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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.

"Smearing Groesbeck"

Johnny Smith will say the nastiest things about Groesbeck that Fitzgerald won't say—but would like to say in his high toned, but not so high minded, politics.

Setting Aside Men

Lewis H. Fead, Chief Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, believes that our "government is rapidly advancing into a government of men, instead of laws."

Purging The Bar

Addressing members of the Michigan Press Association recently Judge Guy A. Miller, of Detroit, had this to say about the unethical lawyers who prostitute their profession in the interest of the criminal class.

Horace Greeley

Horace Greeley was famous as a great editor, but notorious as a bad penman. So bad was his penmanship that the compositor who was able to decode his glyphs could well consider himself secure in his job.

True Humility

In his years of study as an astronomer, Tycho Brahe, Danish nobleman, used to thus address himself as he entered his observatory: "I am about to enter the presence of my Maker."

Lincoln Depended Upon God

Frequently some political orator will repeat a portion of Lincoln's famous Gettysburg address wherein he closed by saying "... of the people, by the people, and for the people."

You will note, Dear Reader, that Lincoln qualified his utterance by including God in the provisions. He did not declare that "the new birth of freedom" will come under mere politicians.

Various Air Conditions

Astronomers say that the planet Mercury is a sizzling cinder, hotter than hot. Atmospheric conditions on Venus would not allow any life to exist.

DELAING THE OPENING of the Birmingham schools to September 17, instead of the original announcement of September 4, is a practical decision—practical because it is in line with this area's ability to pay costs.

DOFF YOUR SUMMER STRAW HATS to the Birmingham Lions club. Those boys are performing various community tasks in a most creditable manner.

JOE J. JACKRABBIT, the kangaroo politician who is "racking" for the State Legislature, continues to win the public's support. His "biographical sketches" appearing in The Eccentric are perfect gems of clarity and sparkling revelations of truth.

THOSE STARGLINGS that congregate at the corner of Knox and Poppleton streets, disturbing the sleep of residents there, are the target of local police. About 60 of the ten or fifteen thousand of them have been put to earth-ward flight.

THE AVERAGE POLITICIAN, depending upon election to gain a livelihood, is about on the same par as a canny and shrewd business man who wants to increase his earnings.

YOU WHO INTEND to vote the Democratic ticket in Oakland County may be interested in knowing that Glenn T. Ellis, of Pontiac, bears strong endorsement from his former Lions club.

All of Us

WHAT SHOULD A MAN TELL HIS WIFE? One day, complained that her husband never told her anything. Came home, washed, shaved, sat down, read the paper, ate his supper, listened carefully to the radio, talked about this and that, went to bed.

A very important question: How much should a husband tell his wife? ... A more important fact is: How do husbands tell their wives nearly everything.

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Birmingham Business Leaders

No. 32 HEY CLAUDE! WHAT DO YOU THINK THE GOVERNMENT WILL DO FOR US CROWS? THINK I'LL FARM AWHILE.



CLAUDE E. MOSHER A JEWEL!

BETWEEN HIS FARM AND GARAGE HE IS KEPT BUSY

CLAUDE

FINCH THAT LIFE BUOY WITH AND WATCH PLEASURE IT COME TO LIFE

HE'S NOT A JEWELER BUT YOU'LL HEAR HIM TALKING ABOUT JEWELLED MOVEMENTS

WITH THE MARINES IN THE WEST INDIES

Claude E. Mosher has spent most of his life either on a farm or in the automobile business, and his present occupation is a mixture of the two.

FROM THE ECCENTRIC COLUMNS

—of Long Ago Bits of News gleaned from Old Files Of The Eccentric—The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today.

FIFTY YEARS AGO It is a remarkable fact that there is an utter and gasty lack of social news this week.

STREET and Mill street are now one street from Fred Stephens' corner to the mill is now except Maple avenue, five new streets.

It is solemnly alleged that some ash gatherers stole the entire stock of ashes pertaining and belonging to the residence of Henri Munson of Frank trout.

Miss Marie Leggett of Truxton Plant, Mich., is a daughter of A. Bigelow, last week and brought her violin, giving us some of her choicest selections in her usual artistic manner.

Will the lady who took a Magic carpet on a trip from Whitehead and Mitchell, please return it, or let us know if it suits?

Twenty-five years ago Miss Bertha ... of Birmingham's most popular lady clerks, is away for a week's recreation in Eastern Canada.

Master Arthur Faint has trained morning glories around an electric light pole and along the gray wires.

Down on Brown street a young man calling on a young lady discovered that the street light shone directly in and upon the porch with a search-light brightness.

What's the feminine of bachelor, Dad? Lady-in-waiting, my son.

Girls who like the feel of milk Leave the dishes in the sink.

They named the habitual traffic light violator "Bull" because

The Other Chap Says Something—

THE SPIRIT OF SPORT Enthusiasm for sport rises above petty dislike, suspicion or prejudice. Not many up-state people, for example, have much objection to sport in Detroit.

OLD FASHIONED Poor old Grover Cleveland. He never heard of the brain trust. When there was a crop failure in Texas while he was President, and congress passed a bill appropriating \$25,000,000 to buy seed for stricken farmers, by setting it and said in his message, "I veto this because there is no warrant in the constitution for taking funds raised by taxes and giving them from one man to another."

PAROLE JUDGMENT ROTTEN Parole Commissioner W. Alfred Debo has put more convicts back into circulation than any preceding parole officer.

Michigan's affairs are in need of change. Personally we don't care which party; or which candidate brings about the desired changes for the better.

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19-20-Cricket impeded all traffic. San Francisco, 1889. 21-Carrie Nelson smashed fixtures in salon, 1901.

22-Kendall first man to swim Niagara Rapids, 1866. 23-New Mexico is annexed to United States, 1846.

24-British troops burn the White House, 1814. 25-City of New Orleans founded by French, 1718.

26-Constitution amended to give women votes, 1920.

Try, Try Again Ten hours of sleep and I remark The future seems no longer dark.

In roistering, when one must pay With spiritual light next day. But still I hope, as a couple of times. To eat my cake and have it too.

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