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Lake Huron Boating Tragedy Claims Two Walnut Lake Men

One Survives Four Days Lashed to Sailboat Mast

MARVIN L. MALLIS

DR. DONALD N. AIKEN

RICHARD A. GARDNER

Special to The Eccentric
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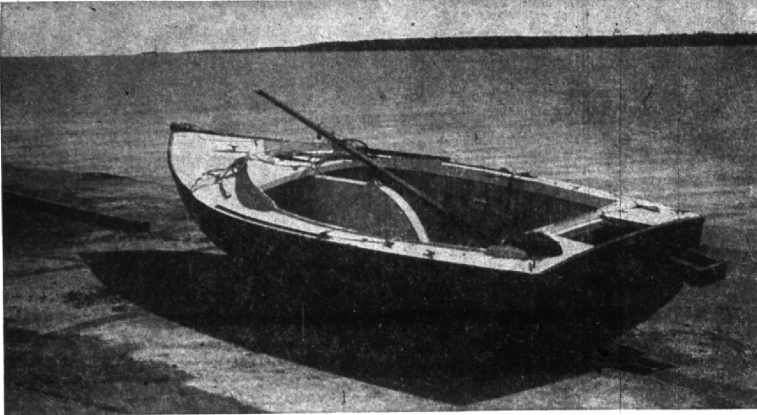
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This is the sailboat that carried two Walnut Lake men to their death last week on what began as a cruise from Cheboygan to Drummond island. A third Walnut Lake man survived four days lashed to the broken mast of the craft. The boat is pictured on the coal dock of the Port of Michigan Limestone division at Rogers City where it was towed.

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10-Year Wait Over For Pine St. Sewer

It and Raynale Jobs Ordered In

The Birmingham sewer that was scheduled for construction 10 years ago will be installed this winter. It will extend from Chesterfield east to Lake Park and Quarton lake.

This time, the city commission feels it will have sufficient money to do the job. Monday night, the commission passed the special assessment district over the protests of hundreds of property owners who claimed the city hadn't yet shown the need for them to share in paying for a sewer along Raynale, from Chesterfield to Willow lane.

THERE WAS no protest over the new Pine relief sewer. Both will require a present overload in the Chesterfield sewer, which is backing up into basements to the west.

The Pine and Raynale pipes also will be used for eventual storm drainage when lateral sewers are built along the area's north-south streets.

City Manager L. R. Gare said the construction could be done this winter.

OF THIS estimated \$138,000 project, residents will have to pay \$80,000, which will average from \$100 to \$200 a year.

City officials tried for two hours Monday night to explain why the project is needed. Practically all of the discussion centered around the inclusion of residences north of Oak and east of Chesterfield.

They said they could see no benefit because their basements were not flooded. They claimed they had no need for future lateral storm sewers, so should be exempted until the need arose.

THIS SEWER relief system had its beginnings in 1947, when the city commission formed a special assessment district for a Maple relief sewer and a subdivision sewer along Pine street.

The contractor started on the Maple sewer, ran into some quicksand, so the project cost more than anticipated. The money was "borrowed" from the Pine sewer fund, which was postponed. The \$5,000 left will be applied to the cost this year of the Pine sewer.

DURING THE intervening years, basements west of Chesterfield began flooding. Home construction to the north was overloading the Chesterfield line.

So the Pine project was enlarged. The Raynale sewer decided upon, both of which the city says, will provide present and/or future relief to the area north of Maple, south of Redding and west of Quarton lake.

How to assess benefits more equitably also caused some of the 10-year delay. City officials resolved the 500-week-long problem Monday. Assessments were confirmed. Bids will be sought immediately.

T. A. Kenning, Father of City Official, Dies

Theodore Albert Kenning, father of R. S. Kenning, Birmingham assistant City Manager, died Monday in Yakima, Wash., after a short illness.

Mr. Kenning was a retired accountant and very active in church work. Memorial services will be Monday, with burial in Indianapolis.

STRICTLY FRESH

Your judicious application of foresight is the other fellow's lucky guess.

The designer who called them "slacks" never got a real view of many of the women wearing 'em.

They call the drink a "cocktail" because, after four or five of them,

a fellow often starts to grow about himself.

Favorite gossip of ours says that to tell the truth, it's faster to spread the word than to tell a neighbor.

This and That

by George R. Averill

Once again the academic world of the U.S.A. opens its arms to receive millions of youths, most of whom seek knowledge of how to achieve economic security and a reasonable quantity of personal happiness. How far they will go and how much parents depend on to considerable extent on what academic leaders teach them... not only WHAT, but equally important HOW.

Considering the contemporary state of society, however, it appears that the academicians still have a long way to go before they achieve basically effective methods and curricula that will raise youth to the heights of dependable self-reliance and self-help in meetings most of life's problems.

In great glee, some Michigan officials related to the new Straits of Mackinac bridge report that they may be able to get the federal government to pay up to 90 million dollars of the total of 100 million cost of this structure. Originally, it was expected it would be paid for by toll charges. Evidently, somebody believes he has found Uncle Sam's "lift pouch" opened for a grab for the bridge. "Why not get as much as we can from Washington?" is the attitude of your average person, these days of "Christmas is every day in Washington, D. C." The only joker in this idea is that depends upon Washington weakens States' rights; it sends more dollars to Washington than the average state gets back. So the blind lead the blind and Freedom's Highway.

Thirty-one years ago Gen. Billy Mitchell was court-martialed by the U.S. Army for "insubordination in public discussing and accusing his superiors of criminal negligence and almost treasonable conduct" in not emphasizing the need for development of greater air power. Today the U.S. Army's top brass may remove the court-martial stain from Mitchell's record, as it certainly should. No man ever uttered truer prophetic words than did Billy Mitchell on a subject that he knew so well.

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Here the travelers received their dinner and breakfast at the hostel to sleep which cost about 25 cents a night. One hostel, in which Tony and his group spent the night was in an old castle. Here they had to sleep on straw-stuffed burlap sacks, but the castle was so interesting in itself that no one minded the inconvenience.

IN ONE SWISS village the housemother at the hotel had only 10 eggs, a week-old head of cabbage, 15 small potatoes and tea with which to feed 14 hungry travelers.

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After a typical lunch of sausage, cheese, bread, fruit and milk, they set out on their final cycling day. During the entire trip they rode their bikes 750 miles. They were

lucky, too, as it only rained on two bike-riding days.

WHILE IN Switzerland, the group took a train up the Jungfrau. In the mountains they could make snowballs and toss them into the 100-degree heat of the valley below.

Moat of their trip across Italy was by train because the traffic there was had.

In Italy they slept in student houses which are comparable to our college dormitories. Here as in the hostels, they had to be in bed by 10 p.m.

As so many tourists do, Tony had the pleasure of riding in a gondola, through the canals for which Venice is so famous. While

visiting this city, he took in two concerts.

IN MILAN, as in Cologne, they visited the beautiful cathedrals. Next they went to Austria where they witnessed the annual festival of an Austrian village, the beauty of the Tyrolean Alps and a Viennese opera.

In Salzburg, the birthplace of Mozart, Tony visited Eckhard Mozart, who was an exchange student at Birmingham high school two years ago. He had dinner and supper together and Eckhard told him of his plans to enter the University of Vienna this fall.

From Austria they rode to Germany and went by bike and steamer up the castle-speckled Rhine valley and ended their cycling in Cologne.

BEFORE LEAVING by train for Brussels, they spent three days in Munich where, as in Paris, they stayed in hotels so they could enjoy the night life of the intriguing cities.

On Aug. 20 they again boarded a charter plane with the 83 other youth and returned to New York City.

Six in Tony's group were from the Detroit area. The others were from four other states.

Tony, who was graduated last June from Hillsdale, will begin working on his masters in business administration at the University of Michigan this month.

Birmingham Hosteler Tours W. Europe on Bike

By MARY WILDE

Bicycling through mountain passes, taking in an opera, sleeping in an abandoned castle and attending an Austrian festival were among the many things which made this summer so enjoyable for Tony Pew.

Tony Pew, the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Pew, 320 Sullfield, Birmingham, spent two months in Europe with nine other youth hostel travelers.

The five boys and five girls left New York June 22 on a chartered plane carrying 53 young hostellers to London. The large group split into smaller groups which made several different trips.

FROM LONDON Tony's group went to Switzerland. Here they cycling began. Carrying their 30 pounds of belongings in saddle, flight and tool bags, the group made its way toward Italy.

Tony had his bike stolen in Lucerne, but was lucky — the police found it. Another member of his group was less fortunate when in Cologne his bike was stolen with all his belongings including movie camera and souvenirs.

The hostellers took in a Swiss festival which featured bands, dance groups and yodelers.

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Rhine River Background

Cycling tourist Tony Pew stopped in Cologne, Germany, and with Rhine river in the background, posed for a photograph.

Parade to Highlight Civil Defense Week

The highlight of this year's civil defense week observance in Birmingham will again be a parade which Birmingham Jaycees, again sponsoring the program, promise will be "bigger and better," according to President Richard Ernst.

Civil defense week this year is slated from Sept. 15 through 21, with the parade Thursday night, Sept. 19. Ernst, as appointed by Schultz, 1609 Washington, Birmingham, general chairman of this year's observance, Harry Winston, Al Keogh, and Dick Chesbrough will assist him.

Civil defense emblems will be displayed on downtown streets. Programs will be held in service clubs, drills will be conducted in schools, and literature on home preparedness will be distributed throughout the community.

PURPOSE OF THE weeklong

observance is to mark the year-round contribution of civil defense workers, and to make the public civil defense conscious.

Units in this year's parade will include bands, military units, contingents in which city, county state and civil defense officials will ride. Also in the parade will be Birmingham's Birmingham queen selected from many applicants, plus emergency road, fire and disaster units.

All of the items being distributed are supplied by the Birmingham Jaycees. One-day service, ROYAL MAT, and "MAYDAY," Dial "90" and ask for Extension 4318.

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