

Search Your Attic For Old Stamps

Fortunes Have Been Found on Old Envelopes

Many old stamps both U. S. and Confederate, are worth from \$50 to \$5,000.

Make a thorough search through attics and storerooms for old letters mailed from 1845 to 1870.

Shown below are illustrations of a few rare stamps and the envelopes Mr. Brooks agrees to pay to anyone who may find them.



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Beside the rarities, Mr. Brooks buys many of the commoner stamps, so nothing should be thrown away even though many stamps appear to be exact duplicates.

If you have no old letters written during or before the Civil War, show this notice to your friends—especially those whose families have lived in the same house for several generations.

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Free Speech Is Issue in Mitchell Court-Martial

DOES an American citizen forfeit his constitutional right of free speech when he becomes an officer in the army?

This question, raised by the court-martial proceedings now in progress at Washington against Col. William M. Mitchell, bids fair to be settled definitely, one way or another, by the time the trial ends.

Col. Mitchell, the fiery, outspoken critic of the government's espousal policies, knew that he would be arrested and tried when he issued his blast against his superior officers.

An officer's right to free speech was a secondary consideration to him. Not that it was not great; for, if it did, greatly; but first and foremost he wanted to get some sort of action on evasion.

But to one who has no axe to grind in connection with the air policy, this evasive question is fully as interesting as the first.

For years army officers have intimated and insinuated that they need not speak their minds. An officer who voiced his opinion on any current subject was not only first submitting his views to his superiors for censorship, they asserted, would be squealed promptly and quietly.

Admiral Sims tried it once, in the navy, when he was a young officer. His criticism was first submitted in confidence and without reserve. The navy's leaders prepared to sit on him.

But President Roosevelt had a better idea. He put Sims in charge of gunnery and told him to try out his ideas. If they worked, well and good; if they didn't, well, it would be wise to Sims.

As it happens, they worked and Sims was vindicated.

It is hardly the case in the different, of course, but the same old question of free speech is raised.

Through his counsel, Mitchell asserts that the constitutional guarantee of free speech protect him. Because of those guarantees he contends, the army cannot punish him for his statements.

The army officers have elected to meet Mitchell on this ground. The court-martial is not considering the truth or falsity of Mitchell's charges.



Col. William M. Mitchell

have the same liberty or anything approaching it? Does the constitution protect his right of expressing his opinion or does he give up that right when he enters the army?

That is the issue that is to be decided—whether by the court-martial or by some civil court—before the Mitchell case is finally closed.

County's December Tax Figures

Table with columns: Township, Equalized Value, State Tax, County Tax, City Tax. Lists various townships like Addition, Bloomfield, Brandon, Commerce, Farmington, Highland, etc.

ZONING COMMITTEE NOW WORKING ON ORDINANCE

Members of the zoning committee, appointed some time ago to prepare a zoning ordinance for Birmingham, are meeting weekly.

STORY ON BIRMINGHAM IN NEXT SUNDAY'S NEWS

Russell Gore, who lives in Birmingham Exogates, east of the village, this material for a feature story on Birmingham, to be published in the Metropolitan section of next Sunday's Detroit News.

The Rotary Code Of Ethics

My business standards shall have than my competitor, and when in common humanity. My business deals, ambitions and relations shall all be based on the highest principle of duty.

- First: To consider my vocation opportunity to serve society. Second: To improve myself, increase my efficiency and enlarge my service, and by so doing attest my faith in the fundamental principle of Rotary, that he profits most who serves best. Third: To realize that I am a business man and ambitious to succeed; and wish no success that is not founded on the highest justice and morality. Fourth: To hold that the exchange of goods, service and information for profit is legitimate and ethical, provided that all parties in the exchange are benefited thereby. Fifth: To use my best endeavor and to elevate the standards of the vocation in which I am engaged, and to conduct my affairs that others in my vocation may find it wise, profitable and conducive to happiness to emulate my example. Sixth: To conduct my business in such a manner that I may give a perfect service equal to or even better than that of my competitor.

Death Claims Mrs. Tibbils, Old Settler

After a year's illness Mrs. Emma N. Tibbils died Saturday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Oliver Ontic.

Mrs. Tibbils, two was very well for her church and lodge activities, was born in Livonia township Wayne parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilcox moved to a farm in Farmington

Three sisters survive: Mrs. Addie Riley of Kalamazoo, Mrs. E. D. Tibbils of Vassar, and Mrs. Oliver Ontic of Pontiac; she was a great niece James Wilcox of Buffalo, New York.

Always get your "Classified Ad" in The Eccentric office before each Wednesday night.

Santa Is On His Way

SEVEN WEEKS FROM TO-DAY HE WILL BE HERE. WILL YOU BE PREPARED?



USE YOUR CREDIT

NOW IS THE TIME— to select that Christmas Jewelry and have it laid away. Our stocks are complete.

L. R. Mix JEWELER "CORTEOUS CREDIT" 123 W. Maple Ave. Phone 721 Birmingham Michigan. Includes images of jewelry and prices like \$165.00, \$40.00, \$35.00, \$5.00.

Boy Scouts were used by the Bloomfield Open Hunt at the races. 12 boys were out under the leadership of the Commissioners. Last Saturday Boy Scouts delivered the telephone directories for the telephone company. Troop 14 is having a bake sale today at the Community House. Interloop contest of Boy Scouts will take place next Wednesday night at the Baldwin high school. The winning troop will be presented with a silver cup to be kept for a year or rather until defeated.

COME to the Interloop Contest and see what your boys are doing. One year ago the Commissioners, and every Scout wishes the public would come to see what they have been able to do.

HAWTHORNE REPORTS 35 MAYTAG SALES IN TOWN

What is believed to be a record for the sale of washing machines in the smaller communities has been established in Birmingham by the Hawthorne Electric Co. of Maytag, Wash. The company reports the sale of 35 Maytag electric washing machines during the past few days. This volume is the largest ever recorded by Hawthorne, a trip, with expenses paid by the Maytag Co. to their central office in Newton, Iowa. Hawthorne will be given a chance to see what they have been able to do in this community in so short a time, said Mr. Hawthorne. "It proves that local people are willing to purchase an institution that offers them a distinct service for the home. I attribute most of my sales to the consistent advertising schedule which I have followed through the columns of the Birmingham Eccentric."

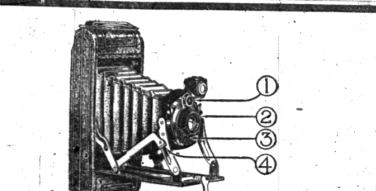
New Engineering Co. To Open Here Nov. 15

The Bloomfield Engineering & Plumbing Co., a Michigan corporation, announces the opening of its new office in the West Park, West Maple avenue, about November 15. Mr. Merton Farr, of Brookside Drive, is president, and L. L. Ulrich is secretary-treasurer.

"For quite some time we have felt that of an enterprise in this vicinity that would sell various commodities and services that go into home building and home contracting," said Mr. Farr this week. "That was the reason we incorporated our concern, having in it men and appliances that will fill a great need in this rapidly growing community."

According to Mr. Farr, the new company has the agency for the following appliances: Nokol heating system, Delco pumping and farm lighting systems, Penable tile, Crane cranes, besides a general heating, plumbing and electrical service. Advertising contracts on business amounting to over \$50,000 have already been made, said Mr. Farr.

A CORRECTION. Through an error of omission on the part of the "Classified Ad" inetta Barr printed last week. There are 600 books in the Baldwin Library, not 600 as was stated.



Four reasons for good pictures

Np. 12 Pocket Kodak, Series II Kodak Anastigmat Lens f:7.7 Diaphragm Shutter—\$26

- (1) Diaphragm shutter times true; speeds 1/10, 1/25, 1/50, 1/100. (2) Kodak Anastigmat lens f:7.7 cuts sharp; focus is at your finger tips. (3) A sliding diaphragm gives exposure data according to prevailing light. (4) Self opening feature automatically spring the front into place.

Let us point out all the fine points about the Series II. Pictures, 25 x 4 1/2.

Other Kodaks \$6.50 up — Bromides from \$2.00 up

SHAIN'S West Maple The Rexall Store Birmingham, Mich. MISS E. J. BASSETT - MR. C. J. SHAIN - MR. G. E. COOK

CHOCOLATES

Saturday Special Regular 60c Lb. CARAMELS 45c lb. Regular 60c Lb. CHIPS 45c lb. Assorted Betty Ann Chocolates 39c lb. 60c lb. in less than lb. lots. Delicious Chocolate Covered Cherries 45c lb. Box Fresh Shipment of MacDiarmid's 60c, 75c, \$1.00 APOLLO MAVIS THORPE

SCHEAFFERS FOUNTAIN PENS AND PENCILS



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DAINTY AND USEFUL The quality of stationery that appeals to both the old and young—and more so when it's in so handy a form as this.

IF WE DO IT, IT WILL BE "GOOD PRINTING."