

Happenings of Long Ago

50 YEARS AGO

Last Monday morning very early and while it was quite dark John D. Evans while driving from his home over to the gravel road...



Greasing the Skids?

Importance of "Each Opinion"

Senator Raymond E. Baldwin, former governor of Connecticut, calls attention to the importance of public opinion in a democratic country...

The government of a democratic country depends upon the opinion of its people. The wisdom of that opinion depends entirely upon the fidelity with which individuals examine facts and arrive at conclusions...

There is evident in the United States today a tendency for organizations to accept dictatorship from leaders in the hope that a solid force will give them extra strength and security...

Hazing Denounced

Denouncing the practice of hazing by college fraternities as a "menace to the fraternity system," Maurice Jacobs, chairman of the National Inter-Fraternity Conference...

While the criticism of fraternity hazing is being considered, one might as well take on to consideration the hazing that goes on in our institutions of learning. The silly and senseless practice afflicts our generation by hundreds of years and will probably continue for centuries...

ALTHOUGH MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE IT became apparent that Oakland County needed more hospitals, this need is now recognized as plans go ahead for the raising of money to build two such institutions...

IN FOUR MONTHS BIRMINGHAM'S PARKING meters returned a net profit of \$7,367.18 to the City's coffers; another period of similar profit will have paid for the gadgets. In the meantime, who can say that the average motorist hasn't been helped in finding parking space by these meters...

Small Newspapers Worried

Small newspapers have been somewhat concerned in the newspaper industry, where paper mills are being steadily purchased by large publishing houses...

The matter engages the attention of Senator William Langer, of North Dakota, who says he will request a congressional investigation into the possibility that some collusion exists between the large paper mills and big publishers...

While we are without facts to support the charge of discrimination, there seems to be reason for the investigation. Obviously, if independent publishers cannot secure newsprint, they cannot continue their publications...

102-Miles Army ordnance officers rented a camera 102 miles, after it had gone up that distance on a rocket...

We HAVE ALWAYS ADMIRER AND RESPECTED the ability and the enthusiasm of Dr. Dwight H. Ireland, Birmingham Superintendent of Schools...

IT IS CLAIMED THAT THERE WERE 60 MILLION people employed in the nation just prior to the coal strike; that, of course, does not mean that all of them are producing...

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The "good lady" has lost none of her power for entertaining and the social feeling was only at its height when the clock tolled the old year out and the new year in...

20 YEARS AGO

"The Spirit of Christmas" caused to influence four hundred dollars for William Blake, son of Mrs. William F. Blake, 416 Harmon Avenue...

The Birmingham Savings Bank building will be on the land now occupied by the D.U.R. interurban station on the corner of Maple Avenue and Third Street...

"Petitions were to be put into circulation here today favoring the change in the title of the City Commission from its present three-man form to one of seven men...

THE ECCENTRIC'S Camera Corner

Detail however, is only one factor that helps make this picture a good one. Looking at it, it is clear that the photographer carefully picked an interesting viewpoint...

People's Column

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When I saw my two young daughters' faces light up this past Christmas morning, my heart went out to mothers, the mothers, the unions and other co-operative groups and individuals...

These two bits of mine are not old enough to write, so I have made use of my imagination which is easily done when you have such a wonderful hobby...

I think that the occupants of the quonset huts will agree that were it not for our American way of life, we would have been separated from our families during the best and richest holiday ever witnessed...

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