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Commuter Service Has Come!

Last Saturday, August 1, Birmingham was the center pattern of a new hope for the entire North Woodward area—for on that day there was inaugurated, between Detroit and Pontiac, Michigan's first steam railroad commuter service.

These accomplishments of mankind that best promote his peace and comfort, his pleasure and his happiness, are the things that will endure and survive.

Down in Detroit you have many friends—folks who have often told you that they, too, would like to make their homes in this fine community.

What is the thing that drives you on . . . and on . . . and on? Isn't it the impelling desire to provide for yourself and your loved ones a place to call home?

Read the story of this wonderful area . . . read it in these pages of The Birmingham Eccentric . . . realize that now, with the establishment of Commuter Service over the Grand Trunk Line, you may continue earning your livelihood in toiling Detroit, yet you may obtain for your family those cheerful environments and blessings that are found only in the suburbs.

You and your family are seeking happiness . . . here it is . . . take it to your bosom . . . resolve to obtain for your soul some of the food that abounds hereabouts . . . bring to your children the heritage of lovely childhood that is rightfully theirs . . . learn to regenerate your spirit in the daily friendly call of "Hello, there—neighbor!"

Poor Relief Costs Here

You are interested in the amount of money that "government" takes out of your pockets each year—and more concerned during times of poor business than when you are earning plenty of money.

Do you know that a recent survey of Michigan reveals that Oakland County is paying a greater amount of money in its charities, per capita, than any other similar unit in this state?

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"Practical Politics"

One of the difficulties attending a proper solution of most governmental problems is the incompatibility of common sense and "practical politics."

Resourceful Pat

Irishmen are, as a rule, not only witty, but resourceful. Did you ever hear the story of the Irishman who took a continental?

Pat looked cautiously around and saw that no person was near, then took off his hat and coat and bushes and away he went.

In a short time the neighbors discovered that the well had fallen in, and seeing Pat's hat and coat on the windlass, they supposed that he was at the bottom of the excavation.

Just a complete nuisance, Johanne was taken into custody shortly after his (or her) arrival in Angleburg on suspicion of being a member of a group of international

Thirsty Bullets

A number of New York City people, including children, were shot down by gangsters the other day. The Hearst news papers blame the prohibition.

The Book Nook

"Travels Through Thick and Thin; or, What I Saw from the Cracks in a Box Car," by Thrice I. McCorry.

Reviewed by Sigbi Simon. In China he ran onto a congregation of Legionnaires drinking Coca Cola out of a goldfish globe.

Kind Words

Joe Haas, kindly editor and publisher of the Holly Herald, a few weeks ago flattered the folks of Birmingham upon their home-town newspaper, The Eccentric.

Life Is For . . . ?

There is an inevitable end for every thing; everything destroys themselves, while good things, because they have Almighty God on their side, are eternal.

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From The Eccentric Columns of Long Ago

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Our Scrap Book

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It should be apparent to those of you who have been following the LIFE OF GERTIE THE GLOVE COLLECTOR.

After wiggling and walking around in Arnold Darmold, stepped up and chanted a SOFT SHOUT under Gertie's chin.

An advertisement states that "it took 12,000 workers to put that bottle of milk at your door."

It Does Well, bandit business seems to be holding up—Ohio State Journal.

THE OTHER CHAP SAYS SOMETHING

SHORT COURSE IN JOURNALISM

Always refer to audience as "packed house." For instance, "Packed house greeted so-and-so last night."

5. If an orchestra concert, "An organization of rare musicianship played last night and delighted the Packed House." (Refer to Rule 1 regarding "Packed House.")

6. If a lecturer, "He immediately held his audience spellbound."

7. If a poet, "She charmed, captivated her audience."

8. If a poet, "Rare distinction characterized the work of Ramon Soupebo speaking to a packed house."

9. When all these rules are carefully mastered (including this one) are then set up on a rubber stamp of reliable make.

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CRUEL POLITICS Soonest of politics are oftentimes cruel and beyond explanation. The action of Governor Brucker in retiring Frank A. Kenyon, for many years superintendent of Mackinac Island, shows how tragically have pressed his case.

All of Us

By Marshall Maslin

I MEAN that you can't get away with lying to yourself. You may try, but you'll fail. I have a friend who says that the easiest thing in all the world is to fool yourself.

Suppose you and I are in the same business. You are smarter and more energetic than I am. I'm jealous and I don't like you. Do you know that you get ahead faster than I have? No, I don't. I tell you and have a "pull" with him. I rationalize. I lie to myself.

My mind has two compartments. One part does my work. The other does my lying. One part is so very respectable. The other part would deny it most indignantly and hate you for your mean suspicion.

And if you tell me that I lied to myself, I am uncomfortable, and I feel that what I'm doing is wrong. I am vaguely unhappy. I am at odds with myself. I'm lying and I'm almost certain it isn't appendicitis. I think it's the Truth trying to get out.

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