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Our City Trees There is some anxiety around town, Will Be Saved caused by the Eccentric's article last week on the city forester's plans to remove potentially dangerous soft maple trees. This, in spite of the fact that the article definitely stated the trees would be replaced wherever possible.

be replaced wherever possible.

As for us, we have no fear that Birmingham will be denuded of trees. Nor would anyone else if he ar she could spend an hour talking with John Johonnot, the city's forester and the man responsible for taking care of our trees. Our impression is that Johonnot loves trees the way other people love their family pets. trees t

And if the city had the ready cash, Johonnot might be expected to create a veritable forest within city limits. No, Birmingham trees are not in jeopardy any more than the possible extinction of Birmingham's family dogs and cats.

"Gun Fight"

From Boston comes the news, via the Associated Press, that a veteran "held off fifty armed policemen for an hour in a gun fight."

A little later, in the same article, it is recorded that when policig surrounded the hotel in which the man was located, the fired one shot." Lut, before better "he fired one shot." Just before being seized by the police the man shot himself in the head—"the second and last shot he fired."

This is quite an illustration of the power of "one shot."

Schoolboy
Gets \$37,000

A seventeen-year-old school boy recently attracted attention to himself by flash ing a roll of \$100 bills, while riding in a

ing a roll of \$100 bills, while riding in a new limousine.

School officials telephoned his mother and she discovered \$37,000 missing from a cache in her home. She got the money back, except \$5 that her son had spent for gasoline and soft drinks.

The surprising thing about this story is the fact that the mother, a widow, kept as much as \$37,000 in her home. Why people persist in storing their money in shoe-boxes, tin-cans and under mattresses is a matter of considerable amazement to us.

We second the city's action to con-demn the reversionary clause in the Lin-coln well deeds under which one of sey-eral property owners might be able to buy back the well site for a fraction of its areal worth to the City of Birmingham. We'd rather pay our water bill to the city treasurer rather than the "John Jones Water Company."

The Right to Walk of some 12,000 pedestrians killed in traffic accidents throughout the country seems to raise the question of whether an individual's right to stand—and walk—on his or her feet still exists in an increasingly motorized age. ingly motorized age.

The answer to that question can be found in current reports by safety specialists on the causes of fatal pedestrian accidents. Three out of every four pedestrians killed, we learn, were themselves violating a traffic law or committing an unsafe act, by jaywalking, crossing against signals, coming out from behind parked cars or doing something equally foolish. In other words, three out of four were presuming upon a right to walk when and where they wished, in utter defiance of safety considerations. Losing one's life is a very high price to pay for the right to walk carelessly.

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In addition to the thousands of pedes-trians killed, many thousands more were injured—of whom a third were crippled for life—while unknown thousands escaped accident by the skin of their teeth and continued to take chances.

and continued to take chances. Society does not concede the right to be killed or maimed by one's own foolish acts. There is a moral obligation upon us all to personally use every known safety means, and for those who simply will not, there must be enforcement by law. It has been clearly, proved that the only way pedestrians and automobiles can exist together safely is by having strict regulations for the protection and control of both. By crossing traffic where directed, when directed and as directed directed. directed, when directed and as directed pedestrians will have given up the ques-tionable privilege of matching wits with speeding autos. But let us hope they will have gained the right to live.

Have you made your contribution to The Heart of Birmingham"—the 1948 Community House Roll Call?

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To the man from Ohio who used to be part of congress, it is well that Americans and their science of the congression of the co

gress.

Then with a wry smile, he added ... "Of course let's hope the proportion will always be balanced, for the good of the country."

Budget Terms

Not peake, but honorable peace. That distinction was made clear on Army day.

In a prayer Senator Arthur H. Yandenberg said: "may it be the Army's destiny to carry on as the He Army's destiny to carry on as the He added what free people around the world should hear: "We plot no conquest. We cover not one inch of alien soil, which was the world should hear in the cover not one inch of alien soil, our souls. We had were. We crave peace with justice. "and so one who shares this aim need over fear; that we shall be the diver freedy the world but we for the cover fear; that we shall be the diver freedy the word. But we love freedom."

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FIFTY YEARS AGO April 22, 1898

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Tuesday afternoon the fireball
rang, and the gallant volunteers,
who had almost forgotten how it
sounded flew to the scene. The
home of Mrs. Houghton on Southfield avenue was the field of action but proved to be not very
large when the fire was only in
the chimney.

A minister from a nearby com-munity is registering a complaint these days. It seems that many, many couples receive his marriage benediction but very few of them come forth with spot cash for the favor.

A new bank will be started in South Lyon very shortly to take the place of the one that falled two weeks ago. We wonder if anyone has any money left to put in a bank? Also, will they put it in, if they have?

In these "he" times filled with war rumors and such, keep cool, just buy that good, pure ice from A. Parks.—Adv.

M. Levison, proprietor of the Economy Store, owing to the in-Economy Store, owing to the in-rease in his business and a long misunderstanding with his land-iord is moving his goods and business into the new Ford store on Maple avenue.

bration in future years.

The 200 children of Parker School, just south of the village, like West Maple looks very much by field, covered with crude oil was fired and the children were threatened with suffication as the wind drove clouds of dense, heavy smoke into all parts of the building.

Plans are underway for the annual meeting of the First Baptist Church. The session will include the election of officers, annual reports of all committees and the presentation for approval of the proposed budget for the coming year.

The school board has announced that furniture for Quarton School is being ordered from Grand Rapids at-once. The purchase will include 34 dozen auditorium chairs. Other orders for additional furniture and equipment are being placed with other firms.

FIVE YEARS AGO
April 22, 1943
Marcia Lomis, 10 -year old
fifth grader of Adams School de-feated older champions in the an-ual spelling contest held last compete in the finals which will be held in Detroit May 7.

Russell Berger, acting city treasurer, reports that tax collec-tions this year, are far higher than they have been for a number of years. Over 90 per cent of the taxes levied have already been paid for the current year.

Austin Strong, author and play-wright, spoke at Cranbrook Satur-day for the benefit of the Seeming Eye Deg project for the blind. He outhlased many of the vital needs work they are able to do in the war efforts when they are able to get about freely.

Elliett S, kinney has Jeined the real estate firm of Snyder, Buck and Bennett, as a general partner. He has had å, wide acquaintance among builders and architects and brings a backgruund of consider-able experience in public relations work to the firm.

A drive is being conducted here to recruit new leaders for girl scout troops here. It has been reported that there are many young girls in Birmingham who would like to join but cannot due to the shortage of leaders.

A state-wide debating contest was won last Friday by members of the Cranbrook team. Merrill Hunter and Hugh Neale. Coached by R. J. Hille the boys took the affirmative on the question. "Resolved, that, a federal world government be established."

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A German news reel was being shown in a Novredian theatre.
When a mean shouted from the audience: "Who is that?"
The light was immediately switched on and a man came on was that?"
The voice from the audience replied, at once: "So you don't know him either."

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love freedom. Is say it again.

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Dangerous Curves Ahead



People's Column

"jumped over the moon" in de-nunciation of the Supreme Court decision. The inference that most moral leaders are against the de-cision is erroneous. Surely, I do not consider my-self in the "leader" class of which

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The bailding committee of the village and the purchase of a new toker for the municipal building. Pressident H. T. Ellerby, in commenting on the purchase said, "We hope deal of the smoke nuisates to the vicinity of the city hall."

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the old maples were removed
would still leave plenty of sidewalk room and keep Maple lookling like the call the street of the street
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Camera Corner



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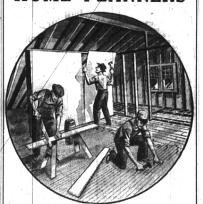
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