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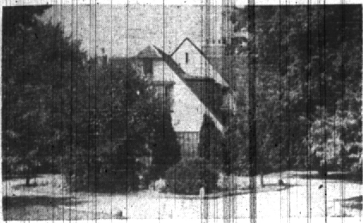
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The gument has announced the winner in the contest held for painting that mural in the Birmingham post office lobby. The winner is Carlos Lopez—that's all we know about it yet.

The Wanderer remembers a couple of months ago when the judges had gathered at the library to pick the best of the samples submitted by various artists. Eli Saarinen was heard to remark: "Humph! Some nice pictures—not many murals!"

Norman Carl Sauer, 16 years old, a Cranbrook student, was killed last week when his new automobile left the road near Potosi Key and crashed. He lived in Detroit, was the son of the late Norman F. Sauer, former president of the M. S. Truck company.

An automobile stolen July 30 from Sanford Barton, 544 Harmon, was recovered last week in a woods in Lapeer county. The thief had apparently abandoned it some weeks ago.

The City of Detroit is about to sue Oakland County, and that means you. Detroit paid \$150,000 in annual assessments when drains were put in some years ago serving the zoo at Royal Oak and Packman golf courses. Now the drains have been declared illegal, and Detroit wants its money back. The Wanderer in a curbside opinion, is willing to bet this summer's straw hat that the money is never repaid.

Police sometimes have peculiar tasks. Last Friday evening, for example, they found a four-year-old boy wandering around in his pajamas. The officers, Sam Stinson and Ed Carlson, put the boy to bed and found out that he had been entrusted to an uncle's care by the parents. The uncle had decided to step out for a few minutes when the boy went outdoors exploring.

A Humphrey street man complained to police last Thursday that certain boys were throwing stones at passers-by.

Editor, The Eccentric: I noticed your article concerning the catch of a 110-pound lake trout by a young girl, which is very commendable.

However I think one of Birmingham's most overlooked or not brought to your attention. On Aug. 14, Warren Bray, a citizen employed at Stedley's Market caught four Mackinaw lake trout in Lake Superior off Mounting. Total weight of fish 120 lbs, two fish weighing 35 lbs, each and two just under 40 lbs, each. This is a record for Birmingham total weight or weight of one fish.

Surely this merits consideration in your columns. Sincerely, SOL AND W. RUSE. That certainly does merit consideration in our columns. Some one should have told the Wanderer about it before, for we are always glad to accord honor to good fishermen.

Mrs. Alma W. Rogers, Birmingham has filed suit for divorce from Walter W. Rogers.

Some one tried to get into the William M. Lee home last week by breaking a window.

The Wanderer happened to be in the city hall Saturday morning just in time to see Associate Justice Jim Taylor officiate at a wedding. The bridegroom was Vincent D'Ambrosio, of Detroit, and the bride was Rose Margaret Serra, of Farmington. They explained that he had procured the license at Pontiac, but could not find any of the judges around, so they stopped at Birmingham.

The pair had another couple with them; both the girls carried corsages. The day was pretty hot.

and Vincent was nervous, nevertheless, he put on his vest and came forward with plenty of courage. It seemed that Justice Taylor was in fine fettle, and he tied the knot in a stentorian voice that left no doubt but what the couple was really married. His ritual left out the "denial of heretics" and also any promise of love, honor and obey. It was very simple; each acknowledged taking the other as their lawfully wedded spouse.

The bridegroom forgot to kiss the bride until Bill Green, the policeman, suggested it. He happened to be present on other business.

John P. Hackett has filed for Detroit City Council. However, far not the local man by that name. The Detroit is mathematics teacher at a Detroit public school, and after school he coaches Catholic Central High's football team.

Birmingham's J. P. Hackett's interests run more to dogs than to football. Sunny and Oakland County Kennel Club, which he is president, held its sixth annual show at Royal Oak.

Over at Franklin School, King Daily has returned as principal. Other teachers are Doris Facer and Mrs. Josephine Block.

Charles Coover, 57 of 59 West 12th Avenue, has asked Birmingham police to be on the lookout for his collie, Della. The animal is only 11 years old.

An article in last week's Eccentric said that the Tate Brothers secured a contract to build 2,266 miles of road between the Ohio and Erie. Well, it could be that far if the road were built in a great circle to take in New York and Chicago. The Tate Brothers gave out of proposals for the figure should have been 2,266 miles, which is just a little more than 2 1/2 miles.

Arthur Leonard Upward, 24 years old, of 808 Purdy street, received a cut arm and saw his car get banged up in a crash at 2:45 p. m. Sunday at Franklin and John R. He was able to return to work Tuesday.

Sgt. Bill Green gave Royal Oak police a tip last week leading to the arrest of Walter E. Musteller, 35, of Fenwick, Mich. Musteller went to a Royal Oak bar agency, he is charged, selected a machine and said he wished to show it to a friend who would finance it. He never returned. When the store came over the radio, Bill remembered arresting a similar man on a similar charge some time ago, and he gave Musteller's name to Royal Oak officers. Musteller had pleaded not guilty.

Some cities and states require inspection of motorcycles to see that their brakes, lights, etc. are in proper condition. A sheriff of a Michigan county established a road blockade not long ago and during a couple of days when all cars were stopped, about 20 per cent were not up to standard.

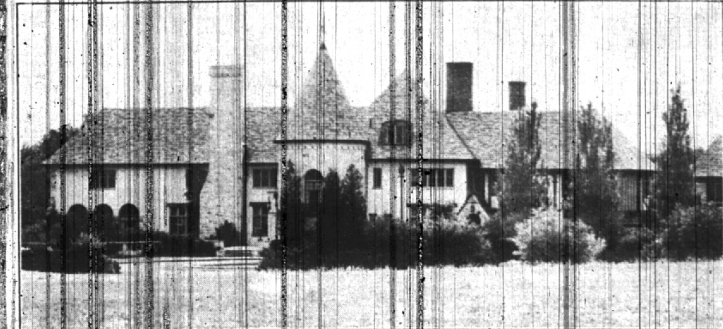
Birmingham's traffic ordinance makes it a misdemeanor to remain while, although it never has been done.

Maurice Fourcres, now principal of Quorton School, dropped Tuesday afternoon to get acquainted. He makes a favorable impression and judging from his record, he ought to do well at the school. Mr. and Mrs. Fourcres are staying at Birmingham Manor apartments.

A mother called the police department Tuesday and asked that her daughter's driver's license be revoked. The girl gets into accidents and takes the car without permission. The parent said application for revocation must be made with the Secretary of State.

Being in the Navy and getting married has its problems. Earl Stephenson, son of Police Sgt. George Stephenson, a water tender in the Navy, that he watches the boilers on his ship. Last Wednesday night, he married Miss Marion Wendt at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Weaver, Bird street. Now he's back aboard ship.

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the bride will return to the of 776 West Lindlin, was bitten Monday by the dog of Ernest Pettipiece, 171 Frank, according to a report made to police. The youth put his hand over the fence and was nipped. It was said.

lice were taken Monday to the Darvill home at South and Merrill. Thinsent's dog was in the place, it was said.

K. Shattuck, 307 Ann street, tried to police Monday that it had taken from his car a wheel and axle and tools valued at \$25.

ed deNacker, 85 years old, (More Bits on Page 5)

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