

**MISHAPS TAKE 5 LIVES HERE DURING YEAR**

**Traffic Toll High During 1928**  
**Annual Police Report Shows**

Five persons were killed in street accidents in Birmingham last year, five more met deaths near the village and the cases were handled by the Birmingham department and 1,500 arrests were made. These figures are contained in the annual report of the department released by Chief James Anderson.

Cash taken at the police department on violations totals \$2,174 the year's summary shows. Fines taken in by Justice Malcolm Hunt and Floyd S. Buck on village arrests total \$6,800.50.

Traffic and parking violations lead the list of offenses compiled by Miss Carrie Stoddard, police clerk.

Spenders head the column of 55 different classes of offenses with a total of 418. Following the fast drivers are violators of parking ordinances who summed 347. Persons who ignored traffic signals were next, numbering 329.

Accidents reported to the police during 1928 amounted to 249. Other notable items in the miscellaneous section of the report include 280 business doors found open, 130 dogs killed, 132 lodgers in the village jail, 35 breaking and entering cases, 19 children lost, 60 cats killed, 44 persons bitten by dogs, 26 stolen automobiles recovered, 52 thefts, 17 stolen cars and 215 followup cases.

A list of the more important arrests noted in the report is as follows:

- Arrested for U. S. Criminal code . . . . . 15
- Disorderly and drunk . . . . . 8
- Driving drunk . . . . . 51
- Drunk . . . . . 72
- Double parking . . . . . 20
- Driving past a street car . . . 5
- Forger . . . . . 2
- Investigation . . . . . 6
- Larceny . . . . . 6
- License plates . . . . . 34
- Neckless driving . . . . . 98
- Neckless driving in connection with other violations . . . . . 25
- Speeding . . . . . 414
- Speeding and other violations . 38
- Transporting liquor . . . . . 2
- Uttering and publishing . . . 329
- Violation of traffic signal and another offense . . . . . 27
- Violation of a stop street . . . 29
- Violation of parking . . . . . 347

**Glimpses**  
*at and about Birmingham*  
 By RAYMOND GIRARDIN

EVERYWHERE I GO, SOME idio—that is, some person greets me with, "Are you Gerry who writes the col. about the shops in Birmingham?"

I had met Gerry, but just for long enough to mumble "Please—" and I confess, at first I had not read her col. But after many insisted on placing her, the type-writer and myself in one trinity I began to take heed. So I read her writing and avoided a faint only because I was told my youth idio should lie flat when one feels weak.

It was well done,—don't misunderstand me—for she goes in a big way for her writing. But it is all about chints and taffeta and chemise.

I began to worry. I don't claim to have any of the prowess of the late Paul Bunyan but still I can't let my public (he is illiterate) get the wrong impression.

So I wrote a brief note to Gerry asking for some identification. Who was she, anyway, and all that? I asked her to come out in the open with her last name. But I had no reply. Then one night I met her and a friend on a motor-bus. . . . ah.

I enticed them into a Greek restaurant. Ah! I ordered coffee for them. Ah! One cup! Two cups! I saw their senses begin to leave them. Ah! "Walters," said I, "Henry," and I affected an air of nonchalance by lighting a candle, "BRING US MORE COFFEE!"

Don't judge me too harshly. I was a desperate man. People thought I wrote about filmstars and something had to be done.

"What's your name, woman?" I asked, sudden like.

"Shay, hic," she said she.

"Tell me."

"Shay, hic whoopee."

(What else it is people say when they're schicker, I forget.)

Well I had the truth, and here it is.

She is Gerry O'Neill. And her home, hang on everybody, is in Mishawaka, Ind. There it is.

However, she said she lived temporarily in Detroit and I accompanied—Hay!—her home. But the Detroit part is all the bunk, for I walked with her and her companion to Mishawaka that night, there being no cabs even when it is zero.

The next day when her senses returned she wrote the following which she believes explains all—**Who Is Gerry?** That All The Times **Who Is Gerry?** **Who Is Gerry?** **Who Is Gerry?** **Who Is Gerry?**

(See Longfellow's *Old-Fashioned* made me her name.)

Tell me not in scornful name, That you want to know my name,

What address my soul en-cumbers, Why I'm here and whence I came.

I am real, tho not earnest, And to slave is not my goal, So my art I use thus grossly— Commerce always takes its toll.

The song over, the poetess then resumes in conversational tones— "Yes, I know, that's enough of that. Anyway my surname begins with an 'o' apostrophe, and ends with two 'is' a fact which should explain a lot of things—an probably does. I come of poor but honest parents—stop me if you've heard this one. Oh, well, all right! My coat of arms, according to the best laws of heraldry, is in four sections—a shamrock, a lake of Killarney, a potato and a clay pipe. I don't like butter on my bread or cream in my coffee—and the only two of life's alleged luxuries I haven't a taste for—and the only two I'll probably ever stand any chance of getting. And I wish to state that tip up a couple of sets of car tracks, just to be convincing.

So that's Gerry. And praise be on her black tousled hair.

For myself, I am going out and buy some chewing tobacco and trip up a couple of sets of car tracks, just to be convincing.

Glimpses: A beautiful woman with long, black eyelashes sleeps in the window of a passing street car. And she breathes through an open mouth. Swaggering youth with a hat brim an inch wide. Friends call him Frisco. Row-die-die! Two clerks, one with moustache, talk things over. "When he told me to show up on Sunday morning, I says to him, 'Say, you can give that job to a policeman. I'm through.'" And his companion agrees that sure is tellinim. "Sure," says the moustache. "Sure," says his companion. Silently, I agree. "Sure." Wonder when jokes about prohibition finally will die. What makes visitors stand at restaurant tables and keep other standing indefinitely and idiotically, and why that girl who passed looks so stupid. A truck with two trailers skids and tangles on Woodward and a mob gathers, each member of which has a particular solution to relay to the driver who remains as unconcerned as if he were, "believer-or-not-in-waiting" somebody. Smoke arises in the wind, black and meaningless as the thoughts of man.

Mother (in train)—Tommy, if you are not a good boy I shall smack you.

Tommy—You slap me, and I'll tell the conductor my real age.—Nottingham Telegraph.

If all the New Year's resolutions were laid end to end they wouldn't reach to the first of February.—Life.

**JANUARY CLEARANCE**

The continued and increasing activity is self-evident of the **MARVELOUS SAVINGS** we are offering. For the benefit of those who may have missed our previous advertisements, we reprint a few of the unusual bargains that everybody is talking about.

**for the Home**

**Sheets - Cases - Sheeting Tubing**

\$1.95	72x99 Pequot Sheets, now	\$1.35
\$2.15	81x99 Pequot Sheets, now	\$1.49
\$1.75	81x90 Mohawk Sheets, now	\$1.25
\$1.95	81x99 Mohawk Sheets, now	\$1.35
50c	42x36 Pequot Cases, now	35c
50c	45x36 Pequot Cases, now	39c
45c	42x36 Mohawk Cases, now	29c
69c	9/4 Lockwood Sheeting, now	55c
39c	42" Peppertub Tubing, now	29c
45c	42" Pequot Tubing, now	35c

**Towels and Toweling**

29c	18x36 Bath Towels, now	19c
55c	22x44 Bath Towels, now	39c
\$1.25	23x39 Linen Towels, now	79c
10c	Wash Cloths, now	5c
29c	Stevens Linen Crash, now	19c
2	for 25c Dish Cloths	

**Table Linens**

\$5.50	Imported Luncheon Sets	\$3.95
\$9.95	Imported Luncheon Sets	\$6.95
\$12.00	Imported Luncheon Sets	\$8.95
\$8.95	10x10 Mochaes Cloth	95c
\$1.25	Merc. Table Damask, yd.	79c

**Blankets and Bed Spreads**

70x80	Nashua Pair Wool Blankets	\$4.45
70x80	All Wool Single Blankets	\$4.45
70x80	All Wool Double Blankets	\$8.95
All Crb	Blankets, now	1/3 Off
\$1.05	Fey Crinkle Bed Spreads	\$1.95
\$1x105	Extra Fey Bed Spreads	\$3.95
\$1x105	Fey Fine Bed Spreads	\$7.95

**All Stamped Goods 1/3 Off**

**Dress Goods**

Peter Pan	Gingham, yd.	39c
Kalbarnie	Gingham, yd.	19c
Percales	y.	22c
Sterling	Prints, yd.	22c
Crepe de	China, all colors, yd.	\$1.49
Georgettes	, all colors, yd.	\$1.49
54"	Wool Flannel, yd.	\$1.95
36"	Rayon and Wool, yd.	79c

**5c Coats' Thread - 3 for 10c**  
 Black and White—All Numbers

**Domestics and Outing**

18c	Unbleached Muslin, yd.	13c
22c	Hope Cotton, yd.	17c
29c	Fruit of the Loom, yd.	22c
18c	White Outing, yd.	13c

**Curtains and Cretonnes**

Tie Back	Curtains, \$1.50 to \$2.95	1/3 Off
Curtain	Paneis \$1.50 to \$3.95	
Curtain	Goods, yd.	25c to 85c
Cretonnes		39c to \$1.95

**Popular Hand Bags**

\$1.95	\$4.95	\$6.95	\$9.95
to \$3.95	to \$6.95	to \$10.50	to \$15.50

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**Fur-Trimmed Coats 1/2 Off**

"Buy with Confidence"

**ANNIS FUR COAT SALE!**

\$125.00	Natural Opossum	\$87.50
\$145.00	Natural Tan Pony	\$107.50
\$185.00	Northern Muskrat	\$132.50

**Smart Dresses**

Silk, Velvet and Wool	\$5.00	\$10.95
Values to \$10.00	Values to \$25.00	

**House Dresses**

69c	\$1.69	\$2.69
Reg. \$1.00	Reg. to \$2.45	Reg. to \$3.45

**Silk Underwear**  
 Also Philippine and Cotton Garments

The Actual Savings	The Garments
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\$2.45-\$2.95	Garments \$1.95
\$3.45-\$3.95	Garments \$2.95
\$4.95-\$5.95	Garments \$3.95
\$6.95-\$7.95	Garments \$5.95
\$8.95-\$10	Garments \$7.95
\$12-\$15	Garments \$8.95
	Blouses

**"Merode" Knit Underwear**

67c	98c	\$1.49	\$2.33
Reg. \$1.00	Reg. \$1.50	Reg. \$2.50	Reg. \$3.50

**Kotex -- 29c**

**Phoenix Silk Hosiery**  
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89c	\$1.39	\$1.69
Reg.	Reg.	Reg.
\$1.00 & \$1.25	\$1.50 & \$1.65	\$1.75 & \$1.95

**Smart Gloves**

95c	\$1.35	\$2.85	\$3.85
Values	Values	Values	Values
to \$1.50	to \$1.85	to \$3.95	to \$5.95

**Winter Underwear**

\$1.65	\$2.95	\$3.95
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**Winter Underwear**

\$1.65	\$2.95	\$3.95
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**for Men**

**Bradley Sweaters and Other Good Makes**  
 Varied Styles and Weights

\$3.95	\$4.95	\$5.95	\$7.95
Values	Values	Values	Values
to \$5.95	to \$7.95	to \$9.95	to \$12.50

**Wool Lumber Jackets**

\$3.95	\$4.65	\$5.25
Reg. \$5.95	Reg. \$6.95	Reg. \$7.95

**Dutchess Pants**  
 Breeches and Knickers

\$1.89	\$2.89	\$3.89	\$5.89
Reg.	Reg.	Reg.	Reg.
\$2.50	to \$3.95	to \$5.98	to \$8.95

**Imperial, Clermont and Manhattan Shirts**  
 Patterned Shirts in Collar Attached and Neckband Styles. Varied assortment.

\$1.39	\$2.19	\$2.89
Reg. \$1.85	Reg. \$2.85	Reg. \$3.85

**White Shirt Special!**

\$1.69	\$2.49	\$3.39
3 for \$4.75	3 for \$7.00	3 for \$9.50

**Racine Flannel Shirts**

\$1.89	\$2.89	\$3.89
Values	Values	Values
to \$2.45	to \$3.95	to \$6.95

**Superba Ties . . . 1/3 Off**  
 Unusual Ties and Variety

67c	98c	\$1.49	\$2.33
Reg.	Reg.	Reg.	Reg.
\$1.00	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$3.50

**Superba Scarfs**  
 Smart and Varied Selection

\$1.65	\$2.85	\$3.65
Reg. \$2.35	Reg. \$3.85	Reg. \$4.95

**Adler's Gloves**  
 Lined and Unlined Leather and Wool

95c	\$1.95	\$3.45	\$4.25
Values	Values	Values	Reg.
to \$1.50	to \$2.35	to \$4.95	to \$8.95

**Phoenix and Interwoven Socks**

29c	39c	59c	79c
Reg. 35c	Reg. 50c	Reg. 75c	Reg. 100c

**Winter Underwear**

\$1.65	\$2.95	\$3.95
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**Faultless Outing Pajamas 1/3 Off**

**Bath Robes . . . 1/3 Off**  
**Lounging Robes . . . 1/3 Off**

**Trench Coats . . . 1/3 Off**  
**Fish Brand Slickers . \$4.95**

**for Children**

**Girls' Coats . . . . . 1/2 Off**  
 Varied Selection

**Wool Dresses . . . . 1/2 Off**  
 Girls'

**Wash Dresses . . . . 1/3 Off**  
 Girls'

**Girls' Hats . . . . . 1/2 Off**

**Imported Berets . . . 95c**

**Knit Underwear . . . 1/3 Off**  
 Girls'

**Outing Pajamas . . . 1/3 Off**  
 Girls'

**Children's Bath Robes**

79c	\$1.39	\$2.39	\$3.69
Reg. \$1.00	Reg. \$1.85	Reg. \$2.95	Reg. to \$4.95

**Girls' Fancy Wool Gloves 39c**  
 Reg. 59c

**\$1.25 All Wool Skating Caps . . . . . 69c**

**DR. DENTON SLEEPERS 20% OFF**  
**NOVELTY SLEEPERS . . . 1/2 OFF**

**Suede Zipper Suits . \$6.95**  
 Copen - Brown - Green - Red.

**Fleeced Leggings . . . . 84c**

**Boys and Girls' Blue Corduroy Sheepskin Coats**

\$7.95	\$6.95
Sizes 10 to 18	Sizes 7 to 9

**\$13.50 Boys' Leather Coats \$8.95**

**Boys' Winter O'Coats 1/3 Off**  
 Chinchillas, Meltons, Novelties, Size 2 to 10—\$5.95 to \$14.95—OFF

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