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COBB HAS NARROW ESCAPE IN CRASH

Three Other Local Citizens Nearly Meet Death In Inter-urban Crash Sunday

JUMPS FROM CAR

In a desperate attempt to save his automobile from impending collision with a street car, Arthur J. Cobb, 35, of 1015 1/2 E. 12th street, jumped from his car last Sunday. Cobb, local druggist, narrowly escaped death, the three occupants of the Dodge sedan fortunately jumped to safety, while the machine was completely demolished. Cobb, who sustained a broken right arm below the elbow, a finger of his left hand broken, several severe cuts about the head, and a nervous shock.

The accident occurred at 7:30 p. m. Sunday evening on 12th and 13th streets, outside of Plymouth. Mr. Cobb at the time was his sister, Miss Eliza Cobb, 1015 1/2 E. 12th street, and Mrs. Katharine Van Zandt of Dewey street, and Merrill Schlaack, son of Frank Schlaack. Mr. Cobb was taking his daughter and young son, Robert and Ypsilanti, where they are students.

According to Miss Van Zandt, Mr. Cobb was crossing the interurban car tracks at Michigan avenue when the right wheels of the automobile got into the car tracks. Mr. Cobb then attempted to get over to the pavement and kept on going ahead, hoping to find a high ledge on the ground to enable his wheels to get over the projecting rail. Not until he had gone a few feet did he notice the onrushing Ann Arbor car speeding directly in his path.

Blowing for the three occupants of the automobile to jump, Mr. Cobb then attempted to back his machine to the crossing, hoping to get over to get clear of the interurban. Before he could accomplish this, the right front end of the machine struck his machine, crumpling it into a heap of wreckage. Mr. Cobb was struck by a mass of iron and hurled to a doctor in Wayne, where his injuries were cared for. His brother, Thomas Cobb, local banker, later that evening removed the injured man to Birmingham.

Immediately upon leaving Merrill Schlaack ran ahead in a frantic endeavor to flag the motorman of the oncoming car. Mr. Cobb's machine, jammed on the tracks, was struck when the interurban was going about 15 miles an hour, it was stated. The skidding of the machine was all that saved Mr. Cobb from instant death, it is believed.

Mr. Cobb is still confined to his home but will probably be out within a few days. The automobile was insured by the Citizens' National Bank.

ARLISS SURE TO BE BEST IN "DISRAELI"

Movie Shown At The Baldwin Auditorium Tonight Said To Be His Greatest

As the only movie to be given this year by the Birmingham office of the American Association of University Women "Disraeli" with George Arliss as the leading actor, is well worth the effort the members are making. It is extremely fitting that a film of this nature should be produced with such careful attention to historical detail, should be the means of raising money for our Scholarship Fund.

Mr. Arliss achieved his greatest success in the role of David Lloyd George as the "Great Leader" in the play "The People's Choice" which he played in Birmingham. In the company supporting Mr. Arliss in this exceptional production are: Miss George, Miss Beaton, Miss Beauchamp, Louise Huff as "Clara", Margaret Dale as "Mrs. Ratcliffe", Reginald Deyoung as "Mr. Viscount Deyoung", E. J. Ratcliffe as "Sir Michael Roberts", Frank H. Jones as "The Duke of Gloucester", Grace Griswold as "The Duchess of Gloucester", and the "People's Choice" cast.

"Disraeli" is not an historic play in any sense. The author has given times of Mr. Disraeli's life and the play is very fanciful and designed to show something of the prejudice of English history against the distinguished Jew, who in one occasion was appointed by Queen Victoria to be her Prime Minister.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Burrows and Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood, of Southfield, were Detroit visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Randall, of Southfield, and Mrs. Joseph Brooks, of Southfield, returned to Muncie last Friday.

Harry Ross, of Fenton, spent the last week-end at the home of Seymour Blackley, on Lincoln avenue.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and sincere thanks to the many tender expressions of sympathy extended to us during our recent bereavement. To the minister for his comforting words, to the singing of F. & A. M. No. 44, and for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Marion Evans, Mrs. W. J. Deere and family, Mrs. Hattie Evans and family, adv25

Full line of Hallows'en favors at Cobb's Drug Store. adv25

TWO AUTOS COLLIDE THURSDAY MORNING

Man And Woman In Crash At Woodward And Maple; One Car Turned Over

Driving a light sedan down West Maple street, between Woodward and West Maple avenue, collided with a coupe driven by C. H. Donaldson, F. D. 2, of 222 E. 12th street, West Maple and Woodward avenue. The coupe was turned completely over, and the driver was injured. Mrs. Roberts' car was also damaged, and the driver was slightly cut on the head. Mrs. Roberts was not hurt. The accident occurred at 9:25 p. m. Thursday morning.

Donaldson was driving in the direction of Woodward and Maple road to Woodward avenue when the accident occurred. Apparently neither driver was at fault. Donaldson's car was hit squarely in the middle and it turned completely over. Donaldson was assisted from the car by the aid of spectators. Mrs. Roberts was badly frightened but was not injured.

PEACE, QUIET REIGN SUPREME IN COURT

Justice Buck Enjoys Respite From Trial Violation Cases

Peace and quiet reigned in justice court yesterday. Judge Buck was in sole charge of the trial of the late afternoon session. Only two men appeared to answer to charges of breaking traffic laws. One was granted a continuance and the other was fined.

Howard Lethman of Ford City pleaded guilty to a charge of speeding on Woodward avenue. Lethman was fined \$10.00. Gussell of Caro, Mich., appeared to answer to a charge of driving an overloaded truck on Woodward avenue. He was fined \$10.00.

The men were arrested by local officers last week when it was reported that they were driving a truck with a load of lumber. The truck was found to be overloaded and the men were taken to court.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Village Manager Starr: "The work of connecting the village drain with the city sewer system at Woodward City will be completed this week. We have been working for the past several months on laying the connecting pipe."

Justice F. S. Buck: "This is the first time in my career that I have had five traffic violations made during the winter time. Spring is the season of racing money for the benefit of the city."

Melvin Hart, principal of Baldwin high school, reports that he is pleased with the first time of the year that he has seen a student who has been absent for a week without any excuse.

H. C. Peony, 214 Euclid avenue, has been notified that his water bill for the month of September is \$1.50. He has been notified that his water bill for the month of October is \$1.50.

Henty Norton, of West Maple avenue, who met with an accident while driving his car on Woodward street in August, has recovered to such an extent that he is able to get around town on his own.

Boat! Boat! Boat! What for, Bridget, of course. See "Boasting Bridget" at the Baldwin auditorium, Monday, Oct. 16. adv25

R'member

HOW EXCLUSIVE THE BARBER SHOPS USED TO BE



ASKS ANOTHER TRIAL IN ADAMS WIFE CASE

Attorney Contends Damages Allowed Not Sufficient; Gillespie To Decide

Acting for Mrs. Julia Adams, West Maple road, who was recently awarded \$1000 damages against Birmingham's present Wallace Reid and his wife, Mrs. Adams, is asking for a new trial on the grounds that the verdict returned in Mrs. Adams' case was wholly without the merits of the case.

FAIR PROVES SUCCESS DESPITE HEAVY RAIN ON LAST SATURDAY

Proceeds Exceed \$1,000, It Is Said by Mrs. Frank Miller, Chairman of Fete

Although it rained during the greater part of the day, the Saturday fair held last Saturday, under the auspices of the League of St. James Women, was considered by those who charge a great success. While the proceeds of the fair were not as large as those of the previous year, it is said to be the best of the kind held in Birmingham.

FIRST Y. M. C. A. GROUP MEETING HELD HERE

Sixty Boys, Aged 12 To 18 Years, Present Tuesday Evening in High School

Y. M. C. A. groups of Birmingham met for the first time this year Tuesday night at the Baldwin high school. It was said to be the largest group of boys ever gathered in Birmingham for a Y. M. C. A. meeting.

"THE DICTATOR," MOVIE, AT AUDITORIUM OCT. 16

To Be Given Under Auspices Of Pythian Sisters Lodge; Also One-Act Comedy

Birmingham movie fans will be tendered a rare treat when the Pythian Sisters present "The Dictator" Monday evening, October 16.

BOUND OVER TO CIRCUIT COURT

The examination of David Edwards and George Granger, both colored, of Pontiac, who were charged on a charge of transporting liquor, was held in justice court here yesterday.

BARACA CLASS ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

The Young Men's Baraca Class of the First Baptist church held their annual meeting at the church parlors last week. The following officers were elected: President, Paul Nutten; vice-president, Walter Barrett; secretary, Roy McAlpine; treasurer, Percy Burnett.

HOUSEBREAKERS

Burglars are again invading our community. Protect yourself against loss by insuring in the strong Burglary Companies in America. With insurance you can leave your home without worry or sleeplessness through the night. \$1,000.00 for one year. \$12.10 in town; \$22.00 in Summer.

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LOCAL MAN REPEATS FAMOUS HOUDINI ACT

George Pullin Thrills Audience As He Releases Himself From Straight Jacket And Ropes

Before a large audience in the I. O. O. F. Temple on Pierce street Tuesday night George F. Pullin, proprietor of Birmingham Harry, ventriloquist and magician of considerable fame, gave a demonstration of his Houdini act, and released himself from a straight-jacket in the short period of three minutes and forty-five seconds.

Mr. Pullin, it is claimed, did even better than Houdini does with the same feat by allowing himself to be tightly bound with ropes and straps after the straight-jacket was fastened. Mr. Pullin performed this feat after agreeing to donate \$25 to charity in the event he failed. A large crowd of interested spectators watched him twist and squirm, part of the time standing and part of the time falling about the floor.

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FIX A NEW BOUNDARY LINE FOR S. WOODWARD

Village Commission Rescinds Former Resolution; Takes Nine Feet From Each Side

The resolution passed a year ago, fixing the future width of South Woodward street, which was 20 feet south of the D. U. R. waiting room, was rescinded last Monday by the Village Commission.

LOCAL BOYS MAKE FIRST TEAM AT YPSILANTI NORMAL

Birmingham is well represented on the first squad football team at the Ypsilanti Normal school, Michigan. The team consists of nine players.

HUNTING LICENSES ARE NOW OBTAINABLE HERE

According to announcements received this week, L. J. Slusser of the Michigan Game Commission has announced a special deputy game warden for the state of Michigan.

NOTICE

Should anyone be witnessed, or who could give me information of any kind, as to the identity of the party who smokes my car, please contact me at my home, 1234 1/2 E. 12th street, or at my office, 1234 1/2 E. 12th street, or at my office, 1234 1/2 E. 12th street.

OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN

Dr. Mabel Campbell, Levinson Bldg. Phone 105. Office hours: 9-12; 1-5. Other hours by appointment. 3215

REAL ESTATE TO LET OR RENT

We have a number of nice homes for rent or sale. Call on us for more information. M. Howard Cox, East Maple avenue. adv25

When you want to say "Good Luck" just say "Pearls" adv19

SPENDING \$80,000 ON PHONES HERE

Michigan State Telephone Company Promises New Kind of Service By Early December

ELIMINATES CRANKING

Birmingham is being provided with the most modern common battery telephone office equipment of considerable plant facilities, at a cost of about \$80,000, it is announced by O. J. Wells, manager at Birmingham and Pontiac. Mr. Wells has been spending much time here in connection with the work and preparation of placing the new equipment in service. He declares that with the new equipment, this community will be given the highest possible grade of service, including practically fast service between Birmingham and Detroit and other points.

The telephone company, Mr. Wells states, appreciates the rapid growth and importance of Birmingham, both as a residential and a business center, and is building plant and office equipment to care not only for the present but for the future. He says that many of the immediate changes that may come from an immediate expansion of the plant.

Much of the outside plant work already has been completed, with underground conduit for cables installed. The new plant and office equipment is planned to remove the overhead equipment on Maple street from the City and Park railroad to a new office, located on Pierce, near Maple. This section of the outside work, along with work in the city, is estimated to cost in the neighborhood of \$9,000, while the entire outside work of providing additional facilities for the present and for the future growth, planned under the present estimate, calls for an expenditure of approximately \$70,000.

Central office changes, in addition to buying the property, the purchase of the new plant has been consummated by the company, will cost approximately \$45,000. Mr. Wells says that the present main type switchboard is being replaced by a ten-section, common battery type, which will be installed in the new office building. The new switchboard is being installed, work going ahead very rapidly because of the fact that the company is providing additional facilities as possible. Ordinarily, Mr. Wells says, the installation of a large central office equipment of this type would take more than a year. The work is of a nature that will be completed in detail in the next few weeks, including the making of thousands of hand-soldered connections, hand-soldering of wires in the plant room of the building and the laying of wires in the ground. This work is going ahead, Mr. Wells declares, the company already is engineering for still more additional facilities in anticipation of further rapid growth of the community and its needs for telephone service.

He adds that the rate of growth in Detroit, is growing even more rapidly than in Birmingham. About 1090 telephone are at present served by the Birmingham office of the Michigan State Telephone Company. With the new main office, the immediate capacity of the office will be doubled and plans for further expansion of the plant are considerable to that point.

It is estimated that the population of Birmingham in 1920, more than doubled in size between 1910 and 1920, according to figures rising from 1607 to 3694. The new plant is being installed as a steady continuation of that increase in population, and the plan is to permit the needs of a community which is growing so rapidly. The plan is to allow new outside central office plant.

It is anticipated the installation of the new equipment will be completed by early December and that it will be placed in service by that month. In the meantime, Mr. Wells says, subscribers bear in mind that the new plant is being installed, that during the period of changes being made the operation of the plant will be somewhat different and it will be difficult to keep the lines in good service, he says, but requests as much patience as possible while the changes are being made.

The Philadelphia class of the Baptist church will hold a banquet at the church parlors on Wednesday, October 18, at 7:30 o'clock. The Art Hampton, of Detroit, will be the speaker for the evening.

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