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SIXTY-FIRST YEAR—NO. 1

GIFTS BEAR TO THE EAR AND THAT

By G. R. A.

By natural disposition, most people are inclined to be cheerful and optimistic; and in that class I think I belong most of the time. But during the past two weeks I think I have run up against more downright pessimism and discouragement than in any other two weeks of my observation—even more so than in the serious years of 1932-33.

There may be a number of solutions for our national state of affairs, but to me the major single cause right now is one of fear—fear that the Roosevelt Administration not only doesn't know how to solve our problems, but that in its frenzied effort to accomplish something, it is going dictatorially.

If President Roosevelt were to issue a simple statement, leavened with true humility, that he no longer thinks it possible to "plan" us into security; if Congress would re-assume its Constitutional rights and become "representatives of the people," I think this depression would lift itself within a month.

Our portion of the earth's rich natural resources; our people; the ability to reform them into the machinery, and the money, to bring about unprecedented progress. In these respects we are better off than any other nation in the world.

But you can't expect people to be free under oppression—and how much of Europe's oppressive backed up by soldiers and ammunition—on the United States seems to be oppressed by the tremendous powers of reformers who refuse to reform themselves when they find that they can't. Christianize 130,000,000 people in less than five years.

It is too bad that a man who gave his country great courage in 1933 is also being used by those who now bring it to new depths of fear and loss of self-reliance.

But this I know—no one can smile through these clouds of gloom to work harder, and to do more things, than the people who are malleable right as we're afraid to change the present political oppression that has this nation in its vindictive grasp.

Prayer in April
God grant that I may never be a scoffer at Eternity—
I shall long as every April brings to me the rebirth of a growing thing;
As long as grass is green anew, As long as I feel the sun's rays on my face,
I shall believe that God looks down Upon his wide earth, cold and barren,
To bless its unborn mystery,
Of leaf and bud, and flower to be; To smile on the flowers of the sky—
How could I think otherwise?
Had I been dust for many a year, I would know when Spring was near,
For the good earth that pillowed me, Would whisper immortality,
And I, in part, would rise and sing To the grasses murmuring,
When looking on the green sod, Can I doubt that this is God?
Can I distrust His smiles at me, Sure as I distrust that smile at me,
—Anon.

Masked Bandit Robs Johnson Milk Depot
A single bandit, his face masked by a handkerchief, walked into the Johnson Milk depot at 1000 Woodward avenue, at 8:50 p. m. Monday, and departed with \$1,000 in cash, a 1937 Buick sedan, the clerk, Elaine Dunn of 312 1/2 Third street, Royal Oak, handed him the money.

Miss Dunn described him as being about 22 or 23 years of age, and poorly dressed. While in the store, he handled the milk in the back of his coat, as though concealing a revolver. After taking the money, he walked to the rear of the store and entered a waiting automobile. The car containing the bandit, another man, drove south on Woodward avenue.

Sacred Music Will Mark Advent Of Palm Sunday In Birmingham Churches
Special music in Birmingham churches will mark Palm Sunday, in commemoration of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. It is the custom of the churches, young people's groups will contribute to the church treasury. The services will be open to those interested in attending.

In the Methodist Episcopal church, a musical program will be presented at 7 p. m., by the Junior and Intermediate choirs, with William H. Santer, Detroit boy soprano as the solo attraction. Miss Adeline White, red and white robes. The young soloist, who is well known in Detroit musical circles, will sing "The Palms."

Palm Sunday Service in the First Presbyterian church will be a dramatic presentation of the story of the young man, singing "The Palms." Following a cantata, the choir will sing "Christ's Entry into Jerusalem," by the young men's choir. W. Glen Harris, the combination soloist, will sing "The Intercession of the Holy Spirit," by Gregor. The church quartet will sing "The Story of the Palm Sunday," by John Prindle. On Monday, the church quartet will sing "The Story of the Palm Sunday," by John Prindle. On Monday, the church quartet will sing "The Story of the Palm Sunday," by John Prindle.

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They commence with acres few, then they get the next thing they do is to make an annexation to the acre; then they keep on buying more and adding lines to fit their boundary lines are fit to be happy.

Happy-hearted Billy Barbour, many a cheering cup we've raised, and we've been dining at "Lone Pine" while we were dining at "Bonnie Briar Bank."

And John T. Shaw, God rest his soul, his heart was with sorrow thrills.

We've again will grasp his hand and we'll weep with him.

There's Chittenden, lone life to him, he'll never run the day to the lovely "Bonnie Briar Bank."

And Charlie Stinchfield, bless his soul, will many a time and oft we've wandered over hill and dale with him at "Stoneycroft."

We've robed him in spring-time, and we've seen him there, there's Heathcote in his "Heathcote," from all troubles has success.

The laughing robes of the Rouge, his waters never fail, Goes wandering over the banks of Halstead's fair "Deeddale." (Continued on Page 2, Part 1)

HEADS PUBLICITY

WORKERS' PARTY MAJORITY OF SOLICITORS FIND REASON FOR GOOD

Workers' Party majority of solicitors find reason for good. The annual meeting of the Birmingham House of Representatives, held at the Hotel Hamilton on Monday, April 4, 1938, was a success. The meeting was held at 11 a. m. to turn in results for the previous afternoon's canvassing, and to agree themselves with a cup of coffee. Mr. Howell requests as many of the captains as possible to be present at the report today, so that a report may be completed.

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EXCHANGE CLUB WIDENS RANGE OF PLANE CONTEST

The Birmingham Exchange Club has enlarged the eligibility list of contestants in the model airplane contest which it is sponsoring. Any local resident who has not reached his 20th birthday by the closing date for registration, Saturday, May 7, is now eligible to enter the competition, as well as all pupils enrolled in Birmingham's public and parochial schools. This is not a scale model contest, but the rules require that entries be a reasonable replica of the Aeronca K. C. and other models. The methods of scoring are listed below.

Fidelity to general design, 20 points; rigidity, 5 points; uniformity of spars, longrons, ribs, etc., 10 points; smoothness of dope covering, 10 points; landing gear, 10 points; stability, 10 points; speed, 10 points. Each second of flight will also be awarded with one point.

Winners in the local contest, which will be held on the afternoon of the 11th National Championship model airplane meet, held July 4 at Wayne County Airport, Palm Sunday will receive the following prizes for the contest are now in display at the Birmingham Hardware store, where registrations may be made.

Box Springs Replaced and Recovered, Royal Springs, Birmingham 1-7583.

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14 TOO YOUNG TO DRIVE, SAYS

TRUCKING SOCIETY SOCIALISTS BROKEN HOME

A resolution asking that the state age requirement for driving be raised from 14 to 16 years, was passed Monday by the Quanton School Parents' Association.

The resolution is now in the hands of Mrs. John H. Rosso, President of the Birmingham Parent-Teacher Council. Mrs. Rosso will call a special meeting of the Council to submit the resolution to the Board of Education, for their action.

PETITIONS IN ORDER FOR OILING OF STREETS

Petitions are now being received for the oiling of streets under the program outlined by the City Commission. Under this plan it is proposed to oil the streets with an asphalt emulsion. The streets to be oiled will be maintained and will be of lasting benefit to the street owners.

It is necessary to have the proper kind of petition for application of the oil so that streets can be properly prepared to receive the treatment.

The cost of the treatment will be 5 cents per front foot of property on streets over 10 feet wide. This is a small amount for the benefit of the property owner, and the streets will be better maintained.

At the request of Clyde C. Bennett, of the Birmingham Real Estate Board, Treasurer Charles A. Sparks will come to Birmingham Friday evening, where he will meet taxpayers at the Community House at 8 p. m. Mr. Sparks will bring a list of streets to be oiled, and will answer questions, according to Mr. Bennett.

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ALLEN MAKES PLEA FOR STAND AGAINST BILL

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HAACK TO SPEAK ON WELFARE TO WOMEN

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BALDWIN TENNIS TEAM BOWS TO MT. CLEMENS

Birmingham's tennis team bowed before that of Mt. Clemens high school in the first match of the season, in a 2-2 battle at Mt. Clemens on Tuesday. The local netmen scored on the single, won on the doubles, but lost the match played by Miller and Patterson.

The team is composed of Spinning, Hammes, Stutte, Vinton and Reynolds, as well as those already mentioned. The team is coached by Mr. W. J. Jenkins.

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Tri-Club Gathering Hears Talk On Responsibility Of Family

That most of the world's problems are due to the breakdown of the family unit, and that the best possible cure for society's ills is a restoration of the oldest institution in the world, "the family unit," was the theme of an address given before Birmingham's Tri-Club on Monday night.

The speaker, Mr. J. H. Rosso, President of the Birmingham Parent-Teacher Council, stated that the family unit is the foundation of society and that its breakdown leads to social and moral decay.

Light Ballot Cast By Voters In 3 Townships

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BOYS OF BIRMINGHAM

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