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NOTE: The Eccentric is pleased to publish stories of events which have occurred in the past and which are of interest to the community.

You—And Life

You and I are but the sum total of a variety of thoughts, launched in the shallow barque of human body, upon the tempestuous sea of life.

You are but a state of consciousness, given a portion of time, and the greatest accomplishment that life offers you is the chance to gather together in a series of thoughts that project you, as a state of consciousness, into realms of life that result in happiness and harmony, unselfishness and service, safety and security, rest and contentment.

Praises Grand Trunk

Under the caption of "The Aggressive Grand Trunk," editor J. E. McMullen, of the Linden Leader, lay waste to:

"Pitty Good, Pitty Good"

We're darn glad that Governor Brucker has told the good folks up Traverse City that the planting of more cherry trees will restore property to good cherry pie.

Parents Falling Down?

Criminal tendencies in the youth of today are blamed upon laxity in the home. Parents are being accused of allowing their offspring to develop into young manhood and womanhood without the parents assuming the ordained duties of fathers and mothers.

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OAKLAND COUNTY, THOUGH FILLED with several hundred fine inland lakes, is not going to tolerate thinly clad bathers out of the water—unless the bather covers their sparsely constructed adornment.

FROM THE STRAIGHT-SHOOTING typewriter of Schuyler L. Marshall, St. Johns newspaperman, comes the following complex offering:

Too often the self-made man is self-made.

Our County's Finances

As a taxpayer in Oakland County you are interested in the manner in which your funds are spent. In these days of high taxes and profitless profits, you wish to see the various units of government that you support spend less and less.

"The new committee that is expected to control Oakland county's finances will get organized today in Pontiac.

"We hope the banker realize the vital position in which he is placed. He is Henry M. Zimmerman, president of the First National Bank of Pontiac and an outstanding financial leader."

"What the public wants is a genuine financial control policy, not political camouflage. So words of explanation or expatiation will not meet the test."

Skimming the Milk

To skim or not to skim—that is the question. Not merely to skim, but to skim that Michigan dairy farmer's own product, but to decide whether or not the farmers themselves shall be skimmed.

"Governor Brucker, in our opinion, has a great opportunity to do a high type of public service in connection with the price of milk investigation. He should spread in the price paid the farmer and the price paid by the city customer."

The Public Must Help

Chairman George W. Wickersham of the National Law Enforcement Commission says that the growing disrespect for law challenges the legal profession, more deeply than any other class of the community.

"The daily accounts of the criminal acts which we read in the public press have dulled our sensibilities to such a degree that we do not take home to ourselves the significance of these constant manifestations of contempt for the law."

A WRITER ON EARLY TOPICS declares that there is less waste and less inefficiency on the average farm than in most city offices and shops.

IT IS REPORTED THAT New York's traffic noises are times louder than the largest city of London, England.

"CRASSHOPPERS INVADE Michigan," says the Detroit Times, when what we all need are more corn hoppers.

EX-NTRIX

Of all the girls I've ever known Louise was like no other. She was admired at me and said, 'I love you like a brother.'

"What," a newspaper columnist wants to know, "has been the late old-fashioned girl who used to plant vines around the porch in spring so they would grow in the summer?"

The above picture—a choice relic of the machine decade when full of the test for life—shows a ride on a cloudy Sunday afternoon in August under the bounteous shade of the arbors of Ecco City.

History Department

(Wishing always to be of the greatest service to our readers, and fully cognizant of the subject of women's clothes in the past and always will be paramount in our minds.)

Twenty Five Years Ago—Clarkston is longing for a water works system. Better get it boys, you will never be sorry.

One of our fellows who poses as one who is wise above that man to advise his friends on the following advertisement in an eastern 25 cent newspaper:

Wonder What's Become Of: 1. The Oklahoma bloke who backwardly to walk around the world backwards?

SALLY'S SALLIES

There's one advantage in marrying a rich girl—you can give her everything she can afford.

From The Eccentric Columns of Long Ago

A little more wet. Races to-morrow? Good. I'm in town last Monday from Royal Oak.

Joseph Stringer of Redford rode with an elegant and costly Bible. Harvey Carter struck a flowing off of the roof of the Boyd farm in Troy recently at a depth of 50 feet.

We are glad to see our old friend Diotide hit the streets again after a protracted absence. Uncle Diotide has reached the advanced stage of his life.

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PEOPLE'S COLUMN

The Eccentric is pleased to receive communications for this column. All communications must be signed, but signatures will be kept confidential upon request.

Character in the sight of God, to whom we all will one day have to render account of our stewardship. May the day soon come when wickedness with shame, will hide its head.

It was a long time ago, and more of the same crimes every day. Again, Slavery, has been outlawed in this land but is rampant in other parts of the world.

Well, perhaps in the final of all things, these forces of evil will cease, only because God reigns in this world, always fighting each other.

Over Birmingham way things have happened, according to a fine special edition of the Eccentric last week.

Service on All Makes of Cars. Phone 336-W. Day or Night. 436 E. Maple Ave., at G. T. R.

GENERAL GARAGE. W. J. Thornton, Owner. "Complete Automotive Service". 136 West Maple Ave. (Rear). Telephone 301 FOR ROAD SERVICE.

THE TEXACO STATION. DIXON & GRINNELL. Gasoline, Oil - Washing - Lubricating. Tires and Batteries. S. Woodward at Frank Phone 772 for Road Service.

PAPE'S TOP & GLASS SHOP. "Specializing in Non-Shatter Glass". 150 Brownell Street, Birmingham, Michigan.

MERCHANT TAILOR. Alterations and Remodeling of Any Kind. CLEANING AND PRESSING. A. B. C. CLEANERS. 584 S. Woodward. Phone 312.

The "Big Shots" Say:

Charles C. Davis, ambassador to Great Britain: "Diplomacy is easy on the brain but hard on the feet."

James Jean, scientist: "We know that we cannot go through space forever without eventually coming back."

Rockwell Kent, artist: "A man can't be gregarious and get work done."

Bruce Barton, author: "I am against most organizations, movements and committees."

M. I. Pupin, inventor: "Faith alone pierces the mysterious veil which covers the face of the space-time entity."

Approaching that of Chicago and New York. In the two leading cities of the United States a network of rail-line communities is being created.

Birmingham is to be congratulated upon the acquiring of good commuting transportation. Of course the first years of operation will be costly but, as in the case of many railroads which have adopted a commuter's schedule, the investment will pay.

Perhaps if similar service was established in other directions from Detroit more families could enjoy the healthful atmosphere of the suburbs—Dearborn, Farmington Hills, etc.

COMMUTER'S TRAIN SERVICE

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PLUMBING AND HEATING

FRED CRAVEN. Plumbing and Heating. With "Night and Day" Repair Service. Day Phone 1013. Night Phone 703. 608 East Lincoln Avenue.

PRINTERS

The BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC. Complete Printing Service. 220 NORTH WOODWARD AVENUE. BIRMINGHAM 11.

SHEET METAL WORK

ANDERSON BROS. Sheet Metal - Tinning - Warm Air Furnaces. 311 E. MAPLE AVE. PHONE 876.

SHOE REPAIRING

THE PARISIAN BOOTERY. Modern Shoe Repairing. While You Rest. 146 W. Maple Ave. Phone 2162.

TAXICABS

BIRMINGHAM CAB CO. D. H. REYNOLDS, Owner. New Rate: Anywhere in Birmingham from our Cab Stand at Woodward and Maple 25c. TELEPHONE 945-W.

DECORATIVE TILING

GARIEPY AND ANDREWS. Decorative and Bathroom Tiling and Repair Service. CHESTER AT WILLETTS. PHONE 2048.

ELECTRICAL SERVICE

BIRD ELECTRICAL CO. Electrical Contractors. 240 Park St. Phone 90.

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