About Only Thing Lacking Is Collapsible Wings

The introduction of snew models by the major automobile companies once again poses the consumer with temptations to trade in the old flivver on a souped-up model. In general, the 1953 model cars do not represent radical changes although there are some exceptions.

One of the interesting features of the automotive trend in the last two years is the striking increase in horsepower some of the larger models now offer.

of the larger models now other. Whereas, 150-powerpower, or there-abouts, was the top power offered in the larger cars in the years following World War II, some of these same models now offer power ranging between 180 and 200 horsepower.

JUST WHAT A DRIVER can do with 200 horsepower, for instance, is as yet not

clear to us, although it is presumed that he can do everything a little smoother than with less power. It also follows that he can do it faster—if the engine is tuned to such power—than in less powerful auto mobiles.

Since most of the major companies are making their cars lighter and lighter, the problem will soon be reached, if it has not already been, of how to add more power to an automobile already amply supplied.

already been, of how to add more power to an automobile already amply supplied with power per pound of weight.

If the trend toward more and more horsepower continues and the cars continue to be lighter, the only answer we can see is the addition of collapsible wings, which will enable the motorist to spread them out when he applies muximum power and leave the congestion of today's overcrowded highways to the stick-in-themuds.

Curb Congress' Spending Power

Representative Ralph W. Gwinn of New York made a speech some time ago which should be read and remembered by every American-and acted upon by Congress

American—and acted upon by Congress and the states.

He said, "The way to stop inflation, to rid our government of its socialistic tendencies, to free ourselves from dishonesty and graft in high places, is simply to reduce the taxing powers of government.

"The power of Congress to levy taxes must be limited, just as our state legislatures and local councils are automatically prevented from spending more than a certain percentage of assessed values... Thus we have prevented socialism at state and local levels. Communists cannot thrive and local levels. Communists cannot thrive without tax money."

MR. GWINN then endorsed a proposed

Just Wishful Thinking

Would you like to surrender the sovwould you like to surrender the sov-ereignty of your country into something now labelled "Atlantic Union"? A system of federated States, consisting of the na-tions of the free world (thus opposing Communism) is visioned by certain Amer-icans as the "solution" of our international problems.

SUCH TALK, we believe, is mere wishful thinking. The present deterioration of

new amendment to the Constitution which new amendment to the Constitution which provides that all taxes levied and collected for non-military expenditures "shall not exceed five per cent of the national income for the nearest preceding calendar year for which figures are available." The mili-tary establishment would be supported through special war taxes.

This amendment, Mr. Gwinn concluded, would make it possible for Congressmen to "resist the pressure groups that are now hounding them for appropriations; there just would not be any money for these hand-out schemes."

Mr. Gwinn may be on the right track.

Unbridled tax spending stems from the unbridled power to levy and collect taxes. The cure may be to place tighter curbs on

the United Nations proof that, as yet, you can tymix basic sovereignties any more than you can mix oil and water.

Do you think that the citizens of the 48 States of the U.S.A. would agree to dissolve their State identities and become a single unit of government, operating from a single national capital? Then how can such a scheme as "Atlantic Union" work

Point of View . . . From The Eccentric's

Colorful Harold E. Stassen, who long has eyed the Presidency, has been selected by President-lect Eisenhower to head up this nation's Mutual Security Agency. Stassen, who proved himself an able and economical Governor of Minnesota, ought to give a good accounting of the billions of dollars we may yet give to other nations to help them back to better times. Most certainly he ought to be 12,249% per cent better than the man he succeeds, W. Averell Harriman. Colorful Harold E. Stassen, who long has

So far, President'elect Eisenhower's designations for cabinet and other important administration posts reveals that he wants only high-class men and women to assist in handling the federal government's executive problems. Not a single appointment, it appears can it appears, comes from anything like the political machine that operated in Missouri under the banner of Pendergast. This suggests that "Ike" knows the task ahead is a most difficult one, and only people of integrity and intelligence can successfully cope with the situations.

Wonder if something like this wasn't exchanged between Mrs. Truman and Mrs. Eisenhower recently when the latter was shown through the White House by the lady who, January 20, will return to the quiet of Independence, Mo.: "One of the situations you will have to get used to,

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out as per the dreams of its boosters?

TV actors and actresses who belong to the Guild demand so much for their orig-inal efforts when a commercial is prepared, had enorts when a commercial is prepared, plus so much extra for each successive showing of the same. Just like the musicians get when their records are played over and over again on radio stations. Petrillo was successful, and so may Walter Pidgeon, head of the Guild, be.

During every Michigan deer hunting season, you read that quite a few hunters lost their lives from heart difficulties. Part of this cause lies in the extra physical exertion attending deer hunting. Then there is what is known as "buck fever" . . . a condition of excitement set in motion when a hunter sees a deer and takes aim to use it as a target. Most deer hunters know (even veteran ones) that a hunter's heart often begins to beat rangity as the excit. often begins to beat rapidly, as the excing tenseness of the situation develops

The long tradition in this country for the holding of one-seasion school days is costing the taxpayers plently extra, of course. Were two, balanced sessions to be arranged for, less school plant would be arranged for, less school plant would be tremendous awings, part of which would be used to pay teachers more. Buy try to get American parents to go for the two-a-day plan . . . it just hasn't been done. been done.

So They Say . . .

John Foster Dulles, Republican leader: "In the past the dynamism of our ideals has won us security; by penetrating the fabric of despotism."

Neva Jane Langley, Miss America of 1953:
"I attribute my health, beauty and happiness to a genuine interest in people, proper diet, rest and grooming."

Kenneth Grief, high school student:
"Teachers shouldn't be afraid to smile."

He's Hard to Charm



Happenings of Long Ago

Bits Of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham Of Today.

59 YEARS AGO
December 12, 1992
The Girls of the Episcopal church
with bold a fair in the basement
this week. They will offer handkerchiefs, candy and other delicate
tiens for sale. The special features will be the food sale and
Klondike booth.

Waite Bros. and Robertson in-ite Birmingham people to their ontiac store to see a display of opper ware in their window, that s said to be well over one hun-red years old.

C. Dickinson Dickinson, the happy purchaser of W. C. Jenks' beautiful home on Woodward avenue north, has christened the place" Elm Crest", a beautiful and appropriate name for the complete establishment.

The prize offered last spring by he Detroit Sugar company to the wner of an acre of land which ielded the largest crop, has been rought to Birmingham by George urdy. His Southfield holdings easily won. wner of

An old love story, which was begun near here 69 years ago, was brought to a culmination in Pine Run, Genesce county, last week when John Kyser of Nebraska married Mrs. Eliza Scudder Wr. Kyser is 70 and his bride five years his junior.

his junior.

30 YEARS AGO
December 8, 1922

Willalor Beresents of a form for the new Weights and Measures ordinance to commissioners Monday evening. The large state of the st

The success of the St. James kating rink and continued cold weather has brought up the question of additional facilities for Sirmingham. Commissioners are nestigating every possibility of nore rinks in the very near future.

Applications for 1923 automobile cense plates may be obtained free f charge at the Conant-Osborne ord sales rooms on S. Woodward.

15 YEARS AGO
December 16, 1937
A reduction of five cents on
present 15-cent charge for
minutes of phoning from Birm
ham to Detrois is seen in the nuncement from Lansing this sek by the Public Utilities com-ission.

The public is going to have a voice in whether or not the town's "Main Street" will remain Wood-ward avenue after the new road is completed over the old GTRR was travel over to local residents by commissioners Monday night.

As a result of a petition signed y residents of Eco City, the Deroit United Railway has agreed a strange for a new car stop between 15 Mile road and Stanier was 1800 and on Woodward. The stop would recome effective Dec. 7.

A record run was made by the

HORSE SENSE AND NONSENSE BY ALICE E. MORGAN

ONCE UPON A time there was a little robin whose mother was very cautious. The time she spent, telling him about small boys with alingshots and air rifles, about the displays and a similar should shall show the shall sha

mother in the tree, "I'm sorry—but I didn't think!"

ONCE UPON A time there was a motorist who thought the police were pretty stuffy, too. He laughed at all their warnings about "get-ting the feel of the road", driving especially all entire and being especially all entire and being especially all entire and started home. He turned on his radio, lift along, humming the tune the or-chestra played.

He never did see where the truck He never did see where that sud denly it was thork in front of him, burge and solid. He slammed on his brakes (he'd always been proud of his quick resideways, the front sild richt along, also where the truck of the control of the con

and cried. "I'm serry—but I didn't think!"

ONCE UPON A time there was a woman. When she was a little service was a woman. When she was a little service was a woman. When she was a little service was a work of the work of the crossed the street. On this December evening, though, she had to hurry home to prepare dimer. Anythew, it was swfully hard to repeat the work of the wor

"Oh!" someone on the curb heard her cry, "I'm sorry-but I didn't think."

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ONE THING OR ANOTHER

M. 16 ham? been straightened out by Jan. 20, when the new (GOP) administration takes over, one of the first things new Postmaster Jeneral Arthur Summerfield will have to do h find out what has Jeneral Hamiltonian and the service. In the past week or two, mail service has became so solve that even the public has noticed it. Only some hundreds of miles apart has taken almost a week to be received.

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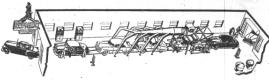
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The Eccentric's special writer, and probably many more, feel that the proposition of the proposition that the proposition of the proposition that the proposition that the motorial proposition that the motorial proposition that

By George Wm. Averill

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