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The People's Column in this newspaper can be used by any one who has an opinion or a suggestion to make that will make for a "bigger and better Birmingham."

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$10,000.00 Bond Issue and Village Clerk Election to Be Voted on Tuesday, June 21

Bonds To Be Issued To Cover Cost of Constructing 300,000-Gallon Reservoir Tank At Water Works; Will Give Birmingham Adequate Supply, Is Belief

SEVERAL SEEK CLERKSHIP

Following many months of work on the part of the Village Commission to solve the problem of Birmingham's water supply, members of the Commission Monday night passed a resolution authorizing the holding of an election to determine whether or not the people of Birmingham are in favor of issuing bonds to cover the cost of installing a 300,000 gallon reservoir at the water works. The bond issue will total $10,000.00 of which $6,450.00 is for the erection of a steel tank, the remaining money to be expended for erection and additional equipment.

The new reservoir, when installed, will afford a supply tank of over 250,000 gallons capacity which, together with the supply capable of being drawn from the wells in use at the pumping station, will assure Birmingham of sufficient water supply for several years to come, is the opinion of the Commission.

The date of election has been decided upon as Tuesday, June 21, at which time the electors of Birmingham will vote into office a Village Clerk. Several persons have announced their intention of entering the race for this clerkship, among whom are Miss Kathleen Van Zandt, present clerk pro tem, and Mrs. Hazel Clarke, daughter of J. H. Wendelken, superintendent of the Roseland Park Cemetery.

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 18th day of May, A. D. 1921.

Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of William A. McGregor, Deceased.

Security Trust Company, administrator of said estate, having filed in said Court its petition, praying that the time for the presentment of claims against said deceased to the administrator of claims against said estate be limited to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased, and hearing on said petition.

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 26th day of September, 1921, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

ROSS STOCKWELL,
Judge of Probate.

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

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held in the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 20th day of May, A.D. 1921.

Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Eugene Brooks, Deceased.

J. Bert Peabody having filed a petition praying that the instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased, and that administration of said estate be granted to J. Bert Peabody, executor named in the will, or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the 20th day of June, A.D. 1921, at eight A. M., at 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 hereof, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

ROSS STOCKWELL,
Judge of Probate.

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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 23rd day of May, A. D. 1921.

Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Gordon C. Leeb, Deceased.

William S. Walker, administrator of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of his final administration account, and for the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the residue of said estate and the discharge of said administrator.

It is Ordered, That the 20th day of June, A. D. 1921, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

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Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of George R. Ferguson, Deceased.

Ada Ferguson, administratrix of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of her final account, determination of the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the residue of said estate, and the discharge of said administratrix.

It is Ordered, That the 20th day of June, A. D. 1921, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

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The "Right" lens used in Detroit Police Dept. cars gives all the light with no glare. Ask about them at the Hupmobile Sales room in the Birmingham Garage.—adv.

3 registered pharmacists to fill your prescriptions at SHAIN'S.—adv 4.

Remember our 1/3 off on Wall Paper reduces the price to pre-war level. "THE BUILDER'S SHOP."—adv 5.

DURAND CIGARS, very mild. adv

Let Shain's send you a fancy brick of Ice Cream for SUNDAY DINNER.—adv.

M. E. CHURCH BUILDING STOPPED BY VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Fred Quarton and W. E. Smith, trustees of the local Methodist Episcopal church, appeared before Justice of the Peace F. S. Buck early Thursday morning, in answer to a summons taken out by members of the Village Commission to restrain the building of a 30 x 40 foot primary Sunday school room in the rear of the church on Henrietta street.

According to President Clizbe, the building is being erected in violation of the present building code and also an ordinance passed by the Commission in 1917. Trustees of the church, who appeared before the Commission several days ago, were advised to cease all construction work on the building pending advice from the Village officials relative to the construction of the building, were of the opinion that inasmuch as several other buildings have been erected in a manner not conforming to the regulations of local ordinances, they had a right to continue along the same lines.

Mr. Quarton and Mr. Smith pleaded "not guilty" to the charge in the summons, and will be heard before Justice Buck in a trial to take place Wednesday morning, June 1, at 10 o'clock. President Clizbe also declared that "this building erected in Birmingham of late, and which do not conform to our requirements, will have to be made over or torn down."

OXFORD PYTHIANS ENTERTAIN BIRMINGHAM SISTERS

The preparations which have been under way for nearly a month were beautifully carried out last Wednesday at Oxford, Mich., when the Pythian Sisters of that village entertained a large number of their Sisters from Birmingham, Pontiac, Lapeer, Flint and Battle Creek, at an all day affair.

Among the visitors from Birmingham were the following Pythians: Mrs. Joe Edgar, Mrs. John Wendorph, Mrs. George Dawson, Mrs. Ernest Morrow, Mrs. Edward Montgomery, Mrs. Hazel Clark, Mrs. D. W. Symons, Mrs. George Newman, Mrs. George Madge, Miss Cleo Symons, Miss Florence Wenderoth, Miss Minnie Peck and Miss Wilma Dawson.

The guests gathered in Oxford early Wednesday morning, and by noon, when pot-luck dinner was served, the Annual District Convention had well under way. During the afternoon program Birmingham presented the Memorial Service, which was very impressive and the work was well done. Many features, vocal and instrumental, were introduced both morning and afternoon, but the evening program proved to be as enjoyable as any of the other features during the day. Grand Opera stars from the Oxford Opera House and were entertained by the Knights of Pythias. They presented a clever dramatization of "Damon and Pythias." Other numbers were given by local talent and talks by prominent men from several of the foremost cities in the state.

This occasion marked one of the annual events of the Pythian Lodge, however, plans for next year are not known to be even so extensive and at no other time have the visiting Sisters numbered so many; Wednesday was said to mark one of the most successful affairs for several years that Pythian Sisters in this part of the state have attended. The residents from this village who were in attendance, returned Wednesday evening.

EUGENE BROOKS LEAVES ESTATE VALUED AT $52,000

Will Disposes of Holdings Worth $52,000 To Family

An estate estimated at $12,000 in realty and $40,000 in personal property was left by the late Eugene Brooks, Birmingham banker, who died recently, to daughter-in-law, Mrs. Flora W. Marsh of Tampa, Fla., was left $4,000; a niece, Mrs. Dora Rogers of Denver, $2,000, to be held in trust for the use and benefit of her two daughters, Winona and Evelyn Rogers, and $500 was left for the care of the cemetery lot in Greenwood cemetery. The balance of the estate goes to the widow, Mrs. Alice M. J. Brooks, to be used by her during her lifetime. At her death it is to be divided into thirds, one of which is to be distributed among the children of a brother, Edward Brooks; one to the children of a sister, Mrs. Ellen J. Chatfield, and the remaining third to a brother, Eli Brooks of Denver, or to his heirs in the event he does not survive Mrs. Brooks.

THREE-DAY LEGION JUBILEE AT LAKE ORION

The summer season at Lake Orion will open Saturday, May 28, with a three-day legion jubilee and great preparations have been made to care for a large crowd. Some new features have been added in the amusement line which also includes boating, dancing and fishing.

COBB'S BATS."—adv.

DURAND CIGARS, very mild. adv

Our office has been removed from Telephone Building to ground floor of the new First National Bank Block, 110 Woodward Ave., north, where we shall be pleased to greet our friends and patrons. Our telephone number will remain the same—321.

WHITEHEAD & STANDART CO.
Real Estate and Insurance.
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Is your Lawn Mower in need of repair? We can put it in good shape. Grinding is our specialty. MILLER & GIBBONS, 138 W. Maple Ave.—adv.

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CHURCHES

St. James Episcopal

May 29—1st Trinity. Holy Communion 8 a.m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 10:30 a.m.; Church School, 12 m.

Christian Science Society

Services at Church Building, Woodward avenue, south of the D. U. R. Waiting Room.

Sunday, 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.

Birmingham Gospel Tabernacle

The Mission with a welcome; Wm. H. Dunn, pastor. We expect the field secretary and Shantymen's Mission of America, Mr. Montgomerie, to speak to us morning and evening, Sunday May 29, 1921. Morning worship, 10:30; Bible school, 11:45; gospel preaching, 7:45. Tuesday, May 31, 7:45, Mr. Singer of the Jewish Mission, Detroit, will speak. Thursday, June 2, 7:00 and 7:45, prayer and service.

The First Presbyterian Church

The pastor expects to be back from the General Assembly at Winona Lake, Ind., in time for the Sunday services. The subject in the morning will be occupied by the Rev. J. M. Barclay, D. D., a former moderator of the General Assembly. In the evening at 7:45 the pastor will fill the speaking. The regular Communion service of the church will be held on the first Sunday in June, at which time there will be reception of new members. Children's Day will also be observed the second Sunday in June. Strangers and visitors always welcome at all services. The church of the Friendly Handshake.

First Baptist Church

It is a social organization requiring of me self-denying loyalty. It is inclusive in character, inviting into its membership all who have faith in God and love themselves the ideals of Jesus Christ. It is a family in which all members are brethren and God is their father.

Following morning worship, sermon by the pastor, 11:45, Sunday school, Leland J. Bunyan, superintendent; 5:00 Junior B. Y. P. U.; 6:30, young people's meeting; 7:30, evening service, conducted by the choirs, sermon subject, "The Men Who Made America."

United Presbyterian

Bible school, 9:45; preaching at 10:30; young people's meeting at 7:30; preaching, 7:45. It will be our privilege to hear a representative from the Anti-Saloon League at 10:30. In the evening Rev. Hutchinson, who has traveled around the world, served in the late war among those who went over the top. He also speaks many languages. It will be our great privilege to have him with us. We shall be welcome at any of these services. Junior Meeting afternoon at 4 o'clock. Prayer meeting at 7:30. Choir rehearsal at 8:30.

Whitfield Baptist church pastor will preach at the church on Tuesday evening.

Missionary meeting this week with Mrs. Taylor on Purdy street.

First Methodist Episcopal

Sunday morning the pastor will preach. The subject, "Memory," in consideration of Memorial Day. Sunday school at noon. Epworth League, 6:30. Evening service at 7:45 when Dr. J. Stewart Crawford, a missionary home on furlough from Beirut, Syria, will speak on the timely topic, "The Armenian Tragedy." Dr. Crawford has spent nearly a whole lifetime in the Orient. He is an authority on the question of the historic causes of the Armenian question. The climax of his address deals with the Great War and its relation to Armenia. Everyone interested in the complicated problems of the Near East should hear this most informing address.

BIRMINGHAM'S SIGN BOARD

Lots of slogans for this Board have been received by the Community Service Committee of late, but none fit more than "Grow Birmingham. Hurry up and let's hear from you.

Don't forget—the board will be placed at the south entrance to the village, on Woodward Ave. It will be 6 ft. by 8 ft. The Real Estate Board is to erect it and $5.00 goes to the persons sending in the best wording. Come on now let's go!

The older inhabitants of Birmingham and vicinity will remember Rev. James McCracken, for twenty-five years pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian church of Southfield. His daughter, Miss Jessie, married Mr. Clyde McCarroll. When Mr. McCarroll died the widow went to Beirut, Syria, as a missionary under the Reformed Presbyterian Board. In Beirut she was married to Rev. Stewart Crawford, a professor in the missionary college. Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are now on furlough in America, and at present are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Wenger, Woodward street. Rev. Dr. Crawford will deliver an address on Sunday evening in the Methodist church, Birmingham, on the subject, "The Armenian Tragedy."

DURAND CIGARS, very mild. adv

ON SHORT NOTICE we will come to the house and wash the rugs on the floor. Call 223.—adv 1.

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

HOWARD C. HURLBUT—Plumbing and Heating, 219 Pierce Street. Phone 342 for prompt service.—adv.

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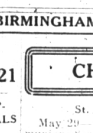

Mrs Edwin Minks, Formerly Miss Viola La Grant

Miss Viola La Grant had the distinction of becoming the first prominent bride of the 1921 bridal season last week when her marriage to Edwin Minks of Fisher, Illinois, took place at Bad Axe, Mich., last Wednesday afternoon.

At four o'clock the bridal party descended the stairs. The bride was charming in white silk crepe and carried a huge shower of pale pink roses and bridal ferns. Her attendant was daintily gowned in organdy and her arms were filled with pink sweet peas. The ring was carried by a tiny flower girl, a name-sake of the bride, who wore a white satin dress and carried the ring in a deep red rose in her right hand.

Following nearly an hour of desperate searching for the marriage license, which had been mislaid, the ceremony was performed by Rev. Brown of Bad Axe.

A wedding dinner was served and a large number of friends and relatives at 5:30 o'clock, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Harris of Birmingham. It is said Mrs. Minks served the second Sunday in June, strangers and visitors always welcome at all services. "The Church of the Friendly Handshake."

Mrs. Minks was connected with the village of Birmingham for two years, acting as treasurer for a year and a half and village clerk for six months. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen La Grant of Bad Axe, at whose home they marriage took place. Mr. Minks is in business in Fisher and owns a home which has just been finished and is newly furnished is in readiness for the young couple upon their arrival there.

PRESIDENT CLIZBE'S MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

To the People of Birmingham:

In fitting commemoration of the Americans who have so valiantly defended our country through the struggle and strife of the several wars in which we have been engaged, I ask that the entire populace of Birmingham and nearby turn out next Monday morning to observe Decoration Day.

We are a patriotic people—we of Birmingham—and let us remember that Decoration Day is set apart for the sleepers of the living and the dead who made for these free United States. Please unfold Old Glory to the breeze next Monday morning and sing us the Star Spangled Banner of our patriotism for America.

W. D. CLIZBE,
Village President.

TO LOCAL PARENTS:—
In order to insure the successful holding of Decoration Day exercises in Birmingham members of the American Legion Committee who are in charge of the day, have asked that all local parents send their children to the Barnum school by 10:30 o'clock next Monday (Decoration Day) morning. It is hoped that all school children will take part in the parade. Local police have assured that the streets will be kept free of traffic and children safely conducted. Be sure to send them.

WORK ON SOUTHFIELD PAVING STARTED MONDAY

Was Delayed Until Bonds Were Sold; Will Reach 8-Mile Road From West Maple Avenue; To Cost Approximately $366,000

Work on the paving of Southfield avenue, from West Maple avenue in Birmingham to the Wayne county line, on 8-Mile road, was started Monday of this week by the R. D. Baker Co., to whom the contract was awarded. It is thought that this paving will be completed by early fall.

The contract calls for a 20-foot road. It will cost approximately $366,000. Manager Brown of Birmingham has been busy all week installing the necessary sewer and water connections on Southfield avenue, thus averting any necessity of later tearing up the pavement.

Scene: Woodward avenue.
Time: Friday night at 8:30.
Action: Two men drive up in big Studebaker car. One man makes several purchases, among which was a copy of THE ECCENTRIC.

Moral: Order your paper in advance, to insure house delivery of same.

For Wedding Gifts, see MIX, THE JEWELER.—adv 3.

ARISTOCRACY in ice cream, PEERLESS. Made in Birmingham. Call 33 Birmingham Creamery.—adv. 1.

NATURE will be good to you if you help her this Spring. Let me assist you in laying out your garden, flower bed, or landscape work about the grounds. I do good work and my price is most reasonable. Call Girard Putters, Pleasant Ave., Birmingham. Phone 353-R. tf

DON'T KILL YOUR WIFE—We'll do the dirty work. Call 223 and have your carpets cleaned cheap. —adv 4.

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OBITUARY

Lycurgus L. Daniels

Lycurgus L. Daniels, who had been ill for several months with heart trouble, died at his home in Southfield, last Monday.

The deceased was born in Southfield township in 1834. He had always made his home in or around Birmingham and was well known here at the time of his death. He had been retired several years, owing to advanced age.

Funeral services were held last Saturday at Franklin, Mich., with burial in the Franklin cemetery. Surviving is his wife, Mrs. Jennie Daniels.

Mrs. Susan A. Smith

The funeral services for Mrs. Susan A. Smith were held at the home of her son, W. H. Stephans, 246 East Maple avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. Charles H. McCurdy officiating.

Mrs. Smith was born in New York and would have been 82 years of age the 10th of July. She came to Michigan about 60 years ago and had made her home near this village for 39 years. She died Friday after several months. Death, which occurred May 23, was caused from heart trouble.

Surviving are one son, W. H. Stephans, and one grandson, Hazen Stephans, both of this village.

Mrs. Lenna Elizabeth Huntoon

Following a long illness, Mrs. Lenna Elizabeth Benan Huntoon died May 24 in Detroit, at the Ford hospital. Funeral services were held this afternoon (Friday) at 2 o'clock, from her home on Lincoln avenue.

Lenna Elizabeth Benan was born Nov. 7, 1875, in Tully, N. Y., and was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Benan. She came to Michigan in 1889 and lived in Port Huron and Detroit until two years ago when the family came to Birmingham. She was a member of the graduating class of '96 of Cazehovia, N. Y. During the past few years especially, she had become well known as a writer, short plays being her most successful theme. She was a member of the Woodward Avenue Baptist church of Detroit, with which she was active until shortly before her death.

The deceased is survived by her husband, Milton B. Huntoon, who for years has been connected with the Michigan Telephone Co. of Detroit, and a daughter, Winefred.

Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery, Detroit.

"HEALTH CONTEST" CLOSES ON FRIDAY, JUNE 10

Gillett Welles, chairman of the Sanitation and Public Health committee of the Birmingham Civic Association, and Secretary Wenger, who has charge of the "health contest," say that school children closes June 10. Four prizes will be given, of $5.00 each. The prizes will be awarded for the two best essays and posters made by school children and will cover such subjects as sleep, fresh air, exercise, proper food and cleanliness. A division of the pupils is made at the seventh grade for the prize for the best essay and poster in each. Mr. Welles suggested that each pupil attach his or her name in a sealed envelope to the essay of poster submitted, thus insuring against possible partiality in awarding the prizes. Two judging committees will be appointed to decide on the winners, it was announced.

ADAMS SCHOOL PROGRESSING

Work on the Adams avenue school, recently voted upon by the electors of this school district, is progressing in good form. The excavation has been completed and it is thought that the building will be ready for occupancy some time this fall.

At a meeting of the Village Commission last Monday night President Clizbe set forth plans for the trimming of Village trees and the necessity of placing more street lights throughout the Village.

We are mighty proud of our wonderful trees in this town," declared Mr. Clizbe, "and I believe that we would render a great service to our people if we systematically trimmed the beautiful trees that make Birmingham 'The Pride of Oakland.'"

Mr. Clizbe also stated that the Commission would make a tour of the town at night to see just where street lights were needed with the view to erecting them at once. The Commission seemed agreed that the suggestion to trim the trees should be carried out and stated that they would probably do this at an early date.

The piano recital given by the advanced pupils of Miss Pearle Porter Weikel last Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Goss, 218 Vinewood avenue, was very successful and exceptionally well rendered. Selections from American as well as European composers were played and consisted of trios, duets and solos. Mrs. Willoween Godfrey, contralto soloist of the Royal Oak Methodist church, ably assisted Miss Weikel in the program.

WE WILL ESTIMATE the cost of having your rugs cleaned. Call 223.—adv 1.

For Wedding Gifts, see MIX, THE JEWELER.—adv 3.

Don't forget the baked sale Saturday, Erwin Smith Market. Episcopal girls.—adv 5.

Screen windows, screen doors, screened-in porches, we can give you prices on these goods that will interest you very much. "THE BUILDER'S SHOP."—adv 5.

ROY MONTGOMERY

Effective May 2 reduce all prices 20% on Pennsylvania Tires and Tubes. Extend free tube offer for month of May. Pennsylvania Rubber Co. of America.—adv 3.

For Wedding Gifts, see MIX, THE JEWELER.—adv 3.

Decoration Day Exercises To Be Fittingly Observed Here Monday By Street Parade

Charles Edwards Post of American Legion To Be In Charge of Day; All Local Lodges, School Children, Veterans Of All Wars To March

PONTIAC BAND HIRED

That those who have given up their lives for America—and those who survived any of our wars—may know that they struggled not in vain, Birmingham, on next Monday morning will observe fitting exercises appropriate for Decoration Day. The entire village and nearby residents are asked to turn out and take part in the exercises.

A committee, composed of Major H. A. O'Dell, Lieut. R. C. Moulthrop, Lieut. A. W. Wasey, Sergt. E. L. Taylor, J. Hasselbacher, all members of the local Charles Edwards Post of the American Legion, and John Heth, veteran of the Civil War, have been actively engaged for the past two weeks in arranging a program in keeping with Decoration Day.

That they have been successful in their efforts is shown by the following program to be carried out Monday: Parade at 11 A. M., in which the following organizations will march: Village police department; Ponies; led by Miss Margaret Standart; Boy Scouts, directed by Lieut. A. W. Wasey; G. A. R., led by Capt. J. Allen Bigelow; Spanish War Veterans; Birmingham Volunteer Fire Department, led by Chief William G. Olsen; Boy Scouts, led by Lieut. C. McKnight; Knights of Pythias Lodge; Camp Fire Girls, led by Mrs. Brock; Public School Children, led by Lieut. A. W. Wasey; G. A. R., led by Capt. J. Allen Bigelow; Spanish War Veterans; Birmingham Volunteer Fire Department, led by Chief William G. Olsen; Boy Scouts, led by Lieut. C. McKnight; Knights of Pythias Lodge; Camp Fire Girls, led by Mrs. Brock; Public School Children, led by Lieut. A. W. Wasey; G. A. R., led by Capt. J. Allen Bigelow; Spanish War Veterans; Birmingham Volunteer Fire Department, led by Chief William G. Olsen; Boy Scouts, led by Lieut. C. McKnight; Knights of Pythias Lodge; Camp Fire Girls, led by Mrs. Brock; Public School Children, led by Mrs. Brock; Band from City of Pontiac; American Legion, led by Lieut. Ralph Moulthrop; Red Cross, led by Miss Mamie Satterlee; Veterans of U. C. A., and the Knights of Columbus.

The formation for the parade will be started at 10:30 a.m. at the Barnum school; the line of march will then go down Frank street to Woodward avenue, north on Woodward to Maple avenue and thence west on Maple to the corner of Chester where, after fitting services conducted by Rev. W. McKnight and Rev. C. H. McCurdy the wreaths will be placed in memory of Charles Edwards, the first Birmingham youth to fall in the World War, and after whom the local Post is named.

Lieut. R. C. Moulthrop, commander of the Charles Edwards Post, stated that all the graves of fallen soldiers will be decorated Sunday morning, the day before the parade, and Mr. Graves in many cemeteries in and nearby Birmingham will be visited.

To insure the success of the exercises Monday it was asked that every local man and woman attend and help give his or her support. Parents of all school children are especially requested to send their boys and girls to the Barnum school early Monday morning, where they will be formed in line at once.

MAY PUT IN CROSS WALKS

A discussion of the great need for the construction of a number of cross walks in Birmingham was made by members of the Commission Monday night. It was said that there are many places where a cross walk is indispensable," stated Commissioner Schlanck, "and I think that we should install them before fall."

It is thought that the cross walks will be installed some time during the summer, along with the building of the regular sidewalks.

MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION
By the Governor

Memorial Day is peculiarly an American institution. It is a festival unique in the annals of the nations. It is the day we set apart in memory of the dead and in honor of the living. The ranks of those in whose behalf it was first observed grow thinner year by year. The time will not be very long until these honored veterans of the Civil War will be but a memory, but not, let us hope, a fading memory. Let this observation and the generations yet to come never forget what they owe to the men who left their peaceful pursuits and went forth in the name of liberty and justice to do battle for the right cause. They achieved their purpose. They saved the Union. They established liberty and justice, and we today are enjoying the fruits of their labors and devotion and sacrifices.

In the Spanish-American War and in the Great War our soldiers and sailors and marines, by their valor and their devotion to the cause of humanity, amply demonstrated that the spirit of America still lives. Their heroic achievements nobly upheld the best traditions of the American Army and Navy.

Therefore, in order that we may pay a tribute of respect and affection to the surviving veterans of the Civil War, the Spanish-American War and the World War and to do honor to the memory of those who gave up their lives in all these wars, I hereby sincerely urge that

Monday, May 30th, 1921, be fittingly observed as Memorial Day

And I earnestly appeal to the people of Michigan for hearty cooperation in plans for the observance of the day in their respective communities. I am sure that everything possible will be done for the comfort and convenience of the old soldiers.

On Memorial Day flags should be displayed at half-staff until noon and then hoisted to the top of the staff.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State this Sixteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and of the Commonwealth the eighty-fifth.

ALEX J. GROESBECK,
Governor.

By the Governor:
CHARLES DE LAND,
Secretary of State.

DURAND CIGARS, very mild. adv

DAMAGE CLAIMS FOR $140,000 PRESENTED AGAINST VILLAGE

Oakland Farmers' Protective Association Claims Loss Through Sinking of Well on Latham Farm Last Summer; Village to Contest Suit

Claims amounting to $140,000 were presented to the Village Commission Tuesday morning by Attorney A. L. Moore, representing the members of the Oakland County Protective Association. The claims are for alleged damages sustained by five members of the association, as the result of a 12-inch well sunk on the Latham farm, southeast of Birmingham, last summer. The claims state that the sinking of the well caused the water from the claimants' flowing wells to stop, or decrease in flow.

At a special meeting of the Village Commission on Wednesday night, no action was taken on the matter. "We have received these claims," declared President Clizbe, "and, when we have had time to go over them, shall make a reply to Mr. Moore. Until then we shall do nothing in the matter."

A few weeks ago the Commission voted the appropriation of $4,000 in this year's budget to fight the claims through the courts. According to members of the association, the case will be carried to the Supreme Court. They stated that they would take no measure to compromise, as they stated, believing that the courts would uphold them for the entire amount of alleged damage.

The claims amounting, numbering five, are: J. S. Williams, $30,000; Mrs. Julia Adams, $45,000; Fred Lambert, $30,000; Albert Stoll, $25,000, and John A. Mercier, $10,000. These still remain, as was said, two other claims to be presented, one by H. A. O'Dell and the other by J. A. McGinnity.

Following is the text of the claims, taken from one of them; they are practically the same, except for the changes in name and amounts of alleged damage:

Notice of Claim for Damages

To the Village of Birmingham, a Municipal Corporation, and the Commission thereof:

Oakland County, Michigan.

Notice is hereby given that I am the owner of a farm situated in the Township of Bloomfield and Southfield, Oakland County, Michigan. That I have owned and occupied the land in question for many years past.

That prior to March 16, 1920, I had on the farm in question artesian flow. That there was in operation a well of sufficient depth to supply water for stock and for dairy purposes on the premises in question.

That the water had a substantial head, raising a considerable distance above the level of the ground.

That on or about the 16th day of March, 1920, the Village of Birmingham, a municipal corporation, in the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, caused to be constructed a well in the vicinity of the said farm, in the southwest quarter of Section 35, Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan, on what was known as the Latham Farm.

That the said well was sunk by the Village of Birmingham in a negligent, incompetent and improper manner. That the construction of said well has interfered with the rights of this claimant and a great injury to claimant's property.

That claimant's artesian water supply, by reason of the drilling operations of the said Village of Birmingham, has been practically destroyed and claimant has been deprived of the benefits, privileges and advantages of an artesian water supply on said premises from and after the 17th of March, 1920.

That by reason of such drilling operations, claimant has sustained damage, including loss of water for cattle and stock, loss of water for household purposes, loss of water for irrigation of crops and the irrigation of same, decreased value of land because of the failure of the artesian well to flow, loss from money expended in an attempt to restore the said artesian flow and expense of installing pumping devices to furnish water in lieu of the supply furnished by the said artesian well, and damage occasioned by the necessity to provide mechanically for a water supply for general farm and household purposes and for general loss and use of the artesian well on the premises owned and occupied by claimant, in the sum of Forty-five Thousand ($45,000.00) Dollars.

Claimant presents to the Village of Birmingham for its consideration, adjustment and allowance a claim in the sum of $45,000.00, based upon the following facts:

It being the claim of the claimant that the loss, damage to claimant's artesian water supply was done by reason of the drilling operations of the said Village of Birmingham, as aforesaid, were conducted without regard to the rights of claimant and in a negligent, careless, improper and unworkmanlike manner.

(Signed by owner.)

WATER WORKS TROUBLE LOWERS PRESSURE MONDAY

The blowing out of a manhole gasket on one of the boilers at the water works station last Monday lowered the pressure in the Village mains for several hours. Chief Engineer Charles Hutton immediately got steam up on the remaining boiler, after which the pumps were started at the regular speed. Following the blowing of the gasket, it was necessary to pull the fires under the boiler in question, thus taking away the generating power. The pumps until steam could be obtained from the reserve boiler.

Major H. A. O'Dell, chairman of the Memorial Day services for this community, requests that every citizen wear a red poppy Monday. The poppy is the emblem of the American Legion, the color of which is symbolic of the sacrifices made in the World War by American soldiers, and is considered a particularly appropriate emblem of memorial. The Girl Scouts of the village will have the poppies for sale all day Monday.

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