

In Finances, Too, Ed. Starts Here

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Instead of a dad sitting down, a quarter of a century ago in '34, and figuring out just what sending his son away for some more learning would cost, Junior (in most cases) said: "If I have anything left over after the academics are sent to you and Mom will let it to help take you over."

THE ITEMS he labeled "incidentals" include the deepest impression of this freshman who packed everything he owned in one suitcase before hitch-hiking off to school.

Nothing more than board, room, books, pencils, stamps and tablets. (Many got the \$10.00 tuition fee, per term, paid free when no 'C's' showed on the high school record or if one fell in the upper third of the graduating class.)

"Don't you fret about me," Junior said back in '34 and even though he was only just nineteen he had already lived in a home for over a year where the closing of Bank Doors in the spring of '33 had put a high premium on ten dollar bills, jobs, and making the simple act of setting a well rounded dinner table quite a chore, financially, for his parents.

WAS IT ANY wonder this freshman considered himself a "Chosen One" that year when he was able to register with some regularity? He felt almost guilty. Many of his chums were clearing forest and wash land up north for the government; the two men who had worked for his Dad were cleaning city streets, half days only. They both supported families. On the ten dollars they got, without much difficulty it'd be easy to pick this particular junior out of the crowd of adults who are living matured lives today.

The boy who signed in as a freshman in '34 with not much more than the first days' meals assured and with not much more than education.

WE were the lucky ones.

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Calvin M. Chamberlain, president of the Chamberlain Real Estate Co., presents to A. J. Richter, vice-president and general manager, tickets for an all-expense-paid vacation in Florida for Mr. Richter and his wife, Chamberlain said this trip is in "recognition for a substantial gross sales increase in 1959." The Chamberlain offices are located at 975 S. Hunter.

To Present DSA To 'Man of Year'

Nominations are now being accepted by the Birmingham Junior Chamber of Commerce for the outstanding man of the year.

The JayCees present the Distinguished Service award (D.S.A.) annually to the man between 21 and 35 years of age who is judged to have made the most outstanding contributions of time and effort to civic affairs, local organizations and church groups.

Nomination blanks have been mailed to all local clubs and churches. Blanks can also be obtained from the chamber of commerce, 124 S. Woodward.

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NORTH ADAMS—A new addition to the Christmas scene along North Adams road arrived this year when a brightly-illuminated Santa Claus and his reindeer appeared on the front lawn of the C. Allen Harrison residence, 3535 N. Adams.

Vesper Service

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Another motor van bore the admonition printed on its tailgate: "If you can't stop in time, smile as you go under."

These and similar messages of grim humor are the truckers' way of warning the driver behind to stay away from trouble. They refer to one of the most common driving habits found on the streets and highways today, a habit which often leads to death and injury, that of "following too closely."

To all attention to this dangerous practice, the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police are putting up 15,000 posters throughout the state devoted to the "Bumper Pusher" in their continuing program of characterizing drivers who are unwelcome in Michigan.

THE ACCIDENT record of the Bumper Pusher is bad—with 12 killed and 2,440 injured last year, representing a total loss of \$1.6 million.

But the accident statistics tell only a small part of the Bumper Pusher's record. Police point out that few traffic tickets are issued for this violation until an accident has resulted and even then, the violation more immediate to the accident. Yet following two close calls, the driver is almost inevitable.

In all accidents involving this violation, half are in rural and half in urban locations, but the injuries are generally more severe in the rural areas.

THE POLICE POSTERS suggest certain defensive measures the good driver can adopt when overtaken by a Bumper Pusher. First attempt to warn him off by flashing brake lights "on and off" rapidly. This may alert the following driver who hasn't realized he's getting too close.

If this doesn't work, police suggest that the driver pull over to the side of the road and let the Bumper Pusher pass. Sudden stops in front of the Bumper Pusher should be avoided as he hasn't room to stop in time.

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Elizabeth, then 21, had come with her brother Thomas and aunt Ruth Evans to settle in a log cabin in rolling country between Adrian and Tecumseh.

"OH, HOW I wish there could be with me, if only for the space of one hour, the exquisite religious quietness of these solitary places!" she wrote to the Houghton, a friend back in Philadelphia. "I never elsewhere felt such a stillness. There are varieties even of silence and I dare say that has felt it so."

"Contrast the hush of a starry midnight with that of a moonlit evening, or of one of our religious meetings, or of an open field—and they have each their own peculiar charm. But the stillness I speak of is like none of these—and must be felt in order to be understood."

She found Detroit "a rather dirty looking place," but thought the log cabin government's mansion had "the appearance of a gentleman's residence." The next morning they set out for Tecumseh.

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