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tional School District, an area of approximately 4½ square miles, with an assessed valuation of \$1,103,

miles, with an assessed valuation of \$1,163, 025,00.

That action was precipitated because of a movement by citizens of Southfield Township to create, by special election Dec. 1, a Township School District, a project altagonistic to what Franklin's residents believe/best for their interests.

Monday evening of this week the voters of Franklin voted on the proposition of becoming annexed to Birmingham, and it carried this action, together with the local Board's resolution of approval last week, would have completed the annexation—however,

Monday the petition circulators in Southfield Township who sought to include Franklin in a Township District, rushed their signed petitions in the County Sept. 6 School become to the courts, can be supported to the courts, can be supported to the support of the courts, can be supported to the support of the support

ation of Franklin's District to Birmingham, it is believed:

So that is where the proposition now stands/

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However, the quick action of the Birming-ham Board of Education in doing its share of the annexing last week, without any pub-lic discussion of the project, was legally with-in the rights of the Board: for, at the share annual Birmingham School District meeting, the voters approved changing from a gradient School District to a Gity District of the Thirti-class, which gives the Board personal privi-lege for such a change without submission to the voters.

Even though the Franklin annexation is now suspended, it may be in order to make a few general observations touching on this important problem.

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In making gheir unanimous decision to amex Franklin, the Birmingham Board of Education was confronted with the long-time perspective of just what should eventually comprise the area of its school facilities. Previously, the Board, in cooperation with Suption Problems of the Board, in cooperation with Suption Company of the Board, in cooperation with Suption Williams of the Board, in the Board of the Board of

However in the near future the Board of However in the near future line Board of Education here must decide how and where to expand its school buildings, and to accom-plish this must know how much of adjacent areas it will be called upon to serve; in the meantime, data concerning this will be pre-sented to citizens of Bhomfield Village and Wing Lake School Districts, so that they may

on served its first notice in Sep-What Your

Because of war-time conditions, the relations of the rela

know all the fatts; if they then refuse to become a part of the Birmingham School District the local Board will know the answers to this part of the problem, and adjust the program of expansion accordingly.

Certainly, it must be apparent to all, that the type of family in Franklin, Bloomfield Village, and Wing Lake is the same as hat in Birmingham; also that these three areas have an economic affinity to Birmingham, and they are related in numerous ways to local social activities, the churcho's, etc. All of which suggests that eventually Birmingham's School District will extend over the areas we have been discussing here—an area that the Birmingham Board of Education believes would best provide satisfactory school facilities for the children whose fahrur would thus be served with a maximum of economy and efficiency.

kelsey Not column, we expressed the hope that W. K. Kekey, the Detroit News "Commendator," would endeavor to become and remark an oracle especially refraining from ketting all tangled up in practical, earthly questions about which he knew too little to discuss in his column. He came right thank, declaring that he would not like to be an oracle: the went into some of the literary allegorical past to prove that being an oracle: was hardly a happy experience. Well, when S. Peter tremember, Mr. Kelsey, we do not say "Satan" i, greens the anionate of the discovered of the say of the say. The New York of the say of

THE NEAR-STRIKE OF MICHIGAN TELEPHIONE operators would have been a serious problem, had it is one shrough. Which, suggests: why does government allow "sympathy" strike to occur? After all, it seems to'us that when certain business has labor troibles, the strike weapon should not be allowed to go further than the specific company affected.

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