

BACK FENCING

By
A MAN ABOUT TOWN

▲ We have heard some good ribbing about the few lines we wrote last week about Birmingham's NOT supporting the President by means of a Birthday Ball (or something) in the drive against Infantile Paralysis. Some of it was for us... and some "agis," but we still think Birmingham could have done something about it and raised some money for the Foundation. It would have been a fine spot for the three Service Clubs of the town to get together and do something worth while. They could have held a dance featuring "The Big Apple" for the School Kids, Fox Trots for the Lions, Two-Steps for the Exchanges and Quadrilles for the Rotarians. The rest of the towns-people could have taken their pick and all joined in on the circles.

▲ Speaking of circle-dances, we could not help but notice that the crowd at the Friendly Dancing Club Party last Friday night sure do "go" for them in a big way. Some of us folks who are slowing up a bit were holding on for dear life as the caller sang out "Swing your partner and circle to the right." We got a big kick out of one of the fair lady dancers who was following the instructions of the caller in introducing herself to the gentlemen as they claimed a dance on the exchange of partners. No sooner had we taken her in our weary arms on the "Everybody Dance" call, than she leaned back and VERY graciously said, "I'm Mrs. So and So (We don't remember names)... I'm from Northville and I LOVE horses... Do You?" Everyone WAS congenial—and the party was a grand success.

▲ Lou Hascell told a good story on Mrs. Alfred LaBelle, over at the Tri-Club Meeting the other noon. It seems that Sabra LaBelle had assisted a gentleman customer in the purchase of some cards a short time ago while on duty at THEIR store. On the completion of the sale, Mrs. LaBelle said, "That will be 52c, please." The buyer replied, "What's the extra two cents for?"... whereupon Sabra lightly replied, "Oh, that's for the Governor." A few weeks later, a sales tax official called at the LaBelle store and informed them that the tax was NOT being collected for HIS HONOR but for the State Of Michigan... and please be a bit careful about "sales tax remarks" in the future. Yes, the customer had evidently reported the affair to the State Department (Draper Allen's staff, perhaps) and the road man had found it necessary to "make an investigation and report back on the matter." SO... let that be a warning to all of you store folks... and don't make light of our State Sales Tax—at least unless you know who you are "kidding" with. These are serious days, it seems.

▲ On the suggestion of one of the news writers of the Eccentric staff, we drove around to see the love nest of Ed Kurth and his bride, which was all decorated to greet them on their return home from their honeymoon. Their friends did a swell job of decorating the front of the house for them. The windows were all covered with words of greeting (and advice) and high above the down-stairs windows was suspended a large banner which was lettered in a theatrical manner as follows: "Coming Thursday—Big Double Program—STEEB BIDEE AND THE GROOM." "Thundering Drama—Thrills—Action." We hope the friends did not get inside of the house. That would have been just TOO bad for the newlyweds.

▲ Every once in a while we run across little incidents which sell us on the idea that there ARE people who appreciate and transmit their feelings to those who have done them a kind-deed. Last week, one of the Eccentric's ever-pleasant office girls found a package of fancy work which had evidently been left by some caller at his office. Not knowing who had left it, the finder placed an ad in the Lost and Found column of the paper and awaited a reply. A day or so later, a very sweet lady called and inquired about the lost article and was given the fancy work and told that there was no charge for the ad. She "thanked" us by giving the finder a beautifully done dresser scarf, which was of a great deal more value than the article which had been lost—and found... and it WAS beautiful—all hand worked and of unusual design. Naturally, the incident made the office girl very, very happy. She is sold on the Boy Scout's idea of "Doing a Good Turn—Daily."

▲ We often wonder just what keeps a policeman busy in a peaceful town like we have here. The annual report of Chief Hackett reveals the fact that during the past year, the police made 20,409 calls at homes where the occupants were away and had requested a daily check on the home during their absence. That's a lot of calls, and to us it means that the local police have a great many things to do which we, the citizens, do not realize they are called upon to do. The entire report is an interesting picture of the activities of the local police and most certainly would answer the question concerning the things which the boys in blue do while "on duty" for the people of Birmingham.

▲ These past few days have been BIG DAYS for a group of young folks who have just completed their studies over at Baldwin High and are about to go on in this big world of ours. To them it is a big adventure, and well it should be. Whether they are heading for college or for the immediate problem of earning their own way in life, in industry or commerce; their lives will be filled with new experiences. There is another group who "have a busy day" this week, too, and they are the little folks who have "passed" from kindergarten to the First Grade. What a storehouse of impressions they are storing up for future years as they begin their "reading and writin'." And in thinking of them we can not help but marvel at the job which their teachers have done in the first year of their schooling. These teachers, the little ones from every kind of a home; homes offering every kind of environment and where the children have been subjected to every kind of parental care; homes where all the ideas of past and present generations have been used in "bringing up" the kiddies to their way of doing things. What a wonderful job they have accomplished. We take our hats off to the Kindergarten Teachers and salute them as among heroes, who go about their "jobs" of moulding human characters and preparing little minds for the things which lie ahead of them. We know of no other group who have so great a responsibility, not so any individuals who do their work so well. When sending out your Valentine's... don't forget the Kindergarten Teachers. We have a nice big one picked out and addressed to Barnum School... 'cause we DO appreciate what has been done for our very own over at that seat of learning.

▲ AND—our thought for the week most certainly is others—And try to show your appreciation.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on said Court, on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1938.
Present: Hon. James H. Lynch, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of Anna G. Williams, Deceased, administrator of said estate, having filed in said Court a petition and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof; and the heirs of the decedent of said estate, and the distributees of said estate.
It is Ordered, that the 27th day of February, A. D. 1938 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby designated for hearing and trial of the said petition.

EDITORS ELECT HOWELL PRESS ASSOCIATION HEAD

Mr. Howell
Chester M. Howell, publisher, Chesaning Argus, is the new president of the Michigan Press Association, 63-year-old state association of weekly and daily newspapers.

Mr. Howell was elected at the editors' annual meeting held last week at Michigan State College. He succeeds Claude D. Riley, Ontonagon Herald, Romaine McCall, Gratiot County Herald, Ithaca, was elected first vice-president, and Floyd J. Miller, Daily Tribune at Royal Oak, second vice-president. L. E. Towne, Jonesville Independent, was re-elected treasurer.

At the annual banquet Thursday night, the editors were addressed by W. W. Loomis of LaGrange, Ill., president of the National Editorial Association, and George O'Brien, humorist of Saginaw. Dr. M. S. Rice, Detroit Metropolitan Methodist church, spoke at "Farmer Peet's" fourth annual pancake-sausage supper Friday night.

A major part of the convention program was devoted to a safety clinic at which the following state officials spoke: Dr. Eugene B. Elliott, public instruction; Murray D. Van Wagener, highway department; Oscar Glander, state police; and Leon D. Case, secretary of state. How the newspapers can aid in reducing the mounting highway massacre was the chief theme of discussion.

The publishers voted to affiliate with the National Editorial Association, extending membership in the national body to all sustaining members of the state association at no extra cost. Publishers also took steps to provide a clearing house service for national advertising and to undertake a retail advertising and merchandising service to assist merchants in getting more business on Main Street in 1938.

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, on said Court, on the 26th day of January, A. D. 1938.
Present: Hon. James H. Lynch, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Louis C. Weber, Deceased.
Walter L. Weber and Karl J. Weber, executors 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 time and place appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said estate, 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 6th day of June, 1938, 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 estate.
JAMES H. LYNCH, Judge of Probate.
A TRUE COPY.
LEAH KOCH (Martin), Deputy Register of Probate.

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At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on said Court, on the 26th day of January, A. D. 1938.
Present: Hon. James H. Lynch, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah Bradley Deceased, 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 time and place appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said estate, and before said court.
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FLORENCE DOTY, Probate Register.



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