

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS — of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric—The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today.

25 YEARS AGO

Mrs. G. Weller, of Cornum, visited at V. H. Lee's last week.

Mrs. G. A. McKinney is settled in her new home on Brown street.

Henry Spicer of Detroit visited his parents the latter part of last week.

The Misses Mary Utter, Flora and Jennie Keyes were Pontiac callers last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. M. J. Whitaker, of Tampa, Florida, is spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. F. Brooks.

Miss Mabel Keyser of this place has been elected by the Pontiac school board to fill a vacancy in the new Baldwin school.

Mrs. Manwaring, a daughter of Mrs. Henry Potter and a granddaughter of Mrs. Mason James, has been spending a few days here.

J. Harvey Carter has just finished a fine work for John T. Shaw's country home, "Whysall".

Miss Jennie Worth visited relatives at Lapeer last week.

Bert Baldwin has been in town the last week on a brief vacation for his health.

Mr. M. K. Taber's new and large additions are nearly completed, and when all work is over, he will have perhaps the largest and finest dwelling in Birmingham.

Mrs. N. M. Corey and daughter Ida of Stanton, Mich., are in town visiting their relatives and many friends.

Young Eli Wooster while raking hay and doing a full man's work one day last week, met with quite a severe accident and the loss of his great toe.

Will Holmes, a former Birmingham resident, is now filling the responsible position of bookkeeper for a large wholesale house in the city.

Mrs. A. C. Wallace was absent on a visit to Stanton last week in attendance upon the wedding of Mr. Miller and Miss Cora Feen.

The following is the record of the rural delivery carriers during the month of June:

L. H. Roseau, Carrier No. 1, delivered 5,100 pieces of mail; Joseph Schoonover, carrier No. 2, 4,774; Fen Weston, Carrier No. 3, 6,025.

A happier company never assembled in old Oakland than that which gathered Saturday last at the hospitable farm residence of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Johnston in Southfield township.

We acknowledge the receipt of courtesies from the Simpson Park (Romero) Campmeeting association, also program of the meeting which opens Thursday, July 27.

The following new books are now on the shelves of the Ladies' library: Confidence, Henry James; Family Flight, Hale; Phoebe, Mrs. Harris; Quicksands, Mrs. Wistor; But a Philistine, by Townsend; Hector, by Mrs. Oliphant; Perilous Secretary, Woman Hater Love; Me Little, Hard Cash, by Charles Roadie; Stillwater, Tragedy, and continues until Aug. 3. The Queen of Sheba, by Aldrich.

SIDESWIPES

of the week's news

AX MURDERER SEIZED Unconfirmed report from China tell of the slaughter of thousands of Christian Missionaries. From an unofficial source it was learned that the United States Marines had grown tired of guarding them and had decided to return to Nicaragua or Guantanamo or wherever United States Marines go.

MINE DISASTER KILLED EIGHT A mine disaster today killed eight passengers. See story in classified ad column.

BOOTLEGGER IS SENTENCED I am looking forward to a long cold winter, Mr. Louis Arthur Weston, Detroit real estate operator, said on his arrival here during the recent heat wave.

SEK HALL-MILLS KILLER Birmingham has taken on the outward aspects of Chicago since the acquisition of so many policemen.

BABY FOUND IN ASH CAN The scarcity of hospital cases over the Fourth of July has been variously laid at the door of the police department and loss of patriotism due to Bolshevistic propaganda.

MOTHER DENIES CHILD Indications of the further result of the youth of the land were seen on Independence Day (Fourth of July) when several children insisted on shooting the sky rockets their fathers had bought for them.

POLICE BAN SEX PLAY Evidence has been discovered, police declare, of violation of the Eighteenth Amendment. A suspicious looking bottle was picked up on Woodward avenue on which there was a whiskey label.

SUICIDE PACT BARED Rumors of an impending drive against violators of the humanitarian laws have caused dog owners to put knitted sweaters on all dogs allowed to roam at large.

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More stabilized business conditions are assured American business, and with these, consequently, failures become less likely and less frequent.

What the workings of the Federal Reserve Act proves to be to business, through the stabilizing of credits, the improved steam railroad transportation service is accomplishing through its regular and its prompt deliveries.

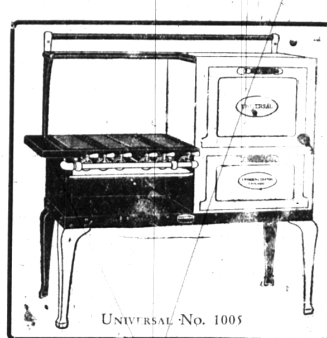
In Michigan, this is particularly true. Vast sums, in recent years, have been expended to achieve this new standard of service.

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