

A difficult task for parents these days is to reconcile themselves to the fact that their children are assuming responsibilities of adulthood. I presume that every generation of parents felt this way—some of us more so than others.

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By G. R. A.

Decent and Fraud Won Roosevelt had said that one may, in a moment of ill-considered action, do a thing that can ruin a whole life. In the Democratic primary election of last September, because of D. Roosevelt's eight years as a President, I think they will make a considerable chapter in the book of the fraud and deceit of his third nomination. For an appraisal of Mr. Roosevelt's technique and methods in winning the third successive nomination of his party, see the article in this issue, "The President's Tammany Machine Politician."

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49 One Candidates in County Seek Nomination

Possible \$7,500 Pay for Coroner Attracts Sudden Interest

Birmingham voters will have a wide choice in the primary election to be held in September, in when County Clerk Lynn D. Allen closed his office Tuesday afternoon, the deadline for candidates to file their nominating petitions for county offices.

As in other years, there are more rivals on the Republican ticket than on the Democratic. Attracted by the possibility that the coroner's job may pay \$7,500, higher than any other job because of a 1919 law applying to counties over 250,000, nine candidates seek the office.

Following are the county candidates: State Representatives—George N. Higgins, incumbent, Royal Oak, Democrat; George Horkey, Royal Oak Township.

State Representative—D. A. Green, Pontiac, Democrat; Robert W. Hodge, Pontiac, Democrat; (See CANDIDATES, Page 2)

Coroner Don Bell Will Run Again Despite 1919 Law

Despite a legal mixup over the future of the office of coroner in Oakland County, Donald S. Bell will seek another term in that office.

Oakland now has a population more than 250,000, and a 1919 law says that counties of that size shall have only one or two coroners. The law provides for a full staff and it has been estimated that the total cost might be as high as \$80,000 compared with the mere \$3,500 now spent on behalf of Coroners Bell and J. Lee Voorhes.

However, there are numerous "catches." For example, while it is true that Oakland has exceeded the 250,000 mark, the census is not official until early in 1941 when Washington finally publishes the figures. Therefore, many believe that the census requirement will not be binding on candidates who run in the September primary.

"I feel that I should run again to protect the county," Bell told the coroners' office as now constituted before vacant? (See NON-MEDICAL, Page 2)

Bank Payoff Receipts Mailed to Creditors

Receipts to creditors of the First National Bank reassignment Monday Tuesday, it was revealed by Murray M. Aabhaug, Pontiac, receiver.

A reader of The Eclectic telephoned Wednesday, puzzled about the address on the receipt indicating that the slip should be mailed to the "First National Bank, Birmingham."

Abhaug clarified this point, stating that all receipts should be mailed to his office in Pontiac. The payoff, \$145,000, amounts to 100 per cent of checks not outstanding as the receipts are returned to Pontiac.

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City Will Act to Settle Issue of Hunter Blvd.

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Supplies for French Going to England

Until such time as supplies to the French are refused, can be distributed through the proper agencies in France, the Detroit office of the French War Relief will send all perishable supplies now on hand to England to be distributed to the French refugees there.

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Song Session At Pierce Field Tonight, 8:30

All Birmingham Invited to Take Part In Community Sing

Tonight's the night for the gala occasion of the summer recreation program—the annual Community Sing at Pierce Field. The public is invited to unlimb its larynx, starting time is 8:30 p. m.; general admission will be master of ceremonies.

This annual event has proved extremely successful in past years. The estimated \$4,000. Business Manager Louis M. Randall told the Board that the district school has an investment of about \$25,000 in books and that replacements cost about \$4,000 a year. At the request of the Board, Supt. Howard D. Crull presented a survey made of 13 other school districts, showing that one furnished no books at all, that of the ten which furnishes books, only five provide this service through all grades.

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Board May Abandon Free Books in H. S.

May Call Special Meeting of District In Order to Effect Needed Saving

Two teachers were engaged Tuesday night, Malcolm Tindall, who was on leave of absence securing his Master's degree, was hired to teach general science at the Adams School, replacing Victor Fleming. His salary will be \$1,850 a year.

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