CALCIUM CHLORI
SAND, GRAVEL and CEMENT
BEECH, MAPLE an
ORCHARD SPRAYS
Fertilizers - Fence
Hard and Soft Coal
Parks Coal C
High Street

DON'T BUY
SMOKE and ASH
When you buy a ton of FUEL — buy a to
Don't buy fuel that sends a lot of your mo
smoke — and more out the grate in ash
that's lost heat and lost money.
YOU GET YOUR MONEY'S-WOR
OF HEAT IN
CONSUMERS G
COKE
"More Heat For Your Money"
NOW Is the time to profit by our EASY PURCHASE PLA
bin — pay in small, hardly-missed amount
all paid when winter comes.
$12.00 PER TON
GET IT AT SUMMER PRICES
Price Guaranteed with Cash Bound Against I
ACT NOW — AND PROFIT
Just Phone 533
CONSUMERS POWI

VILLAGE TAXE

Since July 15,

NOTICE is hereby given

Taxes for the fiscal year 192- have been due and payable at the office of the Village Treasurer since 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.

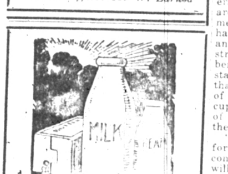
BUYS KLINGENSMITH ESTATE FOR $250,000

It was announced this week that the estate of Frank L. Klingensmith in Bloomfield Hills has been purchased by George G. Booth, for $250,000. The estate, which faces the Booth property from across Cranbrook Road, consists of 54 acres, the spacious Klingensmith home, garage, and greenhouse, and two tenant houses.

Mr. Klingensmith, it is thought, will build in the Hills or vicinity in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Errickson of George street are entertaining a sister of Mr. Errickson's. Miss Edna Errickson of Milleville, N. J., who arrived Sunday to spend several weeks.

DAILY BAGGAGE SERVICE
To and From Detroit
Royal Oak
Birmingham
Express
PHONE
Wilson Drug, 35 - Res. 556
Detroit Office: 139 W. Larned



High Grade Milk
Direct from the farm Daily service. Test and quality guaranteed. We employ local men at good wages and are here the year round.
Phone 536
Michigan Dairy & Farm Produce Co.
121 EAST MAPLE AVE.

F. J. Mulholland Co.
Ladies', Men's and Children's Wear,
Dry Goods and Household
Furnishings
(NEXT TO FIRST STATE SAVINGS BANK)
109 N. WOODWARD AVE. - Birmingham

ORIENTAL and DOMESTIC
RUGS
CLEANING, REPAIRING
and HAND WASHING
By the only Native Experts in Oakland County
PONTIAC: Phone 2718-J BIRMINGHAM: Phone 346
NEAR EAST ORIENTAL RUG WORKS
S. M. MARDIGIAN - General Manager
Reference: Waite Bros., Pontiac (9 years in Detroit)

Mothers, Read This Plea For Modern Cannon Fodder

The Eccentric this week is in receipt of a letter from Capt. Smith of the Michigan National Guard, asking that publicity be given to the need for men between the ages of 18 and 45, to become affiliated with Hospital Co. 119 for the period beginning August 8 and ending August 22.

Letters similar to the one from Capt. Smith have probably been received at every newspaper office in the United States, for these communications are but pleas for men to learn the art of human destruction so that, in time of war, our nation may have within its boundaries the highest type of military efficiency.

The maintenance of an army and navy by this country is the most expensive pursuit that taxes the federal treasury. Other countries have even gone further than the U. S. in armament preparation, with the result that their citizens—already greatly over-burdened with past war debts—are crushed with maintaining a standing military system that today threatens the good of the people.

Good things come slowly; several centuries from now there probably will be fewer letters sent out by various Capt. Smiths. People, no longer over-ruled by self shness, will not seek a thing that belongs to another—and wars between nations will, perhaps, cease.

However, good mothers of Birmingham and vicinity (and fathers, too), read what Capt. Smith wrote to you, and let your son join; he certainly will get some physical good from the treatment, anyhow. Here is Smith's letter in full:

"A few abbodied men between the ages of 18 and 45, of good character can secure vacation with pay by affiliating with Hospital Co. 119 of the Michigan National Guard. Uniforms, equipment, transportation, food and medical attention is furnished and also paid at the rate of from $1.00 to $2.00 per day for the duration of the camp. This encampment extends from August 8th to 22nd, both dates inclusive. Several cooks are wanted and men that are willing and able to learn what it means to be able to successfully handle a person who has met with an accident such as drowning, sunstroke, broken bones, etc. A number of efficient doctors form the staff of instructors and everything that is taught in these classes will be of inestimable value in the daily occupation of every man. Knowledge of medicine is not required nor is there any charges of any kind.

"There are many opportunities for promotion to the grade of non-commissioned officer for those who will learn, work for the organization and show the proper attitude of mind.

"Anyone interested can secure further information by seeing Capt. Smith at the Detroit Armory, Brush and Larned streets any Tuesday evening. As camp opens August 8th immediate action is necessary."

Y. M. C. A. NEWS

Accommodations are being made at the Y. M. C. A. Camp Boyville on Elizabeth Lake for about twenty Birmingham boys, a number of whom are making their own expenses. Two are to be sent by the Rotary Club and assistance is being given by the Exchange Club to five more. The camp is to be held in two 10-day sessions beginning August 1st and lasting through August 20. The Birmingham boys have been requested to attend the camp during the first camp period.

Under the direction of A. E. Nord of Nebraska, a graduate of the Y. M. C. A. college in Chicago, a number of Birmingham boys will act as assistants. Irwin H. Neff, Jr., Russell McBride and Loyal Campbell are the only names yet placed on the assistants' list.

The Rotary Club has donated $30, the required amount to keep two boys at the camp for a ten-day period. The money will be used for boys who would have no other means of attending the camp. The Exchange Club has appointed a committee to obtain work for five boys who are willing to work for the sum required for their entrance. Employment has been given the boys by local merchants and citizens.

The camp leaders are expected to go to Elizabeth Lake early next week to make camp and raise the tents. Between August 20 and 30, Camp Maidville, a girls' Y. W. C. A. Camp, uses the site for their outing.

THE PULPIT OF THE PRESS

A Series Of Weekly Preachments By the Clergy Of Birmingham.

WAR

By REV. JULIAN S. WEST
Of the First Methodist Church of Birmingham

You say: "In a world like this war is inevitable; war must be."

Who told you so? Did Jesus Christ? Or was His birth song peace—goodwill?

You say: "The adjudication of international differences is impossible."

It may indeed come sometime; but now we must be prepared to go out and kill our brother men by millions who have no responsibility for conditions simply because we cannot adjudicate our international questions by conference and arbitration, by a court of international justice. If this is so why should we try to adjudicate differences between neighbors by that process? Is not the State a corporate body? Is it not amenable to right-ousness? Do you not think that the first thing we ought to do is to take some of the unnumbered millions of dollars we are appropriating to "preparedness" and use them in instilling preparedness of heart, play, of good will and righteousness? The right-ousness that will wish for courts instead of poison gas and explosives. It seems that this logic that we cannot trust, to adjudication by right-ousness, is born in perdition; certainly it is not born in heaven.

You say: "Religion has nothing to do with war. War is as old as the race; it probably will last as long as the race lasts." Well, perhaps. But is not that doctrine pretty severe on the doctrine of the goodness of God which you are supposed to believe? We believe that the goodness of God is something to bank on, it is a present fact, that we can afford to propagate it collectively in nations as well as individuals and neighbors, that goodness and justice shall furnish the starting point of a true international system.

But you say that human nature is a tough proposition which cannot be changed. Where does that leave Calvary? Where Gethsemane? Where the Gospel? Friend, you are mistaken. That human nature can be changed is an attested fact. Jesus can change human nature in the individual and the State. We all know that Jesus has power to make all things new in twice born men. Where are the practices of our kith and kin of generations agone? Did they not drink wine out of the skull of their enemies whom they tortured to death? Has not Jesus Christ changed the climate of civilization? Of course He has.

Let us give Him a chance. Let us have that kind of a Declaration of Independence. Let us put Him at the council table; and not throw His chair out of the window and lock the door when He tries to come in. War will cease, when Christian peoples take Christ as the starting point of international relations.

Three Birmingham residents, Mrs. F. G. Crawford of East Maple avenue, Vivlen Rauss, son of Mrs. John Gritzinger of West Maple road, and Arthur Kreger are recovering from operations this week. Mrs. Crawford is in Harper hospital, where she was operated on last Thursday. Mr. Rauss and Mr. Kreger are in the Pontiac City hospital. It is expected that both will soon be discharged. Mrs. Mabel Stanley Leonard Schorr has been confined to her home on Pierce street during the past two weeks with an attack of influenza. Although the services of a nurse are still required, it is reported that Mrs. Schorr is convalescing.

Local Fisherman Gets Biggest Bass Caught In Otsego

Written on stationery from "The Flanders, Ye Wayside Inn," at Waters, Michigan, The Eccentric received the following communication this week:

"To Whom it May Concern:

We, the undersigned, swear under oath that we have actual knowledge of the fact that one B. D. Thompson of Pierce street, Birmingham, Michigan, was fortunate in landing two of the largest black bass that were ever taken from the waters of Big Bradford Lake, Waters, Otsego county, Michigan. We also set our hand and seal to the fact that he is a real fisherman, the statements of other *would be* fishermen notwithstanding.

(Signed)
Floyd Flanders, Postmaster,
Frank Flanders, Proprietor of "The Flanders,"
Rev. Frank Shann,
Thomas Marlott, Deputy Game and Fish Warden.

At the bottom of the missive was a seal bearing the words, "Waters, Mich., July 11, 1924," which bore out the authenticity of the missive.

It must be admitted that of all the fish stories which have come to our notice this year or any other year, this is the most convincing. And we know some pretty convincing ones, ourselves.

Golf Pro Talks To Rotary Members

"Jimmy" Anderson, golf professional at the Birmingham Golf Club, very ably gave a talk on golf before the members of the local Rotary club Monday noon at the Birwood Inn. His talk was accompanied by examples of various strokes of the clubs. Mr. Anderson, in discussing the ability to learn the Scotch game, placed great emphasis on the need of all beginners first to take actual instructions from a golf pro; it is his contention that a person who has played without instructions for a year or two always learns many things that prove a handicap in correctly playing the game, and that these faults, once acquired, are very hard to overcome.

Following a short discussion on the plan to provide work for several boys of the town, so that they may earn money with which to go to Camp Boyville, near Elizabeth Lake, it was voted by the Rotary membership that the club sponsor sending at least two boys there. Camp Boyville is run under the auspices of the County Y. M. C. A.

MRS. C. J. SHAIN PRESIDENT OF STUDENT LOAN FUND

It was incorrectly stated in last week's Eccentric that Walter Pratt of Southfield avenue, had been elected president of the Student Loan Fund at the annual school district meeting last week. Mr. Pratt was re-elected a member of the official board of the Fund, instead. The officers of the Fund are selected from its own membership. Mrs. Charles J. Shain is president; Mrs. Mabel Roy, secretary; Arthur Peck, treasurer, and the three other members are Walter Pratt, R. J. Coryell and Clarence Vliet. Mr. Peck is the bonded officer of the Fund.

STATE HORTICULTURISTS VIEWED LOCAL ORCHARDS

Of current interest to local fruit growers was the three day tour of orchards by the Michigan State Horticultural Society starting Monday, July 21st from Berrien County. On the third they toured Oakland County starting at 9:30 A. M. from Fred P. Simon's orchard near Novi, going through John Lathrop's, D. P. Dutton's and C. H. Halstead's orchards, then to Orchard Lake Hotel for dinner at 12 o'clock after which addresses were given by the American Pomological Society. Leaving Orchard Lake they drove through Wabeek Farms of James H. Couzens, then to Edwin S. George's orchard, after which the tour ended at Sly Fruit Farms, Maple Avenue West.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our grateful thanks and appreciation to our relatives, neighbors and friends who so kindly remembered us during the sickness and burial of our dear husband and father. Also members of the Baptist Church and W. C. T. U. for beautiful flowers.

To Revs. Edwards and MacKay for comforting words, and to singer, Mr. Homberger and Mrs. De Vleiger.

Mrs. Chas. Newman,
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cole,
Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson,
Capt. and Mrs. Alec. Allen.

adv14*

On the Steamer "Marnora," Mrs. Wylie Groves of South Woodward avenue sailed last Thursday from Quebec for Ireland where she will spend two months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. McCord.

Bonds paid 21,108.50
Interest on bonds 60.00
Mary Patrick Annuity 616.52
Taxes .....

Total ..... $ 32,785.02

Auxiliary Agencies
Library ..... $ 915.54
Nurse and Supplies 1,543.31
Moving Pictures 30.00
Lecture Course 510.00

Total ..... $ 2,998.85

Building and Equipment
Baldwin school ..... $ 82,454.86
Furniture 2,249.26
Barnum Field 7,686.88

Total ..... $ 92,371.00
Grand Total $270,782.57

Respectfully submitted
ROY J. TAYLOR, Secretary

The following financial report of the Treasurer for the year 1923-1924 was read by the secretary, Roy J. Taylor:

Receipts
Balance on hand July 9, 1923 ..... $ 7,356.40
Receipts from all sources 1923-1924 ..... 556,453.81
Total $563,810.21

Expenditures
Vouchers No. 3826 to No. 3734, including $827.68 of unpaid vouchers 1922-23 ..... 270,775.25
Balance $293,034.96
Vouchers between No. 3654 and No. 3733 unpaid as per list appended 835.00
Net balance $292,199.96

Verification
First National Bank bal. ..... $ 37,380.00
First State Bank bal. 5,665.39
Certific's of De-

It was moved by Chas. J. Shain, supported by A. B. D. Van Zandt that the above resolution be adopted.

The following amendment to be added to the third paragraph was offered by Mr. W. C. Harris: That the said official ballot shall be published in the same manner and at the same time as the notice of the annual school meeting. The amendment was accepted by Messrs. Shain and Van Zandt, a standing vote taken and the resolution was carried.

The following résolution was offered by Roy E. Brown, seconded by W. W. Spreen:

Resolved, That it be the sense of this annuful meeting that during the new fiscal year all bonding proposals for the purchase of new or additional school sites or for the construction of new buildings or additions to now existing buildings be submitted at one and the same time to the end, that when voting the duly qualified voters may know the maximum requirements of the school board.

Resolved, further, that nothing herein contained, shall effect the calling of any special election in case of emergencies for the replacement of school buildings, in whole or in part, lost through fire or storm.

Resolved, further, that all bonding proposals be duly advertised not less than thirty days prior to the date of voting thereon.

It was moved by Roy E. Brown, supported by Mr. Harvey Whalen that the above resolution be adopted. A standing vote was taken and the resolution lost.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn. Carried.

H. B. CLEMENT, President
ROY J. TAYLOR, Secretary

Birmingham, Mich., July 14, 1924.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held in the office

First grade (Adams school) ..... presented health plays under the direction of Mrs. Beyette and Miss Spring.

The Modern Health Crusade was conducted in the third grade (Barnum school) under the direction of Misses Terrill and Blackmer.

A report on the height, weight and normal weight of each child (grade kdg. to 7) was sent to the parents four times during the year.

Under nourished children were served milk by the Parent Teachers' Associations.

Indigent dental corrections, twenty-two (22) in number were cared for by Dr. Tucker, who kindly gave his services gratis. Formerly such patients were taken to a dental clinic in Pontiac, which is financed by the Pontiac Board of Education and the Red Cross Association.

I wish to recommend to the Birmingham Board of Education that they consider some form of a dental clinic in connection with the schools.

Respectfully submitted,
EMMA CHRISTENSEN.

The business manager, John Burkman, of the Baldwinian submitted the following report and it was ordered spread on the minutes.

Birmingham, Mich., July 15, 1924.
To the Board of Education,
Birmingham, Michigan.

Sirs:—I do hereby desire to give the following financial report for the Baldwinian of 1924:

Receipts	
Sales	$ 663.75
Advertisements	316.50
Group pictures	21.70
Miscellaneous	158.25
From Senior Class	18.30
Total	$1,178.50
Expenses	
Printing	$ 718.95

were declared closed at 9 o'clock p.m., having been open for 9 consecutive hours.

Upon the canvass of the votes cast on said proposition, the result was found to be as follows:

Whole number of votes cast on said proposition, 194. For bonding, Yes, 106. Against bonding, No, 87. Ballots spoiled, 1. Total, 194.

R. J. TAYLOR, Secretary,
H. B. CLEMENT, Chairman,
A. W. CAMPBELL, Inspector.

Bond Election

Birmingham, Mich., July 14, 1924.

The undersigned constituting the Board of Election Inspectors at the special election of the Qualified Electors of School District No. 1 Fractional of the Townships of Bloomfield, Troy, Royal Oak and Southfield, Oakland County, Michigan, called by the District Board of said District, will be held in the Baldwin High School building in Birmingham, Michigan in said District on the 14th day of July, A. D. 1924, at twelve (12) o'clock M. Central Standard Time, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said District the proposition to authorize the District Board to borrow the sum of Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-two Dollars ($18,382) and to issue the bonds of the District therefore, bearing interest at the rate of 4½ per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, both principal and interest to be payable at Birmingham, Michigan, said bonds to be dated July 15, 1924, and to mature July 15, 1928, $18,382, and to be numbered from 1 to 19 both consecutively and inclusively and to be in the denomination of One Thousand Dollars ($1,000) each, except bond No. 19, which shall be Three Hundred Eighty-two Dollars ($382) funds from said bonds to be used to purchase a parcel of land described as follows: A parcel of land situated in the Quarton Lake Subdivision, said site containing 7.3582 acres to cost Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-two Dollars ($18, 382).

ROY J. TAYLOR, Secretary.

Dated this 14th day of July, 1924.

The polls were declared open at 12 M.

The Board of Election Inspectors sworn in consisted of H. B. Clement, A. W. Campbell, B. Blumberg, Florence Walker, Martha Wilson and R. J. Taylor, who were selected by the qualified voters present to act with the District Board as Inspectors of Election. H. B. Clement was chosen as Chairman of the Board of Election Inspectors, R. J. Taylor as Secretary and A. W. Campbell as Inspector. A poll list was kept and a suitable ballot box provided and used. The polls were declared closed at 9 o'clock p.m., having been open for 9 consecutive hours.

Upon the canvass of the votes cast on said proposition, the result was found to be as follows:

Whole number of votes cast on said proposition, 194. For bonding, Yes, 103. Against bonding, no, 90. Ballots spoiled, 1. Total, 194.

R. J. TAYLOR, Secretary,
H. B. CLEMENT, Chairman,
A. W. CAMPBELL, Inspector.

Bond Election

Birmingham, Mich., July 14, 1924.

The undersigned constituting the Board of Election Inspectors at the special election of the Qualified Electors of School District No. 1 Fractional of the Townships of Bloomfield, Troy, Royal Oak and Southfield, Oakland County, Michigan, held in said District on the 14th day of July, A. D. 1924, hereby certify that the polls of said election were declared open at 12 o'clock M. and were kept open for 9 consecutive hours, being closed at 9 o'clock p.m., that a poll list was kept and a suitable ballot box used, and that upon a canvass of the ballots cast upon the proposition:

"To authorize School District No. 1 Fractional, Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan, to borrow the sum of Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-two Dollars ($18,382) and to issue the bonds of the District therefore, bearing interest at rate of 4½ percent per annum, payable semi-annually, both principal and interest to be payable at Birmingham, Michigan, said bonds to be dated July 15, 1924, and to mature: July 15, 1928, $18,382, and to be numbered from 1 to 19 both consecutively and inclusively and to be in the denomination of One Thousand Dollars ($1000) each, except bond No. 19 which shall be Three Hundred Eighty-two Dollars ($382), funds from said bonds to be used for the purchase of a parcel of land described as follows: A parcel of land situated in the Quarton Lake Subdivision, Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan, bounded on the north by the center of Elm street, on the east by the center of Hawthorne Avenue, on the south by the center of Oak Street, and on the west by the center of Fairfax Avenue being Lots No. 578 to 604 inclusive of said Quarton Lake Subdivision, said parcel containing 7.3528 acres of land to be used as a school site."

It was found that the whole number of ballots cast on the proposition was 194, of which there were in favor of the said proposition 103 ballots and against said proposition there were cast 90 ballots, and that there were 1 spoiled ballots.

Further that the proceedings of said meeting were regular and in accord with the statutes in such case made and provided.

H. B. CLEMENT, Chairman,
R. J. TAYLOR, Secretary,
A. W. CAMPBELL, Inspector.

Dated this 14th day of July, 1924.

Moved and seconded to adjourn. Carried.

H. B. CLEMENT, President
R. J. TAYLOR, Secretary.

A TRAGEDY
Neglect claims many victims. Sickness and suffering, the penalty for abuse and neglect, could often be avoided if we "played safe." Our kidneys frequently need assistance and stimulation—nature has provided Mountain Valley Water from Hot Springs.
Quality Grocery
Birmingham Distributor
Phones 820-821. - We deliver