

I may not do all the things that I think of, but I do do things today little bit better than I did yesterday, and more people are made aware of them than I am making progress.

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# THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

"I have only 10 minutes and hardly know where to begin," said the speaker. "Begin at the ninth minute!" shouted a bored man in the back of the hall—Ezra.

Loyalty to his friends, either in the line of politics, is one of the virtues of Mr. H. H. Chittenden, the newspaperman. He has this to say about his friend, Frank D. Fitzgerald, present secretary of state—

Prayer Of An Outdoor Man  
I thank Thee for the fragrance of the forest trees I lift my arms to pray; by the babbling brook and singing birds I raise my voice in praise.

I thank Thee for the solitude of wild places, the strength of the hills and the calmness of quiet valleys.  
I thank Thee for old clothes, rough work, and the right to let my hair grow.  
I thank Thee for the curling smoke of a campfire in the early morning.  
I thank Thee for steaming coffee, signaling bacon and an outdoor appetite.

I thank Thee for the wish of my paddle, and the joy of watching fleecy clouds race by.  
I thank Thee for the call of a whistler lake at dusk, across a silent lake.  
I thank Thee for silvery moonbeams on rippling water.  
I thank Thee for the singing of my reel and the ruffling of my rod as a Big One strikes.  
I thank Thee for the contentment that comes with the patter of rain on my tent at night.  
I thank Thee for wild blackberries cooking on an old stump fence.  
I thank Thee for my dogs, my gun, and the flaming colors of the autumn woods.  
I thank Thee for wild ducks flying south against a dull grey sky.  
I thank Thee for the glory and majesty of the stars.  
I thank Thee for strong winds peeling at my hair, roots and feet.  
I thank Thee for the lake on my chest.  
I thank Thee for old trails, for the rattle of a rifle, and for a glimpse of deer drinking in a secluded pool.  
I thank Thee for the drum of the partridge, for squirrels, trailing arbats, the aroma of pine needles, and the hush of the forest during the other eternal miracles of the out-of-doors—Wilfred Peterson.

Jefferson Williamson, author of the book, "The American Hotel," is authority for the following data concerning the habits of souvenir hunters.  
One New York hotel loses nearly 4,000 napkins a month worth \$125 a piece. Another New York hotel reports a loss of \$48,000 a year by the loss of 3,000 napkins worth 30 cents average loss per guest, and still another has found that about 100,000 napkins are lost during a national convention in Cleveland, a few years ago, one hotel is said to lose 500,000 semi-staple spoons, and another 600,000 spoons. The losses from a national convention two years ago amounted to \$33,000.  
The secretary of the Ohio Hotel Association gathered figures showing that the hotels in his membership lost approximately 20,000 napkins a month on an unadmittedly citing similar figures. All large hotels have heavy losses. It is part of the overhead. These losses are not caused by any particular type of guest, but by all classes. Three years ago the Milwaukee Railroad opened a resort hotel in Montana. Many invited guests were disappointed by the promise of a loss by theft on that occasion amounted to \$1,800.

One guest can, through pure vandalism, cause a hotel a loss of several hundred dollars, as did the late Enrico Caruso in 1907 when he buried his artistic temperament, he smashed the clock in his apartment because the ticking was so annoying. This upset 225 clock run by a master system. The entire system was out of order for several hours and extra repairs were necessary.

## ECENTRIC TO KEEP UP THE REVOLUTION

Will Use Proceeds To Promote Education In Temperance

ALL FUNDS OFFERED

(A national advertising agency recently asked The Eccentric whether it would accept national liquor advertising. The following article is The Eccentric's reply.)

Any and all revenue accruing to The Birmingham Eccentric from the publication of national liquor advertising will be used to promote temperance education.

Amount Indefinite  
"We have no way of course how much this revenue will be especially for the first year," Mr. Eccentric said.

"Any recognized organization of established identity, in which the revenue will be used to enter the contest. This includes public as well as semi-public organizations, churches, clubs, societies, lodges or other organized groups."

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Whether or not there will be any revenue from this contest, we do not know. If there is none, after the first year, there will be nothing for the advertiser to pay. The amount of revenue, there is thought to be a thousand for education."

## Birmingham Group Visits Washington

Baldwin High Alumni Students To Return To City 4-Day Trip

A group of 33 Baldwin High School students and alumni who left Sunday morning on a trip to Washington, D. C., were scheduled to return this morning, having spent four days and nights seeing the sights of the nation and other points of interest.

## CITY TAXES DUE JULY 1

Statements For 1934 Levy To Be Mailed Late This Week

Statements for the city's 1934 tax levy will be mailed the latter part of this week, it was announced yesterday by City Treasurer Harold Crandell.

The general tax levy this year is \$2,000,000 and the rate is \$1.68. Since the city's 1934 valuation was definitely fixed, treasury department employees have been working constantly to prepare the 10,000 statements for mailing before the first of the month.

To date, the city has cleared about \$350,000 in taxes by this method, including both general and special assessments. Mr. Crandell said.

## SPEDING DRIVE BRINGS RESULTS

Motorists Are Travelling Slower In Residential Districts, Chief Hackett Says

Although no arrests have been made thus far as the direct result of the campaign begun by police last week against speeding in the residential districts, the drive has had definite beneficial results, in the opinion of Chief John P. Hackett.

## DRAGGED TO OPEL MONDAY

FERA To Pay Salaries Of 18 Supervisors And Assistants

With the program already definitely approved by FERA officials in both Pontiac and the Birmingham's summer playground project, supported in large part by federal funds, will get under way Monday with the opening of the Barnum swimming pool.

## ONLY A FEW HOWLERS

Not more than one out of a dozen dogs are howling at the noise-maker, Parry said.

The Birmingham Lions Club, however, has agreed to assume the responsibility of raising funds for the program if the cost is estimated at \$450.

In addition to supplies for the swimming pool, however, the program will require approximately \$20,000 for playground and other supplies. Mr. Crandell has estimated.

## DEPOSITORS SLOW TO FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM

At least 10 per cent of the 6,000 depositors have filed proofs of claim for their deposits, according to Chief Hackett.

Claims were filed by depositors when the bank was in the hands of a federal conservator. The Birmingham Young Republican Club was organized Tuesday night at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Bailey.

## Young Republican Club Formed Here, 120 Strong

With approximately 120 members enrolled, the Birmingham Young Republican Club was organized Tuesday night at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Bailey.

## Captivity Irks Both Dogs and Neighbors

Canines Howl; Neighbors Complain—Commission Ponders What To Do

What to do with dogs that insist on howling their canine Prisoner's Song from cages in the police garage in the Municipal Building, where they are impounded until their owners or destroyers, is one of the City Commission's chief concerns.

## Contract For City Being Drawn By Mayor's Firm

No member of the Commission or any officer of the city will be interested, directly or indirectly, in any contract, franchise, job, work or service (other than official services), or the profits therefrom, nor shall he receive any compensation (other than official compensation) for any work or service rendered by the city, except as may be in this charter expressly authorized or permitted.

The Detroit law firm of Kaco, Haas and Allen, of which Mayor Harry Allen is a member, has been retained to draw up a legal contract to cover the division of joint assets and liabilities of Birmingham, the Hills and Bloomfield Township.

## CITY WILL SPEND JULY 4 QUIETLY

No Celebration Planned Here; Busy Day Seen For Golf Clubs And Lakes

Another quiet Fourth of July is in store for Birmingham next Tuesday with no public fireworks or demonstration planned.

## NEXT WEEK'S PAPER OUT THURSDAY P. M.

Excentric's regular press day, next week's issue will not be published Wednesday night for delivery Thursday morning.

## HAVE YOU MET?

Mr. and Mrs. Braul Gancy, formerly of Detroit, who are living at 297 Stratford street, have a 10-month-old daughter, Valerie Joan. Mr. Gancy is in the research department of the General Motors Corporation.

# Lions Club Musical Show, With Over 200 In Cast, To Aid Swimming Pool Fund

PLAY LEAD ROLES IN PAGEANT



Dr. J. B. Hassberger

Miss Charlotte Whalen



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## Comedy Pageant To Be Presented Friday, Saturday

PLAYERS NAMED

Special Performance For Children Set For Tonight

A special performance for children, to be given in the Baldwin High School Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock tonight, will inaugurate the three-night stand of "The World's All Right," the musical comedy pageant, now being sponsored by the Lions Club for the benefit of the Barnum swimming pool fund.

Performances for adults are to be given at 8:15 o'clock Friday and Saturday nights, in all Baldwin Auditorium. More than 200 people, including about 100 children, are taking part in the production, which is being conducted by the Lions Club for the benefit of the Barnum swimming pool fund.

The entire net proceeds of the three performances are to be used in operating the swimming pool, which is to be completed Monday for eight weeks. Admission to the children's performance tonight will be 50 cents. Reserved seats and general admission tickets for the two adult performances have been on sale for the past week.

Leading Players  
Dr. J. B. Hassberger and Miss Charlotte Whalen will appear in the leading roles. Dr. Hassberger, who is also a member of radio station W. A. R., where the action of the play takes place, and Miss Whalen as his secretary and fiancée.

Russell McBride and Mrs. W. C. Scott have the principal comedy roles. Other speaking parts are being played by William C. Hart, J. Brammer, Maxwell Spence, Dr. J. B. Hassberger, Raymond H. Peck, while the burden of the vocal work falls to roles played by Mrs. James Lee Bryant and Mrs. Carl Rupp.

Miss Elizabeth Heck will supply the piano for the musical numbers. Loren T. Robinson is in charge of costumes, while Mrs. Floy Swayne, Mrs. G. Dewey Kimball and Lester Sells.

Others who will appear in the production include: A quartet composed of Fred D. Farrar, John Luscumb, Fletcher Platt, and Howard E. Tugger. They will sing two songs, "Casey Jones" and "Oh! Millionaire."

A chorus of hill-billies, singing "My Blue Heaven," "Home, Home and "They Cut down the Old Pine Tree." The chorus is made up of Emmet, Ed, Fred, and W. W. Burkman, Maxwell Purdy, Harold Tishman, J. W. Hayman, Marley B. Bailey, Joe Thompson, "Casey Jones," and "Oh! Millionaire."

"Frankie and Johnnie" will be done in pantomime by four special characters, including W. L. H. Spence, W. A. R. Ray, Ed. W. Burkman, Miss Jean Daniels and four members of the American (Turn to Page 2, No. 1).

## Help Keep the Barnum Pool Open for the Summer!

Attend the Performance of Lion's Club Benefit "The World's All Right"

Friday and Saturday 8:15 P. M. BALDWIN HIGH SCHOOL.

Admission Adults 50c—Children 25c Reserved Seats at Shain's 7c.