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THANKS, BEVERLY HILLS

On page six of the second part of this issue of The Eccentric there appears an advertisement inserted by the Knight, Menard and Co. realtors, who played and subdivided Birmingham's fine community to the south, Beverly Hills. The text of the advertisement is so striking in its splendid congratulatory spirit toward the progress of the property of Birmingham that we think worthy of repeating in this column. Here is what Clemons, Knight, Menard Co. says: "Beverly Hills extends best wishes for Birmingham's continued prosperity. In the three scant years Beverly Hills has existed its residents and we, its developers, have watched your physical growth and civic progress. With you we share a community interest that cannot be limited by corporate boundaries. You have been good neighbors—kind, thoughtful and helpful in your civic development. So, permit us, during Prosperity Week, to extend greetings and best wishes for your continued and uninterrupted prosperity."

"There is a fine message for Birmingham. It proves that the attention and hard work of Birmingham exemplifies have been directed beyond her own corporate limits; it is a fine tribute to the type of people who inhabit this village, and it was splendid for Beverly Hills to send its congratulations to our people."

SIGNPOSTS OF PROGRESS

Work on the installation of new street signs for Birmingham is to start this week and with it will go the custom of marking streets because of inadequate markings. Birmingham is sorely in need of this improvement, not only because of the many new residents who recently have moved to the village but as an accommodation to the hundreds of people from other cities who come here daily. It is a common occurrence at the station to have a stranger inquire the location of a street and later return unsuccessful in his search, merely because the street is not adequately marked.

When this is completed, the commission should next give thought to providing more street lights. Birmingham is not lighted adequately at night. And the new signs are of black, blue in the pitch black of the night, and many of the streets of the village. This is merely a suggestion toward keeping up with the growth of Birmingham.

HELPING THE VILLAGE

Daily in The Eccentric appears articles about persons of Birmingham who are helping to make Prosperity Week a success. These articles will not include everyone who has worked on this project. Unfortunately, there are not enough words to mention merely to point out some of those who are outstanding because of the work they have done for the village in this endeavor. They have little immediate personal gain to be made by virtue of the village having a Prosperity Week. They have given unreservedly of their time and effort to the arranging of the program and the appreciation they obtain for their work is an intangible thing of the kind that makes up the reward for all who are engaged in it.

It is reassuring to know that there are people in Birmingham so public spirited that they have not the slightest hesitancy to throw themselves wholeheartedly into a task which will result in the betterment of Birmingham. With people such as these, it is a safe prophecy that the village will continue to occupy the place it does in the state.

This week The Eccentric has literally opened its doors and lost the village very early in the day, and night from a half dozen to two dozen people are busily engaged in "getting out the paper." It is an interesting experience for a weekly newspaper staff to turn itself into a daily almost overnight. We are glad to do it, however, as an evidence of our desire to live up to our journalistic obligations to this community. You are invited to come in and see our plant any night this week—as we said in the beginning, our doors are open.

The Other Chap Says Something

THE CROOKS

The American People and their government went to low ebb from 1920 to 1925. Never before in the history of America has there been such shameless corruption, such venality and crookedness in high government offices as during the administration of that period. The other day, the supreme court of the United States denounced the transfer of the United States dome reserves of the American navy to the Sinclair interests as a fraudulent and corrupt transaction. Fraud and corruption touched not merely the secretary of the interior, but the attorney general, Mr. Daugherty, and the secretary of the navy, Mr. Denby, and the president of the United States himself. They did not participate in the profits but they knew, or they were fools, that they were being fraudulently and corruptly taken from the American people, their property, and the cause of war.

If it were in progress such an act would be treason. It is the only shameful act of this administration. Fraud and corruption according to the American people is a crime. Mr. Daugherty's attempt to rob the government of oil reserves in California, Harding and Fall and the Harding family, and his knowledge of these things, they knew or were fools that the money of the American people was being stolen. They knew or were fools that a conspiracy was organized by the Harding family in custody of this government. All these frauds, all this corruption by the Harding family, and all these friends, fraud and corruption touched a dozen close personal friends of Warren G. Harding and his family, and they were reviewed by respectable papers in the United States, written by a writer who is a member of the White House. No detail comes from Harding's family or friends.

And this was the man whom the American people had elected president in 1920. In their hatred of Wilson in a fake fear of internationalism the people were herded like sheep to the White House. They did not know his kind, forced upon the American people by intrigue at the Republican national convention in 1920. In their hatred of Wilson in a fake fear of internationalism the people were herded like sheep to the White House. They did not know his kind, forced upon the American people by intrigue at the Republican national convention in 1920. In their hatred of Wilson in a fake fear of internationalism the people were herded like sheep to the White House. They did not know his kind, forced upon the American people by intrigue at the Republican national convention in 1920.

FROM WHOSE HOME TODAY?

The damning fact is plain: A debauched and distorted view of public morality, symbolized in the blind pig, has made millions of ruined girls by 300 per cent. What a story! What an indictment! Whence come these tragic victims? Not from homes of old fame. Not from the gutter. Not from the underworld. No, these pathetic, broken figures are "blind girls," or they are "business and professional women." They are quite sure of the source whence they have been brought to this "blind pig family." How came they then, to the detriment of their fresh, tender lives and the ruin of their dreams. They were not drunkards. They were not "bad."

They simply followed the fashion, took a drink, and were off on a party which found its way to the blind pig, and in that atmosphere of vice and abandonment they tipped a glass or two in a moment of dare-devilery; an episode behind the scenes, whence they had no other respectable means of sinking. It represented life, so, prostitution, experience!

What a toll has womanhood paid for the experiment of reckless ness! It is the road of which, through the fame, happiness and parted. Inhibitions waned; senses rose; the glow of bravado; senses were lulled; and now, alas! they have been induced to take, and then, the false hour, over they go, forth to meet that cold and quivering figure, the blind pig.

From good homes! Not by violent, instinct; not of curiosity because they have been thrown around the speak-ey. It is the conviction of every girl, that she is a "satisfied" that their home is immune from such heart-breaks. So thought the parents of these picture-perfect girls, who were turned into an unworthy exploration. So thought they themselves. It was a "satisfying" thing to do, that was all. They thought they were safe. But it is forbidden. Yet there is a tradition in America, indestructible, deep-rooted in the very soil. It sets its girlhood to the sword, and precious thing; it cherishes the radiant day of bud and bloom; and sees the stars forever shining in the matrons of another generation. It is our common intention that there shall be enveloping the girlhood an unshakable armor of fragrance and delicacy; it is the sublime and supreme influence which commands men to rear homes and enshrine therein the love and loyalty of a family. It

Those Who Are Making It A Success



RALPH WILSON

"Prosperity Week is a celebration over the continued prosperity that has accompanied and kindled the growth of Birmingham, said Charles A. Bingham, local realtor and vice-chairman of the general committee functioning in behalf of the work of the village. "Proof of the prosperity of the village is found in the schools and the churches of Birmingham," he continued. "These two organizations plus the other social community organizations are always an indication of the type and prosperity of a community. The school system of Birmingham has always been one of the best in the country. There are few churches of almost every denomination here as well. These are most vital in the growth of a community as their growth depends upon the community. They must work together as they always have here."

Mr. Bingham has always made his home in the vicinity of Birmingham. For many years he has been interested in the agricultural possibilities of the surrounding country, but this led him to believe that one natural beauty of the country was of greater value as sites for homes than as agricultural land. He set forth the coming need of a community center and residential district for the execution of Prosperity Week, the largest undertaking in both Detroit and Pontiac, and then it was that he entered the real estate business.

Mr. Bingham expressed the opinion that others than village residents must realize the possibilities and progress of Birmingham to be investing their money in business sites here. In connection with this he referred to the vast amount of money that was invested in the new Kewy Theater building here in 1927.

The residence of Mr. Bingham is outside of the village itself, but his interests have always been centered here and he has been active in village affairs serving as village commissioner for three years.

CORRECTION

Through an error, The Eccentric declared that the late Charles J. Shain was a nephew of Mrs. Baldwin. Although Mr. Shain's family and the Baldwins were family friends, and Mr. Shain at times referred to Miss Baldwin as "Aunt Mattie," there was no tie of actual kinship.

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Advertisement for Dr. G. R. Norton, Osteopathic Physician, 1314 West Maple, Birmingham, Mich. Phone 1697. Also mentions Shock & Ogden and Dr. Mabel Campbell.

COLGROVE, BUCK & TILLOTSON

Advertisement for Saunders Colgrove Buck, Realtors, Phone 630 or 1185, First State Bank Bldg. Birmingham.

Advertisement for Thos. H. Cobb Insurance Agency, In First State Savings Bank Bldg., Birmingham. Phones 948-949.

Prosperity Week Special at SCHETTLER'S

Table listing KOTEX (2 for 98c and 1 pkg. FREE - Reg. Value \$1.65), SCHETTLETS RUSSIAN MINERAL OIL HEAVY, Bicycle Cards, MILITARY BRUSHES, Congress Cards, and SCHETTLETS ETHER NAP THE PERFECT CLEANER.

Table listing TOILET GOODS with Regular and Sale Prices for items like Tooth Pastes, Shaving Creams, Veolay's Bath Salt, etc.

Table listing CIGARETTES with Regular and Sale Prices for various brands like Camels, Lucky Strikes, etc.

Advertisement for Shettler's products including Cucumber Cream, Bath Mitts, and Pulmonic Syrup, located at The HOUSE of QUALITY and SERVICE, 114 S. Woodward Levinson Bldg.