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"FORGET-ME-NOT DAY"

Tomorrow, Saturday, November 8, is "Forget-Me-Not Day" in Birmingham. On this day various groups of local people will make a thorough canvass of the village...

This is a most worthy cause, and ought to be responded to most heartily by the citizens of Birmingham. All you are asked to do, folks, is to give life's cheapest possession, MONEY, to the cause of the Veterans.

The men and women who saw service in the late war made a REAL SACRIFICE. Some of them gave their lives. Others parts of their bodies, and they now ask you for gold to sustain what is left of them.

Centrally located citizen of Birmingham can give something on "Forget-Me-Not Day." You will do your part, won't you, folks?

THE PIONEER SPIRIT

Has not long ago been the spirit of the American people toward education? A number of our youth are going to college. One of them, a young man, has just returned from a mission trip...

LOOKING AHEAD, LOCALLY

How often do we, when planning a thing, gaze beyond the ESSENTIALS and merely scan the superficial? We conceive a certain end, bend every energy to attain it, and easily trash aside serious thoughts of what may happen along the way.

This is introductory to something that ought to be considered in connection with the proposed removal of the Grand Trunk railroad to some point east of Birmingham. If this railroad is moved, it will cross East Maple avenue about a half mile east of Adams avenue...

If you are interested in such a grade crossing, won't you write a short letter to the state highway department at Lansing, or to Governor Grosbeck, asking that attention be given to this matter? And won't you do it NOW, before it is too late?

WANTED: A SOLUTION FOR THIS

The attribute of charitableness is one of the dire needs of today. More than at any time in its history, this world of ours is cognizant of the fact that, in a great measure, the strong shall support the weak; the rich shall care for the poor. It is well for society to turn its thoughts and incline its acts charitably.

As a matter of fact, Birmingham, while supporting many causes really worth while, often is, in our estimation, "made the goat" in some so-called charitable enterprises. We submit to the people of this village the necessity of having some sort of a "clearing house" where the stamp of approval may be placed upon any canvasser who seeks money, either outright or through the sale of any article.

No less than a dozen various individuals invade this village each week, soliciting for some cause or other. Some of them are deserving of aid, while others are not. But the average person, busy with his own affairs, decides hastily on the worthiness of the cause, and either gives or refuses aid.

Let's have a central "clearing house" for this kind of thing. Won't some of our readers suggest a solution for this problem?

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS—of Long Ago

Just Bits Of News Cleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric—The Items That Make Up the Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today

43 Years Ago. That Hanna road will yank the head off from nearly every passer by who dares to ride over it.

Our first impulse was to contradict several false reports appearing in last week's Eccentric, signed by "A Friend," but our impression is that the one who craves a steady bug only gets his own fingers stung up, therefore we will let his item seek its own level.—Louis.

Hugh Keeney and Sam Slade were in town over Sunday. Came out on the "high distress" train Saturday night.

There is to be a grand ball at the residence of George H. Mitchell this evening. It is to be a full dress affair. Last Monday evening the Lyceum, having placed Miss Lucy Allen in the chair, debated the following: "Resolved, That an International Representative Congress should be established which should regulate commerce and the value of money, and should settle all differences between nations."

To the ladies: I have and am heartily thankful for the patronage of the public in The Eccentric...

25 Years Ago. Would there were several flourishing industries in Birmingham the Handle Factory, owned and operated by J. N. Zimmerman, and established in this place three years ago...

At the theaters: "A Trip to Coontown" is this week's attraction at the Whitney Opera House. On the "Sawtooth River" which comes to town this week, is a play with much in it...

"Another Eccentric" reader: "I consider Miss Florence King the belle of Birmingham."

Don't say "my boy didn't do any harm" if you don't know what he did. Home is the best place for him after dark.

About next year we may expect to read something like this in the daily paper: "Along one block in Birmingham, Michigan, there were parked with their motors idled, five hundred automobiles, each of them having a driver in it."

Editor: Editor, in your issue of the 28th of October you printed an article that for a limited time we will give absolutely free to every married lady doing names, a one-cent stamp for postage, an elegant Sugar Soap, such goods sell in jewel stores at a cent each. This is the most expensive advertisement we have ever done.

Dick Barnett, an employe of the Michigan State Telephone Co., was in town Monday in the interest of the company.

THE PULPIT OF THE PRESS. A Series Of Weekly Pronouncements By The Clergy Of Birmingham.

GETTING THE BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

By Rev. Julian West, M. E. Church. Circumstances are the circumstances out of which we are to construct character through the right use of our faculties.

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Edgar Bristol, of Royal Oak, daughter, now Mrs. James H. Hays, held her wedding reception in the Birmingham community house, last Saturday. It was a very successful affair and we would like to hold the wedding out in the country, appreciate very much having the central meeting place which has been done for some of their social activities.

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WE HEARD IT SAID BY

(Little Editorials picked up by the Staff in and around Birmingham.)

J. W. Smith, owner of the long body trucks that pass through Birmingham, at the commission meeting Monday night, said he is not sure if any of my trucks have ever been responsible for the death of anybody on Woodward avenue. We have never been hauled into court on a fatality case.

Harry Starr, village manager, certainly was opposed to the Smith Truck Co. in Birmingham. Those long trucks are a menace to life and property on our streets. They should be confined to wide highways, and ought to pass through Birmingham on Woodward avenue, where they belong.

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VILLAGE COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS

Being a List of the Matters Considered and Acted Upon By the Official Commission of the Village of Birmingham. These Items Should be of Interest to Every Local Taxpayer.

Regular meeting of the Village Commission held Monday evening, November 3, 1924. Present: President Stein, Commissioners Bridges and Bell.

Second Resolution On Chester Street. Whereas, Monday, October 14, 1924, at 8:30 o'clock P. M. was heretofore fixed by the Commission as the time for the meeting to hear suggestions and objections to the construction of a local sanitary sewer in the Village of Birmingham...

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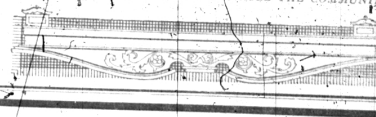
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Marking Armistice Day. To all who are glad that the people talk, November 11th brings a stirring memory of triumph that crowned service of the highest order. Armistice Day is a day of rejoicing—it is a day when each one of us gives thanks for the brave men who brought it about.

Armistice Day brings an obligation, too—to prove worthy of the victory won by those millions who fought so well. As we pause to tribute to the dead, let each one serve to commemorate their sacrifice by preserving in future the opportunities and security we enjoy.

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