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Serving the Citizens of Michigan's Finest Suburban Residential Area



The more possession of a great variety of facts about this world we live in...

This and That

by George R. Averill

A Connecticut church painted its large front door red, and immediately many protests arose...

Recent passing of Chris S. Bailey, for many years a well-known local postman...

Ernest R. Breech, of Bloomfield Hills, chairman of the board of Ford Motor Co., two weeks ago...

Breech's rise from a poor boy in Missouri, through struggles to gain an education...

Soundings a note of alarm to Detroit Advertiser, John S. Knight, editor and publisher...

We agree with editor Knight. So probably do most Americans...

Our world development of technological methods to produce more wealth is wedded to the tools of a machine industry...

Costs Split 60-40 On Fernalde Lot

Cost-sharing on the city's newest parking lot between Park and Fernalde, north of Hamilton...

INSIDE THE ECCENTRIC

Southfield Voters Reject Second Charter

Technique of Candy Making Illustrated

Sports Banquet Honors Maple Athletes

Derby Climaxes Months of Work On Model Racers

City's Oldest Church Marks 136th Year

Play Underway for Basketball Quintets

Table with 2 columns: Amusements, Section Page. Lists various events and their page numbers.



ALBERT DEKKER and Edith Atwater will present scenes and sketches from the world's best literary in the Birmingham Town Hall program today and Friday.

Theatrical Team Next on Town Hall

Without the usual theatrical trappings—just two podiums, two chairs, a table and a pitcher of water—Albert Dekker and Edith Atwater...

Don E. Ahrens Retiring Dec. 31 As Cadillac Head

The pending resignation of Don E. Ahrens, General Motors vice president and general manager of the Cadillac Motor Car division...

Sign Sizes Stop City's Staff

Just how far a store sign should project over the sidewalk, and how big it should be, are two main points Birmingham city commissioners will discuss in joint meeting with city planners...

Adopt New System For Determining Disposal Charges

What used to be a complicated system of determining sewage disposal charges has been eliminated by Birmingham city commission...

Now THE 40 per cent charge will be applied to both commercial and residential users winter and summer...

Mrs. Robert F. Watt Is Candidate For GOP Nomination for UM Regent

Birmingham University of Michigan alumnae learned last week that one of their past presidents, Mrs. Robert F. Watt, of 1215 Yorkshire, Birmingham...

The CONVENTION will also select a state chairman and vice chairman. Mentioned as a possible successor to present Republican state chairman John Feikens...

138 Service Firms Cut \$5.3 Million Melon, Says U.S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The spending boom of the last few years has benefited more than just the merchandise business in Birmingham...

P.O. Announces New Schedule For Holiday Mail

Postmaster Roland W. Reese has announced extended hours during the holiday season...

Twelve Towns Now Three Years From Completion

Another year in the courts and two more for construction? That is the picture of the proposed \$38,581,000 Twelve Towns drain.

\$1.2 Million More To Be Spent Here By Michigan Bell

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company will spend \$1,265,300 for new construction to expand and improve service in Birmingham during 1957...

THE MONEY spent for services in Birmingham, where there are 138 places catering to such wants, reached \$5,300,000 for the report shows.

That was more than was spent in that direction elsewhere in the United States, the average being \$277 per family. In the state of Michigan it was \$323. Cities over a million are excluded.

Santa Claus To Arrive In Parade

The man of the hour, Santa Claus himself, is coming to town at 4 p.m. Monday. He'll parade through the downtown area in a Cadillac convertible...

THE SPENDING for these services was equivalent to \$760 per family for the year.

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For 5 More Years

Arthur A. E. Janke, 564 Purdy, has been reappointed to a five-year term to Birmingham's building code board of appeals.

First 10 Days Sees 5,450 on the Ice

In the first 10 days of Eton park's skating rink operation, 5,450 persons have paid for time on the ice, rink Supervisor Charles Gale reported Monday.

Dismiss Troy City Manager

TROY—Mayor Frank Costello was informed by city commission that the resignation of Troy City Manager Orlando G. Holway...

School Tax Bills Have Been Mailed

An early Christmas present from Birmingham board of education tax bills for the annual school tax bill, which showed educational costs will total only \$3,500 per family...

Muscular Dystrophy Drive Nets \$7,000

A total of \$7,000 was netted for aid to muscular dystrophy research in the victims in the city...

STRICTLY FRESH. The State department in Washington announced to its diplomats consideration of an extra allowance to compensate for "the rising cost of living." What one letter can do!