

# By Golly... But You've Grown!

and we smile modestly.

Maybe when people say that to us we should get all puffed up over it. Sometimes we do, but mostly we just dig our toes into the floor and act nervous like.

Sometimes we used to say to our commentaries: "Well, you know the town is growing pretty fast, Bill." And that was our way of disposing of the praise of friends and business associates.

But that isn't being really honest with ourselves or our friends. The town has grown! But we are growing much faster!

Possibly you are a business man in Detroit. Then do us and yourself a favor. Drop in and look this business of ours over. And you're going to be surprised!

You're going to find THIRTY-THREE (33) people working here. Not two or three, but THIRTY-THREE. And then you'll note the equipment. Well, this equipment and its operators represent the LARGEST COMBINED PRINTING AND PUBLISHING PLANT IN OAKLAND COUNTY.

Possibly you're missing a good bet by not having your printing done in Birmingham. It's mighty convenient and we'll gladly furnish the opportunity to have you use our facilities.

Incidentally, we plan, create and execute direct by mail advertising as part of our printing service.

The **Birmingham Eccentric**  
 Popular song writer who refuses to steal his melodies from the big song hits.  
 Phones 11, 12, 13

## FATHER, SON HURT IN CRASH

Hit-Run Driver Escapes After Causing Injury To Three

Robert J. Westmore, 47 years old, of Oak Park, was seriously injured when his car collided with a Birmingham-bound motor bus at Fincrest drive and Marshall avenue in Fensdale Saturday during a heavy rain storm. A hit-run driver, said to have crowded Westmore's car into the bus, escaped. Westmore's son, Robert J., Jr., 12 years old, received minor cuts as did the bus driver, C. P. Stickle, of Fensdale. Westmore was taken to the Highland arts General Hospital. Two passengers on the bus escaped without injury.

## CHILDREN GET TEN MILLION FROM COUZENS

(Concluded from Page 1) shall be a self-perpetuating body. In the event any vacancy shall occur because of death, resignation, incapacity to act, or removal of a trustee, the then remaining trustees shall, within a reasonable time, fill said vacancy or vacancies, provided, however, that I expressly reserve the right to designate and appoint by will or otherwise the person who shall succeed me as trustee upon my resignation as such, or upon my death.

"A trustee may be removed by not less than a three-fourths majority vote of all the trustees when they deem that said trustee is incompetent, or not in sympathy with the purposes of the trust. The failure of a trustee to attend any of the meetings of the trust shall be deemed conclusive as to his incapacity to act."

## SCHOOLS OPEN FOR INSPECTION

(Concluded from Page 1) after the count was made. The largest of these was, as always, in the manual arts department. This year Howard Crull, manual arts supervisor, plans to group work of the different classes, including woodwork, masonry, glazing, machine shop, mechanical drawing, and printing, in different booths in the woodshop.

According to principals, general exhibits in all the schools in the village will be the same as previous years. The schedule is as follows: Adams Junior High and grade school, Wednesday; Pierce, Wednesday; Hill, Thursday; Barnum, Thursday; Quanton, Thursday; Baldwin High and Junior High, Friday.

## COMMISSION BACKS ACTION

(Concluded from Page 1) the effected district, again argued against the alley opening, and threatened court action to restrain the village from continuing with the work.

The village assessor was instructed to prepare assessment rolls for the paving of an 18 foot strip on Lincoln avenue between Southfield road and Pierce street. A petition previously was presented by landowners asking a delay of action until the street could be paved on a 40 foot width. He was also asked to prepare the rolls for the grading and graveling of Fairway drive and Northlawn avenue.

Action was also taken by the commission on the opening of an alley in the block bounded by Woodward, west Maple and Pierce street, extending to the proposed Merrill street extension. The commission will hear objections and suggestions on the improvement and the method of assessment at a meeting May 6.

## WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Mrs. Harvey Whalen, Greenwood avenue, "Michigan's facilities for housing the insane demand immediate attention. I believe that state appropriations should be made to relieve this situation and an effort made to segregate inmates in an attempt to cure."

## VILLAGERS AND THE VILLAGE

(Concluded from Page 1) with get in touch with Joseph Dalley, who has charge for this publicity either, Joe.)

Speaking of fishing, one of the Wanderers is now engaged with Harry S. Starr in perfecting a fishing party for the middle of next month; to date the following have signified an intention of going: Dr. N. E. Shaw, John A. Wendorff, Harry S. Starr, Norman Lyle, George R. Averill, L. W. Martindale, John B. Taylor, William Van Every, Walter M. Pratt, Carl Strand, A. T. Schooley, H. E. Lory, and H. C. Conell. They expect to enlarge their party to about 15, and are still in need of men with good cooking ability, reports Mr. Starr.

This Wanderer was presented Monday night with a six weeks old turtle by James W. Cobb, custodian of the mail intended for Birmingham, Mich., which does not find its way to Birmingham, Ala. He said the turtle was six weeks old, and who are we to question the age of a turtle? We intended to present it to the village commission which met that night, feeling it would be a noble and somewhat pretentious start toward a municipal zoo. But the papers on the desk and when commission time came, he could not be found. Next morning, however, we found him cheerfully negotiating the side of an ash tray. A few hours later he was gone again. Completely gone and he has not yet returned. We know he has not returned because in the advertising department, the certain resting place of every missing article in the office. It is with a heavy heart we offer as a reward for the return of the unnamed turtle, one slightly damaged Valentine.

Two guests in Birmingham this week were 13-year old Australian boys, entertained by Thomas Neal of Oakland avenue. They are on a world tour with more than 100 others from their country, rounding out education by travel. They are James Campbell of Sidney and Jack Hutchins of Tasmania. Both agreed the girls in America have a corner on the beauty market.

After an enforced vacation of eight months duration, anglers are eagerly awaiting the arrival of May 1st and the opening of the trout season. In this connection it is well to remember that resident male trout anglers over 21 years of age are required by law to acquire a trout license, the fee for which is one dollar. For non-residents over 18 years of age the license fee is five dollars. A button similar in size to the hunting license button in use last fall, will be issued with each angler's license and must be worn when fishing. Few changes have been made in the streams open to trout fishing this year. The 1929 fishing law dig will be in the hands of license agents within a few days.

All Birmingham Boy Scouts are requested to be present Sunday at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Community House, Lloyd L. Stanley, scout commissioner, announced.

The time has come for expansion of the news scope of the Eccentric. Hence with this issue, the highlights of the news in Oakland County is presented in condensed form. It is the plan of this newspaper to present more

## Links Mexico-U.S.



Carlos Alarcon, Mexican capitalist, heads a new international airplane mail and passenger service that plans the operation of a regular line between Mexico City and Oakland, Cal. In Alarcon's opinion the establishing of good air routes is more important to Mexico than the building of good roads.

Oakland County news each week. Naturally, comment and suggestions on the manner in which events of interest in the county is presented and the scope of the news will be welcome. Today's column is on page three of part three.

Old furniture, (not expensive antiques), dull lawn rollers, tattered rugs, and tax exempt securities will become the fashion in Birmingham homes within the next year or two if plans now under way by Albert W. Noonan, the new village assessor, are materialized. Mr. Noonan has kindly mailed to many local business and professional men women detailed questionnaires regarding their personal belongings, the information to be used in making an assessment upon personal property only, separate from the accustomed property tax assessment. Not in many months has a village innovation been so objected to as this scheme of Mr. Noonan's to search out new sources for tax revenues; hundreds of Birmingham citizens are expected to be made contributors to his apparent determination to increase the tax burdens of many focal residents.

## Students Tell Their Side of Parents-Youth Relation

(Concluded from Page 1) relation has been much discussed from the older person's standpoint," declared young Fleming. "Every day we read in the newspapers of how some college students and sometimes high school students, have been killed as the result of some wild party or some such thing."

"Yet, I believe, this spirit of 'whoopie' is not as wide spread as we are often lead to believe. Of course, from the standpoint of an older generation, the youth of today are 'going to the dogs.' That's

just what they said about you when you were young; it has always been that way. Now, I'm not going to make excuses for youth, but instead I'm going to try to show you how you can help to better the conditions you are criticizing.

**Good Example Needed**  
 "Probably a good many of you men have sons, continue the speaker. "Those of you who have not, I'd like to have you imagine for a few minutes that you have. If your boy had reached the age where it seemed he was about to follow the other boys and begin to smoke, you, probably, would try to dissuade him. You would show him charts and tables, proving the destructive effect that smoking has on young bodies; you would talk to him very earnestly about the subject. But does it seem logical that you, yourself, should continue your smoking—just what you have been trying to persuade your son never to start?"

**Who Drinks Liquor?**  
 "Yet this is what most men do. Perhaps you have done it yourself. Think of the influence on your son. He will get the idea that if his dad cannot give up what he is preaching against, he must be very weak-willed. Another phase of youthful morose which is largely dependent upon the parent's use of liquor. Many men come home with a suspicious looking parcel and confide to the family that 'I was lucky enough to pick up a quart over at the office,' and everyone joins in on sampling the newcomer.

"Recently, in two classes in the Baldwin high school, a vote was taken to determine how many students out of the probable 40 or 50 in the two classes had not tasted liquor since prohibition; only two of this entire number could say that they had not. The majority of these cases were due to the parents who in this way might be responsible for their sons leaving the straight and narrow in later years.

"Therefore, this phase of morals seems to concern the parents more than any other phase in youth's code. A third flaw in youth is gambling. Perhaps this can not be as directly traced to parents as the other phases of morals, but it certainly does depend on them as to which road

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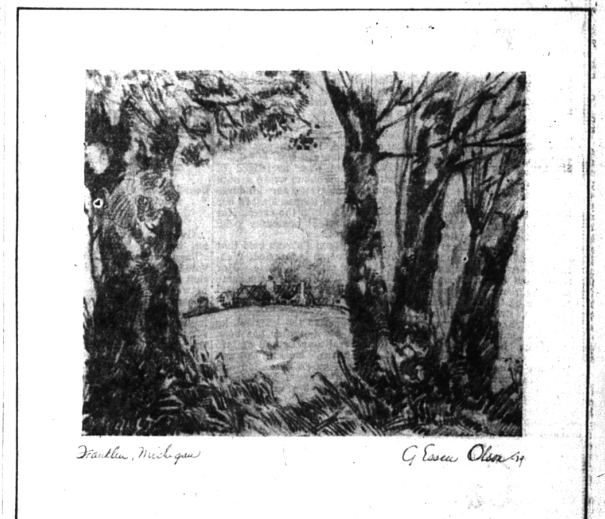
**ROY IRWIN**  
 Funeral Director  
 221 West Maple Avenue  
 Birmingham 1332

the son will take in this matter, too.

"Before I close I will bring up one point which is always stressed during Father & Son week; that is, 'be a pal to your son.' Not only influence him as to what habits he ought not to follow, but also show him how to really have actual fun. You can probably begin when he is quite young; join him in his games, and as he grows older learn to know his playmates and friends. Help them also. In this way you can lay the foundation for a code of morals which you want your son to have.

"Although it may appear that I have spoken only of the male of the species, 'the female is more deadly than the male,' and I wish to include her in all of my remarks, too. In conclusion, please remember this: we of the younger generation will become what you, of the older generation, show by example and help."

Phone your news items to the Eccentric. Phones 11 and 12.



## You will want a Home... Just like the Homes they're Building in Franklin Village

THINGS are moving fast in Franklin Village.

Were you out last Spring? Come out now and see what a difference one year has made!

More than one new home will show you how rapidly and how faithfully Franklin Village is fulfilling its destiny. Here is a dear little cottage all spotless white upon a fair green slope . . . a dream come true to those who dwell inside.

Here is a stately colonial home from whose columns good master and mistress watch the completion of their gardens, sun pond and swimming pool.

There is another charming home, over whose lawns youngsters scamper happy as the larks that are singing across the way.

Yonder rising struts and girders fortell

still another home that will house its owners by midsummer.

Yes, things are moving fast in Franklin Village.

And why not? Everybody knows about Franklin Village now. Everyone is talking about it. Practically all agree that it is the most inviting suburban home site that all the north section offers . . . the only one of such advantages available at such prices!

Drive out and visit this lovely little "Town That Time Forgot." See for yourself how attractively it nestles in its valleys. Taste for yourself its restful charm. Stand on its hills, wander among its trees. Study these homes that have risen here and consider what manner of folk have built them.

Then you'll want a home just like the homes they're building in Franklin Village.

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