

ECCENTRICITIES

Being a few stars notes by G. H. A. Sometimes they are mean and sometimes they are popular approval; then again, they are all the same when they don't.

S. O. Wylie Bell, as you may know, is one of Birmingham's three village commissioners. He has lived in this vicinity all of his life, which covers, as he will admit, more than 24 years. About the only time he gets "mad" is when someone tries to "fix" him in Birmingham, particularly if it is referred to as "in the sticks." Although all burning devices are gradually making inroads into this community, thus supplanting the former cordwood drum stoves, still burning posts have long since given way to curb gasoline filling stations, Wylie would preserve Birmingham's uniqueness by erecting its municipal buildings adjacent to the local park lands on West Maple avenue.

Rev. Floyd E. Lopez, pastor of the Birmingham First Presbyterian Church, said last week that society, generally speaking, lives a life of mean and counterfeits when compared with its ideals. We believe that Rev. Lopez is entirely correct in his statement; we hope that he and other local preachers will band together to rid Birmingham of the salacious magazines that are the newest vices here—that would be one way of making us live up to our ideals.

It has come to our attention that Birmingham possesses a police force that is superior to any other in the state. Let us all join in assisting Birmingham to not only have a vigorous working police force, but to make it as courteous and gentlemanly as possible. As a first step in this direction we suggest that local police motorcycles be painted a delicate pink, with perfume atomizers adorning each handle-bar. (Lina, we are told, is Michigan's favorite color.)

"All the world loves a lover" is an axiom that has been accepted by most people of this world. To be loved and highly respected is an attainment pointed out to all boys and girls, men and women, as the acme of human endeavor. If all this be true, then just think this over: we believe that Fred W. Green of Ionia, Republican candidate for Governor, has dozens of people who love and respect him to one of the same kind that Alex J. Groesbeck may claim. Does this mean anything to the voters of Michigan? It most assuredly ought to when they cast their ballots September 14.

"For Thou Dost Watch Each Sparrow's Fall" was eloquently demonstrated last Friday afternoon when Billy, our six year old son, rushed up to us with a dead sparrow which his four-year old brother, John, had found in a vacant lot near our home. "Let's make a little cemetery for the poor birds," exclaimed Billy, where, upon both boys, accompanied by two-year old Susan, dug a tiny grave in the rear of our garage. An hour later, when we went "to the little cemetery" we found a small mound of earth upon which had been placed an ordinary red building brick as the juvenile conception of a grave marker, while a fresh lilac blossom, taken from a bush in our yard, drooped over the mortal remains of the little sparrow. Just a trifling incident in the play of children, do you think? Perhaps, albeit a mighty important one for character building, don't you believe?

Last week, at a meeting of publishers in Lansing, it was found that out of 104 replies from various newspapers throughout Michigan, 84 of them were in favor of Fred W. Green of Ionia for Governor; 16 were standing neutral; and only four were for Mr. Groesbeck. Several of the 84 newspaper publishers are avowedly of the Democratic faith, but will all they can to nominate Green over Groesbeck at the September 14 primary; however, should Groesbeck be victorious over Green, these Democratic editors will swing their support to Groesbeck. That ought to show how disgusted informed people are with the tactics of Alex J. Groesbeck.

"Fears France will Master Intricacies of the Charleston" is the starting headline last week in the Michigan Monitor. Such news, coming as it does from so eminent authority as Miss Audrey Deal, American classical dancer, ought to be sufficiently alarming to rock the United States to its very Puritanical foundations. To think that fair France, after all the money it owes the U. S., should fall down completely in mastering a step that is so popular in this country. But then what can one expect?—France is so busy preparing for future wars that its people probably do not have time to learn anything but a military march.

Latest reports have it that Evelyn Nesbit and Harry Thaw "have made up" and no longer will quarrel about their mutual son, Russell. This ought to be good news for the country, including Pittsburgh, Pa. Now that pleasant relations have been established between this notorious duet, who can say that America has not progressed during the past decade? Undoubtedly, from now on, the farmers' problems will be solved and the anthracite coal miners will pursue their underground methods.

"THE ESKIMO" BILLED FOR GARRICK; START SUNDAY

On next Monday evening at the Garrick Theatre, Detroit will be closed, for the first time on any stage, by Ann Harding, Rollo Peters and the Eskimo Company. "The Eskimo," a comedy-drama of the Far North and jazz New York by Gene Markey and Samuel Hoffenstein, starring Ann Harding and Rollo Peters. Unusual interest surrounds the production of this play, which will be one of the first at H. Woods ventures of the new season, and a battalion of Broadway fire-fighters will journey here from New York, headed by the intrepid Mr. Woods, in person, and Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the noted Arctic explorer, from whom all the Eskimo material was obtained.

"The Eskimo" is the first dramatic work from this new collaboration of Gene Markey and Samuel Hoffenstein. Mr. Markey is a well-known short story writer, and the author of several vaudeville sketches, one of which, "Right You Are" was played for seventeen weeks last season by Ina Claire. Mr. Hoffenstein has for ten years directed the extraordinary publicity for which J. J. Wood is famous, but he is perhaps best known as a poet and satirist. A new book, "Poems in Prose or Practically Nothing," will be published this autumn. Both young men have been in Detroit for several days, and report themselves much pleased with the rehearsals, which are going forward under the watchful eye of John Harwood, the veteran English stage director.

This new play sets forth the strange romance of an American boy who grew to manhood among the Eskimos of the Far North, and is brought by an Arctic explorer to New York, where he finds a fortune awaiting him—and amazing adventures among the girls of the Jazz Age, some of whom prove more "savagely" than himself.

Richard Lawrence, Grand Wizard of the Garrick Company, is surrounding this new starring vehicle for Ann Harding and Rollo Peters with sumptuous production in which a cast of thirty people will appear.

BOARD OF EDUCATION Birmingham, Mich., May 17, 1926. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held in the office at 8 P. M.

Present: H. B. Clement, R. J. Taylor, Fred V. Quarton, R. J. Coryell and Leigh Lynch. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. The following letter was received and ordered spread on the minutes: Birmingham, Mich., May 7, 1926 Board of Education, Birmingham, Michigan.

At the last meeting on May the fourth the Exchange Club of Birmingham unanimously adopted a resolution recommending immediate action on the part of the Board of Education toward the acquiring of sufficient ground to erect a new athletic field for the Adams School.

The Club believes that this matter is essential and that any delay in action that may be taken by your body in this respect.

Yours very truly, H. S. Starr Secretary Exchange Club of Birmingham

Supplied by: The Central Methodist church, Pontiac, had accepted invitation to the Birmingham Education to preach the baccalaureate sermon for the Class of 1924 on Sunday, June 13th, 8 P. M. in the Baldwin auditorium and was directed to extend an invitation to the ministers and congregations of the churches in Birmingham to participate in the service.

Moved by Taylor supported by Quarton that the vote of thanks be given Mr. Toothacker and the printing department for the work done on the recently printed Rules and Regulations. Carried.

Moved by Coryell supported by Lynch that the Board of Education join with the Village Commission in providing for a Playground Supervisor for July and August. Carried.

Moved by Lynch supported by Coryell that the following contracts be authorized: Jennie Vincent, Maplecrest \$1100; Francis Cooke, Biology, Baldwin 1909; Aileen Thomas, Grade 5, Adams 1250; Vera Kaden, English, Baldwin 1250.

plies, 14.69; D. M. Ferry & Co., supplies, 22.80; The Babbs-Merrill Co. history book, 1.29; Eland McNally & Co., Math. book, 1.04; The Harter School Supply Co., supplies, 1.33; First National Bank, Pay Roll, 5.355.00; First National Bank, Pay Roll, 961.55; Frederick D. Madison, Architectural services, 1,500.00; Mich. Bell Telephone Co., service, 30.07; Thos. Charles Co., supplies, 7.22; Mrs. Nellie Williams, Census work, 75.00; M. G. Taylor, Electrical contract, 1093.50; Mrs. Blanche Ramberg, Court witness, 5.00; Mrs. Martha Wilson, Court witness, 5.00; Ramford Supply Co., supplies, 8.88; Oliver Machinery Co., services, 28.46; Oliver Machinery Co., Manual Tr. supplies, 3.40; T. D. Lench, insurance, 75.53; The Multi-Color Co., supplies, 9.46.

Moved and seconded to adjourn. Carried.

H. R. Clement, President, Leigh Lynch, Sec'y Pro Tem.

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Notice of Bloomfield Township Board of Review Meeting Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review for the Township of Bloomfield will meet in the Bloomfield township offices, second floor of First State Savings Bank building, Birmingham, at the corner of Woodward and West Maple avenues, on JUNE 8, 9, 10, AND 11, 1926, From 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. for the purpose of receiving objections and suggestions relative to the 1926 Tax Assessment Roll for Bloomfield township, including Birmingham. This Tax Roll is for the purpose of raising State, County, School, Township, and Road taxes. All persons interested in this matter are cordially invited to appear before this Board. (Signed) ROBERT Y. MOORE, Supervisor of Bloomfield Township. Dated May 17, 1926.