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BACK FENCING

By
 A MAN ABOUT TOWN

Now that the good people of these and other parts of the country have put Western Union and the Postal Telegraph companies back on their feet, we all await the final "count" and wonder whether messages are more powerful than whispered promises, when it comes to our representatives down in Washington. For the first time in our young life, we have seen the "folks back home" telling their men in Congress what to do AND finding their pleas acknowledged by the men they sent down to the capital to SERVE them. Boy-Oh-Boy, those wires must have been hot! . . . AND, we still insist that "You can fool some of the people part of the time . . . and you can fool all the people some of the time—BUT—you can't fool all of the people ALL of the time!" . . . (or sopin)

Speaking about fooling the people . . . Did someone leave a call for you to phone Mr. Crane at Royal Oak—0223 last Friday? If so, we hope the man at the Detroit Zoo was real kind and told you—gently—that you could not speak to Mr. Crane. Some of the boys and girls did have their fun on April 1st.

Local Rotarians seem to be practicing what they preach these days. Sam Bruni, who hails from the distant shores of Italy, was invited and received into membership of the local club during the past week. The International Relations idea is a good one and we compliment them on their act in recognizing the value of having foreign born individuals seated with them at their weekly table. Very often, and in this case very definitely, an adopted son proves to be a better American than some of us who claim this as the land of our birth.

We get a big kick out of seeing young men being welcomed into the community and given assurance that their stay will be made a pleasant one. Such has been the most recent case of the Rev. G. L. Harris, now installed with all due ceremony as the pastor of the local Presbyterian Church. To such men the world virtually lies before them. They have hopes and ambitions of doing their job in such a manner that to them will sometime in the future be said, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." That's fine, and as it should be. We also get a tremendous thrill in seeing and hearing due recognition being given one who has lived the normal span of years for man. Such was the case last Monday noon when Birmingham's "J. B." Howarth was the recipient of the toasts of the local Rotary, Exchange and Lions Club members at the Tri-Club meeting. Many fine words were spoken to and for "J. B." by Charlie Shain who offered the toast on behalf of the three clubs. We feel, sure, however, that of all the words which might have been said in honor and respect to this loved and respected citizen of Birmingham, none would or could be more fitting than the words which our dear friend someday will most certainly hear from Him whom he daily serves, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." We offer belated congratulations to Mr. Howarth on the attainment of his 80th birthday, and hope that he will be with us, and in good health, for many years to come.

They say one is just as young as he feels. Must be so. Tenants in the Theatre Building were at a loss to know what was going on up in one of the second floor offices recently. Investigation revealed that James Kelly (Just call me Jim) was giving some private lessons in the art of tap dancing. Good going, Jim. We didn't know it was in you.

Recently the local District Committee of the Boy Scouts made an appeal for Scout Uniforms which had been outgrown or were no longer being used. It seems there are a number of young Scouters who have been unable to invest in the official Scout uniform, and quite naturally, every Scout wants a uniform. The appeal met with sympathetic ears, according to Mr. Sumera, who interests himself in scouting outside of school hours. He has a number of uniforms that have been secured. There is still a need for uniforms, either complete or in part, and the Scouters will appreciate the cooperation of parents of ex-Scouters and growing Scouts in making it possible for some of these eager Young Scouters to wear the uniform which distinguishes them as Boy Scouts. Mr. Sumera, at Birming School, will be glad to receive any such contributions. We believe he would even accept the gift of a NEW uniform, if someone should happen to feel the urge to do something BIG for some boy in Scouting.

When Ralph Wilson introduced Pat Sawyer, the new Golf Professional out at Birmingham Golf Club, to the other service club members the other day, Lou Haswell sure did prick up his ears. Lou, you know, is one of the Rotarians who has made his club his club. He can still give the Exchange and Lions Clubs a run for their money for the cup which is placed up for competition during the summer golf tournament held by the three clubs. Pat would make a pretty good addition to the Exchange Club squad of golfers. The Lions will probably counter with Al Watrous or some such luminary, which would mean that Lou would really have to step out and get a real club-swinger to uphold the honor of his ambitious Rotarians. We'd offer our services, but we've been told that 50 is the biggest handicap given . . . and we just could not get along with such a conservative proposition.

AND—that brings us to this point . . . The Community House Roll Call is on—and how! First reports seem to indicate that people are digging down and doing their bit. As in the past, some are giving more than their share. Likewise many are pleading poverty (when they are not really very short of cash) and give much less than their financial ability warrants. We came across one worker who really was "hot" under the collar. She indignantly reported that some of the homes she called on were those which housed families which "she happened to know" made regular use of the House, and they staled her off not knowing whether or not they could do anything. As the homes were all in \$10,000 restriction area, the worker felt sure that there were some five-spots tucked away around the place—somewhere. That's the way it goes though, we've been told, so we would say that the civic-minded ladies who are making the calls for the Community House (Community Chest, we think it should be called) should remember the words which Rev. Föryth spoke when he addressed the workers last Saturday morning. He admonished the ladies to overlook the little unpleasant circumstances which arose and to be ever mindful of the underlying thought of the entire campaign, which, according to his way of thinking was, "Love Thy Neighbor." That's a nice thought and one which should be remembered when the door bell rings and the caller says, "I'm calling on behalf of the Birmingham Community House Roll Call." Did you do YOUR part when YOUR door bell rang? It's not too late . . . You can still GIVE "TIL IT HURTS!"

What Your City Commission Is Doing—

April 4, 1938.
 Bills were approved in an amount of \$15,718.72, including a payroll of \$5,793.05 for the period from March 16th to 31st.
 A recent resolution annexing the land known as Springdale Park was rescinded, and another one adopted revising the description. Annexation will be complete upon the adoption of a similar resolution by the Bloomfield Township Board.

IRENE E. HANLEY,
 City Clerk.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION
 Pursuant to a resolution of the stockholders of Chassis Brothers, Incorporated, a Michigan corporation, the board of directors are proceeding to dissolve the corporation in accordance with and by virtue of Public Act 227 of 1937 of the State of Michigan.
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 BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
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