

"For a Bigger and Better Birmingham"

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As the Holiday Season approaches you will probably find the desire for a complete line of Holiday Stationery.

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR—NO. 30.

Village Commission Denies the Petition For A Special Election on Citizens' Water Plan

Three Hundred Voters Are Told They Have No Right To Initiate Any Municipal Improvement That Such Special Election Should Be Laid Before the Commission First

Therefore, due to a non-compliance with Section 11, Chapter 26 and Section 12, Chapter 26, of the City Charter, the Commission has advised the petitioners that a special election pursuant to the petition as submitted is not legal and that the bond issue would be illegal and the petition null and void.

President Clabe told the hour at the Commission meeting on every phase of the subject and in the presence of the village attorney. The Village Charter clause giving to the people certain rights of initiative and referendum. This resolution, in effect, that he did not favor initiative and referendum as applied to the water plan. He stated that the petition had technically been improperly drawn up.

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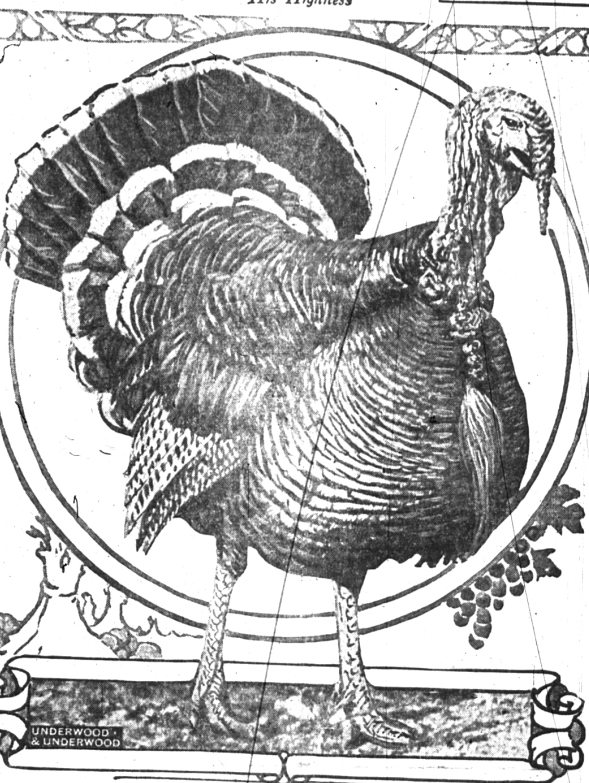
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NICE JEWELRY TURKEY may be a powerful incentive to Thanksgiving, yet is not necessary when there is genuine appreciation of the real blessings of the year.

GIVING THANKS may be made so formal that the Almighty doubts the existence of gratitude. It was the poor pilgrim's prayer that was commended to us all!



WHAT WOULD THE DAY BE WITHOUT A BIRD LIKE THIS TO GRACE THE BOARD?

Thanksgiving Day Proclamation

BY THE GOVERNOR
"Oh, that man would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!"

In accordance with the custom long ago established by our fathers, it is entirely fitting that, at this season of the year, we set apart a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God, the source of all our mercies and blessings that are ours.

Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Michigan, I hereby join the President of the United States in designating THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1921, as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer.

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

WE HEARD IT SAID BY...
"We heard it said by a local plumber: 'Some Birmingham business men are so busy that they don't have time to consider the destruction of the sign at the south end of the village a really funny and entertaining thing. It is a disgrace to the village to have such people residents of Birmingham.'"

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John R. Street To Be Widened As First Step To Relieve Woodward Ave. Congestion

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONCERT TO BE A MUSICAL TREAT

Plans have been completed for the concert to be given at the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church next Tuesday evening, when the Palestine Male Quartette of Detroit will be the principal feature of the evening.

The quartette is composed of Arthur J. Wilkie, Frederick Fitzgerald, Norman W. Patterson, and Charles F. Smith. For years this organization has been giving concerts in other large cities and has gained wide renown for itself.

The concert has been arranged by Miss Maynard, who is at the head of the Epworth League. The various local entertainers have been prepared to give the affair for a month and feel that they will be able to present to the public something of a superior quality as compared to similar entertainments given here in the past.

The League gave a concert and play last season, the proceeds from a meeting given on the same day this year will be used for the benefit of the Epworth League.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS ORGANIZE FOR LOCAL CHARITABLE WORK

Double F Club Will Give a Series of Movie Shows, the Proceeds To Help Needy People

The mistaken idea that the charitable instinct of Christmas time is a quality that distinguishes the season has been laid aside by a number of local residents who have become acquainted with the organization of the Double F Club, an organization of high school boys in Birmingham.

The club was organized by Carpenter Hewitt, who conceived the idea and presented it to several of the high school boys. The club would work for the best interest of the community. Douglas Atheleon is the president of the club.

November 21st had been set aside for a motion picture show to be given in the auditorium of the Epworth League by the club, when funds will be raised to carry on the work this winter.

The boys have been meeting once a week to discuss the plans for the show, but started Monday evening to hold regular evening gatherings, as the weather was so cold.

SEWAGE PLANT ELECTION

Arrangements are under way for an early election upon the advisability of buying a site of several acres of land west of the village and in the Birmingham Park allotment, for a sewage disposal plant.

MUCH ADO ABOUT MILK

Some of the dairymen whose places are near the village, are agitating the village by their persistent milk before the village council.

LOCAL FIRM GETS SEWER PUMP HOUSE CONTRACT

The Village Commission has awarded a contract for the construction of a pump and sump in the neighborhood of Lincoln avenue. This house will be used in connection with the new sewer system provided for the south end.

MERCHANTS CLOSE EARLY

A number of the local merchants have taken the initiative in the matter of arranging for early closing on holidays. They are advertising in the issue of the Eccentric a circular asking the attention of our readers is called to the fact.

Next Thursday (Thanksgiving) the office of The Eccentric will be closed. Advertisers will help us to make as many as possible. If they will set their copy in early Tuesday.