Old Sol continues to bake portions of the earth these summer days—not forgetting Michigan. As the result of this warming, both man and the earth perspire in the continuous evaporation plans of Nature.

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PURVIS GIVEN RIGHT TO TEST DERBY WELL

Commission Authorizes Another Trial To Last For 72 Hours

PARRY, CORSON AGREE

Another test of the new Derby Well to be conducted under the direct supervision of John B. Purvis as a result of the recent differences of opinion between Purvis on the one side and James W. Parry, village manager, and Harold H. Corson, village engineer, on the other, was to be begun this morning.

Mr. Purvis was given the authority for the test by the Village Commission Monday night after a lengthy conference in private session following the regular meeting of the commission. Preparations were being made yesterday by representatives of the Harmon-Ness Co., the well drillers, and Mr. Purvis, for the employment of four extra men for the test.

The commission granted Mr. Purvis the authority to test the well after having heard the reports of both Mr. Parry and Mr. Corson several days ago. Mr. Purvis explained that he did not believe the original reports of the first test were accurate, he said. "Mr. Parry and Mr. Corson claimed that the pump was forcing more water out of the well than the meter recorded," Mr. Purvis said, "while I claimed that the pump was forcing less than the meter read. We want to find out how much water the pump will force out and the commission has granted me the authority to conduct a 72-hour test. I did not think the meter was correct and we have since had experts from Cleveland who rectified it and both the representatives of the village and the well drilling company are now satisfied that its readings are now correct. I had planned to begin the test of the well Wednesday but the two men promised me by the well company that they would appear and I expect they will be here the first thing Thursday," Mr. Purvis said.

Mr. Parry said that he believed the test would result in an added expense to the village, but that if the commission so ordered the test, he would agree to it. Mr. Corson said that there was no order the commission might make in regard to the well that he would not try his best to carry out and that he, too, was agreeable to the test.

HUNT CLUB FIRE LOSS AVOIDED

Fire in a rubbish heap at the north end of the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club Monday endangered part of the club property but was quickly extinguished by the Bloomfield Township Fire Department, according to the report of Chief Russell Moore.

Three grass fires were extinguished by the department on the same day, one on Woodward avenue, across the street from the fire department, another at Quarton road near Lahser road and a third on the Trowbridge farms. No damage was reported at any of the fires.

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BIRMINGHAM GOLD STAR MOTHER TELLS OF VISIT TO SON'S GRAVE

Birmingham's Gold Star mother, Mrs. Mertie Belle Smith, is home again after a month's breath-taking trip to France, filled with gratitude for the United States government's generosity. "It made us all glad," she said, "that things are just as they are, and that we didn't have our boys brought back. The graves are receiving such splendid care, and it did every mother's heart good to see them so beautifully tended."

The thoughtfulness and unfailing courtesy of army officers, who arranged and conducted the tour, were extolled by Mrs. Smith, who said that every care was taken that the mothers have a perfect trip. Mrs. Smith was a member of the Wisconsin-Michigan delegation, which sailed from New York on the S. S. Harding June 14, in a party of 300. Special luncheons, dinners, and teas, honoring the mothers, were given in the hotels at which they stopped, and on board ship. Bouquets, medals, and honors were showered on the delegation. "I can't express all I want to say," she concluded, "It was wonderful."

On June 22, the party arrived in Paris and was divided into groups according to the cemeteries each woman would visit. The following day, the mothers participated in a ceremony for the French unknown soldier. Three wreaths, representing the three states,

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EXCHANGING HANDCLASP OF VICTORY

The happy smiles of the victors and the handclasp of friendly rivalry with which The Birmingham Eccentric's $5,000 prize campaign was brought to a close Saturday, were exchanged again Monday morning when Mrs. Charles M. Jones, at left, greeted Mrs. Fern Thatcher as they were presented with their prizes. Mrs. Jones, who polled the greatest number of votes in the contest, received a new 1930 Model Studebaker brougham and Mrs. Thatcher, who was second, received a 1930 Model Essex Sedan.

"This is one of the happiest moments of my life," Mrs. Jones said, upon receiving her prize. "I'm not determined just what Mr. Jones and I will do—but we'll surely take a vacation in our beautiful new car this summer. I did not know that such a reward could be won so easily, and yet, I did work and I'm happy because I did. But when I think it over, I wish I could adequately express my appreciation to my many friends for their wonderful help."

Mr. Jones, who encouraged his wife throughout the campaign, also expressed his appreciation to the many friends and acquaintances who assisted in his wife's success and thanked The Eccentric for affording her the opportunity to win the first prize.

Mrs. Thatcher was equally enthusiastic and complimentary in expressing her appreciation of the many friends who supported her in the campaign and asked The Eccentric to announce publicly how happy she was to receive her prize through the combined efforts of herself and her friends.

Other big prize winners, Mrs. Carolyn Cole, who won third prize of $300, and Mrs. Inez Hoople, who won $100, declared that they were very happy to see their efforts so handsomely rewarded and wished to thank their many friends and Mr. George R. Averill, publisher of The Eccentric for the fairness and kindness shown themselves and all candidates in the campaign.

POOL GROWS IN POPULARITY

Attendance In All Classes On Increase, Director Reports

Attendance at the new Barnum School swimming pool is increasing rapidly and many new swimming students and entrants in the life saving classes have been entered within the past few days, Ernest Engel, director of the school swimming pool announces.

Classes in life saving, conducted under the rules of the American Red Cross, are being held regularly and Mr. Engel announces that those wishing to enter these classes must do so tomorrow at 7 p. m., the final time for such entries.

The men's life saving classes have been changed and the classes are now held from 8:30 p. m. until 10 p. m. Friday nights. Other changes in the hours of life saving classes as announced by Mr. Engel are: Boys' classes, Tuesday 10:30 a. m. until noon; girls' and women's life saving classes 7 p. m. until 8:30 p. m., Friday evening. There are 32 boys, 35 girls and women and 15 men entered in the life saving classes.

Boy Swimmers Increase

During the past week the list of boy swimmers was increased to 21 with the addition of the following: William Martindale, Hoyt Morris, Donald McDonough, Jack Reynolds, George Baldwin, Rollins Low, Orrin Clark, Ralph DuBois. There are now 42 boy beginners, the following having been enrolled during the past week: Robert Morris, Ralph Main, Lloyd Stanley Jr., Donald Russell, Robert Bethel, Robert Hogan, Owen

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Two Are Overcome By Heat; Health Officer Gives Advice

Two heat prostrations were reported by Birmingham doctors last week end. Mrs. Agnes Elder, of Forest avenue, fainted Monday noon from the heat while paying a visit to her cousin, Mrs. W. F. Robinson, of Adams road. She responded to treatment and was completely recovered by the next day.

David W. Bell, of Southfield avenue, was overcome Saturday from the heat at his home. He, too recovered rapidly. Dr. Harold Roehn, a pediatrician, reported that many children had been temporarily upset by the heat. Dr. J. R. McConkle said that while he had had no real cases of heat prostration, a number of his patients had found the unusual heat an added hindrance to their convalescence.

The following suggestions for keeping well when the mercury stands at 100 in the shade were given by Dr. A. W. Newitt, village health officer:

HEALTH OFFICER'S ADVICE

"Moderation in all things," is the slogan that applies most fittingly to warm weather from the standpoint of health and well being.

"Nature endows us with instinctive reactions to summer heat and these should not be ignored. The body craves more rest and relaxation, larger amounts of water, light clothing, and frequent bathing. Jaded appetites warn against overeating and eating heavy heat-producing foods.

"Keep the infant well by offering cool water at frequent intervals. Babies require little or no clothing in the heat of the day. Milk for infants should be sterilized by boiling. All foods, likely to carry harmful bacteria, should be rigidly excluded and his food and himself should be protected against flies and other insects.

"All raw fruits and vegetables should be thoroughly washed before eaten as the outer skin is usually grossly contaminated by handling, flies and dirt.

"Vacationists should be particularly careful to follow much the same dietary as is followed at home. Swimming should be avoided in the heat of the day to prevent undue exposure to the sun. Private or farm water supplies should be avoided."

REFORM GROUP ADDS 200 TO LIST

Miss Taliaferro Reports Increase In Dry Law Repeal Adherents

Approximately 200 new members have been added to the Bloomfield Hills Branch of the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform, it was announced yesterday by Miss Mary Taliaferro at the headquarters of the organization in the Fox & Hounds Building. Miss Taliaferro has been soliciting memberships in the organization at luncheons and dinners in the building for the past two weeks, she announced. The Bloomfield Hills organization is under the direction of Mrs. Joseph A. Braun.

Although a large group of Birmingham women are interested in the prohibition reform movement and are spending much of their time in its interest, a local branch has not yet been formed, due to the fact that many women interested in the movement are out of town, Mrs. Irwin Neff announces.

Mrs. Eugene Smith, who was unable to accept the chairmanship of the Birmingham group because of ill health and Mrs. John Gillette, Jr., of Wing Lake, has been suggested as a possible candidate, Mrs. Neff said. It is expected that a meeting of the Birmingham women interested in the movement will be called in the near future at which the group will be formally organized and officers and a chairmen selected.

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CHILD SEVERELY BITTEN BY CAT

Donald Jagger, three years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Jagger, 679 Ann street, was severely bitten and scratched by a stray cat near his home yesterday. Mrs. Jagger reported to the police.

The child was treated by Dr. A. W. Newitt and the cat was sent to Ann Arbor for observation. Police reported they believed the cat had been stalking rabbits near the Jagger home. Although no one saw the child bitten it is believed the little boy attempted to pick up the cat.

Judge Recovers Stolen Machine

Judge Malcolm Hunt Tuesday reported his automobile had been stolen from in front of the Bailey Gasoline Station. The car was recovered a few hours later on East Maple avenue.

DATA SOUGHT ON OLD SEWER

Village Manager, Engineer, Asked To Investigate Ann St. Extension

A resolution asking for an investigation into the Ann street sewer extension to determine its depth for the possible installation of manholes was unanimously adopted by the Village Commission Monday night and James W. Parry, Village manager, and Harold H. Corson, village engineer were instructed to make the investigation.

The resolution was offered as a result of a request by R. G. McBride, building contractor, who told the commission that the sewer had been originally inspected by Fred Eldred of the water department and that he, Mr. McBride saw no reason why he should be forced to pay additional funds for the installation of a new sewer on the street at the request of James Mercier, an adjacent property owner, whose building was not properly serviced by the present sewer.

Several years ago Mr. McBride installed the sewer and dedicated the land to the village as a public street. No records exist, Mr. Parry told the commission, that the job had ever been inspected by the village. The expense of constructing a new sewer was considered too expensive and Mr. Parry's request for a resolution to grant him and Mr. Corson the authority to dig holes and determine the depth of the sewer was deferred upon the motion of Commissioner Robert R. Allen who asked that a report be made next Monday showing the depth of the sewer at Frank street, the depth of Mr. Mercier's cellar and whatever additional information could be obtained by Chissus Bros., the constructors of the sewer.

RE-APPOINTED TO PLAN BOARD

Members of the Birmingham Village Commission Monday night unanimously voted to re-appoint Mrs. S. F. Wilson and John A. Wendorhn, whose terms expired last week, as members of the Village Plan Board. The motion for their re-appointment was made by President Harry Allen.

"JUDGES' STATEMENT"

Birmingham, Michigan,
July 19, 1930.

We, the undersigned, members of the Advisory Board, appointed to have supervision of The Birmingham Eccentric's Prize Campaign, and who have been selected to act, as counting judges, certify and state; that we have this date made a careful count and check of the votes cast in this election and find the results to be as set out below.

It is our sincere belief that the campaign has been conducted in a fair and impartial manner to everyone interested and concerned, and we commend The Birmingham Eccentric, and the Campaign Management for the business-like methods employed in conducting the campaign.

We further find that the candidates whose names are hereby given, received the number of votes shown opposite their names and are declared the winners in their respective positions:

STUDEBAKER BROUGHAM—Mrs. Charles M. Jones	28,432,800
ESSEX SEDAN—Mrs. Fern Thatcher	23,369,000
$300.00 IN CASH—Mrs. Carolyn Cole	11,451,400
$100.00 IN CASH—Mrs. Inez Hoople	6,061,000

(Signed)

WALTER L. MORELAND,
GEORGE B. BOUTWELL,
ARTHUR C. PECK,
JAMES V. BAYLEY,
Judges.

HOPE IS SEEN FOR RECOVERY OF MRS. MOORE

Hospital Reports Consciousness Has Been Regained After Accident

FELL IN HER HOME

Mrs. Herbert E. Moore, of 383 Harmon avenue, who fell early yesterday mroning into the basement of her home, has regained consciousness and her condition is greatly improved, officials at the St. Joseph Hospital, where she was taken, reported early this morning. For several hours it was thought that Mrs. Moore might not recover from the head injuries she suffered in the fall.

It was reported by friends that Dr. and Mrs. Moore had arisen early to prepare for a day's lake outing. Mrs. Moore is believed to have slipped on the basement stairs, her head striking against a step.

Dr. George P. Raynale was hastily summoned, although Mrs. Moore did not believe she had been seriously hurt. A few moments after Dr. Raynale's arrival, she became blind. She was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance and lost consciousness on the way. She had not yet regained consciousness late last evening.

X-ray examinations were taken and a consultation of doctors was held. Dr. Raynale in an early announcement last night said that it was uncertain whether or not Mrs. Moore would recover.

Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Schermerhorn, of Lima, O., were notified of the accident, and arrived yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Moore formerly sang in the choir of St. James Episcopal church and was an active Community House worker.

Serenaders End Concert In Cell, "Fine," Says Judge

Or How Royal Oak Trio, Strictly Amateur, Concluded The Performance

By LEO A. DONOVAN

Serenaders Sunday night sang a solemn song. Then they sang another. It wasn't very long. Then they sang another. Boy! but it was loud. Nothing solemn to it, sounded like a crowd. They were only singers three, singing very lustily—not so good at harmoneeee, but singing just the same.

Through the quiet village street their polyphonic strain, strained too much, oh, much too much and neighbors prayed for rain. Oh, neighbors prayed for rain that night as they'd not prayed before. They prayed not for a drizzle. They prayed that it would pour. Oh, wouldn't something happen, to drown that raucous roar!

The heat that night, was heat indeed, e'en old timers say. And you'll remember, surely, it was very hot that day. And, so it came to pass, alas, that neighbors

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EDW. DONNELLY FUNERAL FRIDAY

Bloomfield Hills Attorney Died Suddenly In Hospital On Monday

Funeral services were to be at 10 a. m. tomorrow from the Holy Name Church, for Edward Donnelly, prominent Bloomfield Hills attorney, who died suddenly in Harper Hospital at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday. Mr. Donnelly was 52 years old. The burial will be in the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mr. Donnelly was born in Detroit, July 2, 1878 where he received his early education. He also attended the University of Detroit, Yale College, and the University of Michigan Law School from which he was graduated. He began his law practice in Detroit in 1904.

He was the senior member of the law firm of Donnelly, Donnelly and Munro. Among the organizations with which he was actively associated were the Knights of Columbus, the Bloomfield Hills Country Club, the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club, the University Club and the Detroit Athletic Club.

During the World War Mr. Donnelly held the rank of lieutenant on the U. S. S. North Dakota. He was also a lieutenant in the Michigan Naval Reserve.

Surviving him are his two sisters, Mrs. Elliott S. Nichols, of Bloomfield Hills, Miss Laura Donnelly, and a brother, William M., a partner in the law firm.

CHILD ACCIDENTALLY BURNED AT HER HOME

Dolores, the 21-month-old daughter of A. S. Monroy, 912 Ruffner avenue, was severely burned about the chest and legs Friday when she upset a pot of hot coffee on herself. Dr. C. F. Lawler, who is treating her, said the burns were not dangerous.

First Prize Goes To Mrs. Jones As Campaign Award

Brilliant Success Closes The Eccentric's Subscription Drive; Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Hoople Win

The Birmingham Eccentric's great Prize Campaign came to a glorious close, last Saturday night, when promptly at 10 o'clock the ballot box which was used for secret voting during the last week of the campaign, according to the rules and regulations, was opened by the judges, Messrs. Arthur Peck of The First State Savings Bank, Walter Moreland of The Birmingham Savings Bank, George B. Boutwell of the First National Bank, and James V. Bayley, Clerk of Bloomfield Township.

Mrs. Charles M. Jones, of 985 Pierce street, was found to be the leader and was thereby awarded the Studebaker Brougham. Mrs. Fern Thatcher, of 1175 Chapin avenue, was second in the race and won the Essex Sedan. Mrs. Carolyn Cole, of 2440 Yorkshire road, finished in third place and received a $300 cash prize, and Mrs. Inez Hoople, of 948 Ann street, was next, winning $100 in cash. Other candidates who remained active, received a 20 per cent cash commission.

Judges Add Votes

Last week all of the candidates had verified their vote totals up to and including the third period, and all that remained for the judges to do was to add the votes in the ballot box to the verified accounts, which included reserve votes not published in the score board, and declare the winners in accordance.

It was a smiling, cheerful, but hard fought battle. All honor is due the interprising and resourceful candidates who worked hard for the rich prizes. Each of the active candidates who did not win prizes was paid a 20 per cent cash commission.

To each worker and to their friends who stood by them so loyally, The Eccentric expresses its appreciation. The campaign was a success. The candidates and those who helped them made it so.

Millions of Votes Cast

Truly, it was a remarkable race. The number of votes cast ran into the millions, and the utmost accuracy was observed by the judges in tallying each candidate's account. Very fortunately, the gentlemen who served as judges and auditors, were men accustomed to doing things with great exactness, and this fact made it possible to complete the final count much quicker than might have resulted had inexperienced judges been chosen.

Starting out very slowly, the campaign became faster and faster and more interesting until it resulted in one of the most talked of subjects in Birmingham.

More than anything else, The Eccentric appreciates the expressions of the various candidates in the race, winners and losers alike, about the fairness of the entire campaign. It has been the constant desire of all to conduct the entire campaign along an absolutely unquestionable plan, to make it fair and square in every detail. It is gratifying to know that these efforts have been and are appreciated.

A Business Education

Several of the candidates remarked to the manager, the other

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POLITICS GOES INTO "MUDDLE"

Gubernatorial Candidates Create Biggest Speculation As Entries Close

Michigan's political situation entered the "higher arithmetic" stage Tuesday with the closing of the time for filing petitions for candidates, and rumors were as numerous last night as they were a week ago. The race for governor, of course, invited the most speculation, with Fred Green, Alex Groesbeck George W. Welsh, Edward J. Jeffries and Wilbur M. Brucker the greatest political topics of conversation.

Indications that the field of candidates would be greatly reduced by withdrawal within the week were intimated last night, however, with the continued silence of Green and Welsh whose petitions were filed at Lansing, evidently without the candidates having been consulted. Rumors also were that Groesbeck might withdraw to enter the contest for Mayor of Detroit as a result of the successful recall of Mayor Charles Bowles.

If Groesbeck decides to continue in the fight for votes, however, it is anticipated that Welsh will withdraw. If Green withdraws, it is anticipated that he will throw his support to Brucker. Judge Jeffries, the fifth candidate, is looked upon by some as the wedge to split the vote between the Green and Groesbeck adherents, William Comstock is the Democratic candidate.

In the contest for United States Senator, James Couzens will be opposed by Chase S. Osborn of Sault Ste. Marie, on the Republican ticket, and Thomas E. A. Wendock, of Detroit, the Democratic candidate.

Candidates for the position of lieutenant-governor are: Luren D. Dickerson, Charlotte, Republican; Thomas Read, Shelby, Republican; Fred M. Breen, Detroit, Republican; Ethan W. Thompson, Detroit, Republican, and Frank J. Sawyer, Grand Blanc, Democrat.

PETITIONS ARE FILED FOR HAROLD ELLERBY

Petitions for the nomination of Harold T. Ellerby, former village president, as Republican candidate for state representation in the first district of the county were filed Tuesday. He will be opposed by Melvin Lee, of Royal Oak. The position was formerly

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News of Your Neighbors

Mrs. James Lee Oliver, of Villa road, entertained yesterday at a luncheon honoring Mrs. Waldo Fellows, who will leave with Mr. Fellows soon for Buffalo to take up their residence.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. Farrington Holt, will return soon from Mackinac Island after taking their children to the summer home of Mr. Holt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Packard, of Chicago.

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Mr. and Mrs. Warner Forsyth and their children are spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Hendrie at Metamora.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Baldwin, of Lakeview avenue have as their house guests for the summer months Mrs. Baldwin's mother, Mrs. G. F. Thompson and her aunt Miss Sade Brennan, both of Elkhart, Ill.

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Miss Katherine Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Brown, of Southfield road, will leave Aug. 20 for Los Angeles, Cal., where she will live with her aunt, Mrs. Laura McLarty for a year. Miss Brown plans to attend high school there.

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Several groups of Birmingham and Hills residents attended the dinner dance Thursday evening at the Pine Lake Country club, one group being made up of the following: Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Wooster, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stodard, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence G. Heinmiller, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Pease Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Don M. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Dick, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Coulson.

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Mrs. W. H. Brereton and her daughter, Miss Gertrude, of Des Moines, Ia., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Pratt, of Southfield road, left for their home Monday. Several invitations had been extended to the visitors, who had planned a longer stay; but illness of Mrs. Brereton necessitated an immediate departure.

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Mrs. Williams C. Harris, of Quarton road, entertained at a bridge breakfast Friday morning. Two tables were at play.

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