

ECCENTRICITIES

Being a few stray notions by G. E. ...

It's Great To Be Home. It's great to be home in the old sanatorium again, hammering away on the old typewriter a few stray notions about this old world.

Things Are Happening Here. Lots of things have happened in the "old home town" since we went away.

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new library, a fire hall, and two blocks of land. That's a great deal of money, isn't it? But, then, we do need these items, don't we?

Ascend The Library. Birmingham ought to be proud of the record of its local library. For many years it has struggled along in inadequate quarters, with insufficient books and cramped conditions for real service, until, as in other communities, we could not get along as well without such an institution in our village.

Loyal Firemen. One of Birmingham's finest institutions has always been its volunteer fire department. For many years Chief Olsen and his men have protected the lives and property of Birmingham and vicinity by their splendid services in time of fire.

Shall We Buy The Land? Two hundred thousand dollars of the bond issue is for the purchase of blocks of land for municipal development. It sounds like a lot of money, and it is.

Our Water Shortage. We can't help but think of the irrigation project which we recently saw out west as we think of the restriction of water which our village commission put into effect here last week.

Zoning Ordinance. Now that Birmingham has officially adopted a zoning ordinance everybody may know what kind of building to expect in his particular neighborhood.

"A Horse On You." The 1926 valuation of Bloomfield township, which includes the village of Birmingham, is placed at nearly thirty millions of dollars.

less than this year. Don't forget that the passing of old Dobbin has much to do with the growth of Bloomfield township, for the history of Michigan's progress within the past 25 years has been the onward march of taxes, however, mounting costs in running our government "a horse on you."

Woodward Avenue. Has anybody any accurate information relative to the disposition of the Woodward Avenue problem in Birmingham? As far as we know, Governor Groesbeck has never committed himself on this score.

He's A Good Chap. George B. Hartick, of Royal Oak, last week announced that he will be a candidate for re-election to the office of Oakland County Circuit Court Commissioner on the Republican ticket at the September primary.

Speaking Of Prison. We see by the papers that Martin Durkin, Chicago youth, was sentenced to 35 years in prison for slaying a policeman. Of course we know that some may think Durkin should be rewarded for such an act, but we do not agree with them at all.

Liquor Enforcement. This is just a guess; we wonder how far from the actual truth it is. If you were to make a canvass of all the liquor enforcement agents in the United States, we believe that you would find that about 90 per cent of them "like to take a drink."

Are You Registered? Of course, you will want to vote at the special election here July 29. If you are not registered on the village election books, then you should do so on or before July 17.

WOULD THESE BE YOUR ANSWERS?

- Real answers to list of questions in examination for automobile driver's license answered by women as published in the New York Evening Mail: Q. If your engine stalls going up hill, what do you do? A. Try and start it.

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Obituary

Mrs. Bertha Tiffany. Mrs. Bertha Tiffany died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. William Stoothoff, 717 Watkins street, Thursday, July 8.

Mrs. Charlotte M. Dewey. Mrs. Charlotte M. Dewey, widow of Clinton R. Dewey, passed away Friday noon at the home of her only child, Mrs. John E. Wilson, after a lingering illness of heart trouble.

years and was well and favorably known by many. Funeral services were conducted Monday, July 12, from the residence by the Rev. Edwards. Burial was in Crooks cemetery, Troy township.

VOTERS!

You must register in Birmingham Village by Saturday, July 17, if you vote at the election July 29, 1926, for a Village Library, Village Fire Hall and Sites for Municipal Buildings.

Why You Should Vote "YES" On These Bond Issues

- Village Library Bond Issue \$175,000 1. The Village Library must move soon from its present building at Woodward and East Maple. 2. The site for the new Village Library building has been bought and the old buildings on this site are being wrecked.

Village Fire Hall Bond Issue \$40,000

- 1. The larger Birmingham Village area requires more adequate Fire Protection. 2. We must have a Village Fire Hall to house the \$25,000 worth of Fire Apparatus now owned by the Village which will be homeless when the old library building is sold.

Sites For Municipal Buildings Bond Issue \$200,000

- 1. The Village wishes to buy 2 blocks (24 lots) extending from Pierce Street to Bates Street, between Martin Street and Merrill Street for Municipal uses. It has already purchased 4 lots on land contracts where the City Hall stands. It expects to use 4 more lots as a site for the Fire Hall.

Birmingham Bonded Indebtedness

Table with columns: Year, Valuation, Rate, Bonded, Indebtedness, %

Inasmuch as Eco City, Birmingham Estates, Coryell Park and numerous other recent territorial annexations are not included in the 1927 valuation, it is safe to say that the 1927 valuation will be \$20,000,000.

The largest vote ever polled in Birmingham is expected on July 29, 1926. Bigger, Better Birmingham needs your YES vote on July 29, 1926.

COME OUT AND VOTE!