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NOTE: The Eccentric is pleased to publish stories of events which have news value and which are written by persons not connected with the editorial staff of the paper.

A Tragic End

George Townsend is dead, the victim of an assassin's bullet, but because he was the kind of man one rarely meets, his memory will long remain with those of us who knew him.

Speeding For What?

In two particular instances in Birmingham during the present week sirens have sounded and broken jolted cars to an uncomfortable stop.

Autumn's Paint Brush

Within the next few weeks we hope to start out on our annual auto tour of northern and western Michigan, the object being to fall prey to the autumn picture which energetic Autumn painters upon trees and shrubs of this beloved state.

Personal Improvement

Do not become discouraged if you witness outbreaks of moral decay among the peoples of the earth. Be thankful that the outbreak is only spotty and not general.

A Distinction Needed

We read with some curiosity of a man going to jail for 10 days because he failed to pay a fine of \$25 for having driven his car at a speed greater than the limit prescribed by law.

A Proclamation

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To the Editor: During recent months there has been considerable comment upon our magnificent trees here in our village. Let us be and protect our programs in progress.

A New Breed of Tramps

Man's incessantly contriving and inventive mind brings upon the surface of the earth many changes not changes in fundamentals, but rather variations. For instance, once man lived within the narrow caves, high along the edges of cliffs; now he lives in huge hotels or apartment houses, patterned after the ancient architecture.

Recall the ancient and venerable genius whose clothing the comic artists cover with patches; he basked in the warm summer sun, basking the rolling stock of railroads for transportation, and the friendly offerings of housewives' kitchen produce for the gastronomic efforts of the Ritz chef.

Instead of the ancient and more than often harmless tramp, the modern housewife is compelled to answer the summons of a new kind of "door-to-door" visitor. The new crop does not approach you with the plea of an empty stomach to be filled—but they are more dangerous to the household.

They try to sell you everything from silk stockings to fur coats which may have been smuggled, duty free, across the border. Outside of possibly a few local cases, the majority are not so fraudulent and simple. They misrepresent their goods, prey upon your gullibility, anything to get your money.

FOOTBALL

To the Editor: After reading of wrangling concerning "dirty tactics" used by the Mt. Clemens High School football team, I feel it is about time that other cars be allowed to row.

A VILLAGER.

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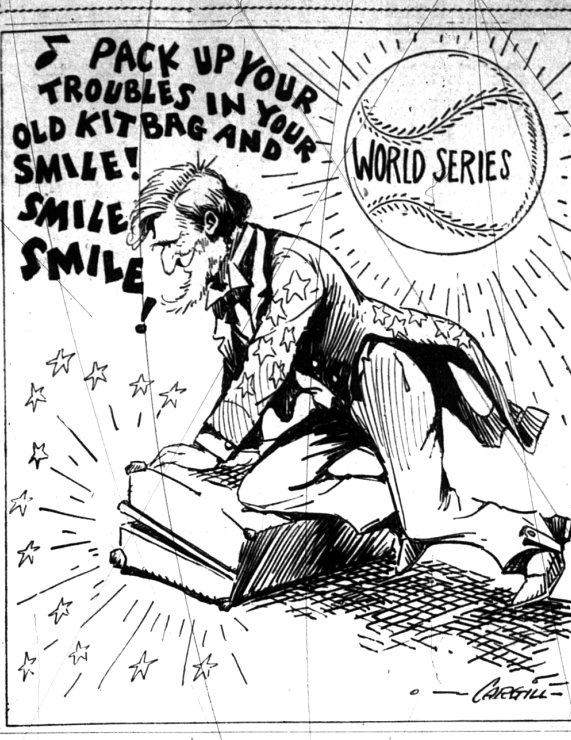
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The New Hanna Building Ready December 1st. The new Hanna Building will be ready for occupancy December 1st. Situated on the busiest corner in Birmingham—the Southwest corner of Woodward and Maple—these five new shops, with modern offices above, are unquestionably the best locations in the Village.

Friendly Thoughts By G. Dewey Kimball. Keep constantly forging ahead. Do not be ashamed to follow a competent leader for he who would lead must learn to follow. Your wishes are followed in every respect. G. DEWEY KIMBALL FUNERAL DIRECTOR. Ambulance Service. 408 N. WOODWARD AVE. PHONE 850.

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