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# Glimpses

at and about BIRMINGHAM

By RAYMOND GIRARDIN

In the Oakland County Jail the other day for a few minutes visit. Kit Carson, whom everyone in Birmingham knows, was presiding at the bar. He is always genial and business-like. He has a unique distinction for a man in his line: he gets started they don't leave a guy about every prisoner in the Big House thinks the world and all of him. No matter how blue the boys are feeling, when he enters the cell block, they smile a genuine, friendly greeting. Nor do they forget him after they leave. His mail often contains felicitation from graduates long ago. One of the trustees said to me, "When Kit's checked out, I bet they could take down the bars and send the guards to bed, and if he told the boys to be good they would all be there in the morning. I didn't pass his proposal on because I thought it might not be constitutional. But I would not take his bet, at that."

While the cudgel is off the shelf I might as well use it again. This time I am carefully at the heads of that great and have him carriers who would always have you see their latest attempt at digestion. You are trying to have your lunch and to conduct yourself in such a way as will give you a certain amount of leisurely pounces upon you with an expression that declares it a great success. This may be from ten to twenty sheets, typed single space on an indefinite typewriter. Or it may be in longhand with copious annotations. The course open to you is indeed gloomy. You may tell him to go to the devil, but that is not supposed to be a desire for "expression."

André Bertrand, Paris beauty specialist, had to pay Mlle. Annette Velaris \$2,500 for causing a small scar on her face. Corporal Robert Cape, aged 84 of Needham Heights, Mass., recently made a 94 bullet-eyes-out of 100 shots in a revolver contest.

The treatment he is said to be receiving may recall to Mr. Hemingway the lines with which he ended a short story, "My Old Man." A youngster who idealized his father in a way that was quite decent, was finally killed as his horse falls in a steppelash. As he awaits the arrival of an ambulance to take-

convenient with the release of the book, the inner circle of friends had only broad backs or elevated chairs for the author. Which brings back Oscar Wilde and his "rage of Caliban at seeing his face."

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# Birmingham Eccentric

"For a Bigger and Better Birmingham"

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1927

PART TWO  
OAKLAND COUNTY'S GREATEST WEEKLY NEWSPAPER  
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## ROUMANIAN DANCERS IN CRANBROOK PAGEANT



Among the artists from many foreign lands who will participate in the Festival of Folk Music and Dancing at the Cranbrook Greek Theater, Saturday evening and Wednesday evening, are these Rumanian dancers. Like all the performers in the two programs, they will appear in native costumes and use their native language.

## COUNTY BUILDERS OF ROADS BUSY

**Early Start On Construction Overcomes Handicap Of Heavy Rains**  
Oakland County road builders are forging ahead with their work at a rapid pace this spring in the attempt to overcome the handicap of lost time through the heavy rains of last month, according to commissioners.

Roads, costing approximately \$2,000,000, are under way in Oakland County, according to an estimate. The start this spring was earlier than usual and this is given by the commissions as the reason for the progress made. Oakland County, as a result of this, is ahead of other counties and considerably ahead of the state.

**One-third Paved**  
The Commerce road, one of the principal paving jobs of this season, has been laid over about a third of the distance by the Bartling & Dull company, and grading of the remainder will have been completed in two weeks. Bartling & Dull also has the contract for the Lake road, and will begin work on that job within a short time.

Murray Hill has two gangs of men working on the Baldwin road, and the Davis Construction company is working on the Irish road. Progress is reported on the Grange Hall road from Ortonville to the Dixie Highway, a gravel construction job being done by the Ayers Construction company.

Three gravel roads are under way in Addison Township, being built by Glare Bradley. R. D. Baker & company has the bridges finished on the Ten Mile road, and a good start on the grading. Two and a half miles of concrete on the Lathrop road soon will be finished. Four miles of the Twelve Mile road are being built by the Handside Construction company.

**Contracts Loom**  
Contracts shortly will be let for 15 miles of pavement on the Crooks road, north from Royal Oak, and a hearing soon will be held on paving the north end of John R. Letting of contracts for the Davingrub road, part of which is to be paved and set for June 16. Another job soon to be let is the north end of the Dequire road.

The Eight Mile road superhighway is being paved by Julius Porath & Son, and rapid progress is being made.

In Saxony, Germany, unmarried travelers are charged an extra fee of 25 per cent of the railroad fare.

The wife of E. J. Saunders of Preton, Eng., presented him with triplets on his birthday.

## TOWNSHIP PASSES FIVE ORDINANCES

### New Laws Regulate Health, Sewage Disposal And Real Estate Plats

Five new township ordinances, regarding health, sewage and disposal and the accuracy of real estate plats, will be introduced today by the Bloomfield Township board. These ordinances were approved at the last meeting of the board, a sentence of 90 days, or half will be levied upon anyone violating any of the provisions of the ordinance, which gives complete control of all matters pertaining to public health in the township to Dr. A. W. Newitt, township health officer.

Dr. Newitt will possess the power to have buildings, within 100 feet of a dwelling house or other dwellings, within 20 feet, cleared from the deep. The health officer will be referred to the board of health, which will hear and decide.

A fine of \$100 and costs or 90 days imprisonment may be levied in violation of the ordinance to regulate the installation of sewer pipes. Two sets of drawings showing the plans of the proposed sewer and the profile of the construction, must be in the hands of the township engineer for approval before work on the installation anywhere in the township outside village or city limits begins. Also an inspector must be approved by the organization at the place of installation at all times, and a final inspection will be made by the township engineer within three years.

**Plans For Pipes**  
Two sets of plans for the installation of water pipes will also be filed with the township board before work can commence on the installation of water pipes. All pipe will be of the design and construction required by the Detroit Board of Water Commissioners, whether the pipes connect with the Detroit system

## 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.

**43 YEARS AGO**  
Last Saturday, while sawing wood at Cary's saw mill in Southfield, Henry Kendall was in the act of putting a stick of wood against the saw. When his companion pulled the stick a little and the result was Henry had two fingers of his right hand badly split, making a very painful wound. He was promptly dressed and will not lose his fingers, but it is a very painful condition that he has saved his stick of wood.

Merrill, Simpson-Smith, at the promenade in Franklin, by Rev. A. W. Simpson, Mr. Frank Simpson and Miss Lila E. Smith, both of Birmingham.

Mitchell is mastering the discussion "Maabed at the window (Laquan)," and will soon play the Polish ball. Dr. Waldron can stand the racket.

A strawberry and ice cream festival will be given Friday evening, June 24, at the residence of Mr. J. Allen Higdon, by the Brownell Mission society.

On Monday of last week, Spure Bodine united in the holy bonds of matrimony Mr. Adelbert Vandepool and Mrs. Jane Clark, both of Bloomfield.

There were twelve children at the M. E. Sunday school last Sunday. Mrs. Brooks and Miss Parkins have most of the honor.

**25 YEARS AGO**  
Anyone who supposes that D. M. Doty had "hit it" or "shoved is badly mistaken. He is just finishing a beautiful granite monument for Charles H. Bonstedt at \$200, which is a low figure, for the stone is eleven x \$300. This stone will be placed in Elmwood cemetery, Detroit. Mr. Doty recently set up a stone of like value and appearance in the Southfield cemetery to the memory of John Franklin. This is a fine piece of work and costs much more than admiration.

Michigan is now a full-fledged registration state as shown by the evidence presented in the late Michigan Report on vital statistics just received. Any reader can secure a copy by addressing Fred M. Warner, Secretary of State, Lansing, Mich.

Last Monday evening Mrs. Beal of Detroit gave a "dullity" on the Reciprocity day program and one lady remarks that she "didn't dare to speak for a while for fear of waking that baby."

The reader could not have received a prettier compliment.

Say, you man who took home an extra pair of men's shoes which were placed in your buggy by mistake, last week, please bring them to The Eccentric office and receive the thanks of the owner.

The Purdy farm in Southfield is fairly overflowing with promises of a glorious harvest. James Moore is the Yankee manager this year.

**TO HOLDERS OF SECOND LIBERTY LOAN BONDS**  
EXCHANGE OFFERING OF NEW TREASURY BONDS

Notice is given of a new offering of UNITED STATES TREASURY BONDS, from that date at the rate of 3% per cent. Holders of such bonds who desire to take advantage of the exchange offer should consult their banks or some other party at once. The exchange privilege will be available for a limited period only and may expire about June 15th. Further information may be obtained from banks or trust companies, or from any Federal Reserve Bank.

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## SUPPOSE

**YOU** run down a child crossing or playing in the street, the chances are that the Personal Injury payment would run \$50,000.

**YOU** run down a careless pedestrian, man or woman, the chances are that the Personal Injury would run from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

**YOU** collide with another car at a street or road crossing, the chances are that the Personal Injury payment would run from \$100 to \$200,000. Property damage to the other car from \$100 to \$1,000, and to your own car, \$100 to \$1,000.

**YOU** carelessly injure pedestrians, hits another machine, crashes into a building—the chances are that the Personal Injury payment would run from \$50,000 to \$75,000. Property damage from \$100 to \$1,000, and to your own car, \$100 to \$1,000.

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## The Cranbrook School in Bloomfield Hills

THE Cranbrook School for boys, now under construction in the heart of the Bloomfield Hills, is a distinct cultural and architectural acquisition for the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills area.

Made possible by the gift of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Booth, it covers 65 acres, and with its imposing group of buildings conceived by designers of international renown, embodies an individuality and harmony of treatment unmatched either here or abroad.

The degree of desirability which the Cranbrook school will bring to this section as a place to live can hardly be estimated now. It will grow as appreciation of its fitness grows.

It is in this area, whose refinement is accentuated by such additions, that many beautiful home sites in fine variety are offered by the Walsh, James & Wasey Co. To live or invest hereby means much.

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