

Police Seek Man Who Followed Girl
Police searched in south Birmingham last Saturday night for a man who had followed a young woman who had followed Meyer, 615 Emmons street. Meyer told police that at 8:30 p. m. as she was walking on Emmons between Benaville and Chapin, a man about 25 years old approached her from behind and put his arms around her. She ran away and walked toward Edward avenue, with the man following her for several blocks before he disappeared. Police

Sgt. George Stephenson checked the neighborhood but to no avail. Another such incident occurred Monday night when Blanche Allen, 17 years old, was walking on Lincoln avenue near Woodward. A young woman who said she wore a leather jacket accosted her. She screamed and ran to McKee's gas station nearby. Men in the station searched the neighborhood, and Tuesday, police brought in a suspect who was cleared by Miss Allen.
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State Engineering Convention Closes; Called Successful
One of the most successful conventions ever held by the Michigan Engineering Society was closed last Saturday afternoon at Cranbrook when the 60th annual convocation ended.
Many fine addresses, interesting discussions and social gatherings, including a banquet, were held. For the success of the convention, members of the Oakland County committee were told.
Hoover Sends Message
Former president Herbert Hoover, who had been invited to talk, sent the following telegram: "I regret greatly that I was not able to accept your kind invitation to speak at the annual convention of the Michigan Engineering Society. I want to be among those who offer congratulations on the society's 60th anniversary and to express my appreciation all engineers feel for its contributions to our profession during this war period. For the good of America, I wish the society another 60 years. H.R. BERT HOOPER."

From the Women's Angle
By NELLIE HURLEY MINIFIE
The propaganda that is pouring into the United States each day is probably more insidious than any we have ever had in the past encountered. But subtle as it is it is still just as insidious as any that reached us during that first World War.
And because the web of propaganda that encircled us 20 odd years ago reaped nothing but headbreak and bad debts, Americans should minutely weigh everything they hear, see or read in an effort to escape another European encounter.
In witness to the statement that propaganda is already playing a tremendous part in forming the thoughts of our country, you need only to have seen through a two-hour lecture in Detroit recently. You need only to have seen the more than 6,000 feet of war film. Feature was intense throughout the vast audience and broke out several times during the afternoon.
But as graphic and as terrifying as the pictures were, let us not forget that Europe's troubles are no concern of ours. Her problems are her own and the United States is far enough removed that her squabbles should not affect us, and no way let her drag us into Europe camp through one war after another and let her dash from one battle field to another. It is her life and let her live it as she may.
If we are to escape this present European war we must steel ourselves to atrocity stories and to pictures showing day after day the horrors of battle, covering bomb wounds received as they lay in a hospital or in their mother's arms. These stories and the pictures are difficult for a man to take sitting down and sure if we are to survive we must be able to weigh and to consider these with every rational brain we possess.
The law of self preservation must remain the fundamental urge if we Americans are to survive.

Annual Carnival For Track Fund Set for April 12
Promptly at seven o'clock April 12, the doors will swing open on Baldwin's second annual carnival for the benefit of the Pierce Field track fund.
Promising a carnival that will be bigger and better than ever, Franklin Whitney, who is in charge of the proceedings, released the plans for the event and named a few of the concessions.
From 7 to 12
The carnival will last from 7 until 12 p. m. and no admission will be charged at the door.
The main attraction will be the midway which will run down the center of the auditorium. Here will be the rifle range, fish pond, auction booth and turtle racing concessions.
Further along the midway, a milk bottle throwing booth and one for dart throwing will give to those who feel like throwing things an opportunity to satisfy their desires.
Nail driving and foul shooting are other amusements planned for the midway.
The main show, The Ghostly Passenger, will be presented by members of the Dramatics Club in room 101.
Again this year, the Junior Class will sponsor a refreshment stand on the stage of the auditorium.
Plans for a "night club" have been made by the members of the senior class and will feature dancing and refreshments for all.
Schnouetting, probably the most popular of the student Congress booth.
Pony Rides
If weather conditions are suitable, pony rides will be available outside and as an added attraction a torchlight parade may be staged if conditions permit.
As plans now stand, very little work, if any, will be done on school time, as all concessions and props will be set up Friday afternoon, as school is over, and will be ready for the public at seven o'clock sharp.

Red Cross Water Expert Will Give Lessons in County
William C. Lacey, Red Cross first aid, life saving and accident prevention field representative of the Midwest branch at St. Louis, will arrive in Pontiac Wednesday, April 10, to assist the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, in its water safety program, according to Kline B. Hartman, chairman of life saving of the Chapter.
In order to reduce the hazards of water accidents, water safety instructors will be enrolled. These authorized local instructors will in turn through Water Safety and Swimming courses, teach Life Saving and Swimming to all individuals in the County wishing such instruction, thus holding water casualties to a minimum.
Mr. Lacey's classes for Water Safety Instructors will begin Wednesday, April 10, at 7 o'clock at the Royal Oak Pool and continue once a week for four weeks as follows:
Wednesday, April 17, at Pontiac High School pool.
Wednesday, April 24, at Royal Oak pool.
Wednesday, May 1, at Pontiac High School pool.
Wednesday, May 8, at Royal Oak pool.

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By KATHERINE W. GEORGE
In a recent article in a haberdashery conversation I overheard between three men in a store and they would not identify themselves. Well, the three men concerned, who on remaining anonymous, have collaborated and offered the following reply:
"When a well-dressed newspaperwoman comes into a men's sartorial department, representative in dusty pink nose and ears and the curiosity so typical and essential to an alert representative of the press, the nose makes within its snuff (almond)."
"However, as for the terms, flares, long torso silhouette, unfinished hems, saddle bags and pony, the sartorial man is intrigued. Mrs. George, they are not strange ones to the man of today. My snuff, he should be familiar with them as he hears them at his dinner table, over his bridge, at dances and cocktail parties—in fact, wherever the fair sex is in attendance. It seems the women, then, and so much to enter into the spirit of the fore-mentioned, but to get their pretty heads together to talk shop. But alas for the men in this case, shop has a different meaning. It is the trying-on, fitting, bargaining, buying and obeying, the securing of goods purchased and worn."
"We of the man's world, the 'stronger' sex, have been chased out of our haunts—the barber shop, cocktail bar, bowling alley, club, to name a few. Maybe he who said never as a matter of fact was thinking these very things. Man is surely snuff."
"Therefore, Mrs. George, we can well understand why you were stumped by inquiring so audibly and knowingly, mention unfinished hems (referring to trousers), a shirt of powder blue, etc. Yes indeed, we have learned our lessons well. Your girls are good teachers."
"But fear not, man will never compete with woman in the matter of clothes. He likes peace and contentment. Can you imagine any man, and at a complete sartorial wardrobe, that if a week and then, my dear, finding to his amazement that the outfit is just 'stuffed up to snuff and must be discarded' NEVER!"

Homecoming Banquet To Honor Van Wagener
PONTIAC—A homecoming banquet in honor of State Highway Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagener is being planned for April 18 at 6:30 p. m. in the Elk Temple, Pontiac, by the Oakland County Jefferson Club. Arrangements for the banquet are under the chairmanship of Clark J. Adams, Pontiac attorney and president of the Jefferson Club.

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What Your City Commission Is Doing—
April 1, 1940
Bills were approved in an amount of \$664.91.
Mayor Martz presented Committee Bill, which is referred to the Commission, with a scroll signed by Commissioners and Department Heads, in recognition of his 12 years of service on Village and City Commissions.
A request for certain road maintenance work on Davis was referred to the City Manager.
A recommendation was received from the manager on the closing of High Street. Further information was received from the petitioner however, and the matter referred back to the manager.
Contract was awarded to the Ohio Well Drilling Company for the construction of a new well, in the amount of \$7,296, additional text wells to be drilled at the rate of \$2.50 per ft.
A recent request for an amendment to the zoning ordinance to permit the construction of income buildings on Frank Street was denied on the basis of an investigation made by the manager, indicating that the affected property owners disapproved of such an amendment.
A request that certain property outside the city limits be served with city water was denied.
The Detroit Edison Company was given permission to set two poles and anchors on Lot 24 AP No. 12.
Commissioner Moody was designated to act with the city manager on the Recreation Commission of the Birmingham Community Council.
IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk.

2-5-6 Gags a Minute Counted in Farce To Be Given at Cranbrook April 12-13
As soon as spring vacation is over, and that fast, and I think over, students at Cranbrook and Clover Babcock, Phoebe Otter, Estelle Macaulay, Rowie Haynes, in high great rehearsal for the play "Boy Meets Girl" which is to be presented in Cranbrook auditorium April 12 and 13.
The play is full of humor; in fact, an enterprising member of the cast has counted the jokes, and has found there are exactly 342 gags in the production.
The fellow who counted 'em is Sherwood, Alan Jackson, who is added! "There is an average of 2 5/6 gags a minute—which is a pretty good average."
Jackson is better known by his stage name "Al Sherwood." It has to be said that he has not yet graduated from Cranbrook but has quite a radio experience, and should know what he is talking about.
"The show is a tough one to put on," he explained, "because it is fast-paced, and most amateurs cannot hold up dialogue at the furious pace fast farce calls for."
"The Detroit Edison Company belongs technically to a play-type practically dormant between the day of Aristophanes and about 1917. It's great fun to play, but quite strenuous."
"Often," he continued, "you find yourself going so fast you begin making gestic for the next line before you have the last line out—'It's a funny feeling.'"
"How are the Kingswood girls making out?" Al was asked.
"Kingswood—well they're working very hard. I think they're holding up to the moment has been their lack of experience, but they're

Obituary Skyes
Funeral services are to be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Berey Community Church, Otis Van Loan, Jr., officiating for Mrs. Angeline Skyes, 48, of 2706 Wakefield avenue, Berkeley, who died Monday evening in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac.
Mrs. Skyes, who had lived in Berkeley for the last 20 years, leaves her husband, Frank, two daughters, Mrs. Fred Fairbrother and Mrs. Dorothy Babcock, and two sons, Peter and Frank, Jr., all of Berkeley. Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Nelson Everett, Mrs. May Burnett and Mrs. Eva Lyons, all of Detroit.
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