Primary Elections Next Tuesday-Have You Chosen Candidates?

Next Tuesday, Aug. 5, is primary election day in Birmingham and Michigan. In other parts of this week's Eccentric you will find detailed information printed upon various phases of the subject, including candidates, where to vote in your precinct, and the voting hours. No doubt many of you, due to the number of candidates offering themselves for the several offices in the two major political parties, are desirous of some guidance on one or more of the candidates. Should we attempt to offer such guidance? Maybe yes, maybe no. Perhaps a bit of rambling "thinking out loud" might help on some of the contests. So here we go—knowing, of course, that if you don't agree with our notions you certainly have that right . . . and more power to you!

TAKE THE CASE of the contest for TAKE THE CASE of the contest for Governor, among the three Republican candidates, Donald S. Leonard, Fred M. Alger, Jr., and William C. Vandenberg, We know each of them personally, and more than casually well. Any one of them would, as befits their Republican philosophy, give you a different, more frugal brand of government than the incumbent, Democrat G. Mennen Williams.

eumbent, Democrat G. Mennen Williams. Leonard, 29 years with the State Po-lice, over five of them as Commissioner, will, we believe, run third in the primary; he got in too late to make much progress before the voters. Alger, completing his third term as Secretary of State, is making a strong plea for your support; he points out that he knows most of Michigan's problems and has, or can develop, solutions for them.

HE ASKS YOU to recall that for many years he led a move in Wayne County to kick political boss rule out of Michigan's Republican party affairs; with the help of Kim Sigler's successful 1946 cam-

help of Kim Sigler's successful 1946 campaign for Governor, this he did.
"Bill" Vandenherg is a typical. "Dutchman" from Holland, Mich. He served ably in the Michigan Senate, and is now completing his first two-year term as Lieut. Governor. He is a retired husinessman, considerably older than Leonard and Alger, and a strong temperance man of deep convictions. Vanderberg's program oppgess new state taxes, decrease in state expenditures; like Alger and Leonard, he also denounces the New-Fair Deal policies. and Leonard, no Fair Deal policies.

WITHOUT GOING into detail regardwithout GOING into detail regarding other candidates, we do believe that Harry Henderson, of nearly Franklin, is a gord Republican candidate for Lieut-Governor. Of the four candidates seeking to defeat Sen. Blair Moody, we like both Rep. Charles E. Potter, now in Con-

gress, and John B. Martin, Jr., Michigan's Auditor-General.

Potter has been elected three times as his district's Representative, and has done well for his people. Martin, a Rhodes scholar, is better than lots of Cur-

Rhodes scholar, is better than lots of Cur-rent U. S. Senators.

Cong. George A. Dondero, veteran Royal Oak Representative of this dis-trict in Washington for 18 years, with long seniority on several House Com-mittees, has strong opposition from more youthful Stanley M. Brown, of Franklin. If you believe that Dondero should give way to youth, then Brown is entitled to his chance.

FOR STATE SENATOR, George N. Higgins, a fightin' chap from Ferndale, is your man, we believe. Birmingham's Howard R. Estes deserves re-election to

Howard R. Estes deserves re-election to the state Legislature, we agree. Two Republicans are vying for County Prosecutor, L. Harvey Lodge and pres-ent 1st assistant Prosecutor Frederick C. Ziem. Lodge has served in that office, also has been a Representative in the Leg-islature; he has good ideas for improv-ing the office/

islature; he has good ideas for improving the office/
Ziem is a younger man than Lodge, and is being supported by the retiring Prosecutor, Clyde D. Underwood.
Three men seek to be sheriff, one of them incumbent Clare L. Hubbell; the two others are Dale J. Swanson and Robert R. Copeman. Hubbell probably will with

LYNN D. ALLEN, capable County Clerk, is unopposed on the Republican ticket and so are County Treasurer Charles A. Sparks, County Register of O Deeds Orrin McQuald, and County Surveyor Omar E. MacNutt. County Drain Commissioner Ralph A. Main, of Rimmincham, will win our vote, 100.

Drain Commissioner Ralph A. Main, of Birmingham, will win our vote, too. Included as Democratic candidates are Gov. Williams and Senator Blair Moody, both ardent New-Fair Dealers, while Detroit's John W. Connolly wants another term as Lieut-Governor. Not knowing most of the other democrats seeking other offices, we turn you over to the news columns for further data on them.

It has been said, and rightly, that the elections this year, especially on state and national levels, are the most important in the history of the United States. SUPPORTERS OF both major parties, therefore, ought to get out and vote next Tuesday, and later November 5 at the general election.

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general election.
Will you be counted among those civic patriots who, regardless of partisanship, went to the polls and seleced your choices for the several public offices?
You'll be a better citizen if you do!

We Must Respect Our Laws

From an emotional and sentimental standpoint, one may sympathize with those Lapeer County residents who are subject to eviction from their property because they failed to pay very small spe-cial insurance assessments

Due process of law finally was resorted to, and the courts held that the property had to be sold at public auction. Yet

from a strictly legal viewpoint, those residents should pay the penalties legally demanded of them.

For, should one defend the rule of emotionalism and sentimentalism only, one then endorses the rule of mob hysteria, and little security may be found in that area of humanity.

Point of View . . . From The Eccentric's

Perhaps the best eventual way to free • Perhaps the heat eventual way to free the millions of Russians and satellites under Kremlin control is to provide cer-tain responsible revolting leaders with arms to fight their oppressors. Certainly within the breasts of those millions must burn the spark of desire for personal freedom. Let's hope that a new American leadership, after next January, will be-gin such a program.

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• Once upon a time government was the responsibility of the people; now government assumes that people are its responsibility. That's why the government taxes you so mght..., so it can get the dough to pay back to enough voters to keep itself in office. Please don't forget that the taxing powers of Congress, for example, are in part just like a blackjack in the hands of a highway bandit.

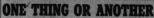
So They Say . . .

Dwight D. Eisenhower, speaking prior to

Convention:
"Politics should be the noblest of pro-

Bernard M. Baruch, retired industrialist:
"Our real peril is not 'militarism' but
civilian indecision."

Dr. Robert J. McCracken, New York preacher:
"Happiness is a by-product of service."



which the commission felt at that time told in digest form the that time told in digest form the hall proposition.

A few days before the election—and too late for the city to successfully counteract—sudden and denced itself. This opposition to the city of t

(RISING WAS exted to the commission in April, 1951, Watkins in April, 1952).
"But now," continued Rising, "I feel perhaps the way to do it is contable.

psen recaptured in Calumet. The boy was arrested here on a traffic charge while driving a car found to have been stolen.

Sparks from an incinerator charmer were hlamed for a roof Carton of the complete of the A hole about four feet square was burned completely through roof and rafters.

mingham for 17 years," read one letter, "and have never seen the community look as shabby and neglected as it does this summer. Surely we can cut weeds even if

Wanted: A Global Aspirin

Happenings of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric The Items That Make Up The Historical Background

50 YEARS AGO
August 1, 1902
Last week Mr. Arthur J. Beer,
wife and daughter, a bright
young Mas
Last week welcome
guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Mills.
Mr. Beer was in business in Birmingham 25 years ago and since
leaving has greatly prospered.

Last Tuesday afternoon there was a pleasant gathering at the home of George Caswell which was decorated will wildinders. Miss Jnez Estelle Caswell gave a "poppy tea" for her friend, a Purcell of Schoolcraft, Everyone had a delightful time.

and rafters.

**YEARS AGO

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Ridge road, Bloomfield Hills, suffered multiple first and second
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police radio culpiment and twoway units for cars to replace present obsolete facilities. Cost of the
new equipment, which will permit
same wave length as other county-communities, will be \$3125.50. The choir of \$t. James church will take a trip to Sugar Island Friday, leaving Birmingham at 8:30 and Detroit at 9:30, Friends of the choir wishing to attend can procure tickets for 35c for adults and 25c for children. 20 YEARS AGO
August 4, 1932
Drastic action has been taken
by the Birmingham school board
teacher-contracts. It was explained
that the action opens the way to
form new and more economical
arrangements before the opening
of school next month.

John S. Townsend of Chester-field road, has became associated with Benjamin and Stephens, lo-cal real estate firm, according to J. F. Benjamin, president. He has been in real estate sales for 13 years in the Detroit area.

Dominic Caputo has announced the opening of his new store on 14 Mile road next Saturday morning. Called the Birmingham Community Market, the new business will after a complete line of foods and delivery service in the area.

of school next month.

The Oakland County Rural
Schools association will hold their
I affer oad next Saturday morntownship park Wednesday afternoon. During the morning the
group will go on a conducted tour
of Cranbrook Museum. A brief
discussion on "Tax Matters" by
R. Wayne Newton will highlight
the afternoon meeting.

The Birmainsham MOMS group
R. Willage city commissioners have
received n u me r o us complaints
about the weed-grown lost to he
seen in town. "I've lived in Birpital."

HORSE SENSE AND NONSENSE BY ALICE E. MORGAN

about it all.

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cream cone.

It wouldn't surprise me a bit
to find out that about 99 per cent

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no end, but we're lost without them.

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be located.

Sure, you can still buy a five-cent candy bar. But you've get to lead closer to see it.

Have you donated a pint of blood for use on the Korean bat-lefront! If you haven't, your only excuse should be that you nay exe not healthy enough. And in that event, perhaps you can get a translation.

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