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LET'S SETTLE IT

On May 29 there will be called a special election in the Village of Birmingham at which time local residents will have another chance to vote a bond issue for water works extensions. This will be the fourth time within two years that Birmingham has had a chance to settle a problem that has puzzled it for more than a decade. We hope that the water problem will be settled at this coming special election.

Between now and May 29 the local electorate will have a chance to learn fully of the proposition outlined by our Village Commission for water relief. The plans to be placed on the ballot by our Village officials will, undoubtedly, meet with the approval of the required sixty per cent of those who attend the polls. It cannot be otherwise if the people of Birmingham have faith in their duly elected Village Commission.

It has been proven conclusively that the present method of pumping water in Birmingham is very expensive. If a plan to lower materially this great expense of delivering water into our homes can be devised, it goes without saying that it should be accepted.

The proposition to be voted upon May 29 is not, we are told, one that will call for the scrapping of the present water works station. There are any stories circulated throughout the Village that state that the present Village Commission wants to scrap the steam plant, are unfounded.

OUR BEAUTIFUL TREES

As time goes on and the Village of Birmingham grows, there will often be placed before our Village officials the problem of suitably meeting these needs for expansion. Especially in the case of meeting the demands for business expansion.

Right now there is being settled the question of a wider South Woodward avenue. True, if business goes that way—which it bears promise of doing—the street will have to be widened. This means the cutting down of all the beautiful trees that grace this southern entrance to our Village—an entrance that is at once the most captivating and entrancing of Birmingham's beauties.

We cannot stop human progress. Business places must accommodate the public; to accomplish this we must, sometimes, destroy the works of Nature.

It takes a long time to grow trees in any place. We think we are voicing the thoughts of most of Birmingham when we remind ourselves that "Woodman, spare that tree . . ." is a fitting admonition to anyone who desires that Birmingham retain its familiar appendage of "The Pride of Oakland."

Now that the banks are able to lend unlimited capital on new residence construction projects, "Watch us grow!"

The local American Legion baseball team has won two straight games thus far—it would seem that the Detroit Tigers might improve their game if they studied the methods of the Charles Edwards Post.

Frank McHugh, local resident, rode fifteen million miles on the D. U. R. before he paid a fare. Any man who rides that far on a street car ought to be given an automobile for the rest of his days.

Please remember that, on May 29, you have an engagement at the Town Hall, corner Bates and Merrill street, Birmingham. It will only take a moment of your time—don't fail to register your desire for more water.

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS

Forty-Four Years Ago

Granulated sugar, 20c; cigars, 7c; 3-lb. can tomatoes, 10c; corn starch, 8c, at Bigelow & Whitehead's.

Ed Stafford came near being run down by the cars last week near the crossing below the station, behind the feed house and just inside the limits.

William Smith, the new sawmill man, has the contract to build the bridge near John A. Duncan's farm and has taken the job for $104.

The secretary of the Birmingham Fishing Club says that May is the month for members to pay their dues and says for them to govern themselves accordingly.

Vick Olney wishes us to inform the public that he now carries as full a line of cigars as he does peanuts. Give Vick a call.

A new sidewalk has been ordered by the Village "dads" to commence at the south corner of the school lot running south to the southeast corner of Mrs. Hopkins' lot, thence west on the north side of Daines street to the Southfield road. Mr. H. A. Castell, who owns several lots near the western terminus, says he will not build his walk.

Among the many improvements in our village is a new fence on the south side of Daines street, around Thomas Finn's property.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

An expert from Detroit is in Birmingham for a few days helping with the work at the local laundry.

George Campbell will sing at the Decoration Day exercises.

Postmaster C. A. Burr of Rochester, has had his salary raised to $1,100 per year and is building himself and his family a nice new home on the strength of it.

Queen Victoria, Mrs. E. R. Randall and Miss Emeline Mitchell all celebrated their birthdays on May 24.

Our Village band was out last night discursing sweet music on our streets. This grouping of musicians is becoming quite prominent.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church will entertain in the church this evening. You are invited if you have five cents for the most delicious supper you ever put in your mouth. Mrs. Fannie Shain will be in charge of the affair.

Miss Retta Blumberg finished her school year in her school last week and gave a trolley party to Highland Park and back, through the courtesy of Superintendent Savage, which all enjoyed very much. This trolley car business is becoming very popular.

Birmingham is to have a new school building. Mattie Baldwin and Prof. Clizbe, both as citizens who are always looking ahead and wanting the best for their little home town, gave talks Monday evening when the taxpayers met to discuss the plan. It will cost $2,500. This may seem a mighty big sum to some of you but who is there who will say that the school house erected twenty-five years ago has not been outgrown? Chairman Clizbe was appointed to select a building committee of three men and see that the work gets under construction right away. The past year's growth alone has filled up the old building and with our present prospects for Birmingham's growth, the new building will be filled; pressed down and running over before another ten years. It is to be on the present school grounds beside the old building, with a hall connecting the two buildings.

"PRESS PICKINGS"

Considerable prison labor from the Oakland county jail will be used on road maintenance work this summer, according to L. V. Belknap, Oakland county highway engineer.

Albert Guest, a driver for a laundry company, and a brother of C. W. Guest, real estate man of Warren avenue, Detroit, is believed to have hanged himself several days ago in an isolated barn on the Guest farm near Nine-mile road, east of John R. street.

Progressive lodge, No. 6345, Brotherhood of American Yeomen, was officially launched Wednesday night in Odd Fellow hall, Royal Oak, when 150 members were initiated into the order.

Royal Oak will celebrate the one-hundredth anniversary of its settlement on Tuesday, June 6.

Construction has been started on the new eight-story building of the Pontiac Commercial & Savings Bank.

At the request of Justice T. Frank Hooley of Royal Oak Township board, that Ferndale give fire protection throughout Royal Oak township, Ferndale Commission has decided that protection would be given within reasonable limits.

Work on the new city hall at Warren is well under way.

Wilbert Foster has sold the Redford Record to C. E. Ramsey, of that city, who is now in possession.

John Patten, a well known retired farmer, aged 81 years, died Friday of last week at his home in Wixom of paralysis brought on by a fall at his home, when the back of his head was badly injured.

A resolution condemning the proposed elevated railway as being impractical for use at this time, has been passed by the Ferndale village commission at its regular meeting and a copy of the resolution sent the Royal Oak commission.

C. B. Edwards, vice-president of the First State Bank of Royal Oak, proposes a plan to merge the three municipalities of Royal Oak, Pleasant Ridge and Ferndale. Mr. Edwards sees great economy in his action.

Thomas D. Cox, veteran director and phone manager of Romeo, died Friday, at his home in that village.

AT THE GARRICK, DETROIT

For the third week of the Bonstelle Company at the Garrick Theatre another play, the second, new to Detroit theater-goers, has been selected. It bears the title of "Rollo's Wild Oat," and is the work of Clare Kummer, depending upon delightful comedy lines for which Miss Kummer is particularly noted, rather than situations for its entertaining qualities.

"Rollo's Wild Oat" is one of those delicious bits of foolery that is a combination of the serious and humorous, sparkling in lines and affording novelty through the fact that a part of the performance is given over to a rather amateurish imitation of "Hamlet." However, do not remain away feeling you are to be bored by classic drama—perhaps no such performance of "Hamlet" was ever given on any stage that occurs for a few minutes during "Rollo's Wild Oat."

Miss Bonstelle will return to the Detroit company for this week, appearing as Goldie McDuff in Rollo's wild oat. The first performance will be given on Monday night. "The Broken Wing" being offered up to and including Sunday night. The usual Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday matinees will prevail.

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TO KEEP STREETS DUSTLESS

The Birmingham Village Commission has ordered ten tons of calcium chloride to place upon the unpaved streets in certain parts of the Village this Spring. This compound, after being placed upon the road, will eliminate the spread of dust throughout the summer months. The purchase price is paid for by the property owners benefitted. Residents who desire the application of this compound to their streets should make known the fact to the Village Manager. Approximately less than $5.60 per lot will be the cost, it was said, for each property owner.

The Missionary Society of the Troy United Presbyterian church met with Mrs. Robert Graves on Greenwood avenue, Birmingham, Mrs. Robert Reid led the devotionals and the business session was in charge of Miss Agnes Parker, president of the society. The main feature of the day was a four-course luncheon served by the hostess.

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DETROIT UNITED LINES

BIRMINGHAM TIME TABLE
In effect October 17, 1921
(Eastern Standard Time)

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

Southbound Locals—4:50 a.m., 5:26 a.m., 5:31 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 12:50 a.m.

Northbound Locals—5:59, a.m., 6:22 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.

Arbor Day celebrations in the four local schools were carried out under the supervision of school heads, including grade and high school teachers, and consisted of an appropriate program followed by the planting of a maple tree on the grounds of the Barnum school, one of the grade schools of the Village. All school children took part in the program.

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MORTGAGE SALE—Default having been made for more than thirty days in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Tunis W. Miner and Abby Belle Miner, his wife, to J. Ward Parks and Mary E. Parks, his wife, dated the 24th day of November, A. D. 1913, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 1st day of December, A. D. 1913, in Liber 244 of Mortgages, on pages 368-369, and the said J. Ward Parks having died Jan. 15, 1916, leaving a last will and testament which was admitted to probate in the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on the 23rd day of February, 1916, by the terms of which all the right, title and interest of said J. Ward Parks was bequeathed to said Mary E. Parks and said estate having been decreed settled, and said property set over to her by said Probate Court on June 24, 1918, whereby Mary E. Parks mortgagee and is now sole owner of said mortgage and does acknowledge payments which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, and insurance, the sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Six and 8/100 Dollars ($4206.08) and no action or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Notice is Hereby Given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Saturday, the Third day of June, A. D. 1922, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Central Standard Time, the undersigned will, at the entrance to the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with six per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with said Attorney's fee, to-wit:

Commencing at the southeast corner of the west half of the southwest quarter of Section Eleven (11), Town One (1) North, Range Ten (10) East, Michigan; thence south eighty-eight degrees west on Section line, Nine (9) chains, eighty-three and one half (83½) links; thence north two degrees west, forty-one chains, fifty-eight (58) links to the quarter section line; thence south eighty-eight and one half (88½) degrees east, on the quarter section line, nine (9) chains, ninety-three and one half (93½) links; thence south two degrees fifteen minutes east forty-one (41) chains, ten (10) links to the place of beginning, being the east part of the west half of the southeast quarter of Section Eleven (11) Town One (1) North Range Ten (10) East and containing forty-one acres more or less. Township of Southfield, Oakland County, Michigan.

Dated March 7th, 1922.

MARY E. PARKS, Mortgagee.
ARTHUR R. TRIPP,
Attorney for Mortgagee.

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