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CHANGE THE CHARTER

Village Attorney John Gafill last week delivered a written opinion, now on file with the Village Clerk, the import of which takes away from the voters the right of initiative and referendum, and vests a monarchial power with a Village Commission of three men. It is our belief that the opinion of the Village Attorney would not hold water if carried to any court of competent jurisdiction. However, until such a step is taken, the opinion may be used as a guiding light, by the Commission, to commit any form of an assault against public suffrage or civic government which the commission might see fit to indulge in. If the people who create the government are to be roped and gagged through such legal opinions of our charter, and if the Commission is to be invested with powers more autocratic than those of the German empire, then it looks like a new charter ought to be provided just as quickly as a commission could draw it up.

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS

Forty Four Years Ago

Husking is pretty well finished up in this neighborhood. Many farmers are busy on their fall plowing. Insects are mighty bad in the wheat.

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Miss Fannie Rice and H. J. Bowers were married this week.

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Everybody come to the candy pull which the men of the M. E. church are giving. Admission, men 11 cents; gent and lady 22 cents.

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For sale cheap—a fine parlor organ.

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Newest fashions, ladies' sacques, black silk velvet, carpet lace curtains and live geese feathers on sale at the store of John Pound.

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Sample rooms for commercial agents at the National Hotel.

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Three pounds of crackers for 20 cents, plug tobacco 5 cents, at J. T. Mott's.

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Twenty Five Years Ago

John H. Snow has the thanks of the feminine branch of this firm for a five-gallon jug of cider made from hand-picked snow apples and bottled in nickel-plated bottles upholstered in plush. Long may he live!

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Ted Lodge's valuable dog killed some of his sheep, and he killed the dog.

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Wood for sale, good and dry, at 80c a cord. Leave orders at the postoffice, for Ed Daniels.

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With electric lights, an excellent street railway and all the other effects to make us a city, it only remained for us to establish a board of trade. Verily this is an age of progress.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland in Chancery.

Jefferson M. Thurber, Plaintiff,

Vs.

Austin E. Wing, Robert Elliott, William P. Durkee, Walter P. Durkee, Hattie B. Durkee, Frederick Haack, and School District No. 6, Bloomfield Township, and their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees and assigns, and all persons who are, or may become entitled to claim under the particular provision, limitation, restriction, stipulation, charge, agreement or uncertainty, set forth in the Bill of Complaint, Defendants.

At a session of said Court, held in the City of Pontiac, on the 16th day of November, A. D. 1921. Present: Honorable Frank L. Covert, Circuit Judge.

Upon reading and filing the Bill of Complaint in the above entitled cause, and the affidavit of Jefferson G. Thurber, Agent of said plaintiff, also filed in said cause, from which it satisfactorily appears that Austin E. Wing, Robert Elliott, William P. Durkee, Walter P. Durkee, Hattie B. Durkee, Frederick Haack and School District No. 6 of the Township of Bloomfield, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, and each of them, cannot by reason of their being dead be personally served with process in said cause, by reason of it not being shown whether they or any of them are living or dead, or where they, or any of them reside, if living, and their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns being unknown on motion of Jefferson G. Thurber, Attorney for plaintiff, it is ordered that said defendants, Austin E. Wing, Robert Elliott, William P. Durkee, Walter P. Durkee, Hattie E. Durkee, Frederick Haack, and School District No. 6, of the Township of Bloomfield, or their, and each of their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, and all persons, who are, or may become entitled to claim under the particular provision, limitation, restriction, stipulation, charge, agreement or uncertainty, set forth in the Bill of Complaint, enter their appearances in said cause within three months from the date of this order, or that in default thereof, the Bill of Complaint, filed in this cause be taken as confessed by said Austin E. Wing, Robert Elliott, William P. Durkee, Walter P. Durkee, Hattie B. Durkee, Frederick Haack, and School District No. 6 of the Township of Bloomfield, or their, or each or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, and as aforesaid.

It is further ordered that this order be published within twenty (20) days after date of the same in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed in Oakland County, Michigan, once in each week for six weeks in succession, or, that a copy of same be served personally upon Austin E. Wing, Robert Elliott, William P. Durkee, Walter P. Durkee, Hattie B. Durkee, Frederick Haack, and School District No. 6 of the Township of Bloomfield, or their and each of their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, at least twenty (20) days before the time prescribed for the appearance of said defendants. And it is further ordered, that every publication of the foregoing order shall be followed by a description of the lands concerned in this suit, as said lands are described in the Bill of Complaint filed in said cause together with the statement that the suit involves title to said land, and the suit is brought to quiet title thereto.

FRANK L. COVERT, Circuit Judge.

Countersigned:

MAURICE G. REEVES,
Deputy County Clerk.

Jefferson M. Thurber, Plaintiff in the above entitled cause, hereby states and gives notice to all concerned that the above suit, in which the foregoing order of publication has been duly entered, concerns real estate, and that such real estate is more particularly described as: the East half of the Southwest quarter, and the West half of the West half of the Southeast quarter of Section 29, Town 2, North Range 10 East, containing 120 acres, more or less, situate in the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan. This being the same description of said land set forth in the Bill of Complaint in said cause, and that said suit involves the title to said land, and said suit is brought to quiet the title thereto.

JEFFERSON M. THURBER.

JEFFERSON G. THURBER,
Attorney for plaintiff. 36

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. James Cobb and their daughter, Elsie, of Oakland avenue, spent Sunday over last week-end, William Ketchum of Lansing.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Glover of N. Woodward avenue, left Birmingham Monday for Akron, Ohio, to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Glover, parents of Mr. Glover.

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Miss Dena Hallock arrived in Birmingham Wednesday evening and spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hallock, of Ann street. Miss Hallock is an instructor in kindergarten work at Battle Creek.

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Mrs. Agnes Miller and her four children who were called to Miami, Mo., about ten days ago to be present at the trial of the suspected murderer of her husband, will return to Birmingham following the trial to make her home home with her parents. Mr. Miller was murdered late in the early part of last spring in his place of business in Miami. Mrs. Miller is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bowan of Pierce street.

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The Sewing Circle of the Rebekah Lodge of Birmingham, met at the home of Mrs. Ashwell, Brown street, Thursday of this week. The women of the organization are working on articles to be sold at the bazaar which will be held in the new Temple on Pierce street following its completion some time the early part of the year. At present they are engaged in quilting comforts and making aprons for the booths.

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(Eastern Standard Time)

Southbound Limited—(except Sunday), 6:48 a.m.

Southbound Locals—4:50 a.m., 5:20 a.m., 5:41 a.m., 5:45 a.m., 5:55 a.m., 6:19 a.m., 6:48 a.m., 7:05 a.m., 7:16 a.m., 7:21 a.m., 7:36 a.m., 7:41 a.m., 8:01 a.m., 8:16 a.m., 8:21 a.m., 8:36 a.m., 8:41 a.m., 8:56 a.m., 9:01 a.m. and every twenty minutes to 10:41 p.m.; also 11:11 p.m., and 11:31 p.m.

Pontiac to Birmingham only—11:30 p.m., 11:50 p.m., 12:10 a.m., 12:30 a.m. and 12:40 a.m.

Northbound Locals—5:59 a.m., 6:32 a.m., 6:50 a.m., 7:07 a.m. and every twenty minutes to 12:27 a.m., also 12:52 a.m.

FLINT DIVISION

Change at Royal Oak for Rochester, Oxford, Flint, Romeo and Imlay City. Through limited cars for Flint, Saginaw, Bay City at 7:10 a.m. and every two hours to 9:10 p.m.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland in Chancery.

Luella Hutton, Plaintiff,

Vs.

Matilda Darling Elmore Lewis, or her unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, except Grace Goundrill Robinson, Evelyn Goundrill, Nellie L. Jacobs, Defendants.

Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, in Chancery, October 24th, 1921.

It satisfactorily appearing to the Court by the affdavit of Luella Hutton on file that Matilda Darling Elmore Lewis is dead, and the names, residences and whereabouts of her heirs-at-law, devisees, legatees and assigns are unknown, except Grace Goundrill Robinson, Evelyn Goundrill and Nellie L. Jacobs.

On motion of Samuel J. Patterson, Attorney for Plaintiff.

It is Ordered that Matilda Darling Elmore Lewis or her unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, and Grace Goundrill Robinson, Evelyn Goundrill and Nellie L. Jacobs cause their appearance to be entered herein within three months from the date of this order, and that in case of their appearance they cause their answer to plaintiff's bill of complaint to be filed and a copy thereof to be served upon said plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the serving upon them of a copy of said bill and notice of this order, and in default thereof that said bill be taken as confessed by said defendants.

It Is Further Ordered that within twenty days from the date hereof the plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be published in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper published and circulating in the County of Oakland, and that such publication be continued once in each week for six successive weeks, or that she cause a copy of this order to be personally served upon said defendants at least twenty days before the time prescribed for their appearance.

Dated Pontiac, Michigan, October 24th, 1921.

GLENN C. GILLESPIE,
Circuit Judge.

Countersigned:

NETTIE B. ROSS,
Deputy County Clerk.

Please take notice that the above entitled suit is brought to quiet title to the following described real estate as set forth in said bill of complaint and to remove certain clouds on the title thereto, to-wit:

Part of Lot 27 of Terry's Plat of the Village of Birmingham, commencing at the Northeast Corner of land formerly owned by Ellen Brannan Taylor, Brannan and Ellen R. Taylor being one and the same persons running thence on the east line of Ellen Brannan's land 103 feet south; thence east 40 feet, thence north 103 feet, thence west 40 feet to the place of beginning.

SAMUEL J. PATTERSON,
Attorney for Plaintiff.
Business Address, Pontiac, Michigan. 33

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, in Chancery. No. 9560

LOUIS ZOX, Plaintiff,

WILLIAM H. COURTAINE, et al, Defendants.

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, in Chancery, made and entered on the 8th day of October, A. D., 1921, in the above entitled cause, I, George B. Hartrick, the undersigned Circuit Court Commissioner for the County of Oakland, shall sell at public auction or vendue to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County of Oakland, on Tuesday, the 6th day of December, A. D., 1921, at 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, of that day, all those certain lands, premises and property, parcel 1 situated in the said County of Oakland, and parcel 2 in the said County of Wayne, in the State of Michigan, described as follows, to-wit:

PARCEL 1.

Lots numbered 51, 52, 53, 54, 119, 120, 121, 122, 128, 129, 130 to 138, both inclusive, 19, 20, 21, 68, 69, 317 to 321, both inclusive, 248 to 252, both inclusive, 64 to 67, both inclusive, 71, 25, 18, 40 to 48, both inclusive, 59 to 63, both inclusive, 134 to 137, both inclusive, 22, 23, 24, 49, 50, 283, to 287, both inclusive, 37, 38, 39, 123, 124, 29, 30, 33, 34, 310 to 315, both inclusive, 325 to 338, both inclusive, of Cass Park Subdivision of part of the west one-half of Section 3, West Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 11 of Plats on page 35, Oakland County records.

PARCEL 2.

The west thirty-eight (38) feet of Lot Fifty-six (56) and the east five (5) feet of Lot fifty-five (55) of the Woodland Subdivision of the north twenty (20) acres of the south half of quarter section twenty-four (24) of the Ten Thousand Acre Tract, Hamtramck, the same being known as Number 227 (old number) north side of Woodland Avenue, in the City of Detroit, Michigan.

Dated this 17th day of October, A. D., 1921.

GEORGE B. HARTRICK,
Circuit Court Commissioner
in and for Oakland County,
Michigan.

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North half of the southwest quarter of Section 3; the south-east quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 3; east half of west half of northwest quarter of Section 3. Also a triangular piece of land off of the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of Section 3, commencing at the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of Section 3, running east 40 rods, thence north 19 rods, thence in a southwesterly direction to the place of beginning, containing one and one-quarter acres in triangular form, all containing one hundred twenty-seven and one-quarter acres, more or less. Also a strip of land 20 rods wide on the west side of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 3. All of the above described lands are in Township 2 North, Range 9 East, Oakland County, Michigan, excepting lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 28, 31, 32, 73, 74, 76, 79, 80, 84, 85, 87, 88, 104, 105, 125, 126, 127, 132, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 163, 186, 187, 219, 220, 221, 254, 322, 323, 324, 370, 371, 372, 375, 378, 384, 385, 387, and excepting lots 51, 52, 53, 54, 119, 120, 121, 122, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 20, 21, 68, 69, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 61, 68, 66, 67, 70, 25, 18, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 134, 135, 136, 137, 22, 23, 24, 49, 50, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 37, 38, 39, 123, 124, 29, 30, 33, 34, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98.

The sale of the above described land will be made subject to all installments of principal, interest and other charges yet to become due upon the real estate mortgage for the foreclosure of which said decree was made as aforesaid, and subject to any other prior liens and encumbrances, taxes, assessments, etc.

Dated this 17th day of October, A. D. 1921.

GEORGE B. HARTRICK,
Circuit Court Commissioner
in and for Oakland County,
Michigan.

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WILL GIVE LIGHT OPERA

Birmingham people will be interested in knowing that the Birmingham Choral Club, which meets every Tuesday evening in the Baldwin High School, is doing good work. At the last meeting it was decided to start work immediately on the light opera, "Chimes of Normandy."

This little drama is widely known for its beautiful choruses, and affords opportunity for plenty of action.

Those interested in music are invited to come to the practises and join in the presentation which will occur about the middle of January.

"PRESS PICKINGS"

Holly has decided to dispense with its municipal snow plow and an ordinance is being drafted putting the snow-cleaning job up to the property owners. If they fail to get busy within a stipulated time, the walks are cleaned by the village and the amount charged to the owners.

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Walter Summers brought the first big buck to Oxford this season. He hunted in Ontonagon county and said that the deer seemed to be very plentiful in that section, as he saw seven one morning and was out only two hours.

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Pontiac this week is raising funds for carrying on its local charitable work for next year. Thirty thousand dollars is the amount asked for and more than half was subscribed before the drive really began.

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Ground for the new home of the Royal Oak Savings Bank will be broken in the spring at the southwest corner of Main and Fourth streets. The estimated cost is approximately $100,000. Eight months will be required for its completion. Fire-proof construction will be used.

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Ernest S. Springsteen and W. A. Woolever, promoters of the Clawson Gas company, to whom was granted at the village election a franchise to furnish the village with gas, have purchased the 50-acre clay farm, known as the Thirteen-mile road sink hole, west of Clawson, and will convert it into a brick yard, where brick and tile of the highest quality will be manufactured.

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Hopes are expressed by officers connected with state police and Oakland county that the mystery of the killing of State Trooper Harold E. Anderson, at Novi, last March, may be cleared up in the detention of a Detroit man.

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Baby Harold Aldrich won the prize for being the prettiest baby boy at the Baby Show held by the Parent-Teachers' association of Farmington.

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At the annual meeting of the Farmington Board of Commerce, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Thomas H. McGee, president; Rev. S. D. Eva, first vice-president; E. O. Hatton, second vice-president; R. G. Hogle, treasurer; J. C. Clark, secretary.

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The annual meeting of the Michigan Beekeepers' association will be held in Lansing on December 1, 2 and 3, according to announcement of R. H. Kelty, secretary of the association.

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It was decided at the meeting of the Board of Commerce of Ferndale last week to give a silver cup to the value of $25 to the winner of the Thanksgiving day Marathon, the run being from Ferndale to Grand Circus Park, Detroit.

Farmington's new cement highway was opened to the public the first of the week. This is an improvement that will be greatly appreciated by the public, and one that will prove of great benefit to this village in a business way.

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The death of Mrs. Byron Mott occurred at her home, three miles north of Oxford, on the Ben Gardner farm, Thursday, Nov. 10.

PERSONAL

Samuel Hayes, who has been ill for several weeks, is slightly improved, according to his parents. He has been unable to attend school for over a month.

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W. H. Miller has received a contract to install the Mouat Vapor Heating System in the new residence of the Misses Alice and Jeanette Guysi, at Bloomfield Center.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hallock of Ann street entertained Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ferrier of Rochester, and Mrs. Paul Hirch of Detroit, at their home over last week-end.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hayes, Port Huron, a boy. Mrs. Hayes was Miss Catharine Hartwell before her marriage. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hartwell, 217 Brown street.

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The Rebekah entertainment committee will give a pedro party in the I. O. O. F. hall the evening of Dec. 2. Everybody is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served and the committee promises to make everybody have a good time.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. D. B. Van Zandt of Dewey street, will return this week-end from an extensive trip through Massachusetts and various parts of Canada. They visited relatives in both places and have been away about two weeks.

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Jeanette Brown, who has been ill all fall following a serious attack of diphtheria, will not be able to return to school until the coming term which starts in February. She is able to be out-of-doors at present and is reported to be gradually regaining her health.

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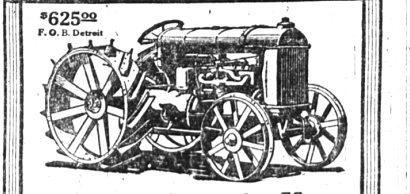

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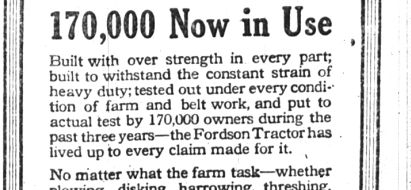

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