

FORTY-NINTH YEAR—NO. 18

TWO DAYS' PERMITS APPROACH \$19,000

Building in Birmingham Shows Remarkable Activity At This Time

Building permits to the amount of \$19,000 were issued by the village office in two days last week, according to books at the village office. They include permits for homes, garages and offices.

Village officials declare this to be an annual two days in Birmingham because of the constant growth of the village.

Henry J. Bohl, Jr., led with two permits, totaling \$19,000. They were for a residence and garage on Rochester and for a residence and garage on Yorkshire, the first valued at \$7,500, and the second at \$8,000.

Four garage permits were given: one to George E. Anderson, 385 Ridgedale; one to Carl C. Weary, 214 Bennaville; and one to J. L. Tracy, 309 Merrill. All these at cost \$500. One to H. J. Hart, 183 Emmont, will cost \$400.

The only office planned is one on East Maple, to be built by the Cowan Bros., at a cost of \$1200.

MICHIGAN POTATO CROP INCREASES THIS YEAR

Lansing, August 18.—Michigan potato growers should feel rather optimistic over the potato price prospects this year. The acreage for the country is below normal and the production estimate of 345,589,000 bushels is below 40 millions under the normal consumption demand. While unusually favorable weather conditions might improve the crop to the extent that the shortage would be reduced, it is highly improbable that a sufficiently high yield may be obtained as to create a surplus. The present forecast for Michigan is about three millions more than last year and for the country as a whole, approximately 22 millions more. It is pointed out by Verne H. Church, U. S. agricultural statistician for Michigan and L. Whitney Watkins, commissioner of agriculture that if these figures are maintained to the end of the season, prices cannot be expected to rise as high as last year but they should be high enough to return satisfactory profits to growers. The principal increases are in Michigan, New York, Wisconsin, Virginia and Idaho.

SENTENCED ON DRUNK CHARGE

Guslie Manzi, New York City, was given a 30 day straight jail sentence when arraigned before Justice of the Peace Floyd S. Buck for being drunk. He was arrested by Officer Edward Myers.

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Plans Rushed For Development Of Enlarged Eight Mile Road

With plans already definitely under way residents along the Eight Mile road now are able to visualize a superhighway extending from Grand River avenue to Lake St. Clair. The work will be completed by 1928. The Eight Mile road development, according to Leonard P. Reaume, president of the All East Side association and a leader in the organization's move to push completion of the project, will be one of the outstanding factors in the growth of East Detroit.

Association Helps

Every effort will be made by the All East Side association to aid state and county highway departments in the work, Reaume said. In this connection the association Saturday mailed letters to Leroy S. Smith, engineer of the board of Wayne county road commissioners, and Harry Miles of the state highway department, instructing these officials to call upon the association for whatever help they believe could be rendered.

First petitions for the widening and paving were filed by property owners along the highway between John R. street and Van Dyke avenue, according to Reaume. While it is understood the state highway department will push the entire project through, once actual paving is started, it is likely, Reaume said, work will begin on this section.

The highway will be built in three sections, according to present plans of the department. One section from Division road to John R. street, another is between R. and Van Dyke road and the third is from Van Dyke to Mack avenue.

Survey Is Completed

Survey of the territory preliminary to actual construction has been completed, according to the county highway engineer and the next step will be the hearings in the near future by the state highway commission. Condemnation proceedings, awards for lands required for the widening, letting of contracts and the sale of bonds to pay for the improvement will require several months, officials believe. Much of this work now is under way and it is the opinion of those engaged in it that all will be in readiness for construction operations next spring.

According to information received at the All East Side association office, financing of the project will be in accordance with the provisions of the assessment district act. Under this act the cost of the paving will be split between the two counties, the townships and the district involved. The paving will consist of two 20-foot slabs of concrete 30 feet from

BANK DIRECTORS LAUD WHITEHEAD

Appreciation of the services rendered the First National Bank of Birmingham by Almeron Whitehead, president, who died July 25 was expressed in a resolution drawn up by members of the board of directors and entered on the minutes.

The resolution follows: WHEREAS, Almeron Whitehead, President of this Bank since its organization in 1910, was taken from us on July 25, 1926, we, the board of directors of the First National Bank of Birmingham, hereby resolve to spread this record on our minutes.

We shall no longer be able to receive in his companionship nor seek his advice and counsel. In his death we have lost a true friend, a man of sterling character whose efforts have enriched and left their imprint upon the history of this community.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the secretary record this expression of our sorrow and the deep loss occasioned by his death; our appreciation of the services rendered as the president of this institution; his gratitude for having had the privilege of his friendship and companionship, and our condolence to the relatives left behind.

Signed

T. R. Donovan
Herbert R. Earle
Elmer C. Huston
M. T. Jarvis
A. T. Lovess
Directors.

WINTER CONSTRUCTION IS DECREASING IN COST

With due precautions and proper equipment, nearly all construction work can be carried on in winter and at no great difference in cost. The owner may often profit by saving interest on his investment and by securing earlier use of the structure.

Although equipment needed for protection and artificial heat in winter construction requires some expenditure and there may be some increase in overhead on the job due to delays from winter storms, these items may be offset by the savings in salaries and the reduction in the contractor's general overhead. Labor in general is more efficient, as skilled workmen can be more easily obtained.

It is feasible to plan now and build next winter.

The property line leaving a center strip to be filled in accordance with the superhighway and rapid transit plan. The entire right-of-way probably will have been acquired by fall, it is indicated.

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EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE COMMERCE CHAMBER HERE ARE RENEWED

Members Of Credit Bureau To Make Plans At Sept. Meeting.

WOULD FIGHT FACTORIES

Action to have a Chamber of Commerce in Birmingham is being renewed and it is expected by those interested that some definite step will be taken at a dinner of Credit Bureau members during the week of Sept. 15 at the Lone Pine Tea House. E. W. Lackie, manager of the bureau, in making this announcement said a large number of persons who have their business in Detroit and homes here are anxious to make the Chamber of Commerce a reality. Many already have pledged their support, he stated.

The new organization would not promote industry here, he said, and would fight any attempt to erect factories to this village. Those interested in the chamber are just as anxious as anyone else to keep Birmingham the residential community, it is said.

The organization would aid the Village Commission in every way possible, he declared. It would discuss from the standpoint of merchants and residents proposals for the betterment of Birmingham.

To Take Steps

"We feel the need of a Chamber of Commerce here to help the interests of Birmingham," he said. "It would do everything possible to promote retail business on a high standard so that those who live here would have all the opportunity of getting the very best in co-operation from the merchants."

"At the next meeting of the Credit Bureau we expect to be in a position to take some definite steps," he said. He indicated that the committee would be appointed to organize and that the actual beginning of the Chamber of Commerce here would follow within about 60 days.

The Credit Bureau would be merged with the Chamber of Commerce, he declared, and any information kept by that body would be available to chamber members. As an indication of the way Birmingham is growing, Mr. Lackie pointed to the fact that while the Credit Bureau organized a year ago there were 23 members and that today there are 46.

Referring To The Proposed Chamber

Of Commerce and its usefulness, he said, "There is nothing it would not do at doing for the betterment of the village. The position is realized by a larger number of citizens here each day. One of the most important functions it would have could easily be the encouragement of rigid restrictions in the building of houses and other structures here. Eco City

Dean Hamilton and Co-Eds Agree College Isn't A Marriage Bureau

By Charles Tappan.

This is how it all started. There were four co-eds gathered in one of the living-room, dining-room, kitchenette-pullman effects that is really a girl's room in a league house. There being nothing more to eat, and consequently nothing to do but study, somebody began a desultory perusal of the Daily, campus publication distributed every twenty-four hours. "Will you listen to this?" cried the somebody, whose front name, which is all that matters here, was Polly, short for Albertina, although nobody has ever been able to figure out this short-cut. The other three girls gradually turned their attention from nothing to the reader, all firmly convinced that there was nothing in the paper that could possibly interest them.

"If it's a joke from that humor column," drawled Skih, "make your last request. I can stand a lot, but there is a limit."

"No, don't worry. But listen to this: 'Nine co-eds out of every ten seek education as a training for a career, but think college only as a means of securing a husband.' Prof. D. E. Phillips, of the psychology department at the University of Denver, says. His warning to young men is: 'There is not one co-ed in ten who has not designs to lead you to the altar. College is the greatest matrimonial bureau on earth. Young men beware.'"

Five women struck dumb by eleven lines of type!

"Well, can you beat that?" came simultaneously from four throats—one alto, one contralto, and two sopranos.

"Imagine anybody's having the nerve to say that for print, even a professor," started Con. A. "I don't know about it!"

"Prody," said Phil. "Well, he's not feathering his nest any by blowing about it. Good grief! Here I've been a freshman and she was not allowed a mid-week date, yet to the library every night (which is the freshman's law-out; she signs out for the library, but off times loses her good intentions in front of a movie). And this fellow from the psychology department, all I'm here for is to get married. I'll have him know I'm going to teach school."

"You'll have to get your growth then, little one, or they will think you are a pupil subject of the library from the heights of senility. I'll, ever, I quite agree with you that the cowboy person in all wet. If I were looking for a husband, a college town would not be my hunting ground."

It would be in better condition if there was a Chamber of Commerce. The school also said: plans were nearly complete for the next dinner date that he expected one of the largest crowds that has ever gathered at these functions, because interest is so keen in the proposed Chamber of Commerce.

GROWS TO ATTEND FAIR TOMORROW

Large Delegation For "Local Day"; Many At Opening

Hundreds of persons from this section of Oakland County are expected to attend the county fair at Milford tomorrow. This day has been set aside for residents of Birmingham, Pontiac, and the southern part of the county. Officers of officials of Oakland County are planned to be close and many of the men will attend the fair in a group.

A herd of prize Holstein cattle will be displayed by the Pontiac State Hospital. One cow among the herd is valued at \$20,000, according to officials. Other exhibits of cattle are said to rank with those at any fair in the county this fall.

Interest is being continued today in every department and many declare it the finest fair in its entirety ever held here. Circus acts, and many athletic games are designed to give visitors an abundance of amusement. The fair opened yesterday and closes Saturday night.

Large students are at an age when it is only natural to fall in love. And is more than likely that they will fall in love with one of the people with whom they are in contact during this college life. That is why there is such a large percentage of marriages of this sort, and that is what probably gave Professor Phillips his notion.

"The reason that more college women marry today than did formerly is that the college woman of today is not the phenomenon that she was at one time. She is not the brainy intellectual, turning all her feminine attraction in her search after knowledge. The type of girl who goes to college today is the best type of modern womanhood, on the whole. She is the fine, healthy, charming, American girl, and the fact that she is going in for higher education, as they say, is rather an added charm than anything else."

"Incidentally, I don't think that falling in love is good for the student, that is in good for their scholarship. They simply can't give the amount of time and thought to study, which they could if they were emotionally free. However, that can't be helped."

Polly reported this interview all most verbatim to her little clique, ending up with "And I walked home with Mr. Johnson, that cute red-head that all the girls are so cracked about, and asked him what he thought about the question. He looked real real and remarked, 'S'funny, but none of the co-eds have ever bothered me asking my lily white palms in matrimony. If you know any candidates, send 'em around!'"



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