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A Blacksmith Invades Busy Highway IMPRESSIVE . . .

By KATHRYN UMPHREY

IN THE old days, a huge moment a blacksmith shop with plenty of big hammers about waiting to be used, but now that Dobbin is considerably in the recipe, this reporter has been intrigued by the fact that a blacksmith has invaded Woodward avenue where auto traffic is the thickest. Not only that, business at this forge seems to be very good and finally, this week, curiosity got the better of me and I went in to find out what was going on.

The proprietor, J. H. Bush, had just moved in from a shop in downtown Birmingham where he had been in business for 25 years. Despite the moving process going on, he took time out to explain the whole business.

"This is a hand forge shop when you can get almost anything ornamental you want that can be made out of iron. This shop is probably the only one of its kind in this area," Mr. Bush assured me, explaining that in the east, hand forging is very common.

Over a period of 20 years, any type of business, and particularly that which is dependent on a whimsical public, will be changing. Mr. Bush said that 10 years ago, he was more than rushed making quantities of wall fixtures and hand railings. Now he turns out two or three of these a season, and the public demands weatherworn, old fashioned lamps and lanterns made of wrought iron or steel.

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Truck and Car Involved in Crash

A truck-car crash occurred at 9:30 a. m. Tuesday at Hunter-boulevard and Woodward avenue. Peter F. Peterson, 1481 Wattle road, crossing the boulevard, collided with a truck driven south on Hunter by Floyd Hall, of route 2, Pontiac. No one was hurt.

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Judge Subscribes To Officers' Word

Justice James S. Haswell subscribed to the testimony of Patrolmen Robert Appell and Robert Bell in a traffic case, Monday. The officers said they paced Warren Hostetler, of 18106 Roselawn, Detroit, at 29 miles an hour, when driving on Adams road, March 9. Hostetler and his wife insisted they were going only 20 miles an hour. Justice Haswell took the officers' word and fined the man \$15.

A Capella Choir Plans Concert

A concert by the Baldwin A Capella choir will be presented May 24 in the Baldwin auditorium. The program will consist of numbers by the choir, solos, and a cantata, "The Village Blacksmith," by Gains.

Admission price will be 25 cents. The proceeds are to be used to cover expenses of the choir.

St. Lawrence Issue Will Be Debated At Exchange Club

A two-meeting consideration of the St. Lawrence Waterway project will be given by the Exchange Club.

Next week, Asen Dean, of the Detroit Board of Commerce, will speak in favor of the measure which would improve the St. Lawrence river to a "larger" ocean vessel can sail to the Great Lakes. The following week, on May 20, an official of the Michigan Central railway will speak opposing the issue.

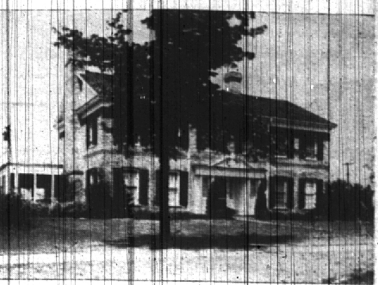
Any persons interested are invited to attend the meetings, either for the question or the discussion. Dr. A. E. Holman is president of the club.

Dr. Walker Talks

Dr. Walter Nickell, naturalist of the Cranberry Institute of Science, gave an interesting program at the meeting Tuesday. He showed slides of native birds and imitated their cries with considerable skill.

Birds, he declared, are essential in maintaining nature's balance. If birds did not eat insects, and if insects did not eat the top of fungus growths and were not eaten by other insects, they would soon engulf the world, he declared.

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