Make no mistake about this: you live in a predatory world that is only as predatory as the sum total of human ignorance, selfishness, and greed for power. That is why you will witness an ever-increasing State and National public debt. It is the beginning of the end of what we call a free government.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

Having seen Baron Poffenberger pitch in two games at Briggs Stadium this year, I agree with Mickey Cochrane that the Baron is either lazy or stupid. Too often he seems to think that all he has to do is to throw the ball toward home plate; frequently he fails to cover first base, or to make the snappy effort to get hold of a bunt. Funny how some people fail to measure up to their opportunities.

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Birmingham's summer recreation program, under the able direction of Miles A. Robinson, principal of the Barnum school, is a blessing for the youth of this community. Last week a total of 3338 hours of fun and play were enjoyed by youngsters in this town—and that's a lot of hours of right good recreation, you must agree. Let's hope that the success of the program this year will prompt City and School officials, somehow, to get behind a bigger program for next year. After all, to spend thousands of dollars for the education and growth of boys and girls for nine months of a school year suggests that a portion of a youth guidance program is fitting for the three summer months.

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Continuing selfishness never has paid very large dividends. After all, merely to eat lots of food, without exerting the energy in some fashion, merely makes one soft and fat, and that's about all.

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Minding one's own business is a pretty big job for any person. Some day some intelligent educator is going to install in his school a course of instruction that boys and girls will put to good use during adult life; and the name of that course will be: "Minding your own business."

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If I were a farmer, while quite willing to cooperate in an intelligent program of national economy, I would resent having some theorist tell me when and how much food to grow. You can't blue-print the whims of Mother Nature, and I'd rather take my chances of food or famine from Nature's whims than the political caprices of any public official.

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Some day the people of the United States are going to insist that men and women in high and important government places must know the details of the public jobs they wish to assume. There are few acts of a free people that are more inefficient and blundering than their toleration of a system of government that allows incompetency to be rewarded with important public responsibility. It's too often like turning the throttle of a fast locomotive over to one who knows nothing about the railroad business; that's why the people who pay for government so often find their affairs on a siding, derailed, or badly wrecked.

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Nakedness was once the common lot of mankind. Then came the long era of animal skins for covering; then the spinning wheel and loom brought cloth; and now, it seems, the world is going back to bare facts. And so the shuttle of Dame Fashion moves back and forth—and humans succumb to the seeming eternal desire for a change of clothing.

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It would be a blessing to Europe, and the world, if some smart woman would marry Adolf Hitler and reform him a bit. I'll wager that if Hitler had to walk the floor nights with a howling infant he'd change some of his queer notions about the abilities of people to conform to his personal wishes.

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Now that the Roosevelt children are all married, and nicely established, all we have to wait for now is the growing up of the grandchildren. Wonder how many of them will go into the insurance business?

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Claim Your Heritage!

Be yourself and think for yourself; and, while your conclusions may not be infallible, they will be nearer right than the conclusions forced upon you by those who have a personal interest in keeping you in ignorance . . . . You grow through exercising your faculties, and if you don't reason now you will never advance. We are all sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be. Claim your heritage!

—Elbert Hubbard

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South Florida weekly ran a notice to the effect that Rev. Soanso would preach Sunday, after which the church would be closed for repairs.

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TWO OUT OF FOUR TO PLAY AGAIN

Here are the four winners of last year's Novice Tennis Tournament, two of whom are entered in this year's contest. Reading from left to right they include: Dean George T. Nickerson of Cranbrook school, men's singles champion in Birmingham; Miss Barbara Pratt of Strathmore road, runner-up in the women's singles; Miss Margaret McKee of 1058 Floyd street, women's champion and Howard Johnson, 1288 Villa road, runner-up in men's play.

Miss McKee and Mr. Johnson are both entered in this year's tournament, games of which are being currently played. Mr. Johnson was Birmingham's sole representative in the state play-offs in Detroit last year, complications having prevented the participation of the other ranking players from this district.

Antique Volumes On Display At Library Show Reading Matter Of Bygone Days

There may have been few books in the libraries of bygone days but if the quaint old volumes now on display at the Baldwin Public Library are any criterion, the books they did have were at least comprehensive! The Library's exhibition is part of a large display of antiques and curiosities loaned by J. P. Shuch of Saginaw, noted collector.

One of the most interesting items in the collection is a grammar, published in 1832. On the fly-leaf, in the "curlicue" handwriting of the day, is engraved: "Intended for the use of schools and young persons in general, but more especially for the use of soldiers, sailors, apprentices and plough boys. To which are added six lessons intended to prevent statesmen from using false grammar and from writing in an awkward manner." Nowadays the reader might wonder what kind of a grammar could be designed for the special use of soldiers, sailors and statesmen all at once, but perhaps even speech was simpler in "the good old days."

Of still greater age is a tiny cook book, such as might have delighted a bride of the 18th century. Among other things, the fly-leaf boasts that therein you will find "Requisites for cooks; likewise confectionary and pickling proper for housekeepers to have a knowledge of." The poor brides must have been expected to know a lot or else the bridegrooms were more reckless than nowadays, for the little cook book contained special recipes such as were used abroad to entertain visiting royalty and many menus which were served in the White House on state occasions.

They worried about correct food as far back as 1770. Mr. Shuch's collection proves this with a book published that year, entitled "Diet and Health." And then we think that scientific menus and diets are the brain children of our age! Several other items are included in the manuscript exhibit, as well as such interesting autographs as that of the Archbishop of Canterbury and others. The entire exhibit will remain at the Library for some time longer and is available for inspection at all times.

HEART ATTACK ENDS CAREER OF TROY OFFICIAL

John Truesdale, treasurer of Troy township, died of a heart attack, Thursday, July 21, at 6:20 a. m. in St. Joseph Mercy hospital, Pontiac. He was born in Royal Oak township 66 years ago, of Irish parents, and lived in Troy township for 60 years, serving in various official capacities for that township during the last 25 years.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Saturday, at the S. O. Wylie Bell funeral home. The Rev. Robert J. Chase of Washington officiated. Burial was in Crooks cemetery.

Truesdale, in addition to being treasurer, served as Troy township supervisor in 1919 and 1920, and during other years held offices of township clerk, justice of the peace and constable. He was treasurer for approximately 12 years, never for more than two consecutive one-year terms until the restriction was changed recently. He also was a member of Troy district school board for about 20 years.

He was serving his third consecutive term as treasurer at the time of his death. On Wednesday, July 13, he participated in a board meeting despite feeling ill. He was taken to St. Joseph Mercy hospital Saturday and placed under an oxygen tent.

Truesdale, who was born on a farm near Campbell and Fourteen-Mile roads, on July 8, 1872, was the son of William and Jane Truesdale. Both came to the United States from Ireland with others of their countrymen who settled in the same area in Royal Oak and Troy townships. He married Jennie Bell Burt of Pontiac, May 4, 1898, in Pontiac. Three of their four children survive: Mrs. Harold D. Walt and Mrs. Bruce M. LaFrance of Royal Oak; and S. Clifton Truesdale, Boyd street Big Beaver with whom Truesdale had lived during the last year.

Two other survivors are a sister, Mrs. J. Lee Halsey of Big Beaver, and one granddaughter, Audrey Jane LaFrance of Royal Oak.

Mr. Truesdale was educated in Birmingham schools, and until recently he managed the dairy farm he owned on Seventeen Mile road between Crooks road and Main street. He was a member of the Gleaners.

TWILITE LEAGUE RATINGS CHANGE IN UPSET GAMES

Biggest news of the week in the Twilight Softball League is the loss of two games by the strong Birmingham Recreation team. The group suffered 13 strike-outs at the hands of the Franklin Merchants in one game, but, in spite of the mauling, offered such stiff resistance that the final score was a closely-contested 2-1 in favor of Franklin.

There have been several surprise shifts in League standings

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FRANCHISE CARRIES IN BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

The question of extending the franchise between the Detroit Edison Company and Bloomfield Township was settled Monday by popular vote for another period of 30 years. Eleven votes were cast, all in favor of the franchise. Records show that there are between 800 and 900 voters registered in the township.

THESPIANS WILL STAGE 'HAY FEVER' AS AID TO HOUSE

Birmingham is practically Broadway, so far as being theatrically-minded is concerned! And for those that doubt the statement—"Hay Fever," by Noel Coward, is going to be staged at the Village Players' Playhouse on Friday and Saturday evenings, July 29 and 30, at 8:30. The performance will be open to the public, and all funds will be devoted to the Community House.

There's rather an unusual story behind the production. Work on it began during the winter, when Dr. John B. Hassberger first began to serve as dramatic coach for a group of young theater enthusiasts. The weekly meetings unearthed so much talent that the idea of staging a public show was evolved. A probable use of the funds from this initial venture will be to provide more facilities for studying dramatics at the Community House. The classes are open to any young persons in Birmingham.

In the cast Friday and Saturday will be Barbara Blakeslee, Bruce Corson, Holden Drury, Dorothy Kelly, Eleanor Kelly, Sheldon Olson, Mary Elizabeth Robinson, Bradford Smith and Mary Gunn. Miss Joan Baker has served Dr. Hassberger as assistant director. Fred L. Johnson is in charge of the sale of tickets, which may be bought at the Community House, LaBelle's, Shain's and Wilson's.

NOVICES PLAY FIRST ROUND IN NET MEET

Two Former Champions Enter; Women's Division Is Completed

A total of 35 persons, 27 men and eight women, entered the sixth annual tennis tournament, conducted annually to determine Birmingham's outstanding novice net star. Play-offs have already been completed in the first round, with one exception, for the men. The women's entries were held open for an additional period of time, in order to have a more representative group of players.

Howard Johnson, Loyes Reynolds, Herbert Berdan, Earl Ziegler and Henry Dalquist advanced to the second round on byes, being without opponents when the drawing was held. Russell Grinnell and Robert Hall gained the second bracket through forfeit matches with Bud Stutte and George Frye respectively. The undecided contest, between William Collins and Weston Meyer, was called off after a few minutes of play due to darkness, and will be played in the near future.

The remaining victors and their scores follow: Robert Ziegler, 8-6, 1-6, 7-5, over Robert Hopkins; Robert Porter, 6-2, 6-4, over Harold Holden; Ted Huxford, 6-4, 6-2, over A. Wiley Hitchcock; Art Neff, 6-3, 8-6, over John Chandler; Lee Pearsall, 6-1, 6-1, over Richard Neeley; Leo Ward, 6-0, 6-0, over Jack Smith; Warren Dailey, 6-3, 6-3, over Alex Lotero and Bill Cole, 6-1, 6-1, over Royale Frye.

The next round between the men contestants will be played within a reasonable length of time at the convenience of the participants. The pairings are as follows: Johnson and R. Ziegler; Porter and Huxford; Reynolds and an unnamed opponent; Grinnell and Berdan; Neff and Pearsall; E. Ziegler and Hall; War dand Dailey; Cole and Dahlquist.

The women players are matched as follows, after the pairing Wednesday morning by Miles W. Robinson, Birmingham director for the tourney: Dorothy McCormick vs. Lilah Johnson; Betty Miller vs. Carol Clark; Joy Johnson vs. Margaret Coryell; Margaret McKee vs. Betty Stoll. Miss McKee presents the greatest hazard to the remaining women, having advanced to first place in last year's tournament by defeating Barbara Pratt, champion. Howard Johnson won the same distinction for the men's singles.

The Novice State-Wide Tennis Tournament is an annual affair, conducted locally by The Birmingham Eccentric and sponsored by The Detroit News. A game-by-game bracket is kept in the window of The Eccentric office, along with full information concerning rules.

The winners of the local play will enter the state play-offs, to be held in Detroit August 6 at Gladwin (Waterworks) Park. Each year the tournament is open to any amateur tennis player who has never won a major tennis title, been ranked in the first 10 anywhere, received a collegiate letter in tennis or won a previous novice event.

LOCAL LEGION POST ELECTS OFFICERS

Wylie Pearsall was reelected to the office of Commander at the annual election of officers at the Charles Edwards Post of the American Legion Friday, July 22. Other officers who will serve for the coming year are: Senior Vice-Commander, Peter D. Aristos; Junior Vice-Commander, Russell J. Chapman; Adjutant, Richard H. Dewey; Finance Officer, Carl W. Eley; Historian, D. H. Thompson; Chaplain, Ray O. West; Sergeant at Arms, Dr. Carleton Fox.

Wylie Pearsall, Richard Dewey, and Carl Eley were also chosen as delegates to the state convention at Battle Creek in August.

At a meeting held Friday at Rochester, the members of the 17th District of the Department of Michigan, were invited by the Birmingham Post to hold the annual District Delegates Meeting here Friday evening August 12.

COMMUNITY HOUSE TO CLOSE JULY 31

On the last day of July, the Birmingham Community House, which has been operating on a skeleton basis all summer, will close in every department, including the employment office.

During the month of July, the Community House was open to organizations only by appointment. The Thrift Shop was closed, and all calls for the visiting nurse were transferred to the City Hall. The Service Clubs did not dine there, and there were no Thursday night dinners for families.

After it closes, the visiting nurse may still be reached at the City Hall. It will reopen the day after Labor Day.

Postmaster Home Again After Hectic Trip

Postmaster Joseph A. Byrne and Mrs. Byrne returned Saturday from a vacation tour packed with more thrills than they bargained for, but more than they would care to experience a second time.

Three weeks ago they left their home in Birmingham with the intention of spending their vacation in Alaska. However, when they reached the ports of sailing on the Pacific Coast, they found to their disappointment that a large percentage of the population had a similar desire.

It was impossible to make reservations on any of the ships northward bound. While waiting for a possible opportunity as a result of someone's cancellation, Mr. and Mrs. Byrne decided to visit some of the national parks in this country and up in Canada.

They turned about and started to retrace their former travels, but it was while motoring through North Dakota that they met with an accident which might have resulted in tragedy. Driving on a gravel road about 10 miles east of Minot, N. D., as Mr. Byrne recalls, they had a blow-out.

The front of the car plunged over the shoulder of the road, and had it not been caught and suspended over the ditch, in all probability, the car would have overturned. As it was, they were forced to wait two hours for a wrecker from Danville to come and pull them out of their plight. Both were badly shaken up, Mr. Byrne reports, but uninjured.

Another "thrill" was experienced while driving through a storm of blinding hail in the Big Horn mountains, when one-half inch of hail stones fell on the mountain. Another unusual experience was looking down upon the clouds from the dizzy height of Mt. Ranier.

In the course of their travels, they visited the Black Hills of North Dakota where the likenesses of Presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt are being carved upon the face of the mountain.

Altogether, their trip covered about 6,600 miles, and now they are home again with Alaska as a possible goal for the future, but at any rate thankful that their accident was a minor one.

STREET DANCES TO BE HELD AT CITY SCHOOLS

Street dances have been added to the summer recreation program, the first to be held at Barnum school the night of Aug. 4. Dancing will be in the school court and everyone is invited to attend, although it has been planned particularly for the young people of the district.

Other street dances will be held later at Adams, Quarton and Pierce schools, with a committee of young folk from each district in charge of arrangement. These committees will work in conjunction with the permanent committee, which is headed by Mrs. S. L. Johnstone. Serving with Mrs. Johnstone are Mrs. Harold H. Corson, Mrs. Norman Lyle, Mrs. William E. Essery and Mrs. Thomas R. Navin.

In addition to the street dances, there will, it is expected be a big community sing, according to Mrs. Johnstone.

Dick and Ted Johnstone will be in charge of lighting and music for the Barnum street dance and the following will comprise the young people's committee: Margaret Carnahan, Lola Schwallie, Betty Lou Hock, June Osborne, Jane Gibbons, Alice Lee Heinmiller, Bill Campbell, Ed Wolfe and Bob Stevens.

MRS. GALL WINS MEDAL MEET AT OAKLAND HILLS

Three days of championship play won for Mrs. Damon S. Gall the annual three-day medal tournament at Oakland Hills Country Club, held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week, at the club. Mrs. Gall's score totaled 249 for the three days. With a handicap of 17, her individual scores for the tournament were 99-82; 102-85 and 99-82.

Mrs. William Guse came in a close second for the match, with a total score of 262 and a handicap of 19. Her individual scores were 105-86, 110-91 and 105-85. Winner of third place was Mrs. J. Bolles. Mrs. Bolles scored 266, playing with a handicap of 33. Her daily count tallied as follows: 123-90, 114-81 and 128-95.

Friday, July 29, will be the regular monthly Guest Day for the club's women golfers. The morning's play will be concluded with luncheon, and there will be informal bridge games during the afternoon for those who do not wish to play more golf.

Free-For-All Baseball Ends In Score Of 17 Runs For Somebody, But Who?

By R. A. P.

The Exchange Club held the July meeting at the farm home of Oliver Kirk on the Thirteen Mile road in Franklin, Wednesday last. During the summer months the club has only one meeting per month and this meeting was the July "Get-together." Oliver had everything in readiness for the meeting. He had been working for days on this project when the law business did not interfere. We have a suspicion however, that the guiding spirit of the preparations was the Fair Member of the family.

Anyway, when the Exchange club members began to arrive at about 4 p. m., they found horse shoe courts in readiness and a large space mowed in the orchard for the soft ball diamond. The man who mowed the hay forgot to rake it up, or else was instructed to leave it so that the players would find a soft place to fall anywhere in the field, when a ball came toward them.

'Armies' on Diamond

The ball game soon got underway. The "Invincibles," led by the fiery leader, Ralph Mouthrop, lined up against the "Red Hots," guided by Dr. Thomas Y. Watson, who fired over his curves and other specialties for the batters. As the play went on, the teams grew in size until at one time, there were sixteen on each side and it looked like a standing army in the field.

Dr. Fred Tukker was selected to umpire and call them as he saw them. But Uh, how he saw them! As the game progressed, players would lie on the grass for an inning at a time and then, after having recovered their breath, play one inning and then lie down. One of the day was made by Ralph Bricker, only to find it called a foul, when the efficient umpire investigated he found that third base had shifted out toward second about 12 feet. Also, the players had a bad time finding second base, as it had a way of getting covered up with hay.

Home-Run Allen

Bob Allen had to make a home run because he could find no base on which to stop and rest. The little rotund figure did not have enough breath left to object to the umpire's decision for a half-hour thereafter.

Much sympathy was expressed for the short comings of Lynwood Rowe and Babe Ruth as the players discussed their ills, and sorenesses after the game. The score of the game was 17 to 14, but there was confusion and a dispute as no one could tell which team had made the 17 runs.

Kenneth Bingham and Donald Egbert were busy with the ground-meat hamburgers over the charcoal grill. Then with all the other eats that go with the hamburgers, the men kept calling for more and more so that the cooks did not have a chance to eat until the coffee course.

After dinner the horse shoe tournament lasted 'till dark. When they all adjourned to the house and a very nicely finished room upstairs in the sheriff's office room was also finished by the master hand of Lawyer Kirk) where bridge and other allied games were played until past the proper time to go home.

SECOND VICTORY SCORED BY CREW AT ORCHARD LAKE

For the second time this season, skippers at Orchard Lake Country Club successfully encountered an invading team when the sailors from Ann Arbor Yacht Club came to Orchard Lake for their annual regatta. The victors took two straight races in the meet, which was held Saturday afternoon.

During August, Orchard Lake will give Ann Arbor a chance to win back the title, since a return is scheduled for that month. There will also meet a contest with sailors from Lake Angelus. The interclub racing got off to an auspicious start at Orchard Lake when the sailors trounced members of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club of Toronto, their annual meet over the week-end of July 4.

Among the victorious skippers are listed the names of Waldemar de Adams, Hugh W. Hitchcock, Atwood B. Oatman, W. Whiting Raymond, Fritz Strong Jr., Fritz Strong III, Warren S. Booth, C. Theron VanDusen and Spencer Hopkins. The visiting crew included the names of O. W. Blackett, Jack Moehlman, Milo Oliphant, Findley Riggs, Jim Skinner, Milton Underdown, John Waite, Arthur Moehlman and Clarence Skinner. Wives of the two crews were among the most enthusiastic spectators and were also included in the various festivities at which the sailors were entertained.

Although the lake's attractions are strong in hot weather, other club activities go on at full swing as the season reaches its height. There will be a regular dinner-dance on Saturday, July 30. On Tuesday, August 2, there will be a luncheon and bridge of large proportions for women members. The committee on arrangements for the affair includes Mrs. C. Hugh Whitelaw, Mrs. F. W. Booth, Mrs. Stacy S. Skelton, and Mrs. W. E. Brewster.

CHIEFS OF POLICE TO HOLD MEETING

The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, of which Chief J. P. Hackett of Birmingham is secretary, will hold its annual meeting at Detroit on Aug. 1 to 4 inclusive. Last year's meeting was held at Ishpeming.

Among the speakers scheduled for the meeting is James W. Parry, former city manager of Birmingham, now head of the Vocational Training and In-Service Bureau at Ann Arbor. He will lead a round discussion on "Recruit and In-Service Training" at the Wednesday meeting. Mr. Parry is chairman of the State advisory committee for police training, of which Chief Hackett is a member.

COMMISSION ACTS ON SALE OF BONDS

The bid of Stranahan, Harris and company of Detroit was accepted by the City Commission Monday evening in the sale of $90,000 in bonds, at the rate of 4.5 percent interest.

Of the six bids submitted, the latter company's offer of $86,643, was the highest. The bonds will provide for the building of sewers to connect the present mains with the new sewage disposal plant for which Birmingham voters approved a general bond issue at the annual City Election. The plant will be erected near Cranbrook and the Fourteen Mile roads.

CLUB PLANS DINNER

Members of the Birmingham Business Women's Club will hold a recreational program at the cottage of Miss Ruth Wall at Woodland Beach, Friday evening. Group will leave the Wabeek building at 5 and 6 p. m. A subscription dinner will be served.

Have You Met?—

Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. St Aubin of 2140 Yorkshire road? They have no children. Mr. St. Aubin travels for the Atlantic Coastline Railroad. Their former home was in Detroit.

"I just love Birmingham" said Mrs. St. Aubin. "I'd like to live here the rest of my life. After the heat and the noise of the city, it seems so restful and cool out here. Everyone is so friendly."

INTEREST RISES IN REAL ESTATE IN PAST MONTH

For the past several weeks interest in real estate and homes in the City of Birmingham has shown a decided turn upward, according to a statement obtained from W. Whiting Raymond, past president of the Birmingham Real Estate Board and member of the real estate firm of Walsh, James, and Wasey Company.

"I have noticed a greater interest in real estate in Birmingham during the last four weeks," Mr. Raymond said. "This might be attributed to the recent rise in the stock market which makes people want to take advantage of the low prices current today.

"Summer is not a very active time for real estate, but we expect to see it pick up quite rapidly in the fall. At the present time real estate values are very low and should show an increase in a few months."

There are some houses here and there in the City for prospective customers, but on the whole a buyer does not have a great amount of unoupied houses to select from, asserted Mr. Raymond.

"Construction work now," Mr. Raymond continued, "is very little, aside from a few houses now in progress under the $10,000 mark. All the rest that can be seen being built are under contract for the owners.

"It has been a slow time last winter and on through the spring and the contractors feel that houses will not sell fast enough except by people who want to build and contract for it."

Mr. Raymond does not expect the price of building to go very low, but he does look for an increase in the lumber line. He also is of the opinion that wages will remain about where they are.

"Quite a few people are people from Detroit," Mr. Raymond stated, "have been out here looking over the situation, and in addition to these a considerable number have come here who are planning to move to Detroit or its vicinity.

"I might add that prices are going to stiffen shortly, according to the way I figure. Although the month of July is ordinarily slow, we have noticed a greater volume of interest. More inquiries have been made recently than were made last winter or last spring. Business has picked up and with it so has real estate."

LOCAL BOARD DEFERS VOTE ON PETITION

Transfer To Be Considered When All Members Are Present

Action on a petition submitted to the local Board of Education by Bloomfield Hills property owners for a transfer of property from Birmingham Fractional District No. 1 to Fractional District No. 2, of Bloomfield Hills, was deferred at a special meeting of the Birmingham Board Monday evening.

Owing to the fact that only a portion of the Board was able to attend, it was decided to wait until the proposition could be considered by a full attendance.

The property in question includes territory north of Quarton road and a small portion of land east of Woodward avenue. At a regular meeting of the Board held a week ago, the petition to detach the territory from the Birmingham district and annex it to Bloomfield Hills, was presented by a group of owners, for which George C. Booth, acted as spokesman. He was accompanied by Harry S. Starr, City Manager for Bloomfield Hills. The petition bore 29 names.

Matters of routine business considered by the Board at the special meeting Monday, included the letting of a contract to recover gymnasium mats at a cost of $262.35, to the Atlas Athletic Co., authorization to purchase parts for the stokers at Barnum School, and approval of the purchase of Kalomine doors for Baldwin High School at a cost of $105.60.

The new doors, which will measure three feet in width and eight feet in height, will be used for the west entrance. The present doors have become inadequate through long service and constant repairs. The metal doors were selected by the Board for greater durability.

ANNUAL 4 H CLUB EXHIBITION TO BE HELD IN PONTIAC

Pontiac will be the host for the third annual Oakland County 4H and Vocational summer exhibition, which is scheduled to take place August 16 to 19. The exhibition will be housed in the General Garage building of the Pontiac Motor Car Company, directly at the rear of the administration building at the corner of Oakland and Baldwin avenues. Six hundred rural farm boys and girls will view the exhibit, one of importance to the farm folks in the country, as they compete for premiums and awards for their summer work.

For greater permanence in promoting the exhibition, a new organization was recently formed, with representatives from a large number of city and rural groups having membership on the Board of Control. The Organization is incorporated under State Law. Dr. L. F. Cobb is president.

Tentative committees are working on the plans, and it is certain that eight or ten service clubs in the city as well as various farm organizations will help sponsor the event. The affair is planned as an educational enterprise and will be one of the high points of the summer 4H club work and vocational school work. Admission is without charge.

GIRL SCOUT CAMP HOLDS OPEN HOUSE

Camp Sherwood, the Oakland County Girl Scout Camp, under the direction of Miss Vivian Ruell of Pontiac, held open house Wednesday. A large group of Birmingham people attended. The entertainment started at 3 o'clock with an archery tournament, followed by a swimming meet. Guests brought basket suppers, and in the evening a special campfire was conducted by Miss Vesta Martin of Birmingham, who is counselor in charge of swimming, singing and dramatics.

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