am,

Yours very truly, E. B. HUGHES, Water and Light Committee.

Editor Eccentric:

It should not be necessary to direct attention of the Library Board to the results which may come from the books being placed in circulation in a community as it is taken for granted that they know what sort of books are being placed in circulation.

As they have permitted two copies of "Main Street in California" to go out into this community with their unadvised approval and circulation, I am sure that the Board of decency want to enter my protest.

Having myself served on the Board of three years, during which time the whole library was renewed and the Board constantly renewed, I am sure that I am not alone in my opinion that books as a reader, I venture to say that never has been placed upon a shelf such a vile collection of obscenity and profanity as this book.

There have been many press notices leading to a demand for the book, based on a temporary popularity in some quarters for one of the depraved taste, by placing before our young people what I believe to be a very suggestive and obscene book.

I therefore suggest that the Board withdraw these books from circulation and instead of buying so much fiction, give us some "worthwhile" books of history and of our own history and works of that character.

Respectfully submitted, R. EUGENE GRIGGS.

WILL NOT RENEW WATER CONTRACTS TO OUTSIDERS

Three outgoing subdivisions will cease to obtain water from Birmingham upon the expiration of their contracts in force between them and the Village, according to an edict of the Commission, at its meeting Monday night. They are, Bloomfield Villas, north of the Village; Birmingham Estates, east of the Village, and the H. & M. Land Company, west of Birmingham.

Members of the Commission decided that, upon the expiration of the various contracts, no renewals will be made with the subdivisions.

The water contracts expire as follows: Bloomfield Villas, June 14, 1922; Birmingham Estates, April 11, 1923; H. & M. Land Company, July 1, 1923.

The Commission also stated that, in view of the past and expected rapid growth of Birmingham, other contracts that expire within the next five years will not be renewed.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health will be held at the M. E. church July 6.

CIVIC ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Executive Committee of the Birmingham Civic Association will be held tonight in the office of the president, George F. Gage. All members of this committee are urged to be in attendance.

Enter your vacation pictures in SHAIN'S Snapshot Contest.

DURAND CIGARS, very mild, adv. Auto wash and polished at the Birmingham Garage, Phone 301-4.

ON SHORT NOTICE we will come to the house and wash the rug on the floor. Call 222, east 17th St.

The "Right" lens used in Detroit. Do not get any other lens with the Hippobus Sales room in the Birmingham Garage—adv.

DURAND CIGARS, very mild, adv.

Orange Blossom Wedding Rings. M. J. JEWELLER—adv.

Get Shain's new fancy brick of Shain's Snapshot Contest. SUNDAY DINNER.

BE SATISFIED WITH nothing less than PEPPERLESS Ice Cream in Birmingham. Sold at leading soda fountains. Call 33—adv. 1.

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"For a Bigger and Better Birmingham"

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, JULY 1, 1921.

CHURCHES

Christian Science Society. Services at Church Building, Woodrow avenue, south of the U. D. R. building, 11 a. m. Sunday school same hour. Wednesday evenings, 8 o'clock. All are invited. Free Reading room, open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. and Wed. from 7 to 8 p. m.

United Presbyterian. Bible school at 9:45. The attendance last Sabbath morning was 50. The pastor, Rev. J. P. Smith, says the weather was very warm. With the four large persons in our church you can have much to enjoy. The service is in our parlors. We have a class of 15. Preaching service at 10:30 by pastor. Union service in Presbyterian church, Thursday and Saturday from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, 7:30 o'clock at 7:30; choir rehearsal at 8:00.

The First Presbyterian Church. We wonder if the glorious Fourth is an anniversary or just a holiday for most of our Americans. Formerly, it should make this holiday sacred and none do not necessarily care for the Fourth. The church on "The Third" send a message. At the morning service in this church, the pastor, Rev. J. P. Smith, will read the Declaration of Independence. The church on "The Third" send a message. At the morning service in this church, the pastor, Rev. J. P. Smith, will read the Declaration of Independence.

WILL OPEN SUMMER KINDERGARTEN FOR CHILDREN HERE

Lovely old apple trees, huge yellow sand pines in cool secluded, delightfully individual gardens, luxuriantly planned nooks will all be a part of the unique summer kindergarten which will open here on South Woodway which will open here on South Woodway which will open here on South Woodway which will open here on South Woodway.

O-A-T-K CLUB BOYS ARE PREPARING FOR VACATION

The first group of Birmingham boys to go on their summer vacation will be the O-A-T-K club boys. They will start from here July 5. They will be accompanied by their mothers and will be in the mountains for the month of the month the tents will be used for a group of boys from a nearby town. The first group of Birmingham boys to go on their summer vacation will be the O-A-T-K club boys.

BIRMINGHAM SHOWS WELL IN MORTALITY STATISTICS

Okland county reported 198 births and 84 deaths during May, according to a report of the vital statistics of the birth rate occurred in rural districts and correspond to a birth rate of 2.4 per 1,000 population. The deaths were a zero infant mortality rate for May.

FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS TO BE ALLOWED HERE

No attempt on the part of local police will be made to top demonstrations on the Fourth of July in Birmingham, according to expressions made by the members of the Village Commission. "We hope that people will keep within the bounds of good order and good sense."

Dear Subscriber:

In order to assure a more prompt delivery of your paper each week, we ask you to send us your address in plain type. We will send you a card with the address printed on the yellow slip is correct as to name, address and date of expiration. Please do this AT ONCE, so that we may make immediate corrections to our mailing list.

Don't forget Shain's deliver Ice Cream for SUNDAY DESSERT.

SCHOOL TEACHERS CHOSEN FOR NEXT YEAR'S CLASSES

Few Changes Made in Teachers: Attendance Past Year Great in History of Local Schools; Increase Expected This Fall

Announcement has been made of the teachers for the Birmingham schools for the 1921-22 term. Those for the Baldwin high school are: Clarence Vliet, superintendent of the public schools; Melvin Hart, principal of agriculture; Gem Sherman, principal of the Senior session room; Edna Schlaack, ninth grade session room and Latin; Mrs. Ethel Waterman, Junior session room and mathematics; V. E. Tothacker, principal of Baldwin high school and teacher of science; Chas. Zylia, history; Rosa Kinsbury, mathematics; Maule Stickle, French; Lydia Harris, English; Ethel Higgins, sewing; Chas. Hooper, English; Asenath Parritt, mathematics; Paul Nitten, manual training; Freda Loomis, domestic science; Edna Henderson, mathematics; Florence Ackery, geography and general science; Rose Pearson, English; Harriet Wilcox, civics; Paul training; Donald Drake, boys physical training; Imogene Gray, physical training; Imogene Gray, physical training; Imogene Gray, physical training.

TWO PROMINENT WEDDINGS OCCURRED HERE THIS WEEK

True to form has been the rosaceous month of weddings, when no less than 14 couples were united in matrimony to the exclusion of everything else.

Wednesday afternoon of this week Miss Lorraine Ferguson, daughter of Arthur Halgren of Escanaba, was married to Charles J. DeWitt of Birmingham at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. J. P. Smith, rector of the First Baptist church. The bride was most charmingly and smartly dressed in white, and was accompanied by her father and brother. The groom was in a suit and was accompanied by his brother, Donald Ferguson, who acted as best man.

The Baldwin high school will fill the school this fall, notwithstanding the graduation of the largest class in the history of the school. The class number will be 41 students. This class number will be 41 students. This class number will be 41 students.

LOCAL RESIDENTS INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT MONDAY

Warrant Sworn Out by O. B. Harper for Arrest of Pontiac Driver, Harper's Car Badly Damaged

Samuel Caynes, colored, 115 Bagley street, Pontiac, was arrested Monday in answer to a summons to appear in court on a charge of driving a motor vehicle without a license, following an accident in Franklin road, just south of the city, in which Mrs. Cole, 508 South Woodward avenue, Harper and her mother, Mrs. Della Harper, were seriously injured. The car in which they were driving was Major H. A. Gage's, which was damaged.

DISCONTINUE FIRE SERVICE TO ALL OUTSIDE TERRITORY

Commission Takes Stand That Local Trucks in Need of Repairs at All Times; Also That Trucks Are Being Worn Out by Long Trips to the Country

Claiming that the use of local fire trucks in answer to summons to fire in all territory outside of Birmingham is wearing out the apparatus, and that, due to our present water shortage in the Village, the entire department should be on instant demand, the Village Commission, at its meeting Monday night, ordered that the fire trucks be discontinued to all outside territory. The Village Commission, at its meeting Monday night, ordered that the fire trucks be discontinued to all outside territory.

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Entire Population Invited to Take Part in Exercises at Barnum Field; To Be Staged; Maj. G. W. Gage, to Give Address; Local Evening Exercises at Baldwin High School

Plans to celebrate the Fourth of July in Birmingham are being carried out by the local Post of the American Legion, with an afternoon picnic to be held at the Barnum field, beginning at 10 o'clock. The picnic will be held at the Barnum field, beginning at 10 o'clock.

LOCAL EASTERN STARS WILL HOLD LAWN FETE JULY 4TH

Among the Fourth of July celebrations around Birmingham Monday will be the lawn fete to be given on the grounds of the local Post of the American Legion, by the members of the newly appointed entertainment committee. The lawn fete will be held at the Barnum field, beginning at 10 o'clock.

OBITUARY

Seelye Peck, Sr.

Death came to Seelye Peck, Sr., late Tuley, on Monday night, July 1st, at his home in Birmingham. He was 78 years of age. He was born in Tuley, Mo., in 1843. He was a member of the Baptist church and was a prominent citizen of Birmingham. He was a member of the Baptist church and was a prominent citizen of Birmingham.

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REDDPATT CHAUTAUQUA HERE SIX DAYS STARTING AUG. 26

Word has just been received that the Reddpat Chautauqua Bureau will offer its six-day program for Birmingham beginning August 26. Advance notices already sent out indicate that the list of entertainers on the program for this year will surpass that of previous years.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the friends of Mrs. Frank Schlaack for their kindly interest and sympathy during her illness. Her passing was a great loss to us all. We are grateful for the flowers and other courtesies extended at the time of her death.

REALTORS

We invite our friends and patrons to call on us at any time in our new office where all our facilities and services are at your disposal. Our office is located at 110 N. Woodward Ave., Detroit, Michigan. Telephone 2-1000.

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