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Motorists who claim they can

The greatest sin in sincerity is in not being.

Reopen W. Maple In About 3 Weeks

The Birmingham Eccentric



Graduation Here For 497 B'ham **High Seniors**

Size Sets Record; Ceremony at 10 AM

List of Graduates on Page 5-B

Birmingham high school loses the largest single block of udents in its history this morning as it graduates 497

DR. DWIGHT B. Ireland, Bir-ningham Superintendent of chools, will award the long-sought

THE REV. Allen E. Wittrup, associate pastor of the first Methodist church, Birmingham is offer-

the gift on the school's behalf.

PENELOPE BALL is the pianist, Steve Taylor the organist, and
Gwendolyn Fett, woral soloist.

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Executive and educator, Dr. Anspach, commencement speaker, became Central Michigan president
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schools, will award the long-sought diplomas. Special student citations will receive their third and last official cerve their third and last official control of the second of the seco



onlist church, hirmongain is owner. Thomas Brown vice-president is presenting the class grift in the place of class president Harry Klimusother Victoria a fatal footback of the student congress, is accepting the gift on the school's behalf.

To Children at Symbol of the end of the high selection at Public Library

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Ionia May Release

Phantom Sniper's

Gary Addison Taylor, the 23 year-old "phantom sniper" who terrorized area women two years ago, may be released this week from Ionia State hospita for the series ago, may be released this week from Ionia State hospita for the series of their state and the doctor conferred Wednesday.

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Eccentric Is Nation's Top Weekly 2nd Time suburban weekly, the fifth time in six

School Tax Loss Hit

By New B of E Member

The Birmingham Eccentric again is the nation's top weekly newspaper.

At a banquet in Colorado Springs Wednesday night, the National Editorial Association named The Eccentric the nation's 1955 first place winner for suburban weeklies and those over 6,000 circulation. This contest classification is the pacesetter for the weekly field.

Second place went to the Riverhead (N.Y.) News Review, third to the Park Forest (Ill.) Star.

THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC also was adjudged the nation's top weekly by the NEA in 1955. In 1956, The Eccentric won second place in a special sweepstakes contest limited to previous year's winners of NEA weekly general excellence con-

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By JULIE CANDLER Staff Writer

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In making this years awaru, unjudges commented:

"An extremely well-edited paper which utilizes to best advantage good headline dress, pictures, and departmental news in its makeup.

The news stories are well-written, with carefully prepared headlines, and the front page, sectional pages, and inside pages have a pleasing appearance."

GENERAL EXCELLENCE judging is based on over-all quality of general and departmental news, mechanical excellence, advertising enterprise, editorial page, general appearance make-up and style, pictures, and promotion of community interests.

The NEA is holding its annual summer convention June 17-20 in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Robber Returns

To Crime Scene,

Arts Festival 'Success', Say Top Chairmen

Format Established:

By GEORGE WM. AVERILL

Birmingham's second annual Arts Festival went into the archives Sunday as being vastly improved over last year's event, but with several new aspects which need strengthening by next year.

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This was evidenced in comments which three top Festival
officials made after the June 6-14 event closed Sunday.

They are Festival Chairman Harvey A. Kresge, Bloomfield Arts Association President Paul N. Averill, and last
year's Festival chairman and BAA past president, Robert A.

Thom.

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Meets Police Chief BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

APPOINTMENT OF a Festival chairman early in the fall, to permit more time to obtain chairmen and events.

Display of flags and use of a sound system on downtown Birmingham streets on all Festival days.

Spot Some Weaknesses

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Crowded Colleges Still Seek Answer Savs U-M's Lewis

Will Ask County To Reconsider

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Ask him what he thinks about the control of the solid state of the so

WHEN H6 discussed the county-township-school bassle over tax monies in Oakland county, Coombe turned eventually to an over-ail with the company of the con-"The whole system of govern-ment in the United States," said the former political science major going a very intensive scrutiny going a very intensive scrutiny from people who are sick and tired of allegiance to village, county, township, school district, and output

B'ham Hi Schools Named for Seaholm, Groves





