

# The Birmingham Eccentric

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## Bits of Birmingham

During the past several weeks Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hunter of North Woodward avenue have had some annoying and unwelcome guests. Last month a family of coons made an extended visit on the roof of their house and last week a swarm of bees made themselves at home on the Hunter's property. Police report the bees went away on their own accord a few days later.

David Leauge, although only eight years old, has devoted editorial space in his current issue of "Neighborhood News" to speak his piece on the Civic Park as a parking lot. Says David: "We do not think the park should be taken for this purpose. It is about the only decent place in the center of Birmingham where people can sit with grass and trees around instead of streets and sidewalks. . . . Another thing is the Christmas tree. It is one of the main parts of the park. The carols sung around it are a joy to hear. . . . There are the best things there. There is one thing about this—Can anybody sing Christmas carols in a parking lot? We think there must be other places to park without destroying beautiful trees. . . . We are asking our subscribers to tell the City Manager we do not think it is right to take our city's park for this purpose."

John C. Cramer, 1144 Smith street, an employee of the Mount road Plymouth plant for the past 33 years, was feted last week around his 60th birthday. . . . Cramer works the 5 a.m.-3:30 p.m. shift. His hobbies are seasonal, gardening in the summer, along with the general repairs he makes around his home. . . . Cramer deep in the intricacies of a pitched pine battle.

The AAA has recommended the installation of a traffic signal at E. Maple and Eton to relieve the traffic situation there. Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley has reported to the city commission. Moxley said a recent department traffic count showed an average of 720 cars an hour used this intersection.

"I was standing near the doorway of the Fashion Fair. There came a flash and a crash and the next thing I knew I was over by the doorway of 'Rifka's'." This is how one lady described her experience Monday afternoon when the lightning struck the building housing the Fashion Fair shop. The lady tells this Wanderer she hasn't the slightest idea whether she went under, over or around any cars which happened to be traveling by at that time. "All I know is I wanted to get away from where I was—and fast. I did!"

Persons who at any time attended Colerain school in Troy township are invited to attend the school reunion Sunday. The affair will get under way at 1:30 p.m. with a pot luck picnic dinner. To refresh memories, B. Frost, secretary, says the school is still located at the corner of John R and 18 Mile roads.

A Birmingham father this week was more interested in protecting lives and preserving traffic laws than in having his son drive an

automobile, he evidenced this week. Arrested for the third time in less than 12 months for reckless driving, the son with his father immediately went to Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley. The father handed Moxley the boy's driver's license. "Keep this license for a year," the father demanded of the chief. If convicted of three such traffic violations within a year's time, the state usually takes away drivers licenses for a year. But it is unusual for a father to come into the police station of his own accord to have his license held over the offender's license before the state can take such action.

Can you imagine anyone waiting starlings? While the starling-afflicted residents mutter unprintable things under their breath, Robert Hatt of the Cranbrook Institute has phoned police headquarters to ask if he may have all the dead starlings which the city has available. It seems he is anxious to conduct a study of the feeding habits of the critters. Well, it's nice to know they are not entirely without use!

## Advertising Agency Promotes Localite

Ernest A. Jones, 1764 Oak street, has been named vice-president of MacManus, John and Adams, Inc., national advertising agency, according to James R. Adams, president. . . . Jones is an executive on the Pontiac Motor division account, and has been with the agency since his graduation from the University of Michigan in 1938. Until 1947 he had been working on the Dow Chemical account. A native of Jamestown, N. Y., Jones is a former governor of the University of Michigan club of Detroit and a member of the Players and Recess clubs.

## Southfield School Board Sets Monday For Bid Opening

Opening of bids for construction of the third and final unit of the new Southfield township high school on Lahser near 10 Mile road, has been postponed until Monday evening, according to Glenn Schoenhals, superintendent of schools. . . . Bids were originally scheduled to be opened Monday, July 24, but several contractors requested the board to delay the action for one week. . . . Schoenhals said the contractors wished to have additional time in order to check further into prices of some critical materials needed for construction of the building. . . . The reward of one duty is the power to fulfill another. —George Eliot

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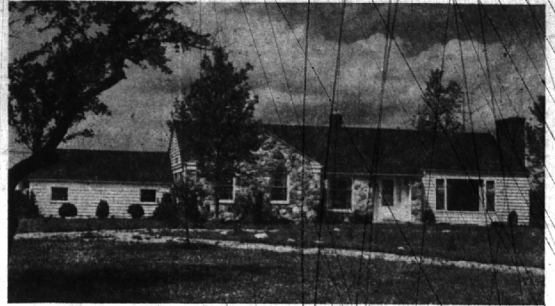
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