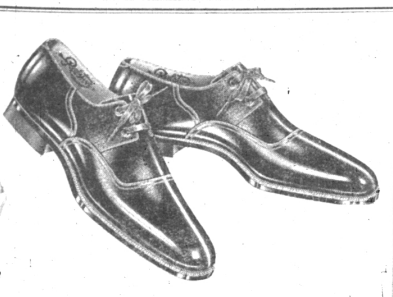


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**VILLAGE TAXES DUE**  
**July 15, 1924**

NOTICE is hereby given that Village Taxes for the fiscal year 1924 will be due and payable at the office of the Village Treasurer July 15, 1924.

Payable without penalty up to and including August 15, 1924.

One per cent penalty from August 16 to September 15, 1924, inclusive. Four per cent penalty from September 16 to October 31, 1924, inclusive. No taxes accepted by Village Treasurer after October 31, 1924, as the tax roll will be in the hands of the County Treasurer at Pontiac for collection. All taxes unpaid after October 31, 1924, will bear the four per cent penalty plus three-quarters of one per cent for each additional month or fraction thereof.

**Charles E. Plumstead**  
 Treasurer, Village of Birmingham.

**Quiet and Unobtrusive, Greenwood Cemetery Rests The Village Dead**

As the passerby looks at Greenwood Cemetery with its smooth green lawns and luxuriant shade trees, stretching along part of Oak street, he cannot but be inspired by its natural beauty. Within the cemetery are the graves of the men and their monuments or older slabs. Passing further he discovers that the earliest marked graves in the cemetery are those of Capt. Joseph Almy, Polly Utter and Cynthia, daughter of J. and P. Utter, all of whom died in 1825. They lie in the southeast corner of "Old Ground," so called because it was the fought in the present Greenwood Cemetery.

The late George Caswell used to point out the lot, his grandfather bought on the "Old Ground" more than 100 years ago for only eight dollars. (Today lots sell at the rate of eighty cents per square foot.) In order to keep the sheep and cattle off, the elder Caswell found it necessary to put a rail fence around his lot.

At the other end of the cemetery stands the old Soldiers' Monument, which was moved from the corner of East Maple and Woodward avenues some 25 years ago. It was erected by citizens of Troy, Royal Oak, Bloomfield and Southfield Township for the men of the navy, army, artillery and infantry. The monument is a massive, four-sided granite pillar fifteen feet in diameter in the air. Each side is dedicated to the men of the different branches who died or were killed in the service. The men named from Bloomfield township were James Grandley, Dr. Oscar Drake, Kd; Orville Drake, D; J. Kelly, D; Malcom Carter, Kd; Peter Lowes, D; Alboe Madison, Dr; Andrew Simpson, D; (It is said by old residents that Mr. Simpson was shot down and died in the service. They maintain that the D after his name should have been Kd.); B. G. Leach, D; Merritt Schlaack, Kd; James Davis, D; Ogar Fall, Kd; Henry Lewis, D; John Leach, D; G. L. Bassett, D; A. J. Stone, D; George Briggs, Kd; John French, D; Truston Talbot, D; James Briggs, Kd; Frank Bowen, D; Isaac G. Morgan, Kd; Byron McGraw, D; James Greer, D; T. J. Barman, D; Robert Lowes, D; and William Irving, Kd.

As one reads the stanzas on the slabs his attention is especially arrested by this one:  
 "Friend no physician could not save  
 This mortal laid on the grave;  
 Nor can the grave contain her here,  
 When Christ commands her to appear."

"Another reads:  
 "We have traveled long together,  
 Hand in hand and heart to heart,  
 Both in fair and stormy weather,  
 Both in hard and hard part;  
 While I sigh farewell to you,  
 Answer one and all adieu.  
 Any pleasant day an old gentleman will be seen walking in and out among the graves, mowing the lawns, uprooting the weeds, "tidying up" the cemetery. He is Charles A. Smith, caretaker. And anyone who talks with him will learn many curious things about Birmingham's beautiful cemetery.

**Exchanges Trim Firemen In Game Here July Fourth**

Noonday Club Maintains Supremacy In National Pastime; Score 16-13

The Exchange Club of Birmingham defeated the local firemen in a hard-fought game of baseball on the Municipal field last Friday, by a score of 16 to 13. Both teams were in splendid trim and those who witnessed the game reported that they had spent a worth while three hours.

It is said that fans along the side lines showed a most sportsmanlike attitude, chief among the rooters being Leo Brooker, father D. Allen Harry Rainey and Bob McClellan. Before the game was over it was reported by those about them that the body could tell which team received the most benefit from the vocal efforts of Troy, Royal Oak, Bloomfield and Southfield Township.

"Ralph Moulthrop was not in a good batting form as usual. On two granite pillars fifteen feet in diameter as many times to hit the ball as Bryan had seen for president of the United States. (And he came about as near hitting it as Bryan ever came to being elected.)

"The boys of the Exchanges and the boys made good showings. Tom Leach showed the runs and kept the boys informed when they were up to bat.

"Dave Anderson, pitching the first two innings for the firemen allowed the Exchanges 12 of their 16 runs. Merritt Schlaack, short stop for the firemen, hit the ball of deep center for a walk around in the fourth inning. This without question was the longest hit ever witnessed on Barrum Field.

"Rollie Reynolds played a 100 per cent improved game—but because the umpire had no right to call him out on strikes when he should have been presented with a free ticket to first; and also when the Exchanges questioned the eligibility of Dave Bell to play with their opponents. However, it was finally held that he was an honorary member. That's all."

**OBITUARY**

**MRS. JULIA LOUISA PERRY**  
 At the home of her three sisters in Santa Barbara, Calif., Mrs. Perry died Thursday, June 26, after a year of continual suffering, at the age of 80 years.

Mrs. Perry was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Chapman of Utica. After her marriage in 1866 Mr. and Mrs. Perry moved to Troy township where they lived until 1882. At that time they moved to Birmingham, where they lived until Mr. Perry's death in 1913. Their three sisters Mrs. Perry moved to Santa Barbara in 1920 where they have lived since.

She remains were accompanied here by a sister, Mrs. Mary E. Adams. The funeral was held July 5 with services held by Rev. W. C. McKnight in Crook's Cemetery where interment was made in the family lot.

Three sisters besides Mrs. Adams survive Mrs. Perry: Mrs. Caroline Given and Miss Esther Chapman with whom she lived in California and Mrs. C. Williams of Rockford, Ill.

**Spinning Praises Firemen For Their Splendid Efforts**

That the people of Birmingham do appreciate the splendid work of their fire fighters is abundantly shown from time to time when a resident, after suffering damage to his property, writes a letter to the Eccentric commending the fire-fighters. Such is the matter contained in a letter from Galle C. Spinning, 402 Knox street, whose house caught fire Monday of this week.

Editor The Eccentric: I am glad of this opportunity to express my appreciation of the splendid work done by the Birmingham Fire Department last Monday at my home.

The firemen were on the job with both trucks within two minutes after the alarm was given. They went about their work in an extremely efficient and business-like manner, confining themselves to fighting the fire—not wrecking the house.

Birmingham is to be congratulated for its fire-fighters, and I for one wish to give credit where credit is due. I realize that the damage was much smaller than it might have been. The department was prompt. The more we know exactly what to do—and they know—our lives are more secure.

**METROPOLITAN AREA NOW WELL ORGANIZED**

Forty delegates, appointed by the thirty communities in counties interested in the formation of a metropolitan area, met at the Board of Commerce Tuesday and organized themselves as the Michigan Metropolitan Conference. Permanent officers were named to set about the immediate preparation of a constitutional amendment to be submitted to the next Legislature. Clarence E. Wilcox, attorney for the Board of Commerce, was named chairman of the permanent organization. Other officers named are: Secretary, C. E. Boyd, of the Board of Commerce; treasurer, Mayor Clarence E. Gilts, of Highland Park; and the following vice-chairmen, who with the officers named make up the executive committee: A. Le. Moore, Pontiac, representing Oakland county; Maynard A. Dolph, Northville, representing Wayne county; J. E. Bell, Flint, representing Genesee county; George H. Sandenburgh, Albion, representing Washington county; Franklin Moore, St. Clair, St. Clair County; Walter A. Sperr, Grand Rapids, Kent County; John W. Weeks, Mt. Clemens, Macomb County; Daniel F. Sullivan, Monroe County; and C. L. McGaffee, Lenawee County.

The purpose of the conference was declared to be: "To study the common problems of drainage, sewage disposal, rapid transit, port development, water supply, in which there is a community interest and a need for united action."

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MORTGAGE SALE: Default having been made on certain conditions of a certain mortgage made by Charles Edwin Jones, late of Pontiac, Michigan, as executor of the estate of the late George H. Jones, of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, said mortgage and mortgagee's certificate and mortgage, bearing date the Fifteenth day of May, A. D. 1922, at the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the County of Oakland, Michigan, and which mortgage was thereafter duly assigned to the late Lawson-Kirk Lumber Company, a Michigan corporation, into Detroit and Sons Company, a Michigan Corporation, and the said mortgagee, the said Lawson-Kirk Lumber Company, a Michigan Corporation, and the said Detroit and Sons Company, a Michigan Corporation, together with the said mortgagee, the said Lawson-Kirk Lumber Company, a Michigan Corporation, and the said Detroit and Sons Company, a Michigan Corporation, have caused to be advertised for sale at public auction on the highest bid, to be made on or after the date hereinafter set, the premises included in the mortgage, to-wit: **THIRTY EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR AND SEVEN THIRTS** (3844 and 37) acres and out of lot of property as law on entry having been instituted by the mortgagee and its heirs there.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and of the authority of each said mortgagee and mortgagee's certificate and mortgagee, the said premises, or so much thereof as may be required, on Tuesday, the 21st day of July, A. D. 1924, at 12 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time, at the place of public auction in the highest bid, to be made on or after the date hereinafter set, the premises included in the mortgage, to-wit: **THIRTY EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR AND SEVEN THIRTS** (3844 and 37) acres and out of lot of property as law on entry having been instituted by the mortgagee and its heirs there, together with the said mortgagee, the said Lawson-Kirk Lumber Company, a Michigan Corporation, and the said Detroit and Sons Company, a Michigan Corporation, and all legal claims and demands thereon, including an attorney's fee, to-wit:  
 Dated at Detroit, Michigan, this 19th day of July, 1924.  
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