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Let's Back
Birmingham
mingham Chamber of Commerce, It is an agency for the development of Birmingham and its surrounding territory.

The Eccentric believes the Chamber of Commerce deserves the support that it seeks from the residents and the business and professional men of the city. It has given promise of great achievement but the suscess of its undertaking depends upon the active cooperation of leading men and women.

We have no doubt of the value of a well - organized, liberally - supported Chamber of Commerce. It can do much for a city and its residents which they cannot do for themselves until organized in such an association.

The Family the oldest institution of the human race, is being challenged and

being challenged and denounced by speakers and writers who do not hesitate to tell us, at times, that modern life is "destroying" the family. There is no reason for anybody in Birmingham to get concerned over the excitement of such pessimists. The family will undoubtedly exist as long as men and women love each other and the nature of human beings includes a love for liftle human beings includes a love for little

It may be that the family life of 1948 is somewhat different from that of 1848, which in turn, differed from that of 1748 and so on into the past. It would be some-what foolish to believe that family life in 2048, or several hundred years there-after, will be identical with that which we now enjoy.

Education

long understood that Worth Money

Worth Money

ducation represents one of the greatest forces in the development of trade. The wants and desires of the uneducated are few and their economic status is low.

The advent of education inevitably

Business men have

develops ambition and through the procdevelops ambition and through the process of distributing information whets the appetite of men and women, for the acquisition of the products of the nation. The higher the level of average education in a community, the greater the volume of business that one will find:

In brief, money spent for adequate, but reasonable, education is an investment rather than an expense.

Visitors to Birmingham judge it largely by the people they meet here. What do you do to make Birmingham attractive to visitors and newcomers?

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What Keeps
Meat High?

to the statement of water E. Netsch, who says that the one segment of the population which can "do something about decreasing the cost of steaks and chops is those who buy.

Netsch says that consumers protest and complain but "are still willing to pay" and that the competition between individual consumers causes the price of meat to stay up.

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The packing company official points out that if consumer incomes remain high and the supply of meat is not hinereased, there is nothing to prevent high prices from continuing. He says his company is very much concerned! with high meat prices, declining livestock production and the failure of the meat supply to keep up with the per capita pace of consumption.

Netsch insists that meat packers do not establish the price of meat, being more like "price finders trying to find the highest price at which the available sup-ply will move into consumption."

As for us, we've never considered our-serves a non-meat eater. We love a nice, juicy steak as much as the next guy. But at today's meat prices we're seriously considering the advisability of making dandelion greens a major portion of our

Did you read that Henry A. Wallace turned to the use of Spanish in his tour of the southwest? I silt possible that his ideas sound better in Spanish than in English . . or worse? Henry also speaks Russian, you know . . . or have you for-outlen?

No individual can claim to be free if he, or she, is a slave to the beliefs or opinions of others.

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Happenings of Long Ago

FIFTY YEARS AGO
July 8, 1898
Wanted: Daily delivery of Soo
gallone of milk for Caplan'e
Creamery. We pay 80c per hundred, delivered at our plant, with
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From Royal Oak comes the news that Baby McDowell has just cut a tooth.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Friday of Davisburg spent the Fourth with Mrs. J. J. Shain. Also Mr. and Mrs. Mack Shain and the twinses.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
July 12, 1928
For the first time in its 50
years of publication, the Eccentric will be sold on the streets
this week by newsboys. The
growth of the village and the increased number of persons shopjuly her have led the editors to
begin this service for our customers.

Birmingham's new postoffice will be completed ready for the pre-Christmas mailing rush it was revealed today. It will mean one of the quickest construction jobs in-Birmingham, since contracts for the work have not yet been awarded.

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Motorists in this vicinity found he Fourth sather expensive as 14 to the proof of the found of t

Residents of Lincoln avenue have entered a protest with village officials against the paving of their street. Their claim is that an improved street would swell the traffic count, and that they are now able to enjoy far greater quiet than they would on an improved street.

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Because the Republican delega-on at the Republican national onvention stuck to Vandenberg in the second ballot, hoping to ele-ate Michigan's national statesman room the United States Senate to the White House, Black is now sailing Sigler for Michigan's most distasteful political posi-on".

when three gas stations were
robbed. In addition, the home of
bonald McKey on East Maple
was entered and a 28 pistol was
tolen, with the fifth report being
the theft of Charles Nichols' car
rom his garage at 784 Woodale.
Four boys went on a valve-cap
tealing apree one day Jast week,
and when they had reached the
sount of full pockets, were picked
up by Patrolman Henry Timm.
te took punishment into his own
heir loot.

FIVE YEARS AGO
July 8, 1943
Troop 5's Scouts are spending
the week at Camp Brady in Waterford. They will enjoy a week of
typical camp life from outdoor
cooking to hikes and swinner
parties.

A small crime wave struck
Birmingham over the week end

Sigler". The Port Huron attorney, who commutes daily between the state capitol and his home in Port Huron, has not indicated whom he would favor for Republican leadership.

the July 20 deadline for nominating petitions.
State Treasurer D. Hale Brake
of Stanton is unhappy over the
Fhiladelphia outcome. He also disthe proposed constitutional reforms. Asked about his intentions
of running for governor, Brake
told a Lansing newspaper retold a Lansing newspaper retunning. But I wouldn't tie myself up with any flat prediction
about being or not being, a candidate for any office at this time".

Te all these runners, Governor

To all these rumors Governor Sigier is unperturbed.
"The people elect the lieutenant governor," he said, following his return from Philadelphia. "If they elect Keyes I'll try to get along with him as well as any humor half of the properture of the said of th

along with man heing.

"My big problem is that a part of the Administrative board wants to be governor and use every means to advance their own politications."

members of the board. Sigler said he thought Black should "spend more time helping to get things done than in popping off to anyone who will listen."

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One thing is sure: "Gene" Black doesn't give a whoop what hapdoesn't give a whoop what haplife at the state capital very disstateful. Following the 1946 election, he sought to get an expense
account for room and board at
Lansing, maintaining that such
statute. When Auditor General
Murl Aten refused to honor the
claim, he premptly began the daily
trek via a state-owned automobile
from Port Huron and Lansing,
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He feguled with Lansing newspaper correspondents over release
of public information and was
spanked publicly by Governor

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of public information and was spanked publicly by Governor Sanata automobile dealers were in cahoots with the state Republican command, contributing huge sums of money for the 1948 campalgreater of the command contributing huge sums of money for the 1948 campalgreater of the Republican state contract committee and to Governor Sigler. It is quite unorthodox for the attoract general of a reform a definaging in high places. Black has done just that

Description of the properties and hospitably nice. One tip for better pictures of people is to pose your subjects in a plane parallel to the film of your camera. The possing reporters and politices as they returned home weary from the extra labor involved in running from one hoteld to another, in the properties and prop continued in the continued of the continued in the contin The Bloomfield Hills camera club will hold a public meeting Thursday, July 16, at the Cranbrook Institute of Science at 8 p.m. Harvey Croze will present a photographic lecture entitled Thotography—The New Art puted question of whether or not put of the property of t



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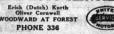
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brated and successful novel, Black Oxen.

Actually she was just half way successful. A reporter on her 90th birthday marveled "at her firm proper on her bright blue eyes had hair and her bright blue eyes had been and her bright blue eyes men and her bright blue eyes men and her bright blue eyes had been and her

Candidate Truman's name was heard in Philadelphia.

Not in Convention Hall except in derision . . . Out there the Republican speakers all forecast victory at the polls come November. But in the Dewey suite the man from Missouri was not discounted something about his Mer Street approach that people like . . . And it happens to be just what Mr. Dewey does not have when the property of the property a day may not result in literary long with the she wisuld have hated the many long with the she will be a same the for cames growing out of "advanced age".

She was 90, but the last half of her life, was spent in diffance of same the same than the same that of the same than the sam

the heart of the Philadeiphia con-vention.

The balconies really wanted an-other "Willkie". If they could have shaken up in a bag what Stassen and Vandenberg offered by the state of the state of the "they could have a state of the "they could be state of the state of Vandenberg plus the youthful vigour and hope of Stassen was their hearts' desire.



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