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HURT WHEN AUTOS CRASH

Three Children Among Injured in Woodward Ave. Accident

Seven persons, including three children, were slightly injured Monday morning when an automobile in which they were riding overturned on Woodward avenue at Hickory Grove road after hitting a plank projecting from the rear end of a car driven by Edward Thibodeaux, an employee of Charles H. Oshei, of the Oshtyke road.

The damaged car was driven by Anthony Jablonski, of 5081 Gricedale avenue, Detroit; the only member of the party who was uninjured. Occupants of the car, treated at St. Joseph's Mercy hospital for cuts and bruises, were John Jablonski, Anthony's brother, Mrs. Rena, John's wife; their three children, Junior, three, Edward, five, and Richard, 18 months; and Miss Della Zielinski, 19, of 1909 Broadway Bay City. Thibodeaux was uninjured, and his car was not damaged. Jablonski was not held.

Mark Elsom, a Chicago newsboy, was given a watch by a customer to whom he had returned some forgotten change.

SPARKS CAUSE 3 GRASS FIRES

Following three grass fires in two days started by a locomotive working on construction of the new Grand Trunk Western right-of-way, the Nelson, Chase and Gilbert Co., has been ordered to install a spark screen on the locomotive by Jack Wilson, Bloomfield township highway commissioner.

One fire last Thursday and two Friday morning necessitated the request, Mr. Wilson said. The company also operates several small gasoline locomotives, but the larger one, pulling large cars on a standard gauge track, is operated by steam.

National Official Visits State Parks

Lansing, July 24.—Herbert Evison, Secretary of the National Conference of State Parks in Michigan, this week inspecting Michigan's system of state parks.

Mr. Evison will visit as many of the 65 Michigan state parks as possible during his visit and will report his impressions to the National Conference at Washington. The National Conference is held annually and is attended by superintendents of state parks from all parts of the United States. Michigan will be represented at the meeting by P. J. Hoffmaster, head of the Parks Division of the Department of Conservation.

DISMISSES CHARGE OF NON-SUPPORT

Judge Back Free As Driver When Wife Admits She Had Money

Ralph Farnsworth, 776 Ann street, a bus driver, was acquitted Friday in the court of Justice Floyd A. Buck of a charge of non-support preferred by his wife, Mrs. Clara Farnsworth, when she admitted that she had obtained \$20 between July 3 and July 11 from a joint bank account and other sources.

Justice Buck found the defendant not guilty, since Mrs. Farnsworth in her complaint, sworn out July 11, claimed that her husband had not supported her since July 2.

At his arraignment July 12 Farnsworth pleaded not guilty and furnished bail of \$200 pending his trial Thursday. Mrs. Farnsworth paid court costs of \$6.

BUILDING CODE CHANGE HELPS THE LANDLORD

Birmingham landlords Monday evening were relieved from what might be termed a "situation" which it all began some years ago back in 1923, perhaps, when the village bodily adopted the state housing code. In adopting the code, evidently there was an absence of what Philadelphia lawyers might consider due attention to the provision in the code that landlords of all houses either erected or altered in a community of 10,000 or more souls, must obtain from the community health officer, a certificate of occupancy establishing the proper sanitary conditions. If the landlords neglected to obtain the certificates of occupancy the tenant might very easily refuse to pay rent—and get away with it on a technicality.

A recent court case in which just such a circumstance arose and upon which such a technicality was determined in favor of the Birmingham landlord wiser it was discovered the village had an "out" because there were not quite the necessary 10,000 souls to bind the carrying out of the code, first first or otherwise.

The village commission, recognizing the situation with that keen perspicacity for which it is renowned, Monday night unanimously repealed that section of the code.

Picking up in the street what looked like a white pebble, Miss Jeanne Rovaise found she had a \$5,000 pearl.

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Ramblings from the Road

(Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of five articles about the 1,400-mile trip through Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Michigan two Birmingham boys, W. Stoddard White and Donald B. Stewart, are now taking. The articles are designed to give helpful suggestions as well as recount the experiences of this trip.)

By W. STODDARD WHITE
 Racine, Wis., July 21.—In spite of all sorts of gloomy predictions that we would overstep and that rain would put a had beginning to our trip, we left Birmingham at 10 o'clock Sunday. Everything was satisfactorily packed in the tonneau of the car, eliminating out-of-baggage and so eliminating a crowded front seat. We packed and supplied ourselves with what we would need and we have since been glad of it.

Leaving the village we traveled down Southfield road to the Seven-Mile road, thence west to the Telegraph road, which we took to Michigan road, the continuation of Michigan road, which is claimed to be the longest street in the world, extending from Detroit to Chicago.

On Telegraph road we picked up Hartwell Ladd, of Madison avenue, a friend of ours who is now assistant supervisor of swimming at the new Barnum pool. Ladd was going to Toledo, and we assisted him on his way.

Reach Irish Hills
 Nothing of particular event happened until we reached the Irish Hills of Southern Michigan. Up until that time the country was flat, farming country, with each hill and long swift plunges to the bottoms of green valleys.

Midway in the Irish Hills is located a tall scenic tower on one of the highest points in Southern Michigan. Here we stopped to get a view of the surrounding country, both with the telescopes provided for that purpose, and with our own eyes. The view of Lake St. Clair is located the Jackson Gilt Scout camp, which is a number of miles west of the scenic tower. It is the first to strike the eye from this view. It extends for four miles.

At Jonesville, we detoured for five miles and return to see the pretty little college town of Hillsdale. The college was a small surprise, even though we had been looking for a small institution. It is one of the largest of the high schools of the largest cities.

Dine at Sturgis
 Stopping for dinner at Sturgis we proceeded without further noteworthy event across the state line to Indiana. Through Elkhart, where we saw the world's largest band instrument factory, and Michigan City, with the large State prison, to the Indiana Dunes State Park, about midway between Gary and Michigan City.

This park, where we spent the night, is run by the state of Indiana and is one of the largest state parks in existence. There are innumerable choice camping spots with easy reach of brick stoves and pumps, and there is also a long sandy bathing beach where thousands of persons swim daily in Lake Michigan. A recently completed stone and brick beach house, with a brilliant glare of light on the tall sand dunes towering above the whole scene at night.

Here we cooked supper. One of our interesting discoveries was that a jar of butter, which had been carefully packed to avoid greasing up the car, had completely melted and was in a state of rancid liquefaction. Disappointing but there was nothing to be done about it.

After breakfast Monday morning in the park we were visited by a park patrolman, who regularly inspects the campsites and collects a 25 cent camp rental fee. This latter created considerable amusement when the foreign woman with a colubine tongue, who probably was a "holy terror" around her own home, decided that as she had paid this tax yesterday she wasn't going to do it again today. Yet she was unable to produce a receipt, and finally paid the officer with dire threats of turning in a report and getting your job.

We had traveled 255 miles Sunday from 7 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., with nearly an hour out for dinner and time for a stop at Hillsdale and the Irish Hills.

Monday morning we drove through Gary to Chicago. Driving was somewhat slower as we neared the Windy City, which we didn't find windy at all, but we made a good average. Arriving in Chicago we spent some time in the beautiful lake shore drive, over which is routed the highway into the city, to the Field Museum of Natural History, which is certainly worth the visit. We did not have a quarter as much time as is necessary to really see the exhibits.

Then Drive North
 After thoroughly seeing Chicago and the exhibits, the least of which is the beautiful park

which the city has built between its main boulevard, Michigan Boulevard, and the lake front, we drove north through Evanston, Willmette, Winnetka, Highland Park, Great Lakes, Waukegan, Zion, and Kenosha to Racine. Where we spent the night. At Great Lakes is located the U. S. Naval Training Station, where we were permitted to drive about the grounds and see all the operations which is the home of the religious cult whose belief is that the earth is flat, we were greeted with huge announcements stating that intoxicating liquors, smoking, and profanity or vulgarity were forbidden. Speed laws are also rigidly enforced in this peculiar settlement, which is not small. It is at present under the leadership of a man named Voliva, whose name we saw on practically every tower and commercial building in the city.

As a sample menu for our breakfast at Dunce Park, a fairly representative type of meal, we had oranges, bacon, bread, bread, bread, bread, jam, and milk. Other mornings we will substitute some form of eggs or pancakes, or toast.

Expenses are still averaging about \$2.50 daily for food, which is a reasonable price for the kind of fare we are just about evening up the score.

Our first accident of any kind to the car was a flat tire discovered in the park, which cost us 75 cents for repair.

Two more days of the trip will be recounted in the next article of this series.—Editor.

VILLAGE BOYS OFF FOR CAMP

Six Birmingham Youths Join C. M. T. C. Camps At Camp Custer

Six Birmingham youths Friday left for Camp Custer where they will remain for a month under government supervision. The youths are young men who are numbered among the 555 who went from the greater Detroit area to be placed under the leadership of two battalions of the 329th Infantry, which is a part of the Polar Bear regiment.

Camp Custer has had its large number of recruits for many years, including new buildings and recreation. The quota for Oakland County this year is 60 boys, all between the ages of 17 and 21 years, and 75 applicants were received. The applicants are required to take physical and mental tests before entering the camp.

According to Captain Lloyd L. Stanley, the boys are given excellent training and efforts are being made to have the training course require four seasons in place of the one period required now.

Mr. Stanley wishes to thank personally everyone in Birmingham who showed interest in sending the boys to camp Custer.

The boys at the camp are John R. Geggie, Craig Pote, Charles Flower, Malcolm Myers, Sanford Waring, and Harry Winborn.

Mrs. Jane Heritage, 73, and Benjamin Tudge, 84, were married recently in Melbourne.



WOMAN INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Suffers Loss Of Teeth When Car Rams Another Machine On Woodward Ave.

Miss Anna Boland, 1743 Beecher avenue, suffered the loss of two front teeth Friday evening when the car in which she was riding jammed into the rear end of an automobile stopped at Woodward avenue and Maple road preparatory to making a left turn. The car in which she was riding was driven by William Boland, also of 1743 Beecher avenue, and Carl LaRock, 3226 Baker street, Detroit, and Walter Anderson, 2744 Wreford street, Detroit, were passengers.

The other car was driven by Calvin H. Mackay, 1343 Nardin street, Detroit. He was accompanied by John McMichael, 1253 Chuyenne street, and Charles Bender, 5660 Robert street, both of Detroit. Except for Miss Boland, no one was injured. Fenders and bumpers of both cars were badly damaged.

Rotary Club Sees Cane Collection

Birmingham Rotarians Monday were afforded the opportunity of seeing the collection of canes being to Robert R. Allen, of Knox street, member of the village commission. These canes, a part of a large collection once owned by Mr. Allen's father, are made of woods gathered from various parts of the world, while some of them are made of several other substances, such as paper, walrus hide, ivory, leather washers, etc.

Mr. Allen described them in a brief talk. He was introduced by Walter L. Connelly, president of the club. Mr. Allen has exhibited the canes before the local Exchange club and Jural Oak at several service clubs.

State Park Bldg. Opening Sept. 1st

Lansing, July 24.—The new public service building at the Hartwick Pines State Park, will be completed about Sept. 1, it has been announced by the Parks Division of the Department of Conservation. The building is located opposite the plot of virgin pines from which this park derives its name.

The log structure will contain memorial rooms, rest rooms, and a large recreation room. At the Island Lake State Park, the Division has just completed the erection of one of the largest bath houses in Michigan with facilities to accommodate 600 people.

John Mallia of Dublin walked 29 miles on his 106th birthday to play chess with his son.

TRAFFIC SPEED LAW CHANGED

Upon the motion of Commissioner Robert R. Allen of the police and fire committee, the village commission Monday night passed an amendment to the present traffic ordinance, providing for a penalty of a fine of \$10, to be paid at the police traffic regulation bureau, by speeders arrested for exceeding 35 miles an hour up to 40 miles an hour in the village streets.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY

James J. Martindale, local realtor, and president of the Birmingham District Committee, Boy Scouts of America: "I know several boys who are making or have made motor trips of some distance this summer. I believe the excellent training they received as Scouts has helped them to be better prepared and to more fully enjoy the trips and also has increased their parents' confidence in them. I only regret that Scout training was not available when I was a boy."

WABEEK FARM FIRE DAMAGE IS SET AT \$2,500

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ORIGIN UNDETERMINED

Fire which caused damage estimated at \$2,500 Sunday morning destroyed two barns, an implement shed and fatally burned four horses on the Wabeek Farm No. 4, owned by Sen. James Cousens at West Bloomfield and Long Lake roads.

An equestrian riding party the estate noticed the flames and immediately turned in an alarm to Township fire departments. When the firemen arrived, however, they were unable to do more than prevent the spread of the blaze to (Turn to Page 3, this section)

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