

The Birmingham Eccentric

It is in accordance with natural human law that people are first concerned with their own welfare; that the spawning bed of selfishness. Some people become enlightened enough to be less selfish than others; they represent a higher social order.

Marc Joslyn Memorial Awards Given at Commencement

By ALICE E. MORGAN

Amid the traditional pomp and ceremony of commencement the 248 members of Birmingham high school's largest graduating class received their diplomas from Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, school superintendent, on June 18. This is the second class to be graduated from the new high school.

In a brief ceremony Vincent Secontine, high school teacher and athletic coach, announced the first two winners of the Marc Joslyn Memorial Trust Fund awards, presenting engraved watches to Carol Edwards Dorman and Robert Widman Appleford.

Joslyn, a member of the Class of 1962, died on March 10 after a brief illness. The memorial trust fund was created in memory of the Williams college freshman, with the understanding that a boy and girl of each graduating class be selected as annual winners.

THE STUDENTS, unnamed until graduation day, are selected on a basis of citizenship, academic attainments, leadership and "characteristics best emulating the Marc Joslyn beloved by students and faculty members alike," Secontine announced.

Ernest W. Seaholm, president of the board of education, presented

Dr. Harlan Hatcher, president of the University of Michigan, and commencement speaker.

Speaking first to the parents, Dr. Hatcher outlined the life history pattern which would apply to nearly every member of the class.

"These boys and girls," he said, "were born in the middle Thirties, from depression years. When they were about six years old, the bombs fell on Pearl Harbor and the second World War was upon us. Now we see them as having spent eight more years of their lives under the shadow of constant conflict in the cold war."

TURNING HIS remarks to the graduates, Dr. Hatcher said, "In spite of this, you have been able to live a relatively peaceful life. Nothing like the corresponding ex-

periences of the boys and girls of your ages who have lived in England, France, Spain, Germany, Russia, China, Japan and many other nations of the world. Thank God for the heritage which has been yours."

He outlined what they have to do which could not have been dreamed of six generations ago. High school educations were not common and college educations were comparatively rare. Today, in most cases, a majority of every high school class will be going on to college.

"DON'T BE disturbed," he told both the class and their parents, "if after the first year of college a change of plan is made. Few start college with a planned goal from which they do not swerve. A large number change their minds and cannot be called failures."

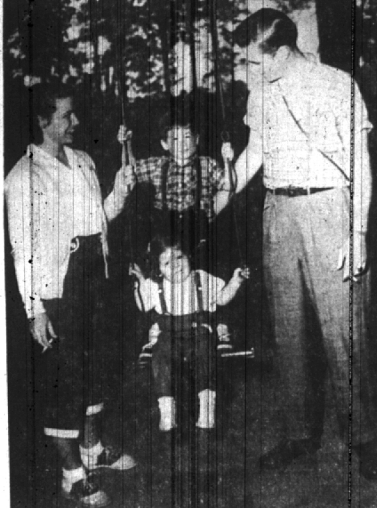
IN PRESENTING the 1953 class gift to the school, a check of \$300 to be added to the Marc Joslyn

Memorial fund, Class President David Jokinen said he felt a particular honor had been given the class in being able to help perpetuate the memory of this former honor student.

He added that the balance in the class treasury would be used to purchase two flags and standards for the school.

The gift was accepted by Ross A. Wagner, high school principal, who said he felt Marc had left a lasting impression and high standard for future students to emulate.

Others appearing on the program were the Rev. Emil Kontz, pastor of the First Baptist church who gave the invocation. Miss Sheila Traylor was vocal soloist, and Miss Sandra Bernat, violin soloist.



THE ACCENT WAS ON FUN for the youngsters at the annual Lions Club picnic at Springdale Park Thursday evening, June 18. Mothers and fathers joined to make the like the two red-heads, Kathy and Rusty, pictured here. Mr. and Mrs. James Cameron II, 976 Sufficient, were called upon to supply the locomotion for the swings. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

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Summary of Legislative Enactments

LANSING, Mich.—Many new laws important to local governmental units were enacted by the Republican Legislature at its recent session. Here are some of the major measures:

Counties were authorized to create medical care facilities for indigent persons who are infirm but not mentally ill. This law is intended to help relieve overcrowding at mental hospitals and maintain care at a local level where the individuals concerned can be near their families.

Local governments were empowered to establish garbage and rubbish collection facilities.

Local governments may take over war housing pending demolition.

Charter townships may have two issue bonds for public improvement.

CIRCUIT COURT stenographers are made eligible for county pension systems.

Tax sale advertising rates were reduced.

Installation payments may be filed on inter-city drivers.

The medical residence requirement for county welfare directors was repealed.

New titles were authorized to issue tax-anticipation notes in order to start functioning.

Charter townships may have ordinances on specified subjects.

Coroners' jurors are to be paid \$8 a day instead of \$3.

MARRIAGE LICENSE fees were increased to \$2.

Community hospitals were exempted from 10-year use clause on tax-reverted land.

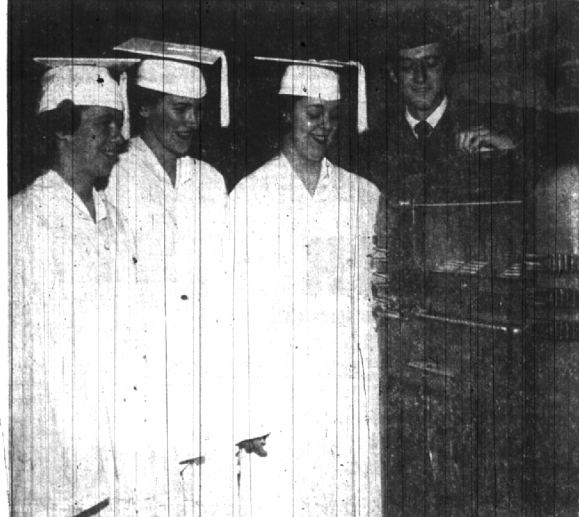
Absentee ballots may be used by persons with religious reasons for remaining at home on election day.

Clubs must publish notice of liquor referendum petitions.

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DR. DWIGHT B. IRELAND, **DR. HARLAN HATCHER**, **ERNEST SEAHOLM** School officials greet University of Michigan head, 1953 commencement speaker.



HELEN WILLIAMS, **JANET KING**, **BARBARA HAGAN**, **BRIAN CONNELLY** Just one more tune from the BHS jukebox before receiving diplomas. (Eccentric Staff Photos)

City Starts Over On Haynes Paving

Because of a slight irregularity in the city's notice to property owners concerning the proposed paving of Haynes street, between Hunter and Adams, the city commission has decided to start over in its proceedings.

July 6 was set as the date of a new hearing on necessity of the project, and property owners will be informed that the construction also will include one block of new sewer, a point which was not mentioned in previous notices.

Although both sides of the street are zoned for business residences, occupy most of the south side frontage, and these homeowners have protested the paving as unnecessary.

Pvt. Bise Is Assigned To Seoul Command

SEOUL, KOREA—Army Pvt. Howard A. Bise, son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Bise, 4077 Rochester, Troy township, has been assigned to the Seoul City Command in Korea.

He entered the Army last November and took basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas. Pvt. Bise was educated at Big Beaver High school.

Bargains galore in Want Ads.

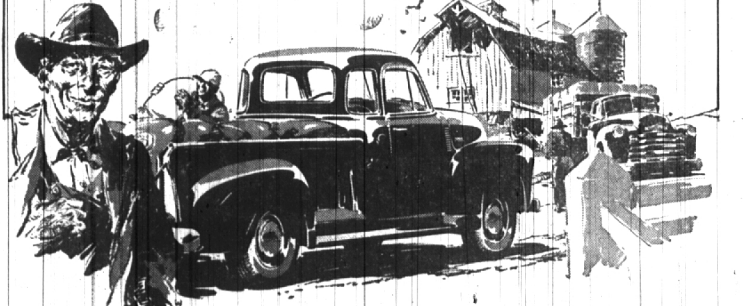
Are you thinking of buying a new home? Then read the "For Sale—Houses" columns on the Classified Ad page of this week's Eccentric.

Mortar Squad Leader Arrives In Korea

WITH THE 48TH INFANTRY DIV. IN KOREA—Capt. Stephen C. Juszkiewicz, whose wife, Margaret, lives at 1431 Eton, recently joined the 48th Infantry Division in Korea.

A mortar squad leader in the 48th Reconnaissance Company, Corporal Juszkiewicz entered the Army last July and was previously stationed at Camp Breckinridge, Ky.

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