# BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC

### A REFORMATION IN MICHIGAN POLITICS

By a majority of votes, the equal of which has never been witnessed before in a Michigan primary election, Fred W. Green, of Ionia, defeated Alex J. Groesbeck, present incumbent, for the Republican nomination for Governor at Tuesday's balloting. In no uncertain terms the majority of Michigan voters have expressed themselves as disastisfied with an autocratic form of government.

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In our humble spinion, the results of the gubernatorial contest cauld not have been otherwise; those who supported Green, we believe, did so because they dislike placing the reins of government into any one man's hands, rather preferring to accept the manifest weaknesses of even representative government—the best experiment along that line that society has yet evolved.

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The Eccentric is happy to have played even a small part in the nomination of Fred W. Green; we are happy, too, that Mr. Groesbeck will now be able to retire to private life, spending the remainder of his days in quiet reflection, upon the devious windings of jovereign paths.

That Mr. Green will be elected at the November balloting is hardly questioned. In a state that is overwhelmingly Republican, there is little chance for a Democrat to defeat Mr. Green, who received approximately 350,000 Republican votes. Mr. Green gow holds within his hands the kanacity to elevate Republicanism in this state: Tuescapacity to elevate Republicanism in this state; Tues day results show, in our opinion, a splendid reformation in Michigan politics.

### WE CONTINUE TO GROW IN BIRMINGHAM

Every time a new family locates in this community increased demands are made upon the public utilities, which have been provided; the chief utility which bears the greatest brunt of an increased population is the public school system. Last week members of the Birmingham beard of education discussed the probable need for another new school building in 1928. This discussion must be expected again in 1930, of thereabouts, if new families continue to build homes here. Very few people are op-posed to the erection of new homes in any community; that proves that all but a few favor the erection or installation of expanded public utilities. What we do need, however, is plenty of playground space to go with our schools.

### WELCOME HOME, MISS GRIFFITH

Birmingham's Community House threw open it's doors for another year of activity last week when Miss Mary Clarke Griffith returned here after a variation in the East. Welcome home again, Miss Griffith! Birmingham needs and appreciates your kindly character in its midst. You ave done much for this town already; keep up the good ork of the Community House.

## AND THIS ISN'T "APPLESAUCE," EITHER

Rev. Robert M. Atkins, pastor of the local Methodist church, was given a vote of thanks by his church board last week, and invited to remain for another year. That's fine; the Methodist folks ought to consider themselves very fortunate in having such a fine, enthusiastic, idealistic churchman to guide their spiritual destiny. Some day churchman to guige their spiritual desuny. Some day "Bert" is going to preside over a larger church in a much larger town than Birmingham—that dan't be helped. Chaps like him are rare finds—many local folks will sub-stantiate this statement.

# STUDY THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Next month the citizens of Birmingham are going to have a chance to decide as to whether or not they want to adopt the Zoning Ordinance that was accepted last Spring, by the village commission, only to be suspended a few weeks ago when a petition was filed by irate citizens. It appears that all but a few people here are in accord with a Zoning Ordinance, but are unwilling to agree with certain clauses in the one ir question; it is to be hoped that the village commission goes into this matter thoroughly before submitting the same Ordinance to a vote, to the end that a greater unanimity of support be evidenced.

And when a woman reaches thirty her stock dwindles, while a man just begins to make money at that age.

Another great danger a woman faces is she is always likely to fall in love with some min who has a mustache.

There seems to be some reason for believing that leading a country to water and making it drink are two different things.

Florists say the old-fashioned flowers are returning, but of course this doesn't include wall flowers.

Dreams may be suppressed wishes, as Freud says; but who ever wished the devil would chase him?

So far as known the only intimate thing the play producers haven't tried yet is a complete bathroom scene.

When a man gets home late he realizes Mr. Kipling was right about the female of the species.

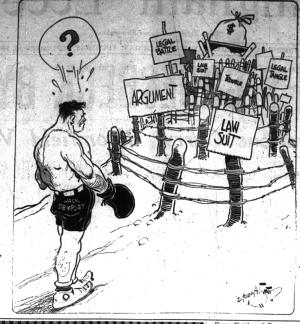
Men s hundred years hence will wear curls, an anthropologist says. We leave the worry to others.

No matter what other styles change, the same old manner of hinting Christmas desires continues.

Recognition of the Soviet depends on its willingness to change itself beyond recognition.

The stone-age man had his wife at his feet, but the modern man has her at his heels.

Nerve is a funny thing. You have it with you until you need it. And then you lose it suddenly.



### FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNSof Long Ago

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

Mrs. Pierson and Mrs. Ford, of Detroit, were guests of Mrs. V. A. VanEvery one day last week.

ments are the order of the day.

Hon, O. Populeton is still in such made her reladives, Mrs. Mayen a poor health as to be confined to his King and daughter, Miss Flores bed, and his Featlives and friends are very anxious about him, which is the reception from her Mankee relations.

Messrs. Geo. Nohl and Charles stock.

Rev. Dr. A. T. Pierson, of Detroit, ilste paster of the Fort Street Presupter and Mrs. C. G. Brownell the past week.

The carelessness of man is proverbild in the message of the

week's issue, Miss Mamie Utter is atudying at Albion.

E. church meek'with Mrs. Frank Albion, oct. 4 (1901). Committee on refreshments will address the Republican element and as many Demo-greenbackers as Pekk, Mrs. G. Simpson, cake, Mrs. Alboose to listen on Friday evening Charled, Mrs. Bookham, Mrs. Jas. (tomorrow) at Clinton Hall, Pontine, Hunt, bisequit, Everyone cordially included Mrs. Jas. Shain, Sec.

Last apring W. B. Drawe had two potatoes, and both cogether had inno eyes; planting W. B. Drawe had two potatoes, and both together had nine eyes; planting by in a hill, he raised nine fills of the property of the last regular meeting last week Wed. Mr. D. believes in an eye for a hill.

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Harry Wattles, of Troy, was quite seriously injured by a buil last Tuesday. He had gone to the barn to give the animal some water and in some way it became enraged, jamming Mr. Wattles up against the side to see the Bible. We must not provide the property of the provided by the provide

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