



Edison Honors Scholar

Paul W. Kasameyer (center), 6320 Worthington, Birmingham, looks over a thermo-electric generator with Detroit Edison Co. President Walker L. Ciesler (left) and Peter Cook of the company's employment department. Kasameyer, a graduate of Bloomfield Hills High School and a first-year student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was among Edison scholarship winners honored last week at a luncheon in Detroit. Edison sponsored 11 college study grants which are awarded annually on the basis of scholastic ability, character, citizenship and school activities.

Ohio-to-Bridge Freeway Passes Two-Thirds Mark

LANSING—Construction of the 330-mile Ohio-to-Mackinac Bridge Freeway has passed the two-thirds mark.

State Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie said recent completion of 34 miles of the freeway now gives motorists more than 200 miles of freeway between the Michigan-Ohio line and the Mackinac Bridge.

Sections of the highway recently opened to traffic include 25 miles of US-10 between Midland and Clare and nine miles of US-23 between Harland in Livingston County and Fenton in Genesee County.

THE OHIO-Mackinac Bridge Freeway is made up of a combination of superhighway—US 23, US-10, US-27 and Interstate 75. Nearly 100 miles of the freeway route continues from Harland to the community of Waters in Oregon County. This section bypasses Flint, Saginaw, Bay City, Midland, Clare, Harrison, Houghton Lake and Grayling.

The remaining 75 miles under construction on the Ohio-Mackinac Bridge Freeway are scheduled to be completed by the end of the year providing a continuous superhighway from the Michigan-Ohio line near Sylvania, Ohio, to the Straits of Mackinac.

Behind The Store Fronts

With ANGUS MCKELLAR

The work habits of a lifetime are not erased nor forgotten in the space of a couple of years retirement, and so it is that Louis Frank is once again actively engaged in the work he loves. He is now back in the men's and boy's clothing business with son Martin at the old firm of Higgins and Frank at 288 W. Maple.

Louis Frank started working at 14 years of age with the men's outfitting firm of Kaskel & Kaskel in New York City. Of that era of 1906, he paints a vivid picture of spirited horses which pulled carriages along the avenue . . . of red-coated footmen assisting the elite of the day in slighting.

He recalls serving members of old, famous New York families: the Astors, Rockefellers and the Morgans, to name a few.

ALSO FREQUENT visitors to the store were Ted Lincoln, then vice president of the Pullman Co. and Elbert H. Gary, who organized the giant U.S. Steel Co. and whose name is perpetuated at Gary, Ind.

For a time, Frank entertained youthful dreams of an engineering career at about the time the Panama Canal was being constructed. He studied civil engineering part-time at Coopers Union.

But retailing, and the love of working with people, won out. When Kaskel & Kaskel finally went out of business, Frank took over their Chicago store. In 1923, together with William Higgins and John Deussen, he founded the Higgins and Frank store on Washington Blvd. in Detroit, with the avowed determination to handle only the best in quality merchandise.

AT THIS beginning of a brand new year, we look back momentarily to salute those who have either opened new business establishments, or branches, in the Birmingham area during 1961.

The list is impressive, and includes: The Pancake House, on S. Woodward; Mister Pastry bakery, on W. Maple; Demery's; The Albert Sheetz Candy Co., 820 S. Woodward; Tabro Glass, Inc., at 588 S. Woodward; and Bob Burst took over the Bob Frost Lincoln-Mercury dealership; Jack Lawrence & Bojar Collision, at 260 S. Woodward; Frank's Nursery opened a new branch on S. Wood-

Nature Now

(Continued from 3-D) Periodically great ice caps have formed in the polar regions only to creep down from the north to erode both plants and animals and to change the contours of large areas of the land.

earth changes each succeeding geological age has presented its own living conditions which in turn have molded the plant and animal population. As the scientist views these changes he is impressed with the tremendous tenacity of the life force.

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Oakland Society Answers Dental Health Questions

February 4 through 10 is the 14th annual National Children's Dental Health Week. As part of the observance, The Birmingham Eccentric, in cooperation with the Oakland County Dental Society, today begins a series of typical questions asked about dental health and authoritative answers.

Is thumbucking harmful? My daughter is two years old and sucks her thumb when she is going to sleep.

Dental and medical authorities generally agree that thumbucking in the young child in itself is not bad.

There is a strong basic instinct in the infant for sucking. This instinct is one of the largest factors in the start of thumb and finger sucking.

Because of this, when a young infant starts to thumbuck after a feeding, the usual suggestion is to prolong the feeding—by using nipples with smaller holes, for example, in the case of bottle-fed babies.

A pacifier may be of help in this regard. Thumbucking can be harmful when it is practiced (1) vigorously and (2) during the eruption of the permanent incisors—from the age of about six to nine years. Under these circumstances malocclusion or protruding teeth can result.

My child is six months old and does not have any teeth yet. Is there something wrong with him?

No. Eruption of the first teeth

may start as early as the fourth month and as late as the eighth and still be considered normal.

Some authorities believe that teeth erupt and are shed earlier in slender children than in stocky children, but even here there are exceptions.

The first teeth to erupt are the lower central incisors. The first molars erupt about the time the child is a year old.

All of the 20 deciduous (first) teeth are normally present by the time the child is two and a half or three years old.

This is when the first visit to the dentist, for an inspection, should be scheduled.

It should also be noted that eruption of the teeth has no relationship to intelligence, old wives' tales to the contrary.

When the dentist cleans and scales my teeth, doesn't that scrape off enamel? Can't teeth be damaged this way?

No . . . to both questions! There is no evidence that dental prophylaxis is harmful to the teeth. On the other hand, there is very definite evidence that it is beneficial.

Cleaning of the teeth in this way prevents a dangerous accumulation of calculus on the teeth.

In this cleaning the most important factor is the careful removal of deposits (sometimes called tartar) from around each individual tooth. This is an important measure in preventing periodontal (gum) diseases.

Don't delay. See your doctor for annual physical checkup and protect yourself from cancer. Free information and services in connection with any cancer problem may be obtained from the Michigan Cancer Foundation office in Berkeley or in Pontiac. Check your local phone book.

Strom Joins Area Realtors

Allen A. Strom, 1130 Wakefield, Birmingham, has joined Bernat, Etter & Van Maaren, Inc., Birmingham realtors, as an associate broker.

Strom, who formerly operated the Strom Co. Realtors and Insurers in Royal Oak, has been in the real estate business 16 years.

As a member of the Birmingham firm, he will continue in the residential brokerage and appraisal field, concentrating on the Birmingham-Bloomfield area.

HE HAS HELD various offices as an active member of the North Woodward Board of Realtors, including chairman of the Multiple Listing Service, president of the board in 1957 and director of the Michigan Real Estate Association.

He is a member of the Birmingham Lions Club, a major in the Air Force Reserve and a member of the First Methodist Church.

Strom and his wife, Skeets, who have been Birmingham residents for 11 years, have three daughters, Sandy, 16, Linda, 13, and Lori, 5.

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