

Birmingham before today

By Missie Hunt SALTER
The property east of the Erwin farm was owned by Hiram F. Daniels Sr., who came to Michigan from Rutland, Va., when he was thirty years old in 1831. His wife was the former Miss Rhoda S. Bingham and his brother, John, was one of the victors in 1810. Mr. Daniels procured his land from the government in 1832.

His ancestors came from England to America on the ship "Mary and John," in search of religious liberty in 1630. His grandfather and his grandfathers' four sons fought in the War of the Revolution. Mr. Daniels was the youngest member of his father's family. When he came to Michigan he brought his father and mother with him from their Vermont home. There are two Daniels monuments, exactly alike, in the old section of Greenwood cemetery.

Miss Rhoda Bingham was also a native of Vermont, and came to Michigan in 1830. Her father, John Daniels, in 1836. Their children were Hiram F. Jr., David B., Grosvenor, Julia and Abbie. After the death of his mother, when he was barely 18 years old, Hiram Jr. enlisted in the Civil War. He was a prisoner in both Andersonville and Libby prisons and suffered many hardships which permanently undermined his health. He spent most of his life in and around Birmingham, doing farming part of the year.

The Birmingham Golf Club's ground, near Southfield road, was a part of his farm. His farm home was the house north of the Erby school house. He later became a resident of Birmingham and owned a home and two lots on Townsend street, near Chester street. He continued farming for several years. During the latter part of his life he visited the battle grounds of the south several times.

He was married three times. His first wife was formerly Miss Eliza Wooster. Their children were Rhoda, Edgar, Elva Ruth, Marian and Ida E. Rhoda, Edgar and Elva are dead.

Elva was the first wife of J. Royal Blakelee. His present wife was the former Miss Marian Daniels. Ida E. is the widow of Dr. Moulton and the mother of Arthur, Roger and Ruth Moulton. Their home is near York village, Maine.

Mr. Daniels' second wife was the former Miss Martha Wooster. He was married by several years, was the former Mrs. Mary McBride, widow of Andrew McBride and mother of Joseph and Mae McBride.

David B. Daniels never married. He went to Louisiana and operated a saw mill and was also interested in the Louisiana rice fields.

Grosvenor Daniels was married and was the father of Maud, Mabel and Vincent. Maud is dead.

Army Considers New Headgear



Something new in summer military may be in store for Uncle Sam's soldiers if the tropical helmets worn by these infantrymen are found practical. Made of cotton, fiber, and leather, they are being considered to replace the old felt campaign hat. The troops shown are members of the 11th Infantry from Fort Benjamin Harrison, stationed at the Pan American Exposition in Dallas.

Mabel is married and lives in Denver, Colorado. Vincent is with a sugar concern in Nebraska.

Grosvenor became a Methodist minister. He had several pastorates in Michigan and finally went to Colorado for his health. He preached at University Park, Colorado, for many years and died in that city.

Julia was the wife of Mr. John Beebe, who was the brother of Mrs. Prunella Converse and Mrs. Marion Wooster. Their daughter was Mrs. Belle King, wife of Mr. Earl King, of Elkhart, Indiana.

Abbie Daniels married Mr. Albert Davis, a dentist. Their daughter, Myrtle married Mr. George Berg, and lives in Chicago. They have two sons and a daughter.

Mrs. Hiram Daniels Sr. died in 1862. Mr. Hiram Daniels Sr., his daughters, Julia and Abbie and grand daughter, Rhoda, died in 1839. He was 88 years old. When his estate was settled the homestead was bought by Mr. Samuel Daniels, of Southfield, who was a nephew of Mr. Daniels. Mr. Samuel Daniels was the father of Mr. Edward E. Daniels, the present owner. The land on the south east corner of Pierce street and Lincoln avenue was for many years a part of the H. F. Daniels farm.

DIES ON FREIGHT CAR.
SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Found dead, his head crushed, on top of a box car, a man tentatively identified as Clyde Tipton, 40, of Toledo, Ohio, is believed to have been struck by a low bridge.

Happenings 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

Pontiac is now all ready to pierce Mother Earth, and is expecting and hoping for a large supply of natural gas.

Don't forget the reading match tomorrow night at C. M. Raynolds' if the best reader wins a prize. Is it progressive?

Rev. Sherrard has a brand new home on his premises now, Albert Donaldson being the architect; to build and artist to decorate the premises.

G. F. Aldrich, the gentlemanly and obliging ticket agent is taking his annual vacation just now and fully enjoys it. While his absence is occurring, the vacancy is being ably filled by Mr. Hammond.

Miss Curtis, of East Saginaw, is the guest of Miss Jennie Peck, and the young ladies pass the time most happily together with the assistance of the piano and banjo, each being able to handle her instrument in a manner that commands admiration.

Miss Kitty Brady is the welcome guest of M. H. Tabor and family this week. Miss Kitty is one of Detroit's fairest sisters, and why Willie should ask her is another way hither by equine and carriage to walk half the distance between Royal Oak and Birmingham, passeth all comprehension.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Mr. Phillip's new house on Woodward avenue is now under full way. Carpenters are busy and it will be rushed to finish making a fine home.

Mrs. Ellen Beers of Lexington, Michigan, an old friend and neighbor of Mrs. D. A. Roy, made her a visit all last week. Both ladies enjoyed the reunion most happily.

Two-out of town ladies, one from Detroit and one from Chicago, visited here last Monday p.m. They decided Birmingham was an ideal spot, and we agree with them.

Mr. Village Water Board, let me whisper in your ear and whisper it loudly, too. If you will insist on water meters in every case where water is used, you will soon see a decided change in the supply of water, and there will be enough for everybody.

At last the proper move has been made to honor a well-deserving person. The Village Board has named our popular librarian the Martha Baldwin Library.

This lady has always been active in its interests and her very liberal gift has made it possible as a valuable, useful and most serviceable institution in Birmingham—the pride of old Oakland.

While Mrs. Augusta Denison was away from her home, bold burglars entered and stole money and all the jewelry in sight. Too bad.

Five Years Ago

\$354,000 school tax levy is recommended; Board may act tonight on proposed budget for 1937-38; Provides \$14,000 cut.

Firemen win state contest; Birmingham department proves water more effective than chemicals for the first time in history of state.

Committee of three to probe gas rates; Citizens will name body to supervise inquiry of Consumer's Power.

Local De Molays capture trophy; Win athletic contests at first annual outing of Oakland county chapters.

Less infantile paralysis seen this year; low incidence should follow prevalence of disease last summer, Kemp says.

Jury indicts nine, disbands; four persons still to be arrested following county inquiry and political cleanup.

Tax collection suffers slump; only eleven per cent of 1932 village levy has been paid to date.

Commission starts work on city study; compares 1928 and 1932 reports as preliminary to investigation; conference is held.

County will begin death probe; prosecutor, coroner to investigate pool, scene of two drownings; Berkeley youth victim.

THROWN PISTOL KILLS.

New York—Preparatory to celebrating the Fourth of July, Gerardo Butero, 42-year-old WPA worker, picked up his antique pistol and was leaving when his wife remonstrated with him for taking the weapon. Complying with her wishes, he threw the pistol on a couch. It was accidentally discharged and the ball struck Mrs. Butero under the heart, instantly killing her.

42,000 GET PENSION CHECKS. Washington—Checks aggregating \$2,458,208, were recently mailed out by the Treasury to 42,000 railroad-pension beneficiaries. This payment was made from the pension fund of the Railroad Retirement Board.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

SERMON TO VACATIONERS



The photographer, fairly close, took care to focus on the child, not on the distant scene. Exposure 1/100 second at f.8 on a fair day.

THIS year when you go on your vacation, resolve to come back with better snapshots than you did a year ago.

Determine to take more care with your lens stops, your shutter speeds and your focusing. Decide that before you take a picture you will give thought to the light conditions; whether the day is hazy, dull or very bright; whether a midday sun is shining from a clear sky or the less intense early morning or late afternoon sun; whether the light is soft shade, whether under any of these conditions you are photographing nearby objects or a distant scene. Say you will consider these things before you take a picture and you will be sure to get the best of them.

Make up your mind that you will think this about the composition of each picture, that it shall have merit because of its pictorial qualities and that in each scene showing human or other beings there shall be something interesting.

Declare that you will bring back from this year's vacation no more out-of-focus pictures nor underexposed or overexposed ones, nor pictures blurred by camera movement; no more of those lifeless pictures of persons just posing, nor "accents" as void of noticeable feature as an army blanket, nor any more conglomerations of meaningless composition shot at random for no good pictorial reason. Such pictures are, as you know, the worst of all snapshots. To make the best out of the possibilities of a person's camera, the film he uses and of himself as a photographer.

In terms of entertaining, eye-de-lighting, emotion-stirring and photographically excellent pictures, these possibilities are unlimited, and on vacations, whether you head for the ocean, mountain, lake, river, even the prairie or the desert, the opportunities for real pictures are unlimited. Do make up your mind this time to think before you shoot.

Special application: If you have never used a color filter, treat yourself to two or three of different types, or at least one average filter such as the K-2, and experiment with them before you start. Filters bring in clouds distinctly, cut through haze, combat too bright reflections from water or sea sand. Like deftly placed cosmetics on a lady's face, deftly used filters enhance beauty. Learn to use them. You will be surprised and delighted with the results.

John van Gulder

Dense Fog Drives Freighter Aground



Venturing too close to shore during the night, the freighter West Mahwah ran aground 50 miles south of San Francisco when a dense fog made navigation a hazardous undertaking. The photo above was taken the morning after the thick mist had lifted, and shows the vessel stuck fast just a few yards off the beach at Tigou Point. The crew of 45 were taken ashore by the coast guard.

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