

DATA PROPOSED SCHOOL BOARDS GIVEN OUT BY BOARD

Complete Details Of School District's Status Show Need For Grade School TO BUILD IN ECO CITY

Voters To Ballot On \$270,000 Bond Issue May 26; Polls In High School

The local Board of Education, following a request by the Eccentric that detailed information concerning the proposed \$270,000 school bond issue for a grade school or piece of street in Eco City be made known this week, submitted the following article. The article contains a splendid and complete account of the facts that bear out the necessity of another school for the children of this district.

Local electors will be asked to vote on this bond issue at a special election called for next Monday, May 26, from 2 to 3 o'clock in the morning at high school. A two-thirds majority of favorable vote is necessary to carry the project.

Boundary Defined.
District No. 1 Fractional of the Township of Bloomfield, Troy, Royal Oak and Farmington, and one-half miles from north to south and three and one-half miles from east to west, contains 5646 acres. It extends roughly from Hunt on the west, one-half mile above Leno Pine on the north and from Cranbrook-Todd road on the south to Adams road, one-half to one mile east of Adams road on the east. It includes the village of Birmingham with a present population of 5,000. The suburban population in the district outside Birmingham is given as 1,000 at least 6,000 to the district. The village of Birmingham includes 840 acres, the largest of which has been subdivided into 48 plots containing 2054 lots. The suburban plots have 42 plots containing more than 2500 lots.

Assessed Valuation.
The assessed valuation of the district for 1923 was \$8,000,000 while the assessed valuation for 1924 will be \$11,000,000. The direct school tax for 1923 was \$148,563, at the rate of 1.79 mills on the dollar. The present direct school district is \$455,600, on which annual payments of \$15,000 are made. These bonds were issued for the following purposes:

Barnum building	6,500
Baldwin building	1,900
and addition	250,500
Baldwin furnishings	10,000
Adams site and bldg.	150,600
Adams & Maplecrest	17,000
Total	\$455,600

The limit of the bonded debt of a graded school district shall not exceed 15 per cent of its valuation. Hence the limit of the bonded debt of this district would be \$1,500,000 on the 1924 valuation.

School Property.
The school property consists of the following descriptions:
1. The Baldwin High School, occupied in 1917, and enlarged in 1924. It contains 4 session rooms, 25 class rooms, 3 laboratories, auditorium and gymnasium, and domestic science, manual training, commercial, sewing, printing, and mechanical drawing rooms, and accommodations for 700 students.
2. The Adams School, which has 13 teachers and every room adapted to a basement room and a temporary outside room is in use at present.

3. The Barnum School. This is a one-room building in 1913. At the present time one room in the basement is used as a day room for the children in connection with this school covers 5 acres.
4. The Adams School. This is a modern building built in 1921 at a cost of \$166,600 for building and site. It contains 20 session rooms, 25 class rooms, 2 laboratories, 2 gymnasiums, 2 vocational rooms and a gymnasium.
5. The Maplecrest School. This is a one-room building in Maplecrest subdivision in the extreme southeastern part of the district which cares for children in the first four grades. It cost \$4,000 and was completed in 1922.

The total estimated value of the present school property and equipment is \$2,000,000.

Attendance Statistics.
The following census and daily attendance statistics are reported:

Year	Census	Average Daily Attendance
1920	1063	716
1921	1180	895
1922	1263	916
1923	1285	1054
1924	Estimated 1450	1188

1924 Average attendance: 1188. Total enrollment: 1450. Total enrollment: 1450. Total enrollment: 1450.

REMINISCENCES

(Bits of Information Gathered from Local Citizens and Other Available Historical Records. Send Us Anything You May Have Of A Similar Nature.)

Prior to the days when "under six" meant school for about a week and nine months a year, a misunderstanding with the teacher was ample cause for the termination of a course in school and a "thrashing or flogging" that was frequently administered as justification for giving up one's education. That is how it all happened as 76-year-old Martin Blunt of Warren tells us. He, who now wields the hammer at auctions with such poise and self-assurance, after receiving a series of terrific blows, quit school because the other fellow didn't get a "whaling."

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Today, at the age of 76 years, Martin Blunt, who lives in the same house after auctioneer in the county. He is not only one of the prominent figures in Birmingham, but also a prominent citizen in his home village, Warren.

Rotary Club Pays Tribute To Memory Of J. S. Hassberger

Draped with a black ribbon, the American flag, which occupies a place in all Rotary meetings, presented a fitting tribute to the memory of J. S. Hassberger, local leader, who died last Sunday.

With an short eulogistic address by Thomas H. Cobb, of the First State Savings Bank, in which the deceased was highly commended for his entire assemblage staff with bow and arrow as Louis Hassal sang a dirge in tribute to the memory of J. S. Hassberger, local leader, who died last Sunday.

TWO LOCAL GIRLS ON UNIV. PROGRAM

For the first time in the history of the University of Michigan freshmen have been allowed to take part in "Yanters Night" dances. The 1924 class will give their first appearance in an interpretive play, the night of Prose and Poetry.

BONUS BLANKS TO BE HERE IN MONTH

By Joseph F. MacGregor
It is the wish of the members of the American Legion and no other organization to see that the best interests of this measure of national justice. There was opposition from within and without the Legion. The Commission Bill is now a law.

PARALLEL PARKING ON WOODWARD AVE.

A parallel parking system along Woodward avenue in Birmingham went into effect yesterday with the use of the new parking lines, which are painted on the curbstone. The new parking lines are five inches wide, but the old lines were only three inches wide. This is a measure passed by the village commission some time ago, but the work has not been done for the job of painting until now.

MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

Our Country, the proudest, the most mighty of nations, sovereignty, righteousness, a again called upon to the memory of the fallen. Memorial Day was created in order that the deeds of sacrifice and devotion to freedom in the Civil War might forever live. But time has brought a new and vast array of living and fallen heroes for us to honor. In deepest reverence we pay tribute to the few veterans of the Civil War still living. Soon the Grand Commander of all will issue his final order to these proud but falling comrades of '61 and there will be no living Grand First veteran to honor.

Beloved Local Citizen Passed Away In Pontiac Hospital Sunday

James S. Hassberger, 617 Yorkshire road, beloved and respected citizen of Birmingham, was quietly laid away Tuesday afternoon in Roseland Park cemetery. Standing with him at the grave were J. W. Harris, Lamb and Charles Binham, officers of Birmingham Lodge No. 44, F. & A. M., and a large number of friends and relatives.

Funeral On Tuesday Over 200 Friends Join Widow And Four Children In Mourning

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CONTRACT AWARDED FOR DISPOSAL TANK

Bartling & Dull of Pontiac, Will Start Work July 1, Complete Dec. 1 TO COST \$33,692.92

An organized team of base ball players from Oxford will meet for the first time on Saturday afternoon on Decoration Day at the Barnum Field. The first game will be between the Oxford and Birmingham teams at 3 o'clock.

Two Games Of Ball With Oxford May 30

Providing the weather permits, the Oxford baseball team will play a game with the Birmingham team on Saturday afternoon at the Barnum Field. The first game will be between the Oxford and Birmingham teams at 3 o'clock.

Hughes Withdraws \$25,000 Libel Suit

The libel suit which George A. Hughes filed against this newspaper some time ago has been voluntarily withdrawn by the plaintiff. The suit was presented to the court by the plaintiff's attorney, Charles J. Shain, President of the Birmingham Press Commission.

PRESBY. LADIES PLAN EVENTS FOR JUNE

Reports were presented and plans discussed by chairman of the three divisions of the Ladies of the Presbytery of Birmingham. The meeting of the entire society at the home of Mrs. A. J. Pellman on Long Lake road, Birmingham, will be held on June 1st.

THE PULPIT OF THE PRESS

A Series Of Weekly Preachments By The Clergy Of Birmingham.

(Editor's Note:—Believing that a newspaper should give service to contain in its columns articles that not only provide information of a community, but also things of an educational nature, the Eccentric heretofore publishes the first of a series of editorials written by local clergymen. We have told the clergy that the Eccentric will dedicate each week half-column of its space to them, to be filled with whatever they think best for the spiritual uplift of our community, and have made out a schedule for each week. We trust our readers will appreciate this new column.)

WAKING UP THE PESSIMIST

By Rev. T. J. Edwards, of the Local First Baptist Church
Aye, wake up! you are dreaming, waking in your sleep! Daylight is here, the sun is shining and all the world is moving; everybody is going somewhere and success is before us. Life is worth living and all creation teems with good will, and there is no pessimist to be seen.

The exception is not the rule. It is well to know the exception, but to know the rule is to know the way. The exception may make the rule all the more clear and the result stand out more favorably. We need to see life as it really is, but still more to see it as it really is intended to be. We need to see life as it really is, but still more to see it as it really is intended to be. We need to see life as it really is, but still more to see it as it really is intended to be.

Episcopals To Give Third Annual Service At Booth's

Providing the weather permits, the Episcopal church will give a service at Booth's on Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. The choir of the three churches will participate in the service.

LITTLE JOHN DAVIS IS BITTEN BY DOG

Fear over the supposed mad dog in Birmingham last week has subsided, since it was discovered that the dog which bit five-year-old John Davis of the Adams school grounds last Friday had been enraged by teasing from the children. John Davis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Davis of Adams avenue, after the dog had been teased by the children, the dog was under the care of the police to await further developments.

MURKIN APPOINTED TO FILL FIELD'S PLACE

The resignation of H. George Field from the position of manager of the Community House on Saturday morning has been accepted by the Detroit Metropolitan Area Council. Mr. Field's resignation was announced Monday night.

VILLAGE BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

Unable to get away from business yesterday, today and tomorrow, the Village Board of Review, presided by William B. Brown, of Southfield avenue, notified the commission of the village board of review. We shall have our problems to solve, and solve them we will, more easily and better because we are Rotarians.

NEARLY 200 ROTARIANS AT BANQUET HELD IN ODD FELLOWS TEMPLE

Nearly 200 Rotarians at Banquet Held in Odd Fellows Temple
The Twenty Birmingham men, comprising the membership of the local Rotary Club, were distinctly honored Wednesday night when 160 Rotarians from 15 cities of southeastern Michigan and Canada, at the Odd Fellows Temple on Pierce street. The occasion was perhaps the liveliest and best appointed banquet ever held in town.