

FROM THE YEAR'S HEADLINES

Do you notice the loveliness of the stars these beautiful cold, frosty nights... FIFTY-FIRST YEAR NO. 37

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- Jan. 5: George G. Booth donates \$6,000.00 for cultural center at Cranbrook.
Jan. 26: Start work on municipal building.
Feb. 2: Village prepares to fight attempt to block completion of municipal building.
Feb. 9: Tentative budget asking for \$359,824 against \$275,000 of 1927 announced.
Feb. 16: Work on municipal building resumed.
Feb. 23: Harry Brooks breaks world's record for non-stop flight in a plane of less than 40 horsepower.
March 1: Harry J. Brooks lost when his plane fell into the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Melbourne, Fla.
March 8: Bloomfield Township election. Robert Y. Moore, supervisor; Robert R. Allen, board of review; Harriet C. Mudge, treasurer; James V. Bayley, clerk.
March 8: Services in tribute to Harry J. Brooks.
March 15: H. T. Ellerby takes office on second term of village presidency. Mrs. Hester P. Halgren, Scott Hersey, and Lee A. White re-elected to commission.
April 1: State starts condemnation on 3 1/2 miles of Grand Trunk road.
April 26: Lay cornerstone of new municipal building.
May 17: Birmingham Eccentric publishes fifteenth anniversary number.
May 31: Start preliminary work on wider Woodward avenue. Tree cutting starts.
June 7: Building permits totaling \$1,000,000 during May and June reported.
June 14: Leigh Lynch and Fred V. Quorton re-elected to school board.
July 3: Paving jobs start, on eight village streets.
July 12: Commission names H. N. Davock, Charles Lewis, John A. Wendorph, Mrs. S. F. Wilson, J. H. Critchlow as planning commission.
Aug. 2: Detroit Zoo opens on Royal Oak.
Aug. 23: Work starts on post office.
Sept. 6: County nominations with Orr, Thompson, Schram, Wilson, named.
Sept. 20: Jitney line starts to Detroit.
Sept. 27: Jitney-bus competition war started.
Oct. 4: Christ Church consecration at Cranbrook.
Oct. 11: Seymour D. Adams named auditor for county board.
Oct. 18: Tree cutting compromise is effected here.
Oct. 25: New paving on Woodward avenue completed.
Oct. 25: Ninth annual Open Hunt race.
Nov. 8: Township strongly Republican in Hoover election.
Nov. 15: Two workers killed in Grand Trunk trestle accident.
Nov. 22: Municipal building dedicated.
Nov. 28: \$65,000 orphanage fire in Southfield township. One child dies.
Dec. 6: Post office occupies new building.

RITES HELD FOR WOMAN LAKE VICTIM

Police Chief Finds Body Of Miss Nettie Mann, Missing Three Days, In Ice
CORONER INVESTIGATES
Funeral services were held yesterday for Miss Nettie Mann, 39 years old, whose body was recovered from Quonon Lake by Police Chief James Anderson Sunday after the woman had been missing for three days.

Ardent Church Worker
Miss Mann had been an ardent church worker in the Metropolitan Baptist Church, The Rev. M. S. Rice, pastor of the church, conducted the funeral services, which were in Evergreen cemetery.
She is survived by her parents and sister and one brother, Harry Mann, who returned from the front where he had gone for the winter.

Christmas Day Easy For Police, Firemen
Reports today are that Christmas was practically ideal from the standpoint of law and order. Only one accident and no arrests were recorded in the police department and no alarms. Both regular full-time duty.

BIRMINGHAM CHURCHES SHOW PROGRESS IN 1928, PASTOR FINDS
By DAVID LEON WOODWARD (Secretary, Birmingham Minister's association.)
When it comes to making a survey of the progress of the churches during the past year, writer feels very much like Country Patmore who said "In Divinity and Love What's the matter with saying can't be said." A survey of the churches in Birmingham is likely to leave out of intangible something in religion that is the heart and soul of their contribution to the community; namely, the spirit, atmosphere and influence of Christianity. However, since we must be explicit, here are a few tangible evidences of progress.

First and greatest contribution of the churches during 1928 was the maintenance of a constant and regular education. This, of course, involved the placing of active church organizations with a teaching as well as a preaching program. This necessitated a large expenditure of money and required generous giving on the part of a large number of the members of the churches. It would be conservative to estimate that during the year the churches of Birmingham spent at least \$75,000 for current expenses alone, which does not include expenditures for missions, benevolences, repairs and building enterprises. That the efforts and contributions of the churches have not been in vain is attested to by the well-filled churches at the regular services of worship and by the goodly number of additions to the membership of each of the churches.

CARE RECOMMENDED IN CASES OF 'FLU'
Influenza in Birmingham during the week has remained about the same, according to Dr. A. E. Newitt, health officer. While it is not of a malignant nature this year, he has been in receipt of reports that it has been in progress in other parts of the state.

COMFORT GIVEN MANY NEEDY BY CLUBS ON CHRISTMAS EVE
A Christmas Eve far busier than any of previous years is reported by Birmingham by Birmingham Community House, with 80 baskets sent to needy families.
"Any work that we have done this year," Mrs. Charles J. Shain, president of the Community House, said, "has been made possible by the hearty co-operation of village organizations and individuals. Through their generosity and help, the Community House Christmas cheer to many homes. The Metropolitan club and Miner's were especially generous."

ILL THREE DAYS, MOTHER SUCCEUMS TEACHER DIES TO PNEUMONIA
Christine Braidwood Stricken After Telling Party At School
Mrs. Sarah Tarent Rondeau, 43 years old, of 327 Birch avenue, was laid up this morning in the Holy Sepulcher cemetery following services in the Chapel of the Holy Name at 9:30.
She died in the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Wednesday after a brief illness. Pneumonia is given as the cause.

Get The Manuscript Ready!
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ONE MAN SUSTAINS SKULL FRACTURE IN AUTOMOBILE COLLISION

Leon Brador, 17 Porter street, Pontiac, is in serious condition in St. Joseph Mercy hospital with a fractured skull today following an automobile accident Monday. Six accidents were reported to Birmingham police over the week end and one Christmas Day.

Car Hits Ditch
Brador was injured Monday at 6:30 p. m. when the car in which he was riding crashed into the ditch 200 feet west of the Twelve Mile road on Southfield road. Donald Stewart, 315 Auburn avenue, Pontiac, the driver, told Patrolman Joseph Anderson that he was traveling north on Southfield when another car going in the same direction attempted to make a left turn onto the Twelve Mile road, forcing him into the ditch.

Woman Escapes
Miss Nellie Case, 1913 Carmen avenue, Detroit, escaped injury early Tuesday morning when her car, which was standing at west Maple and Baldwin avenues, was hit by a machine driven by Charles Rohr, 183 Lincoln avenue. Bumpers and fenders on both cars were damaged.

Police Undecided As To Time Limit For 1928 Automobile License Plates
To date local motorists have been told that the time limit for 1928 Chief of Police James Anderson reports, as sales continue briskly.

SCHOOLS WILL REOPEN DAY AFTER NEW YEAR'S
Studies will be resumed in Birmingham schools next Wednesday. A report from the secretary of state is forthcoming on this subject, Chief Anderson says.
The year for the first time the schools started last Saturday, furnishing 10 days of respite before the concluding portion of the last quarter which ends the first semester Jan. 26.

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LEFT TURNS TO BE BARRED

Police Act To Aid Pedestrians Crossing Woodward At Maple Avenue
Left turns at Woodward and Maple avenues will be barred by the Birmingham police department at all times of the day and night after Monday, Chief James Anderson announced today.
This measure is taken largely to protect the intersection, which becomes more difficult to cross the street, and as traffic increases.

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Villagers and the Village

By THE WANDERER
A baby boy was born Christmas Day to Mr. and Mrs. Ora Baker at 135 Webster avenue. He arrived at 2:20 p. m. at the residence.

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Year Now Closing Marks Progress

An extensive improvement program for Birmingham in 1929, which may entail the expenditure of approximately \$300,000, is contemplated today by village commissioners as one of the most significant years in the history of the village comes to a close.

BUILDING SETS RECORD HERE DURING 1928
Permits For Year Total \$2,315,706, For Records Show
SUMMARY IS GIVEN
Building in Birmingham during 1928 has set a new record. Building permits filed in the village office total \$2,315,706, an amount which surpasses the 1927 total of \$1,911,090 and defeats the former record figure of \$2,062,670 for 1926.

Work Completed
During the year a great amount of paving was completed, including Woodward avenue and work was started on the new Grand Trunk right of way at Birmingham. This is expected to be completed during 1929.

BOARD NAMES AN ASSESSOR FOR VILLAGE
Detroit Man Heads Enlarged Office To Start At Once
SUCCEEDS McCLELLAN
Albert W. Noonan of the assessment office for the city of Detroit was selected by the Board of Birmingham following action of the commission at the meeting Wednesday.

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