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LET'S WORK TOGETHER

In our travels about Birmingham we are daily assailed with the insistent viewpoint of many citizens. We lend a receptive and respectful ear to these various expressions. There is a story going about town these days that does not speak well for the peace of mind of our Village. The "story" we refer to is that a certain aggregation of local citizens, in an attempt to "get the goat" of our Village Commission, has banded together and formed a "Citizens' Water Commission."

We have been a faithful believer in the hearty and efficient support of the things that will benefit our citizens and make it possible for them to enjoy the utmost in comfort, convenience and happiness. We intend to continue this support to any plan or method that may be devised to make for a "Bigger and Better Birmingham."

We followed the best dictions of our judgment in supporting the issuance of \$10,000 worth of bonds to erect a 300,000 gallon storage tank as an adjunct to our present water works. If the erection and use of this tank is completed—and we hope it will be—at best, it is only a matter of a few years' relief to our water shortage, even though we use every means possible to make more efficient our present water works stations.

Because we have the interests of Birmingham at heart, we believe that the formation of a "Citizens' Water Commission" is a mighty good thing for Birmingham. The time has come (it arrived many years ago) when the people of Birmingham should face the issue of a permanent water supply. We should use every means possible to get it—always figuring the least cost for the greatest amount of results.

The "Citizens' Water Commission" is composed of Birmingham residents. The people of Birmingham should watch closely its functioning; accept or reject its remedy to our difficulty and, if accepted, bend every effort to make possible the installation or completion of its recommendations.

But, to get back to the "story" that is mentioned above. We don't believe that it is true. There is no attempt at malice or other personal feeling. It merely resolves itself into the fact that a number of Birmingham citizens, somewhat disappointed in the temporary relief offered by the Village Commission, are inclined to a permanent water supply. We believe that every person in or near Birmingham wants all the water that he can find use for. Then let's get it!

The members of the present Village Commission were elected on the strength of "water for the bath." We have that water—even though we are not allowed to use water for sprinkling purposes. We believe that Birmingham has more water today than it had a year ago. To this extent the present Commission has made good their promise. They should be commended for the progress made.

Who, then, should discourage the idea to gain a permanent water supply? Who should circulate a "story" that weakens or augments a feeling of distrust between two citizens? It is all foolishness—let's forget personalities and get water enough to care for a city of twenty thousand.

Musical Humorist at Chautauqua

Charles R. Taggart, musical humorist, appearing on the last night of the coming Royal Chautauqua, is a leading entertainer in the Chautauqua field. He is a musician, an impersonator, an unequalled story teller and is widely known as the "fiddling wizard." The freshest fun, clean and rippling; bit of philosophy with wholesome good cheer, delightful tales of romance and military—all lend life and color to the Taggart program of melody.

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A posse of Royal Oak citizens, headed by Village Manager Beauvais, on Monday night, July 18, combed the woods nearby in an effort to find negro who is said to have attacked a 17-year-old girl there that evening. No capture was made, it is reported.

WILD LIFE EXPOSITION AT COMING STATE FAIR

Under the supervision of the state department of conservation, John Baird, director, the exhibition will be put on at the state fair in Detroit September 2 to 11. Ground space has been set apart for this splendid feature, which will be of interest to every nature lover, sportsman and fisherman who visits the fair. Wild animals native to Michigan will be shown in places set aside for each variety, the specimens being brought to the fair grounds from the state game preserves. They will include deer, bear, foxes, wolves and many varieties of smaller animals. Fish native to Michigan waters also will be shown in a big aquarium and will be especially interesting to those who have never had the opportunity to see more than a few of the many varieties of fish that swim the lakes and rivers of the state. Like the other exhibits at this year's fair the educational possibilities of this wild life exposition will be utilized and the history to which it will have the chance to learn from experts how the animals of the state live when they are free to roam the woods and fields.

MICKIE SAYS—

THERE ARE NO MORE SENSE
GIVING SOBE BECZ YOUR
PAPER STOPS THAN THERE IS
BIM PREVED WHEN YOUR
CLOCK STOPS, BE THE SAME
FELLER IS TO FLAME THA
TIMES!



FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS

Forty-Five Years Ago
Ans. Midge, living on George Shain's farm, has a six-foot pig weighing nearly a hundred pounds.

Burglars were prowling around George H. Tom's house last Wednesday night until George got mad, went out with his double-barrelled shotgun, and put a stop to further proceedings.

Mrs. E. Keyes, resident of Mill street, desires to inform parties who hitch hikers in front of her home on Sundays, to desist, as she has not time every Monday morning to fill up a noil dig by stamping horses.

Some of our prominent citizens tried in vain to see the eclipse of the sun through the bottom of a beer glass, but couldn't make any perceptible headway. However, they were more persistent than a setting hen, and did not seem at all discouraged when they had absorbed a dozen glasses.

Twenty-Five Years Ago
Men's Suits—good values—at from \$6.75 to \$16.50.

A good broom for ten cents at Nixon's.

The grading that has been done to the hill leading to the power house has greatly improved its appearance. Will it be Maple Avenue's turn next?

"PRESS PICKINGS"

Evidently the editors of the Redford Record don't know a real "news story" when they see it—as per this item in a current issue: "School District No. 2 held their annual election of officers and Edward Cerynowski elected director by a vote of nearly two to one. Fred Hahn and Fred Bajow nearly came in, but they were kept out by a narrow escape from being hired through a window."

Mrs. Fannie Haddrell, aged 71 years, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Keen, near Rochester, following an illness of pneumonia, Monday, July 18.

Royal Oak has engaged the firm of Hoad & Decker of Ann Arbor, to prepare plans for the installation of sewers to cost between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

Royal Oak has appropriated \$1,000 to be used in forming a new City Charter.

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Fire, which caused damage totaling \$20,000, broke out in the settlement of Berkeley, on the 12-Mile road, west of Woodward avenue, Sunday, July 17. Quick response by the Royal Oak volunteer fire department quenched the rest of the district from flames.

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 13th day of July, A. D. 1921. Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Levi L. Johnston, Deceased.
John W. Crawford, executor of said estate, 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 against said decedent said deceased by and before said Court.

It is Ordered, That four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, That the 14th day of November, 1921, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, in the Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said decedent.

ROSS STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
DAN A. McGAFFEY, Register of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In 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 12th day of July, A. D. 1921. Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Arabella A. Miller, Deceased.

William C. Hineslow, executor of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of his final account, determination of the residue of said estate and the discharge of said executor.

It is Ordered, That the 13th day of August, A. D. 1921, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, in said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of the order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah J. Wilson, Deceased.

Mary S. Wilson having filed in said Court a petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to the petitioner for a term of one year.

It is Ordered, That the eighth day of August, A. D. 1921, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, in said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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TO HER best fellow,
WHO'S DEAD but doesn't know it,
AND I used to give her,
THE LOUD, rude laugh,
BUT I'M sorry now,
BECAUSE LAST night,
I WAS home alone,
SO I got the board,
AND PUT in a call,
FOR JOHN Barleycorn,
AND OTHER departed spirits,
BUT THE line was busy,
FOR NOTHING happened,
THEN I cheated a little,
AND IT spelled this,
"GRAMMASHOTTA SEVEN."

"Ouija! What's the good word?"

SO I shut off quick,
TO HEAD off any,
FURTHER FAMILY scandal,
THEN I stopped to smoke,
A CIGARETTE,
AND AFTER a while,
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