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Henry Ford: When Henry Ford closed his mortal eyes upon the affairs of this earth last week, the human family witnessed the passing of a man who made tremendous industrial and social impact upon his generation.

More Voters Still Needed: Whatever the reason that spurred 2,157 Birmingham voters to cast their ballot at last week's spring election, the fact remains that the number of voters who turned out for the election was almost double the figure for all previous elections of this nature.

It is regretful that the other two-thirds of Birmingham's registered electors did not get out and vote. However, it will be interesting to note, at a similar election in the future, just how many additional persons are "reborn to the democratic spirit."

ONCE AGAIN MOTHER NATURE WILL ROUSE from winter's sleep the countless children of her floral world, to bud and burst into color, aroma, and symmetry of design.

Liquidating Thinking: Marshal Tito's regime is making progress toward the liquidation of intellectual freedom and if the effort succeeds, the future prospects of Yugoslavia for progress will be grim indeed.

Life Depends on Top-Soil: "At a maximum high flood stages, the Mississippi every minute carries by Vicksburg, Mississippi, the soil equivalent to a forty-carload of fertilizer."

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Happenings of Long Ago

50 YEARS AGO: April 22, 1897. Mr. Fred Irving, one of Detroit's brightest and best young men, was struck by an incoming trolley car on Woodward Ave.

20 YEARS AGO: April 21, 1927. An interest in the marvels of electricity that he manifested since he was a child has landed Mr. E. C. MacArthur, president of the National Association of Soil Conservation District Governing officials.

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What's He Got in His Other Hand?



Carillon Recitals at Christ Church Will Be Resumed: At Christ Church Cranbrook each Sunday afternoon at 4:30, there is held a musical vesper service in the church in which talented artists perform on the violin, cello, flute and organ.

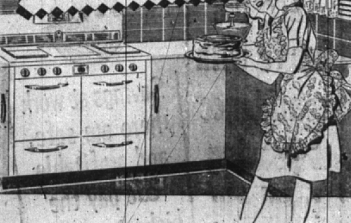
Have You Met...: The new residents at 1443 Yorkshire road, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Barnes, Jr., and their four children? They come from Long with public relations of the Ford Motor Co.

Blacktop for Cole St.: An assessment roll for the improvement of Cole street, between Adams and Torry, with curb and gutter and blacktop is to be prepared by the city assessor following city commission approval of the project Monday evening.

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