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The crash occurred on Woodward Avenue about a half mile north of Long Lake road. Robinson was travelling north and apparently failed to see the truck, although police and witnesses said it was parked partly on the pavement and was well lighted. The truck was in charge of Ernie Bond, of Flint.
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BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 1935

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Cameron Places Faith In American Tradition

"If we may say our objectives are law and order, a more equitable distribution of the goods of the world, a better economic machinery, then we can say that we are treading in the right direction. Our people are becoming freed more and more—not bound more and more. By these standards we are progressing in the direction of the things which the righteous desire of men have erected as ideals. These are the continuing trends in America that are to endure."
These and other optimistic statements were made by V. J. Cameron, public relations director of the Ford Motor Company and president of the Anglo-Saxon Federation of America, at the annual ladies' night banquet of the Men's Club of the First Presbyterian Church last Thursday night.
An energetic people, a fertile land, and a growing spirit of righteousness are the traditions in which America was founded and which continue to guide its progress, Mr. Cameron maintained.
"These are the vital, continuing, undisturbable traditions which energized our fathers and which continue to energize us," he declared. "Demagogues shall not rule this people. We shall fulfill the good ends whereto we were sent. We only need to free ourselves from the gloom of the fog, dispense and get into the sunlight of American ideals."
Warning his hearers not to be misled by temporary opportunities for public office into loss of destiny, Mr. Cameron asserted that those who regard the Farleys, the Richbergs and the Longs as the best of the times will be misguided.

"We can live in the tents of the whirling dervishes until our heads touch the sky," he said, "or we can follow in the direction in which America is really going, regarding our course the way of American ideals and traditions."
The wedding march was played by the choir. The bride and groom were Charles Louis Rodger and Miss Margaret Schilling. The ceremony was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Rodger, 1212 E. 12th St. The bride and groom were Charles Louis Rodger and Miss Margaret Schilling. The ceremony was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Rodger, 1212 E. 12th St. The bride and groom were Charles Louis Rodger and Miss Margaret Schilling. The ceremony was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Rodger, 1212 E. 12th St.

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

Mud.
Muddy roads.
Judge Hoyt got one vote for re-election.
Town meeting day was lovely overcast.
The vast amount of snow, which we were in possession of last week, has dwindled away very quickly.
The Troy Corcoran Brass Band are winning laurels by the music they discourse at the Utica roller rink weekly.
John Rainey and Will Wright started on their baseball playing trip last Monday. The boys have been playing for several professional clubs, and we hope they will soon become professional ball players.
The Birmingham band was out on Monday last and gave several very fine selections. The band was very creditable manner. The new son of Vulcan, Mr. Crocker, blew a soft cornet, a fine fellow and musician, and the boys are glad he's come.
The Bloomfield Republican ticket was elected for the year 1934. For supervisor, Edward Fox, 158; treasurer, George H. Mitchell, (Dem.), 47; clerk, Almeron Whitehead, 40; school inspector, Alvin D. Simmons, 47; highway commissioner, Ben Thorne, 15; justice, Andrew Porter, 47; constable, Clark Beach, William Williamson, Stanley Leach and J. O. Beattie, Dem.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

The school children have been made very happy by the receipt of flower seeds.
Many of the manufacturing plants of Detroit have ordered hundreds of spires, and they give one to each of their employees.
Mr. W. Dickinson of Hamtramck was up for a short while with his brother on the James Sharp farm one day last week. Not having a game of pool on this trip, he got away home early and in good spirits, different than when he gets slumped at pool, huh?
Here is indeed a sad blow for our esteemed citizen, D. Webster Bray. Everyone knows what a lover of fine poultry he is and that he just dotes on Rhode Island Reds. Well, not so very long ago, he sent east, and bought nine lady hens and one gentleman hen from down in New York state, where they have blooded fowls a high price. We are told that his flock cost just an even \$37, add express charges, and it is safe to say they cost over \$40. Last Friday, Alex Parks brought in a coop full of chickens to be ready for A. R. Parks Saturday trade. Frank Ash with a helper was sent Saturday morning to do the slaughtering, and was told where the hens were. Of course, they made a mistake and didn't do a thing but kill and dress every one of Webb's fancy stock, and had them dressed and hanging up in the market before we discovered what had been done to him and his Rhode Island Reds. What he said and did, we would be arrested if we printed. Suffice it to say that purchasers of

BANK SELECTS NEW DIRECTOR

H. E. Edwards Named To Board Of Birmingham National

Election of H. E. Edwards, 520 Aspen road, to the Board of Directors of the Birmingham National Bank, has been announced by Charles E. James, president.
Mr. Edwards, who has had a wide experience in business and banking, fills the vacancy on the board left by the resignation of Fred W. Johnson, former president. On Mr. Johnson's resignation, Mr. Edwards returned from executive vice-president to the presidency, and E. W. Seaholm, also a director, was named vice-president.

Prior to his coming to Birmingham in 1930, Mr. Edwards was a director of the People's National Bank of Jackson. An attorney by profession, he was for many years associated with Charles A. Blair, who later became chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court. Mr. Edwards returned from active practice several years ago.
He served as postmaster of Jackson when William McKinley was President, and was one of the incorporators of the Jackson Cashier Savings Corporation and the Reynolds Spring Corporation. He was also associated with a number of other manufacturing concerns in Jackson, and is now President of the Gordon Brothers Company, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, manufacturers of hair cloth.
We are happy to have associated with us a man of such business and banking experience. Mr. Edwards possesses, said Mr. James, the qualities which are necessary for the Board of Directors. "We are confident that he will contribute much to the financial welfare of the community as a whole."

PICTURES OF MAYAN RUINS GO ON EXHIBIT

An exhibition of 54 unusual photographs of the Mayan ruins at Chichen Itza in Yucatan, Mexico, will go on display this afternoon at the Cranbrook Pavilion on Long Lake road. Sponsored by the Cranbrook Academy of Art, the exhibition will continue through May 2. It is open every day from 2 to 5 P. M.

The photographs to be exhibited were taken by Miss Laura Gilpin of Colorado Springs for the Carnegie Foundation expedition in 1924.
The Academy of Art has also announced the showing of a talking picture, "Zitari, Temple of a Thousand Serpents," at the Pavilion at 8:30 o'clock tonight, which will be open to the public.

COMMISSION VOTES \$250 FOR TAX SUIT

On the motion of Mayor Harry Allen, the City Commission Monday night voted to pay Frank W. Atkinson, Bloomfield Hills attorney, \$250 to cover the cost of printing briefs and records of the tax valuation suit begun last fall by Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills against the Oakland County Board of Supervisors and State Tax Commission, which is being appealed to the State Supreme Court. Mr. Atkinson is representing the two cities in the suit. Bloomfield Hills will share in the \$250 bill in proportion to the amount of its assessed valuation, as compared with Birmingham's.

BAN LIFTED; WHEAT FARMERS BUSY

The nation's wheat farmers under A. A. A. contracts sprang into action to plant all available acreage when Secretary Henry A. Wallace, right, removed all restrictions on 1935 spring wheat planting. Scenes like the above—a Hopewell, Wash., farmer, seeding his ground—are being enacted throughout the land, to furnish the bumper crop which the AAA hopes will protect the U. S. from shortages resulting from last year's drought, which may recur in the West this year. Crop increases of 1935 must, however, be offset by corresponding reductions next year, Wallace ruled.

Bank Director



H. E. Edwards

DEATH TAKES WIFE OF E. J. HARRINGTON

Five Months' Illness Fatal; Rites In Delaware To Follow Services Here

Following an illness of five months, Mrs. Mary Collins Harrington, wife of Edgar J. Harrington, of the auditing department of the General Motors Corporation, died last Monday night at her home, 1927 Quanton road. She was 49 years old.
The funeral was held from the S. O. Wylie Bell Funeral home at 10 A. M. Wednesday, and further services will be held Friday afternoon from the residence of Mr. Harrington's sister, Mrs. William S. Bradley, in Felton, Del. Burial will be in Parrott's Chapel, Frederick, Md.
Mrs. Harrington had lived with her family in Birmingham for the past six years. She was born in Smyrna, Del., and came to Detroit from Wilmington, Del., 15 years ago.
Surviving, besides the husband, are a daughter, Ruth C., and a son, Robert D., both at home, and a sister, Miss Ida D. Collins, of Wilmington.

Teacher; "Your son is very backward in geography."

Father: "This does not matter. We have no money for traveling."

Death Takes Former Birmingham Resident

Frank McHugh, former Birmingham resident and the man who had the distinction of being the first motorman to be employed by the Dodge division of the D. U. R., died Friday night at the home of his son, Lawrence McHugh, 521 Deville avenue, Royal Oak.
Funeral services were held Sunday morning from the Sullivan and Sons Chapel, and from St. Mary's Church, Royal Oak. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.
Mr. McHugh, who was 77 years old, lived for several years in Birmingham before moving to Royal Oak eight years ago. His wife, Catherine, died in 1925. He leaves two sons, Lawrence and Edward, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was a native of Southfield Township and a member of St. Mary's Church.

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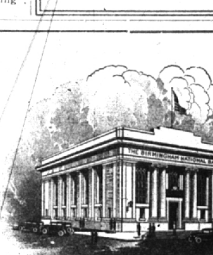
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