The very foundations of self-government depend upon an informed and constructive citizenry. One of the real tasks of honest public servants is to find ways and means to keep the people correctly informed of the facts; the two most available methods are the newspapers and the radio, each to be studied with care.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

The Theme of a Life

Eva Tanguay, whose famous "I Don't Care" song brought her a sort of sensational fame in vaudeville back in the 1910's, went the way of all flesh last week in her little Hollywood home. In her heyday, Miss Tanguay startled an otherwise conservative world with her boldness in not only exhibiting her feminine form on the stage, but equally in the sexy frankness of her songs. She passed on at the age of 68, her wants cared for by friends. During her career, she earned more than two millions of dollars, all of which she lost. In appraising Miss Tanguay's life, this thought came to me: how foolish one can become, as life runs its course, to cling to a personal tradition whose theme of conduct appears to be shackled to the ramifications of "a good time." However, her life was her own, to be lived as she desired; yet one well can ask: "Was she really happy for any long period of time—as happy, for example, as the wife of some modest wage earner whose life was dedicated to unselfish service to a family and friends?"

For World Peace

In the retirement of James F. Byrnes as Secretary of State, the nation and the world have lost a fearless crusader for world peace. Mr. Byrnes, the soft-spoken career politician who has held many important government posts, will be missed in the councils of world affairs, of course; yet the country has belief that Byrnes' successor, Gen. George C. Marshall, will bring to that post many qualities that will continue United States leadership in making the United Nations a practical device to sustain the peace. Incidentally, Michigan has a right to be proud of the part in world affairs that its senior senator, Arthur H. Vandenburg, is playing in the world situation. A former isolationist prior to Pearl Harbor, Vandenburg has gone to the very top of the nation's non-partisan approach to the settlement of world problems. I'd like to suggest that you who read this, and think Vandenburg is doing O.K., just drop him a note to that effect, c/o Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D. C. You'd be surprised to know how much good your brief note will do for him—or any other deserving public official!

Three Branches on the Tree

Here is an important thing to remember about the activities of State Legislatures and the federal Congress: every bill introduced to affect some phase of life must not be attributed to the administrative side of government currently in power. While it is true that a President or a Governor may have an interest in certain types of proposed legislation, each may equally be opposed to much of the legislation that is introduced, too. Every legislator, in either the House or the Senate in Lansing or Washington, has the right to introduce any bill he or she wants to; some of these bills are worth profound consideration, and many should be passed; then there are others that will be amended in some form or other, and may be passed; but there are also many measures bills that never reach the voting stage—for the simple reason that they may be impractical in theme, or will be held up in committee because a majority of legislators are opposed to them. It is always well to remember that there are three branches of government for the States and our nation: the administrative, the legislative, and the judicial—and more often than not never the trio shall meet.

Financial Famine vs. Feast

Here is one fact about the recent Sales Tax Diversion amendment approved by the voters Nov. 5: Michigan's schools had been getting about 60 millions of dollars from the State, and would have been said to be in a famine if the millions from the Legislature; the Diversion adoption provides the schools with an anticipated 116 millions, or 41 millions more than ever expected. In the meantime, the State's obligations for other projects, including mental hospitals, old age assistance, aid to dependent children, prisons, etc., etc., are growing, with too little money to finance them. Therefore, Michigan is confronted with a serious financial problem. While it is true that our teachers need and deserve more money, is it fair to other State needs to assume that the schools need all or most of the unexpected windfall of 41 millions, via the Diversion adoption? That is the basis of the State's current financial problem, and must be decided in the very near future.

Heads Exchange

Milton A. Manley, 1600 W. Long Lake road, Bloomfield Hills, this week was elected president of the Detroit Stock Exchange.

Manley, who heads the Detroit investment house bearing his name, has served for the past two years as vice president of the exchange. He is also a five-time governor of the exchange.

Victor and Bluebird Records. New releases weekly. Leonard Electric, 163 W. Maple. adv. tf.

All makes of inner spring mattresses renovated. ROYAL MATTRESS COMPANY. PHONE B'HAM 1-0788. —Adv., tf.

Survey Shows Simple Answer for Oak St.

All That's Needed Is Hard Surface, City Manager Says

Improvement of Oak street to provide a two-lane highway and a similar improvement on Redding road, would adequately meet any possible future traffic needs in the northwest area of Birmingham, City Manager Donald C. Egbert told City Commissioners Monday night as he placed before them a preliminary report in which he had estimated traffic requirements in and out of the northwest area.

He stated further that it did not appear practical to construct a diversion highway to the north of Oak street.

In making his recommendations, Egbert estimated the possible future building in the northwest section, as well as the amount of traffic which Oak street might be required to carry.

720 Vehicles Is Maximum

"Using arbitrary percentage figures which appear reasonable, it was determined that approximately 720 vehicles would be the maximum number which might use Oak street during the rush period from 7:30 to 8:30 in any morning," Egbert explained. "Of course, that's if all the vehicles normally using Oak street were to leave the area within this period."

Theoretically and under ideal conditions, a single traffic lane will carry 2,000 vehicles per hour at 20 miles per hour, Egbert said.

Results of surveys by the Institute of Traffic Engineers has placed the traffic capacity of a traffic lane at 1,500 vehicles per hour under ordinary traffic conditions.

Takes Only 30 Minutes

"Based on the above computations and the conditions which could exist within the area tributary to Oak street built up to its maximum density, one car from each residence which would logically use Oak, could move over Oak street in a total period of less than 30 minutes," Egbert declared.

"This study would indicate that the improvement of Oak street to provide a two-lane highway and a similar improvement on Redding road would adequately meet any possible future traffic in the northwest area," Egbert recommended, and added that every effort should be continued for ultimately securing the improvement of Quarton road.

Building Permits for 1946 Valued at Over Two Million

Total building permits issued in Birmingham during the year 1946, amounting to $2,008,029; was almost three times as great as that done in 1945, according to the annual building report issued by Scott A. Hersey, city building inspector. The 1945 total was $732,695.

The number of permits issued last year reached 383, as compared with the 1945 figure of 201. The highest month in the year was November, when 60 permits were issued for $440,330 worth of building, which in December dropped to the low for the year, when 5 permits covered $9,500 worth of building.

Two hundred fifty-nine new building permits were applied for during the year, 191 of them being for new homes. Alteration permits numbered 101, done at a cost of $132,685. Five new industrial plants accounted for $90,500 of the two million figure, while 16 new places of business were erected at a cost of $91,650.

December's figure of $9,300, the lowest of the year, included a permit for one new family residence and several other smaller buildings. The December building permits granted reached a low not equaled since May of 1945 when only a $1,354 figure was reflected.

Named Valedictorian, Co-Salutatorians of January Class

Ernest Anderson | Janet Walser | Roland Watson

The two boys and girl pictured above lead the Baldwin High School graduating class of January 1947, with highest honors. Ernest Anderson has been named valedictorian, with Janet Walser and Roland Watson tying for co-salutatorian honors. All three have not only maintained high scholastic records, but have been active participants in school affairs.

State Tax Problem Will Be Discussed at Public Meeting

State Senator Otto W. Bishop of Alpena, representing the 29th Senatorial District in the Michigan Legislature and chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance for 1947, will be the guest speaker at the dinner given by the Birmingham Retail Merchants Association at the Community House Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 7 p. m.

"Taxation and Finance in Michigan," will be his topic.

Invited to attend the meeting are Oakland County mayors and village presidents. Their interest will undoubtedly be doubly keen since the recent amendment to the constitution giving municipalities a share of the state sales tax has made city and village officials very aware of state finance problems.

Members of the Birmingham Junior Chamber of Commerce will join with the Retail Merchants Association in this meeting.

Slash Liquor Inventories

Senator Bishop has been quoted at length recently concerning various proposals advanced by legislators to meet the $70,000,000 deficit which faces the State because of the sales tax amendment.

Bishop, who backed the fight to send veterans' monies into the trust fund where it now is, said he believed bonus financing can be expedited by direct use of the $50,000,000 now set aside as a trust fund, and also by slashing the liquor inventory which now ties up about $30,000,000.

Other tax items which have been touched upon by him in other speeches are the intangible tax, calling for $6,500,000 yearly, the $12,000,000 annual liquor tax now returned to local governments, and the $10,000,000 deficit from the Kelly administration.

Public Urged to Attend

Since the budget office will have introduced legislation to meet these problems next week, Senator Bishop will be likely to make comments of interest upon them in his speech Wednesday evening.

Both the dinner at 7 p. m. and the meeting which follows at 8 p. m. will be open to the public.

Special comedy skits and music will also be on the program for the evening.

Big Skip Day Doin's Planned by Seniors

Graduating seniors planned a big entertainment today on this, their annual "Skip Day." Weather permitting, the whole class will meet for tobogganing, or if that's impossible, will go roller skating.

In the evening, Barbara Gans of Kimberly road will stage a buffet supper for all the just-about-graduates, preceding a trek downtown to see a current stage play at a Detroit theatre.

A $1.50 Sister Kenny Donation That's Worth a Million

As a result of Santa Claus' bringing marionettes to Susanne and Dick Saunders, children of Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Saunders, 444 Berwyn road, the Sister Kenney Fund here at The Eccentric office is $1.50 richer today.

Eight-year-old Suzanne, and Dick, who is nine, collaborated with nine-year-old Jean Pedder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Pedder, 461 Berwyn road, to produce a marionette show Sunday afternoon. The cast consisting of a Red Cross nurse and a sailor.

The entire skit, stage and lighting were prepared by the kods alone, and from all reports there was a great deal of ad libbing. The skit was timed at Christmas, with the wounded sailor entering the stage. The Red Cross nurse daintily advanced into the room to care for him. He rapidly became well under her ministrations and got up and danced the sailor's hornpipe.

The impromptu act continued with other developments, including the bombing of the sailor's and nurse's domain.

"Twas fun for the kids, fun for audience, and the thought behind the donation to the Sister Kennay Fund is worth more than the children will ever know.

Water Survey by Federal Gov't Is Approved by City

In cooperation with the U. S. Geological Survey and the Michigan Geological Department, the City of Birmingham will undertake a water resources survey to determine the location and potential capacity of the underground water supply for this immediate area.

The City Commission Monday night approved Birmingham's participation in the survey in order to earmark for Birmingham a sum of $3,000 from a federal appropriation for studies in Michigan.

City Manager Donald C. Egbert, in his recommendation, stated Birmingham's cost would be approximately $2,000, or one-third of the sum which will be expended in the survey.

Get Facts, Not Rumors

"This survey will provide the city with facts concerning its potential water supply and will do away with rumors and opinions which may be directed against the city at some future date," Egbert explained.

He said he believed the cost of the survey would save several times that amount if the city were required to sink its own test holes in a search for water.

Egbert said he had been informed by a representative of the U. S. Geological Survey that they would be in a position to proceed immediately on a preliminary survey, the entire cost of which would be borne by the federal government.

Work of Trained Geologists

"The work which the Geological Survey will do between now and next July 1 will be work that the city has anticipated doing when time and personnel were available," Egbert stated. "This work can be accomplished by trained geologists and the cost to the city will probably not exceed one-third of the total cost of work accomplished."

Stating that an ultimate, safe estimate of the city's water resources would be obtained, Egbert also declared that it would cost the city not less than $1,000,000 to obtain water from any other source.

"Some time ago, as an example, it was estimated it would cost Birmingham $1,000,000 to be connected to the Detroit water system. That same plan would now cost us probably $1,250,000," Egbert said.

Hold 'er, Down, Newt

Police arrested Carl L. Sweet, of Detroit, Monday for speeding 65 miles an hour in a 45-mile zone.

Death Ends Career of Dr. C. F. Lawler, Former Resident

Dr. Charles F. Lawler, 225 Merton road, Detroit, and a former Birmingham resident, died suddenly after a long illness Monday afternoon, Jan. 13, at his residence.

Born in Marquette, Mich., Feb. 16, 1876, Dr. Lawler received his medical degree in 1907 from Marquette University. Under the name of Jim Burns, Dr. Lawler acted as sparring partner for Jim Corbett, Tom Sharkey and Charles Golf and thereby financed his college education.

On Sept. 20, 1915, Fleata Kelly

Dr. C. F. Lawler

became his wife. Twenty years ago they came to Birmingham from Green Bay, Wis., and Dr. Lawler practiced in this city for fifteen years. He retired two years ago and moved to Detroit.

A member of Holy Name church, Dr. Lawler also belonged to the Michigan State Medical Association and the Oakland County Medical Society.

Surviving besides his wife are three sons, Charles F., Jr. and James J., both of Detroit and George W. of Birmingham; a daughter, Mrs. William L. Well of Port Huron; two sisters, Mrs. John F. Kelly and Miss Marian Lawler, both of Milwaukee, and one brother, James J. of Marquette.

Rosary service was said Wednesday evening at 8:15 from the Manley Bailey Funeral home. The funeral will be at Holy Name church today at 10 a. m. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Children Throng Ice Skating Rinks Which JCC, DPW Maintain

With snow swirling down out of the skies at any old time and temperatures maintaining a steady mark way below freezing, skates on Birmingham's youth are flying these days.

Mark Dance of the DPW and his crew of men and the Junior Chamber of Commerce, have been keeping up those rinks of which the kids make such prodigious use.

Early in the year, the JCC promised to take care of those rinks. Under the chairmanship of Wayne Mortimer, they have been doing that ever since the freezing weather came along.

City employees and equipment supplement their effort.

So far, five rinks have been flooded, in addition to the natural one at Quarton Lake. They're located at Dorchester and Edinborough, Humphrey and Grant, Dorchester and Adams, Torrey and Ruffner, and Oak and Chesterfield.

In addition to clearing the city streets after each big snowfall, Dance and his crew have used their small tractor on each one of the rinks and have been doing a good job of it if the number of children using the rinks is any indication. JCC men do the supplemental clearing at regular intervals.

IF selling your car, why not call your local Chevrolet dealer, 479 So. Woodward. Phone 4021. adv. tf.

Using a Tight Defense, Birmingham Wins Easily Over Mt. Clemens, 37-22

By Gerry Hughes

A tight defense, used extensively throughout the game, gave the Maple cagers their third straight home victory as the locals hosed out Mt. Clemens, 37-22 last Friday night.

Chuck Murray led the local five with 19 points, while Jim Servo of Mt. Clemens racked up an 11-point total.

Both teams played an evenly matched contest during the first period with the Birmingham taking a slight lead.

Only One Goal

The Maples' most outstanding work of the game occurred in the second period when their defense held the visitors to one basket, while the local boys raced ahead to more than double their first quarter tally. The score at the end of the half was Birmingham 25, Mt. Clemens 8.

The third quarter opened with Birmingham using a second team quintet. Offensive action slowed and both teams played a defensive type of ball with little scoring.

As the starting five re-entered the ball game in the last four minutes, the Maples renewed their onslaught.

Mount Clemens also came up considerably in the last minutes with a closing scoring spree.

Birmingham's fine defensive work proved to be the deciding factor of the contest and the game ended, Birmingham 37, Mt. Clemens 22.

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49 Seniors Prepare For Graduation

Illinois Minister to Address Class at Final Ceremonies

Forty-nine Baldwin High School seniors will don their caps and gowns next week for baccalaureate services, the "swingout," and finally graduation exercises, the official program to be interwoven with many strictly "fun" gatherings such as Senior Skip Day, and the Senior dinner.

Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday, Jan. 26, at 7:30 p. m. in the First Presbyterian Church, with representatives from the many churches taking part in the ceremony.

Commencement exercises in the old traditional manner next Thursday, in the school auditorium, will be highlighted with an address by Dr. Carl S. Winters of the First Baptist Church in Oak Park, Ill., and the diploma presentation.

Class Leaders Revealed

The two boys and a girl who lead the graduating class of January, 1947, were announced last night by Ross A. Wagner, principal of the school, during the annual senior dinner at Devon Gables.

Ernest Anderson, valedictorian, has not only maintained an excellent scholastic record for the four years but has also been a leader in school activities and sports. Janet Walser and Roland Watson were named co-salutatorians, both being members of the National Honor Society and active in school projects.

Ernest is president of the Baldwin Chapter of the National Honor Society, president of the Varsity Club and vice-president of the graduating class. He has won two letters in football and one in baseball. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Anderson, 351 Yarmouth street.

President of Class

Janet, in addition to NHS membership, has been active in the Student Congress, homeroom offices and committees and has served on the staff of "The Piper." She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Walser, 270 Suffield.

Roland, co-salutatorian, is president of the graduating class and has served in various homeroom offices. He has won two letters in football and two in track, serving

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Nat'l JCC Week to Be Observed by Local Group

Lawrence E. Nelson, president of the Birmingham Junior Chamber of Commerce, announced today that the eight days from January 15th to the 22nd is being observed nationally as "Junior Chamber of Commerce Week."

On January 21, 1920, the Junior Chamber of Commerce movement was founded in St. Louis with twelve organizations as the nucleus. The Birmingham group was organized in November, 1946.

"The towns and cities of America are glad to have Junior Chambers of Commerce because they know that Jaycee members are action men who achieve improvements to help everyone in the community," stated Nelson, in referring to the national observance.

The local organization's observance of this anniversary will be tied in with the members calling on the merchants of Birmingham on behalf of the Woodward General Hospital Building Fund.

The $2,500,000 Woodward General Hospital Building Fund, a public subscription campaign to provide a large, modern hospital in our South Oakland County community, now is in progress. We, the undersigned Mayors of the Cities, and Supervisors of the Townships within the South Oakland Hospital Authority, urge our people to give thoughtful consideration to this great project for civic betterment and security.

Within a few days your friends and neighbors—men and women who are giving freely of their time and effort as volunteer workers in this campaign—will call for your subscription. We feel confident that you, in full realization of the great need, will receive them kindly and subscribe promptly and generously to the Woodward General Hospital Building Fund.

SIGNED:

MAHLON J. MACGREGOR
Mayor, City of Berkley

MILTON F. MALLENDER
Mayor, City of Birmingham

CLARENCE W. KING
Mayor, City of Clawson

CARL W. FORSYTHE
Mayor, City of Ferndale

PAUL W. CZAMANSKE
Mayor, City of Hazel Park

HAROLD M. CHERRY
Mayor, City of Huntington Woods

H. A. STEVENSON
Mayor, City of Pleasant Ridge

WILLIAM HAYWARD
Mayor, City of Royal Oak

GEORGE S. HORKEY
Supervisor, Royal Oak Township

SAMUEL C. HALSEY
Supervisor, Troy Township

Pulmotor Revives Man Overcome by Carbon Monoxide

Called out on a rescue run last Thursday noon, Jan. 9, firemen used three tanks of oxygen in reviving Lee Weatherby, 1535 Ruffner, who had been overcome by carbon monoxide fumes while warming up the motor of his car in the garage.

Weatherby was taken to St. Joseph Hospital for several days, and is now at home recuperating from the effects of the gas poisoning.

He was discovered by Mrs. Weatherby at noon when he did not come in the house for lunch. He had gone to the garage shortly before noon, started the motor, left the garage while it ran, and then returned to turn the motor off.

"The effects of that gas were so powerful," Mrs. Weatherby said, "that he did not even get to the car door to open it before he was overcome."

Claims Russia Seeks to Split U. S., England

"As long as we are stronger than Russia and maintain an armed force stronger than hers, we will keep the peace" was the feeling of war correspondent and international roving reporter, H. R. Knickerbocker, as he lectured on Palestine and the Middle East at the Birmingham Community House Monday night.

Brought to Birmingham by the American Association of University Women for the third program in the Community Series, Knickerbocker has spent more time in Europe and the Far East than any other newspaperman.

"I do not believe there will be a war," he stated, "but if there is another war, it will be the United States and Britain against Russia."

Separate U. S., England

"Generalissimo Josef Stalin's long-range plan is to alienate Great Britain from the United States; to deal with Great Britain separately and save the United States for attention at a later date," he claimed. "Without Great Britain, we have lost our only friend. Remember that Stalin is not an impulsive man avid for power—he is a cautious man avid for power."

Knickerbocker's contention that Russia is attempting to gain control of Palestine and the Middle East, inasmuch as they are the link between the Eastern and Western world.

"He who controls the Middle East has easy access to either Eastern or Western world. Britain and the United States now have that control, and Russia wants it," he declared.

Key Positions

Both Palestine and Turkey, recent scenes of international importance, would be key positions for Russia if she could get them, he stated.

"Turkey—an important Middle Eastern link and the only country in the world without a Russian fifth column—was almost the starting point of a third world war," Knickerbocker averred.

"Russia, who has wanted the Dardanelles since the time of Catherine the Great, invited Tur-

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A Poor Pass

Slight car damage resulted when two cars collided at Woodward and Bennaville last Saturday afternoon. John Earl Cook of Pontiac, was driving south on Woodward and turned out to pass a bus as a car driven by Walter O. Anderson, 1140 Lake Park, was passing. Both cars were damaged, but neither driver was injured.

Hospital Fund Drive Starts This Weekend

Final Instructions Received by 2,600 Campaign Workers

An army of 2,600 volunteer workers in 16 South Oakland County communities will take the field this week end in a public subscription campaign for $2,500,000 to build the new, 300-bed Woodward General Hospital at Woodward Avenue and Thirteen Mile Road.

The first of three opening meetings took place last night in the auditorium of Royal Oak High School, where several hundred men and women workers of the Berkley, Clawson, Huntington Woods, Royal Oak, Royal Oak Township and Troy Township campaign organizations gathered for "zero hour" instructions.

Presiding was Herbert H. Gardner of Birmingham, co-chairman of the County Division and head of men's teams of the Special Gifts Division. Speakers were General Chairman George M. Welch of Pleasant Ridge and Mrs. Robert L. Orth of Royal Oak, County Division co-chairman and leader of women's teams in the 16 communities.

Have Spirit, Ability

Welch told the volunteers that the money to provide the proposed hospital "is here, and I am confident that you and the workers of the 10 other community campaign organizations who met at Birmingham yesterday afternoon and in Ferndale Friday night have the spirit and ability to produce the funds which will bring fruition of our plans."

Both Gardner and Mrs. Orth urged the workers to cover their assignments promptly in order that the largest possible sum be reported at the first general report meeting for workers of communities represented at the meeting, scheduled for 8 p. m. Wednesday, January 22, in the Royal Oak High School auditorium.

Local Groups Meet Tonight

Welch, Gardner and Mrs. Orth will be speakers at the opening meeting for men and women workers of Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Franklin, Lathrup Townsite and Magnolia in the auditorium of Adams School, Birmingham, at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday).

They also will speak in Lincoln

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Public Building Insurance to Be Boosted by City

In recommending to the City Commission Monday evening that the City of Birmingham take immediate steps to adjust upward its insurance policies on public buildings so the policies will include present day valuations in case of loss by fire, City Manager Donald C. Egbert presented figures which indicated the City presently has insured its buildings for only $280,300 out of an estimated $684,000 valuation on today's market.

The commission, upon learning of this condition, immediately gave Egbert the signal to proceed toward having present policies rewritten upward on a co-insurance basis to protect city property in the event a fire took place in the near future.

Egbert indicated that the Municipal Building and the Baldwin Public Library would probably be the first two city-owned buildings for which the insurance would be increased.

Only $92,000 for City Hall

The Municipal Building is covered for $92,000 under a 70 per cent co-insurance clause, although the city assessor estimates it to be worth $210,000. The public library, insured for $78,000 under a 70 per cent co-insurance clause, is valued at $190,000 by the city assessor.

Egbert recommends that on a 70 per cent basis, the Municipal Building be insured at $130,000 and the library for $114,000, which would represent an insurable value of $210,000 and $190,000, respectively.

Adjust Other Risks

Insurance carried on the sewage treatment plant is $84,000 on an 80 per cent co-insurance basis. The estimated value of the plant is $210,000.

Egbert stated that this policy be rewritten for 70 per cent co-insurance on a $2000 value and requiring an insurance coverage of $140,000, as well as extended coverage to provide for explosion hazards.

Also recommended in Egbert's report were insurance adjustments on city owned buildings at Greenwood Cemetery, Springdale Park, City Storage Yard; boiler risks and public liability.

No Driver's License

When a car driven by C. Earl Currah of Pontiac, pulled out in front of a car driven by Collins Johnson of Detroit, at Woodward and Bennaville last Thursday, both cars' fenders were damaged. Currah was arrested for not having his operator's license on his person.