



## Advices Caution On Memorial Day Automobile Trips

Police Chief Ralph W. Mosley today issued a warning to motorists planning Memorial Day trips. "Insurance figures show that weekend automobile crashes killed 15,330 people and injured 774,880 during 1953," he pointed out. Three out of four accidents occurred on dry roads and in clear weather.

The Memorial Day weekend was only a two-day holiday in 1953. This year motorists will have three days to make their trips, and highways will consequently be more crowded.

Chief Mosley urged drivers to heed the following highway safety suggestions to help insure themselves of making their trips without mishap:

1.) Don't drive only according to posted speed limits. A safe speed depends upon prevailing conditions of weather, traffic, etc. Sometimes it's safer to keep several miles per hour under the limit.

2.) On long trips, make a stop for coffee every two or three hours. Get out and walk around and wake up your system.

3.) Always leave ample room between you and the car ahead, so you'll have enough time to stop in case of emergency. According to the National Safety Council a car with good brakes requires some 189 feet to stop if the speed is 60 miles per hour.

4.) When driving at night, don't exceed the speed which will let you stop within your headlight range.

5.) Where children are playing, be able to stop within the length of your car.

6.) Make it a habit to slow down before you actually get to curves or intersections.

7.) Take along a thermos of coffee if you expect to do much parkway or turnpike traveling, where eating places are not too numerous.

8.) Keep to the right—and don't cut in and out.

## Voting Precincts Multiplied by Two In Bloomfield Twp.

Bloomfield township voting precincts have been doubled in number, township officials announced last week.

Previously operating with only two precincts, the township has been redistricted to create four. Under the new setup, voters of precinct number one will cast their ballots in local, state and national elections at the township hall 4200 Telegraph.

Precinct one is bounded on the north by Square Lake road, on the east by Adams road, on the south by the township limits, and by Inkster road and the township limits on the west.

Precinct two is the Bloomfield fire hall on Broadway boulevard east of Lahser. Boundaries are Quanton on the north, east by Adams, south by 14 Mile and west by Lahser.

Precinct three voters will cast ballots at Wing Lake school, W. Maple at Wing Lake road. Hickory Grove school, on E. Square Lake road just east of Woodward, will be the polling place for precinct four. This precinct will be bounded north by the township limits, east by Adams road, south by Square Lake road and west by the township limits.

## Hearing Date Set

June 7 has been set for Birmingham's city commission's hearing on the concrete paving of Haynes street, between Adams and Hunter. A similar petition was defeated a year ago when the absence of one city commissioner failed to give it the required majority vote.

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## BIRMINGHAM BACKGROUND

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In 1911 Clarence Deutsch and George P. Nelson of Detroit staged a motorcycle race from Six Mile Road to Birmingham along Woodward avenue. "Woodward avenue then was just a dirt and gravel road and pretty terrible," recalls Nelson, who now resides at 18161 Riverside. "Deutsch was riding a new Harley twin motorcycle and although I was riding an Excelsior single motorcycle, I beat him by five minutes. I took his picture as he was coming in." The automobile behind Deutsch, the losing motorcyclist, was a brand new Packard, according to Nelson. (Maple avenue is indicated by the tall telephone pole, which was on the northwest corner of Maple and Woodward.)

## Board Turns Down Survey Plans for Hills Schools

A survey of the Bloomfield Hills school district to determine future school needs would serve no useful purpose at the present time, the board of education decided last week.

The board recently has been discussing plans to employ the services of a college or university to make such a survey. Board members agreed that at

present they could do an adequate job of studying the district to determine needs for future school sites without the aid of a professional survey.

THE BOARD plans to use school census figures in conjunction with an area growth study, made last summer, to come up with the answer as to where the most pressing need for school sites exists.

It is urgent that we get these sites lined up. With the skyrocketing price of real estate, we can't afford to waste time," said Board President Edward Proctor.

The district census will be completed June 1. At that time the board hopes to meet with real estate men to arrange for purchase of desired sites. Funds acquired by the sale of Tuscorora school if voters approve price of real estate, we can't afford to waste time," said Board President Edward Proctor.

Use Classified Ads—They Sell!

## BE AN EARLY BIRD

And help The Eccentric's editorial and advertising departments with next week's issue.

Because everybody (that includes us, too) will be observing Memorial Day next Monday, May 31,

we on The Eccentric's editorial and advertising staffs would be greatly assisted if you can turn in early news and advertising copy.

We hope you will

## DO YOUR BEST

## Booth To Compete With U.S. Runners

Mack Booth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Y. Booth, 345 Fairfax, and senior at Cornell University, will represent Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania on a combined track team to compete with English schools next month.

Pennsylvania and Cornell recently held a track meet to select a representative track team from both schools to meet Cambridge and Oxford Universities in a track meet June 12 in London, England.

Booth was chosen to compete in both low and high hurdles. Members of the U. S. team will then compete in Ireland, Norway and Sweden.

Teams from Cambridge and Oxford competed last year in the U. S. against the two American schools.

Mack is a graduate of Birmingham High school.

## Two Schools Get Home Ec Equipment

New home-making equipment will be purchased for Barium junior high school and Adams school following last week's meeting of the Birmingham board of education.

A contract for \$10,985 for equipment at Barium was awarded the Shelden equipment company, and a contract for \$6,299 awarded the Mutschler company for equipment for Adams school.

A complete layout for home-making classes is scheduled for Adams, which will be used as a junior high school next fall. Plans call for the equipment to be transferred to a new junior high school, now being planned. Equipment for Barium will complete that school's home economics department.

## Sent To Plan Board

Birmingham city commissioners have referred the zoning change request of Cleveland E. and Mary H. Collins for their Flowers street property to the plan board for study. They ask a change from single family residence to business B for three lots located on the northeast corner of Elm and Flowers.

Want ads cannot be accepted after 3 p.m. each Tuesday.

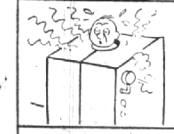
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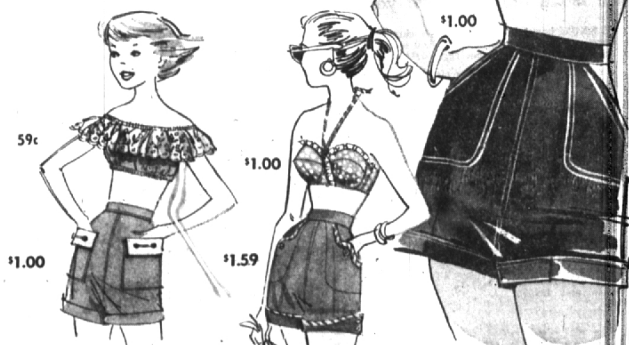
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