

Constant use of profanity, says the wise people, is evidence of an impoverished mind. It probably is true that much of the cause for profanity arises not from a basically vulgar mind, but merely for a kind of foolish emphasis—needed somehow to satisfy a person's sense of inadequacy.

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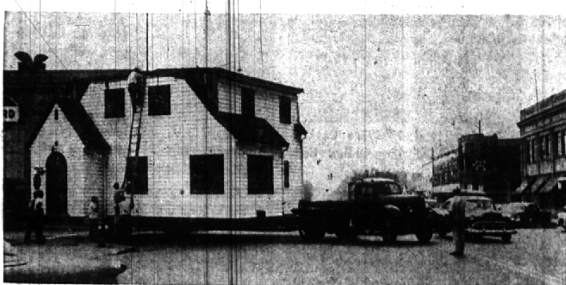
Where's the Freeway Gonna Go?



ACCORDING TO MICHIGAN state highway department, one of the proposed "Southfield Freeways" between 8 Mile and Pontiac would take the route as indicated by heavy black line (Arrow No. 1). That plan was made public several weeks ago. (The Birmingham Eccentric has copies available for public inspection during office hours.) However, the highway department must find two more alternate routes (Arrows No. 2 and 3) which will run to the west of the first route, and will be financed with recently voted Federal funds. U. S. Bureau of roads insists on a choice of at least three alternate plans. Highway Commissioner Charles Ziegler in a letter to The Eccentric said he may come up with another route (Arrow No. 4) which would be westernmost of all.



HOWARD W. DWYER, 3140 Lahser road, Bloomfield Hills, a labor relations executive with Chrysler corporation, studies plans for Torch Drive solicitation with other members of Major Industry Unit, Team No. 1. From left to right are: C. R. Jordan, Chrysler corp.; Fred T. L. Grimm, Ex-Cell-O corp.; Dwyer; E. Lloyd, Chrysler corp.; J. K. Pilks, Ex-Cell-O corp.; and Russell Cole, Ex-Cell-O corp. The Major Industry Unit usually raises more than half the money contributed for support of 150 health and community services. The total goal this year is \$15,300,000.



FIRST HOUSE to be moved off the proposed 175-car parking lot on the north side of Hamilton between Park and Ferndale, was re-located in Pontiac after removal last week. The house's roof top was dismantled so the movers could clear most of the wires under which it would have to travel. The lot is scheduled for completion in December.



RECORD \$211,196 TORCH DRIVE quota for Birmingham-Bloomfield-Franklin in 1956 is accepted on behalf of the area's United Foundation Advisory Committee by (from left) Chairman William B. Bachman, Jr., John MacManus, Sr., vice general chairman of the local campaign, and Martin R. Hemphill, suburban unit general chairman. (See story Page One, Section One).

Sock Hop Activities



HOLD THAT POSE! Here's how Bill Pratt and DeeDee Cooper won prizes Friday night at Birmingham high school's "sock hop". In a "statue" event, couples had to freeze in the position each time the dance music stopped. Because they out-lastest other competing couples, DeeDee won a cashmere sweater and Bill was awarded an LP record.



AS STOCKING-FOOTED dancers stomp to the rhythms of drummer Tom Halsted and the "Brook Brothers" band at Birmingham high school Friday night, dance chairman Sue Pothemus claps her hands and relaxes a moment on the bandstand. Robert Girardin, director of the recreation department which sponsored the "sock hop", praised Sue for the efficiency with which she chairmanned the event. Over 450 teen-agers attended.

Hams Announce New Officers

Heading up the Catalpa Amateur Radio society for the 1956-57 season is Dick Cook, of Royal Oak. Other officers are Red Abbott, 763 Lakeview, Birmingham, vice president, and Howard Estel, 4010 Beach road, Birmingham, secretary. Earl Jones, of Royal Oak, is recording secretary, and Roy Sheffield, of Berkeley, is treasurer.

'Y' To Have Class In Beginning Art

Beginning Thursday, Oct. 11, Mrs. Paul Shaffer will teach beginning drawing and painting from 1 to 3 p.m. weekly at the Birmingham YMCA. Drawing fundamentals will be emphasized in the ten-week course. Students will start with charcoal and work through to pastels and water colors. Class will be limited to 15 students.

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GIANTS

Giants of South Africa are now in Birmingham. Although this is not a slave market, we are selling them. They created quite a sensation last year as each one produced from 4 to 9 offspring . . . a tidy profit if we do say so ourselves.

These giants go under the name of AMARYLLIS HIPPEASTRUM HYBRIDS and they still go for \$3.50 each and you better get at them fast because many have shoots 3" to 4" long already.

Another superb visitor to Birmingham is the well-known flower grower COLCHICUM AUTUMNALE, and believe us if they are not in YOUR home in a hurry you will have to come to the shop to enjoy their exquisite orchid-rose blooms. 50¢ a chunk.

If you cannot wait for it you can get one at the shop now. With it in your possession you can lay out a variety of blooming bulbs to use up your excess dough and bring you exquisite blooms from late April to late September. IT is called the—

BULB BLOOMING CHART

It shows about when 14 varieties of bulbs can be expected to bloom in 1957. But, mind you, if they don't, it ain't our fault.

From British Guiana come some up-to-the-minute tips on planting bulbs.

1. Plant them in dirt or soil.
2. Plan to fix the loose, friable soil so that air and soil bacteria operate in the root region.
3. Cover small bulbs with 2 to 3 times the diameter of the bulb with soil. Cover larger bulbs with 3 to 4 times the diameter of the bulb with soil. Cover bulbs larger than these with burlap and take them to the local dump. They are probably squashes or turnips.
4. Put, drop or inject some bone meal into the strata about an inch below the bottom of the bulb.
5. Plant them with the top pointing up. This is easy because the top is on the opposite side from the—yes, you guessed it—the bottom. This way the flowers will get above the ground a bit sooner.
6. Forget them—until we tell you which ones need mulch. At that time the ground will be frozen hard.
7. Plant everything but tulips NOW. Tulips are better planted in late October but Should BE BOUGHT NOW!

In our excitement and enthusiasm for the bulb part of this racket we almost overlooked—almost, mind you, but not quite—the necessity of providing your lawn with 2 lbs. of actual nitrogen for each 1000 sq. ft. you wish to call a "lawn". This means—

- 2 lbs. of 10-6-4 per 100 sq. ft.
- 4 lbs. of 5-10-5 per 100 sq. ft.
- 5 lbs. of 4-12-4 per 100 sq. ft.
- 6 1/2 lbs. of 3-2-1 (Driconure)
- 10 lbs. of 2-1-2 (Dried Cattle Manure)

Cost of these items for 5,000 sq. ft. is:—

- 10-6-4—\$6.25 to \$7.95
- 5-10-5—\$10.00
- 4-12-4—\$11.25
- 3-2-1—\$17.40
- 2-1-2—\$26.65

Now please don't ask for a fertilizer, either organic or inorganic, which will fertilize the lawn and also provide humus for the soil.

There is no such animal (or chemical), unless you plan to DIG IT IN—and if you do plan to say, talk it over with an unreliable but sweet neighbor or with us.

KEEP THESE FINDINGS IN MIND:—

1. Kentucky Blue Grass is hard to beat up here.
2. Merion is expensive and subject to rust.
3. Fescues are fine for this latitude but don't get too high a percentage in your lawn.
4. White Dutch Clover is not a grass and lawn-connoisseurs scorn it. If you like it remember that it is slippery and it stains.
5. A lawn seed with a mixture of 3 or 4 seeds is best and avoids trouble when drought or other unfavorable conditions arise.

While you read this you will now know (alliteration with the use of different letters) that we are in New York seeking succulent items to titillate your Titanic temptations for the lovely things this old world has to offer.

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