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Board Of Education Candidates Give Views On School Problems



CHARLES S. KINNISSON

Several representative citizens have asked me to become a candidate for the Board of Education, but at the request of a large and representative group of Birmingham citizens, mentioned to make the race in the interest of good government in which I have always been a firm believer.

If I should be elected it will be my intent and purpose to work ever helpful and co-operative with my colleagues on the Board, to school officials and all interested citizens of Birmingham and the school district, toward constantly striving for the school system's betterment and improvement in the following manner:

1. Keep the schools free from closing.
2. Pay the teachers adequate salaries that their salaries will be comparable to those received in other cities of the size and importance of Birmingham, and in mind always, the importance and necessity of reducing the school debt to the minimum and, if complete elimination at the earliest practicable date.
3. Promote and effect the consideration of the debt structure to the end that a sound and fair financial program may be evolved in order to reduce the debt of the schools and safeguard them from possible legal attack.
4. Allow the superintendent of schools, who, being technically trained for the position, to create and promote the school policies regarding both the methods of education and the executive direction of the school system for which he should share responsibility along with the Board of Education.

In conclusion, may I again call attention to the fact that I do not only have one child in public school age, as mentioned in recent edition of The Eclectic, but that that child is also an attendant of one of the Birmingham (Quanton) public schools.

It is true that I acquired considerable information about the problems of the School Board, and believing these facts might make me somewhat useful, I've decided to become a candidate.

There is only one issue involved, and that is what is best for the schools. While keeping my eye on the problem of the money (debt), I would never let the solution of that come ahead of the education problem itself. I make a box of respect to the teachers who have taken it on the chin the past four years without a whimper. But I don't expect them to maintain a line morale forever in the face of meagerly wages, that are in the neighborhood of 35 percent less than the wages of teachers in a working class community, less than 10 miles away. If I were a teacher, I'd try to do something about that.

Finally, I make the plea that this election be made a friendly contest among men who are friendly neighbors. Let it not become a factional fight, between "our side and their" side. And if you think some other candidate is better qualified than I am for this job, well, you know how to vote.

For whatever it may mean, I acquaint you with the fact that I graduated from Ohio State University, without honors.

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De Molays To Install New Officers At Public Service

The public is invited to attend the semi-annual installation of officers of the Hassberger Chapter, Order of DeMolay, to be held at 3 P. M. next Tuesday in the Masonic Temple.

George Flower, a Baldwin High School graduate, will be installed as master counselor. He will be one of the youngest men in the history of the chapter to hold that office.

B. J. Merrow, district deputy of DeMolay and former "Dad" of the Hassberger Chapter, will be the installing officer. He will be assisted by Jack Burkman, Carpenter, Hewitt, Richard Fleming, Dabert Fier, Dr. Ralph A. Wilson and William Merz, all past master counselors.

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PROGRAM PLANNED FOR CHILDREN'S DAY

Children's Day will be observed at the First Methodist Church Sunday morning at a combined session of the church school and congregation, starting at 10:30 o'clock. The service will include the blessing of small children, reception of the junior church, membership class, and a Children's Day pageant, entitled "The Secret of Happiness," by Jessie Brown Pounds.

The pageant will be directed by Mrs. G. A. Ziegler, and in the cast of characters will be Helen Armstrong, Dorothy Ward, Dorothea Westerby, Nadyne Hecker, Frank A. Iren and Dorothy Heacock. Groups from the intermediates, junior and primary departments will also assist.

The scripture reading will be by Robert Hart.

RUG AND JEWELRY TAKEN BY THIEVES

Heirlooms Included In Loot Obtained From Home On Birmingham Boulevard

A valuable rug and several pieces of jewelry prized as family heirlooms were part of the loot obtained by thieves Wednesday night of last week at the home of Robert W. Essig, 1586 Birmingham boulevard.

The home was entered and ransacked after a pane of glass had been broken out of a rear door. The burglary is believed to have occurred sometime between 7:30 and 10:45 P. M., while members of the family were attending a motion picture theater.

The loot included an oriental rug valued at \$450; a man's watch, \$65; a platinum bar pin, \$10 gold brooch, \$50 square cameo brooch, \$10 oval cameo brooch, white gold chain, gold bracelet, three rings, two pairs of earrings, a gold pendant, a solid gold locket and a child's bank.

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Bank Pays 2 1/2 P. C. On Common Stock

Directors Of Birmingham National Announce Payment Of Cash Dividend

The Board of Directors of the Birmingham National Bank has declared a cash dividend of 2 1/2 percent (25 cents per share) on the common capital stock of the bank, payable July 10, 1935, to stock of record June 4.

In declaring the dividend, the Board stated that this is not to be construed as instituting payment of regular dividends. Future dividends on common stock will be paid when and as earnings and conditions warrant, the directors said.

"In view of the fact that our second anniversary occurs on June 15, we are indeed happy to be able at this time to recognize and reward the patience and confidence of those individuals who were instrumental in furnishing the capital for this bank two years ago," said Charles E. James, president of the bank, in commenting on the dividend.

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New Budget Calls For \$31,600 Levy; Assessed Valuation Reduced

With a budget of \$43,230 for 1935-36 having been adopted by the City Commission following a public hearing last week, City Assessor Harry S. Starr has announced the 1935 city tax rate in Bloomfield Hills will be \$8.52 per thousand, on an assessed valuation of \$5,714,850.

The total tax levy will be \$31,600 as compared with a levy for the calendar year 1934 of \$29,600. Last year's assessed valuation was \$4,270,560, or approximately \$500,000 less than the new valuation.

The new budget, which allows for salary increases averaging 7 percent for all city employees, was adopted in its original form when there were no objections at the public hearing. Five representatives, including Donald D. James, former mayor, attended the hearing and asked numerous questions about the proposed appropriations, but suggested no revisions.

The new budget goes into operation July 1 and is based on an anticipated tax collection of 75 percent. Expenditures are listed at \$7,600 for administration, \$13,000 for police department, \$7,500 for fire department, \$9,200 for highway department, and \$5,500 for miscellaneous.

Revenues other than the tax levy include \$3,500 in cash on hand, \$300 from the forthcoming First National Bank of Birmingham dividend, \$8,350 from miscellaneous income, \$3,000 from delinquent taxes and \$4,400 from special assessments.

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