# My New York

by

JAMES ASWELL

By Central Press

NEW YORK—Prejudices, 3,765th Series: For gnarled old news-dealers on chilly corners late at night, merrily remarking of the weather, politics and contemporary literature. Against the subway masher; lowest of this earth's creatures, whose tribe seems to be on the increase of late. For lonely old ladies taking doubtful spaniels out for air in the Greenwich Village dusk. Against "clip-joint" headwaiters who fawn on newspaper men while steadily chiseling cash customers.

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For small boys fleeing waterfront cops in the altogether as spring days make the East River with its spars and floating cabbage heads, substitute for the old swimming hole. Against the notion that "As Thousands Cheer," a pleasant enough revue if rather self-consciously sophisticated, is the greatest entertainment in the history of the world. For the notion that Helen Broderick, of the aforementioned opus, is the best comedienne in town. Against my regretable colleagues who favor night club openings with their presence only to howl and stomp and threaten reprisal unless they are placed not only at a ringside table in front of paying guests but actually in the line of the spotlight.

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**USEFUL INFORMATION**

I know you will want this important tid-bit against your next lollop into town: There is a smithy in West 67th street, where you can get your horse shod. Horse shoeing is the one service which has risen steadily in price through the depression. Twenty-five years ago the price was $2.50. Five years ago it was $7.50. But carry a ten-spot in your jeans when you drive Dobbin in for a pedicure next time.

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**DOUBLE EDGE**

A California reader sends a pleasant pat: "You can write about nothing and make it interesting—and you usually do." What? The more I read that over, the less it inflates me.

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**STUNT**

Parlor tricks are having another periodic surge into Manhattan favor. New Yorkers tear their hair most of the time trying to think up new ways to live with the clock without thinking, and salon magic is as good as any method. A booklet is out called "Fun at Cocktail Time"—which may mean suggestions for passing the time without the cocktails, and again it may not.

Anyhow, one of the tricks exposed therein enables the amateur eye-popper to dip his hand into a bowl of water and withdraw it perfectly dry. It's done by thinly sprinkling the hand with zinc sterate, or baby powder, first, and the water won't cling.

The result of the spread of this unremarkable whimsy is that druggists in fashionable neighborhoods are being puzzled these nights by the appearance of immaculate gentlemen in dress suits demanding tins of baby powder! Did I ever hint that the city was goofy?

**CONTRASTS**

The best view in New York—in the world, indeed, insofar as I have ogled it—is the vista from Riverside drive near the Washington Bridge at dawn, when the Hudson is pink, the Palisades a luminous slate, threatening and austere—and the spires of Manhattan wreathed like a fan dancer in half-concealing feathers of mist.

The most hideous aroma in town remains that to be encountered beneath the vast arches of the Brooklyn Bridge on a warmish afternoon. All around about the tanners, the dealers in raw hides and pelts, ply their trade.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 21st day of April, A. D. 1934.

Present: Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Brooke T. Bearss, Deceased.

Mark Bearss, administrator of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the fourth day of September, 1934, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

And it is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

DAN A. McGAFFEY, Judge of Probate.

(A True Copy.)
FLORENCE DOTY,
Deputy Probate Register.
Apr. 26, May 3-10.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 23th day of April, A. D. 1934.

Present, Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth M. Sager, Deceased.

John L. Sager, having filed a petition praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased, and that administration of said estate be granted to John L. Sager, the executor named in the will or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the 24th day of May, A. D. 1934, at 9 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof, for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

DAN A. McGAFFEY, Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
RUTH IMMICK HARBOLDT,
Register of Probate.
May 3-10-17

**NOTICE**

In pursuance of Section 1 of Chapter IX of the Charter of the City of Birmingham, Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the year 1934 will be completed on Saturday, May 5th, 1934.

Notice is also given that the Board of Review will meet on Thursday, and shall continue in session three days between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and eight o'clock P. M. on each of said days, for the purpose of hearing complaints from any persons deeming themselves aggrieved by their assessment and reviewing and correcting the assessment roll.

DONALD C. EGBERT,
City Assessor,
City of Birmingham
May 3-10.

## Wife Of Salesman Sues For Divorce

James P. Tomlinson, 947 Westwood drive, is the defendant in a divorce action filed in Oakland County Circuit Court by his wife, Mrs. Julia Ann Tomlinson, who charges that although he has an income of as high as $4,000 a month as sales representative for an eastern manufacturing company and spends large sums for his own comfort and entertainment he has failed to furnish his family with necessities.

Mrs. Tomlinson's bill also charges that Tomlinson beat her on several different occasions, and the court has issued an injunction to prevent him from annoying her or their four children. They were married in 1911 and separated Mar. 5, 1933, according to the suit.

**BLAZE DAMAGES ROOF**

A small hole was burned in the roof of the home of M. Kitchen, 388 Oakland avenue, Friday by fire caused by chimney sparks. Firemen estimated the damage at $10.

**CORRECTION**

Through error, an advertisement of the Consumers Power Company in last week's issue of The Eccentric stated that the Electrolux gas refrigerator "operates for only 2 cents a day." The advertisement should have read "4 cents a day." The Eccentric gladly takes this occasion to correct its error.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 11th day of April, A. D. 1934.

Present: Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah Jane Smith, Deceased.

Jennie S. Bailey, executrix of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the fourth day of September, 1934, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

DAN A. McGAFFEY, Judge of Probate.

A True Copy.
FLORENCE DOTY,
Deputy Probate Register.
Apr. 19, 26, May 3.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1934.

Present, Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Francis Ernest Carter, Deceased.

Equitable Trust Company, Trustee of said estate, having filed in said Court its annual account for period from December 2, 1932 to December 2, 1933 and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof;

It is Ordered, That the 14th day of May, A. D. 1934, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition;

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

DAN A. McGAFFEY, Judge of Probate.

(A True Copy.)
FLORENCE DOTY,
Deputy Probate Register.
Apr. 19, 26, May 3.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1934.

Present, Hon. Dan A. McGaffey, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Elizabeth M. Sager, Deceased.

John L. Sager, having filed a petition praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased, and that administration of said estate be granted to John L. Sager, the executor named in the will or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the 24th day of May, A. D. 1934, at 9 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof, for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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May 3-10-17

## KROGER COMPANY PLANS AIR SHOW

**Stores Here To Join In Two-Weeks' Celebration Of 52nd Anniversary**

The two Kroger stores in Birmingham will join with several thousand other Kroger stores throughout the mid-west and central states Friday in starting a two-weeks' celebration of the 52nd anniversary of the Kroger Grocery and Baking Company.

Gifts for customers, special sales and other appropriate features will be climaxed by a gigantic air exposition and food show in 21 key cities Sunday.

Birmingham people desiring to attend the air and food show, which is to be held at the Wayne County Airport, Detroit, may secure invitations from clerks in the local Kroger stores. The invitations will entitle the holders and their families to free admittance to the airport, and will be exchangeable there for souvenirs and merchandising coupons.

C. E. Weldon, manager of the Kroger store on West Maple avenue, said that events have been arranged for the entertainment of children as well as adults. One of the principal features, he said, will be a race between Detroit pilots, the winner to be awarded an enormous silver trophy.

**PROFESSOR TO SPEAK TO NEW MEN'S CLUB**

The initial meeting of a new men's club being organized at Christ Church Cranbrook, will be a dinner Tuesday evening at the Guild Hall. Col. Henry W. Miller, professor of engineering at the University of Michigan, will be the speaker.

John E. Martz, Attorney, 919 Dime Bank Building, Detroit, Michigan.

MORTGAGE SALE. Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by GEORGE H. MITCHELL and HANNAH E. MITCHELL, husband and wife, to MARY E. DEAN dated the 15th day of September, 1928, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of September, 1928 in Liber 547 of Mortgages on pages 112-15, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED and SEVENTY DOLLARS, and a reasonable attorney fee of Thirty-five dollars as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the monies secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided on MONDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF JUNE, 1934, at twelve o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, the undersigned will at the Easterly and main entrance on Saginaw Street to the Court House in the City of Pontiac, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland is held, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with Seven percent interest per annum, and all legal costs, together with said attorney fee, to-wit: Premises and property situated in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland and State of Michigan, described as Lot 17 Taber Addition to the Village of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats Page 53, Oakland County Register of Deeds Office. Said Plat is a part of West Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 26, Town 2 North, Range 10 East Michigan.

Dated: March 10th, 1934.

MARY E. DEAN, Mortgagee.

JOHN E. MARTZ,
Attorney for Mortgagee,
919 Dime Bank Building,
Detroit, Michigan.
Mar. 15-22-29, Apr. 5-12-19-26, May 3-10-17-24-31, June 7.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE—Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by OSCAR N. PRICE and ISPPEL PRICE, his wife, to THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, Rochester, Michigan, dated the 14th day of February, A. D. 1931, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on the 18th day of February, A. D. 1931, in Liber 667 of Mortgages, on page 433, which mortgage was assigned by the said The First National Bank, Rochester, Michigan, to D. M. FERRY, JR., by assignment dated August 5th, A. D. 1931 and recorded on September 28th, A. D. 1932 in Liber 717 of Mortgages, on page 299, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and declared to be due and payable at the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE AND 21/100 ($8255.21) DOLLARS, and no suit or proceedings at law or in Chancery having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the said mortgage, and pursuant to the Statutes of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on MONDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1934, at twelve o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the easterly or Saginaw Street entrance to the Oakland County Building in the City of Pontiac, Oakland County, Michigan (that being the building in which the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland is held), of the premises described in the said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on the said mortgage aforesaid and any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned at or before sale, for taxes, or insurance upon the said premises, and all other sums paid by the undersigned pursuant to law and to the terms of the said mortgage, with interest thereon, and all legal costs, charges and expenses thereby including the attorneys' fees allowed by law, which said premises are described in the said mortgage as follows:

Lands and premises in the Village of Rochester, Oakland County, Michigan, described as the North eighteen feet four and one-half inches (18' 4½") of Lot Eight (8) of the Original Plat of the Village of Rochester, Oakland County, Michigan, excepting therefrom 66 feet off the east end thereof, heretofore conveyed to Charles S. Seed and wife.

Dated at Detroit, Michigan, this 22nd day of January, A. D. 1934.

DEXTER M. FERRY, JR.
(Assignee of the Mortgagee, described in said assignment as D. M. Ferry Jr.)

LEWIS & WATKINS,
Attorneys for the Assignee of the Mortgagee.
1022 Ford Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above sale has been adjourned from Monday the 30th day of April, A. D. 1934, to TUESDAY, the 29th day of May, A. D. 1934, at the same time of day and same place as set forth in the foregoing notice.

Dated at Detroit, Michigan, this 26th day of April, A. D. 1934.

WARD A. CORNELL,
Deputy Sheriff, Oakland County, Michigan.

LEWIS & WATKINS,
Attorneys for Dexter M. Ferry, Jr.
May 3-10-17-24.

## Why A Community Newspaper?

*(From time to time, The Eccentric will publish the editorials which were judged the best of hundreds submitted in a contest sponsored recently by Adrain Van Koevering, publisher of The Zeeland Record, in co-operation with the Michigan Press Association. All of the editorials were written on the subject, "Why a Community Newspaper?")*

By GERALD HENRY
Lowell, Mich.
(Second Prize)

High in a tower at the Chicago Fair was a crystal ball which, by lenses and mirrors, somehow caught the panorama beneath and reflected it upon a table. On one side was a glimpse of Lake Michigan, with tugs trailing plumes of smoke that would do only for the smoulder of a cigarette. In and out of exhibition buildings strolled crowds of microscopic people, mysteriously intent on something.

It was like gazing on the great fair through the eye of some precise and colorful historian, generations hence. Through similar perspective the modern community newspaper mirrors the everyday activities of the people it serves.

Through its own newspaper, the community is kept informed on church and fraternal activities, the progress of its schools, the conduct of its municipal government.

In the furtherance of every worthwhile enterprise, the newspaper wields diverse interests and aims into a cohesive whole, united toward a common goal.

By friendly encouragement and praise, the community newspaper lends stimulus to achievement.

In the hour of tragedy, scandal and slander not by silence. Every editor knows as many medals are deserved for what he omits to print as by what he publishes.

Less tangible, but nevertheless very real, are the contributions of the community newspaper in maintaining a high level of general character, and fostering the best traditions of public and private conduct.

Not the least of its many services is the community newspaper's capacity to act as an economical and fruitful medium through which merchants and others with goods and services to sell, can present their wares to a broad public.

The best test of advertising effectiveness, as expressed in terms of reader interest, can never be made.

Go into the home. Discover what portion of the newspapers' ephemeral product is kept and treasured through the years.

Will you find a lurid account of error and disaster, drawn from a sensational daily newspaper?

Never. Between the pages of family Bibles, tucked away in bureau repositories, the yellowed clippings from the community newspaper tell of an honorable career of decency and sacrifice, perhaps recount the death of a child now remembered by its mother and God alone.

More and more, advertisers are learning that their messages create the largest buying response in such a publication, which is closest to its readers, identical in purposes, in sympathy with their aims and hopes, friendly always.

In short, it is the people.

## Household Hints

By Mrs. Mary Morton

**MENU HINTS**

LUNCHEON
Macaroni With Tomato Sauce
Date Muffins Stewed Fruit
Milk Cookies

DINNER
Ham Slices en Casserole
Baked Potatoes
Creamed Cabbage
Brown Betty Tea

The macaroni for luncheon may be canned. The good housewife usually has a few cans of fruit, vegetables and other things such as spaghetti or macaroni, soup, fish, etc., on her shelves for emergency. They are especially handy when house cleaning time comes.

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IN OFFERING you our services as printers, we have made it as easy and convenient for you Detroit business men as if we were but a city block from your office.

When you need printing you are invited to pick up your phone and call us over our private Detroit line—Elmhurst 6644—a direct line from Detroit to our switchboard in Birmingham.

Three printing salesmen are in Detroit each day covering the entire city. We would welcome an opportunity to have one of these salesmen make a personal call on you and explain the wide variety of services that are available at our office; how we are able to develop ideas for your business, develop layouts, write copy and furnish complete, finished art work right here in our own organization.

Next time you need printing why not call Elmhurst 6644? The Birmingham Eccentric is really "on its toes" to the modern trend in printing and merchandising. May we have the pleasure of including you as one of our many Detroit customers?

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