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Let's Back Birmingham... There is every reason why business and professional men should join the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce.

The Family Will Last... The family, probably the oldest institution of the human race, is being challenged and denounced by speakers and writers who do not hesitate to tell us, at times, that modern life is "destroying" the family.

Education Worth Money... Business men have long understood that education represents one of the greatest forces in the development of trade.

What Meat High? Birmingham consumers who complain about the high price of meat should listen to the statement of Walter E. Netch, vice-president of Armour and Company.

Twenty Years Ago... For the first time in its 50 years of publication, The Eccentric will be sold on the streets this week by newsboys.

Michigan Mirror... "Gene" Black, Michigan's scrap attorney general, has become the "Peck's bad boy" of the Kim Sigler administration.

Getting Pretty Close... Black says he has been a Dewey booster for years. Recently he sounded a call for a "new and resolute" Republican candidate for Governor to oppose Governor Sigler.

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'Tis Washington... Author Gertrude Atherton should have written her own obituary.

'Tis Washington... How she would have hated the news of accounts of her death, ascribed to causes growing out of "advanced age."

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The Birmingham Eccentric... Published every Thursday, at Birmingham, Mich., in the Eccentric Building, 232-222 North Woodward Avenue.

The Birmingham Eccentric... NOTE: The Eccentric is pleased to publish brief contributed material providing it has news value, and suggestions are welcomed.

The Birmingham Eccentric... Candidate Truman's name was heard in Philadelphia. Not in Governor Hall except in derision.

Happenings of Long Ago

FIFTY YEARS AGO... Wanted: Daily delivery of 500 gallons of milk for Caplan's Creamery.

Several men were overcome by the heat while working in the hay fields at the Maxwell farm last week.

From Royal Oak comes the news that Baby McDowell has just cut a tooth.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Friday of Dues, the wife of the Fourth with Mrs. J. J. Shain, also Mr. and Mrs. Mack Shain and the twins.

Residents of Lincoln avenue have entered a protest with village officials against the paving of their street.

Five Years Ago... Troop 57 Scouts are spending the week at Camp Brady in Waterford.

A small crime wave struck Birmingham over the week end.

A fire at the First Baptist Church which is under construction today.

Four boys went on a valve-cap stealing spree one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Larson of 822 East Lincoln have been enjoying big ripe tomatoes from their own garden for several days.

If you have an old bike around the house that is not being used, please contact local police.

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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.

State Treasurer D. Hale Brake of Stanton is unhappy over the Philadelphia outcome.

To all these rumors Governor Sigler is unimpressed.

"The people elect the lieutenant governor," he said, following his speech, "I have no intention of electing Keyes I'll try to get along with him as well as any human being I can practice at this time."

"My big problem is that a part of the Administrative board wants to be governed under an every means to advance their own political ambitions."

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