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Birmingham Eccentric

PART ONE

Propose New 14-Mile Survey; 53rd Accident Sunday

By GEORGE WM. AVERILL
The Michigan State Highway Department has finally consented to make another survey of traffic conditions at the Woodward-14 Mile road intersection. This time it is expected to be a complete investigation, including time periods of heavy traffic, and other factors which were not studied in the only other department survey, conducted 18 months ago.

stretch of Lincoln, between Adams and Woodward, is opened for traffic," Egbert said.

Another Accident There Sunday
It is apparent to Birmingham city officials that the highway department expects these new signals at Lincoln to have considerable effect on the movement of Woodward traffic, permitting more "breaks" in traffic to allow 14 Mile traffic to get across the intersection. They are doubtful that these Lincoln lights will improve the present situation.

Monday morning, Burt Copeman, 35, of 40 Putnam street, Pontiac, paid \$35 to Birmingham Justice John J. Gailli on a reckless driving charge. Birmingham police arrested Copeman late Sunday afternoon after his car collided with one driven by Lloyd Rosenberg, 18, of 18021 San Juan, Detroit.
C. J. Porter, 159 W. Brown, reported to police that just before the accident, Copeman was swinging east on 14 Mile off of Greenfield without stopping, forcing Porter's car off the road to avoid an accident.
Police stated that Copeman had been drinking.

Charles M. Ziegler, Mallender and Egbert met with Ziegler in January, 1947, to discuss various highway problems of concern to both Birmingham and the state.
The two Birmingham officials at that time left the meeting believing the state would start corrective action in the near future. They indicate this second meeting will probably see practically the same matters discussed this time as were brought up almost two years ago.
City Commissioner Bruce G. Booth this week suggested some sort of warning sign at the Woodward-14 Mile intersection telling Woodward traffic of the dangerous conditions that exist there.
"We may be able to save someone's life until the state gets around to making the new survey and decides what should be done," Booth said.

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By G. R. A.
Lots of Profit In Horse Racing
Although Michigan law makes slot machines and other mechanical gadgets, including about everything used in Monte Carlo, illegal, horse racing has been declared by our Legislature as perfectly okay.

Time Schedule, Stopping Points Also Prepared
School bus routes for the coming year were outlined this week by Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools.
These routes will start Tuesday morning, Sept. 7, the first day that it will mean, of course, that the pupils will be taken back home at noon rather than late in the afternoon. The rest of the school year will get the schedule in normal operation.

Text of Schedule
1) All pupils living in the area described in item No. 3 shall not be provided free transportation to the secondary schools of Birmingham.
2) All pupils living outside the area described in item No. 3 shall not be provided free transportation, free of charge, to the secondary schools of Birmingham.

Blame It On the Kremlin
Monday of this week, a number of local boys had to register for the national military draft. With the national military draft, World War II hostilities there in the world, it is somewhat depressing to get along with the realization that it needs an increase in its peacetime defense organization in order to "get along on this earth."
The sole reason for the draft, plus the tremendous financial cost of this nation of paying soldiers to "keep the peace," is Soviet Russia. There can be no question, however, that the Russian leaders are opposed to the ideas and ideals of free people.

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Legion Team Leads Regular Season's Standings, But Loses in Playoffs

With a record of 13 wins and 3 losses, this Charles Edwards Post No. 14 team (sponsored by Harold Turner, Inc.) led the regular season of the American Legion 17th district junior baseball league. Last week a loss to the Milford (Mich.) team dropped the local leads from a playoff for the district championship.

Manager Caught Off Guard by Parking Decision
Widened West Maple avenue will not see the addition of parking spaces on the south side of the streets, at least for a 30-day period after the construction is completed.

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State Commission Proposes Stricter Sewage Treatment

Immediate enforcement against the City of Birmingham of a proposed resolution of the Michigan Stream Control Commission would mean the outlay of more than half a million dollars for certain corrections and additions to the city sewage treatment plant on Cranbrook road and in modification of its storm-sanitary sewer system, City Manager Donald C. Egbert informed the city commission Monday evening.

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