

I know a young couple who adopted a baby boy a year ago; they seem happier than they were before, when they adopted another, this time a girl, they'll be happier still.

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Memorial Day Services In Village Impressive

Birmingham paid its annual tribute to its war dead last Thursday in the Decoration Day ceremonies. While business in the village ceased for the day, a service was held in the Baldwin High school followed by a street parade and prayers at Greenwood cemetery.

A plea for a Christ-like patriotism was made by the Rev. R. E. Seacer, pastor of the Lutheran Church, who gave the Memorial address in the High School. Christ was a patriot, he said, urging that the patriotism of Americans be modeled after His.

Many Parade

Nine organizations were represented in the parade which followed the services. The program was under the auspices of the Charles Edwards Post of the American Legion with Lloyd L. Stanley, commander.

It was led by the police department. Next in line was the fire department, which appeared in uniform for the first time in any Birmingham parade. Staid and dignified came the Baldwin High School band under the direction of A. W. Berndt.

H. A. O'Dell was marshal of the parade, then came the boy scouts, Girl Reserves and school children. Taps were blown at the Greenwood cemetery and a salute fired.

Prayers Offered

The following Birmingham pastors offered prayer at the service: the Rev. L. M. Atkins, pastor of the First Methodist Church, the Rev. Warren L. Forsyth, rector of St. James Episcopal Church, and the Rev. David Leon Woodward, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

The talk given by the Rev. Seacer follows:

"In Scotland there was a battlefield on which the natives and their Saxon foes met in a terrible encounter. No monument marks the spot today, but a stung, little, blue flower grows there and there alone. It is called the flower of 'Culloden field,' because it sprang from soil in which the bodies of patriots were buried. The seeds were there of course, but they needed the baptism of blood to make them grow. And now every blue flower on Culloden field, as it bends its head to the summer breeze, is a tender memorial of the brave spirits who dyed the soil with their lives.

"So, I feel that the choicest flowers of human civilization are always Culloden flowers; they spring alone from soil that has been watered by sacrifice. Freedom is one such choice flower; Religious liberty is another. Christianity is another that sprang from the blood-drenched ground at the foot of the cross. He who is not willing to bring a sacrifice is not worthy of his inheritance as a citizen. No man has begun to be a real citizen of the Republic until his citizenship has cost him something. We must feed our sacred institutions even as our heroes dead fed freedom with sacrifice.

"And not only should we call to remembrance their sacrifice, but we should let their patriotic spirit inspire a similar one in us. This day has very properly been called Memorial Day. As we strew the graves of our patriots dead with flowers, mingling our tears with their heroic dust, two words seem to greet us as if written on some immortal tablets. They are 'memory' and 'duty.'

Memories

"Decoration Day can never cease to elicit tender memory. In the annals of American history no more noble day can be remembered than that 30th day of May; 'til day when the flowers of Southern Chivalry gave up its battle sword to the silent soldiers of Appamatox. And let us not forget that many precious lessons of that day will be well nigh lost to our memory if we fail to keep in thoughtful recollection our brave defenders, who now lie sleeping in their silent tents of green. Let us today call them to remembrance. Let us if possible, recall their names and repeat them over with reverence and respect. Let us recount their deeds, describe their battles, tell of their valor, and crown their graves with their country's flags and with flowers symbolic of our love and sincerest devotion.

Remember Loved Ones

"It is not that we, manly, or womanly, or even human, to forget, as it is to remember our loved ones. Every memorial shows a nobility, a tenderness, and a greatness of heart. Hence, may we not hope that the heart of this our blessed nation is softened in sympathy and true greatness in

Glimpses

at and about BIRMINGHAM
By RAYMOND GIRARDIN

NEARLY TWO MONTHS HAVE SKITHERED BY SINCE the blessed moment and, I have been asked many questions about the automobile which once shone.

There have been suggestions as to the best grade of air for the tires, and other valuable information of this kind offered by friends. There have been presents—balloons and dark glasses from very kind persons who always want to do something.

I may as well record some info. In six weeks the car has acquired three dents. One from a high curb in Ferndale; one from joining bumpers with a person I had never before had the pleasure of meeting, and a third which is deep and mysterious. One bump every two weeks would be 26 at the end of the year. A car of that size with 26 bumps will indeed be a very interesting spectacle. If one sorts the bumps carefully—

Literature and the automobile must go hand in hand for the car came an interesting book on mechanisms. If I read the book I should probably know all about the car, how to take it apart and put back its parts and what to do when it stopped. However, I managed to lose the book the first day. It may be the fate of most worthy contributions to a nation's prose. I loaned it to someone and it never was returned. When I saw the interested person had a firm grip on the book, I mouthed my frothing steed and dashed across the plains for all heigh ho!

Instead of the book I have a pillow and a tin of hard tack. I am determined not to starve to death when it fails.

In Toledo, one time, I attempted to repair an engine. Its trouble was diagnosed as water in or on the carburetor and I was attentive when a garage man, a half mile away, gave me instructions. An hour later he passed and called my attention to the fact I was not working on the carburetor at all.

However, I have learned to manipulate the top. It gives me considerable satisfaction to demonstrate how adept I am at putting it up or down. I learned all about the top some time ago. To do so, I had to reason this way: a pessimist would leave it up all summer, fearing the rain. An optimist would take it down—and get wet.

I merely got good and sunburned.

One has a good many things to ponder. A gentleman with a dark eye and an amazingly large number of children doors in front of me in Woodward avenue Decoration Day. It must have been some kind of excruciation, for the assembly was busy eating bananas. It occurred to me the gentleman was quite fugal to provide bananas enough to be attacked with such abandon by so many persons. The gentleman drove his car into the rear of another car which was almost as thoroughly tenacious.

The driver of the first car seized a sledge hammer and chased the family man across a field. It was interesting to see how obnoxious the family man became to the intense heat of the day and the possibility of indignation induced by such violent exercise after so wild a banana orgy.

Lessons can be learned from such incidents; lessons in conduct, diplomacy and gastronomy.

But the sad part of it all is that now people take the machine as a matter of course and no longer am I able to bring about that gasty open-mouthed condition by saying, "See. This is mine. What is more, I drive the thing."

The glamor of the show has rusted. The eagerness which greeted the rising of the curtain has turned into a silence maccabre. The audience is turning its teed back. My act, alas, has been brief.

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ASK CHLORIDE FOR STREETS

Petitions Filed With Manager For Work In Village

Petitions for placing chloride on village streets are in the hands of Manager James W. Parry and the work is scheduled to start. The petitioners pay the cost and the village shares the cost of the work on street intersections.

All gravel roads in Oakland County maintained by the road commission will be treated with chloride this year for the first time, according to announcement today.

Two factors are paramount in the decision to include all gravel roads in the program: the comfort of motorists and residents along the roads and the safety factor makes such work imperative as dust on untreated roads often completely screens fast moving traffic.

Placing of the chloride has already started. The first to be placed in the spring is through villages and for a few hundred feet on either side of railroad crossings.

Main highways will be treated several times during the summer; less important roads twice and roads with light travel will be given but one treatment.

The county now has about 350 miles of gravel roads and will treat all of this except state trunk lines, which are treated under the supervision of the state department.

Robert Brown, 15, San Francisco Boy Scout, has 56 merit badges and has already graduated from high school.

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RECKLESS DRIVING BRINGS TWO FINES

Appearing on reckless driving charges in Justice Floyd S. Buck's court two men paid fines of \$15 each with an alternative of a 10 day jail sentence.

They were: Raleigh Ward, 1937 Poplar street, Flint, arrested Sunday by Patrolman Inna Banks; and Joe Fooks, 402 Wetherbee street, Flint, arrested Friday by Sergeant Delos Anderson.



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