

Random Remarks

Harry E. Yarnall, former commander, U. S. Asiatic Fleet: "In civil life, it has been found that appearance does not work in dealing with law-breakers and gunmen."

Charles A. Lindbergh, famous aviator: "Measured by their own standards of today, or their enemy's standards of yesterday and tomorrow, the Germans are as much in the right as the English and the French."

Elliott Roosevelt, son of the President: "Green wants to run a labor union, and Lewis wants to run the country."

Hans Frank, German Governor-General of Poland: "Poland never before has been ruled with as much consideration for the social and material well-being of the Polish people."

Will Durant, historian: "Permanent and enduring peace" sounds like a cemetery, doesn't it?"

Bits of Birmingham

Last Friday afternoon, your scrivener was tuning in WCLB, Cleveland and got the Tiger-Indian baseball game when to his surprise he heard Norman Lytle, Jr., of Birmingham, call Casey at the Bat. That was during a period of chatter before the game started. Norman gave 'em both barrels.

Bob Lynd is devoting his spare time to study for a Master's degree in social work. He is a graduate of Alton.

George Ball, 395 Cole street, appeared before the City Commission, Monday night, complaining that at the holding session which he had engaged to place a bid on a lot he desired in the land sale, had not yet received his bid. They got a ride with a Pontiac man who borrowed their new A.W.O.L. called the city's office and deputies took the girls home.

Two Birmingham girls, one 16 years old, the other, 14, who decided to run away from home last Friday did not get very far. They got a ride with a Pontiac man who borrowed their new A.W.O.L. called the city's office and deputies took the girls home.

Gordon Young, 448 Hamilton street, told police Saturday that his two pet crows were missing. Did you ever see a crow eat? Won't touch a morsel until it is first washed in water.

Paul Neal Averill arrived back in town Saturday feeling fit and well after a vacation in Florida. The past week was spent in Hot Springs, where Mr. and Mrs. Averill and their friends who drove from Birmingham, ten minutes after Paul arrived at the cottage they had rented, the Birmingham people drove up, which is just about a record for keeping appointments.

Richard Harvey, 831 East Main, suffered a heart attack while coming to Birmingham to testify at 1069 Knox according to a report from the police department. The log will be kept under observation for 15 days.

Thanks, Mr. Bingham! We are glad to see Raymond Woodfenden back at his usual spot at the National Bank, following his recent operation.

Congratulations to Willis B. Carter, 325 Brown street, on the 47th birthday anniversary last Friday.

George R. Averill showed his pictures of Mexico to students at Barram School, Monday.

What Your School Board Is Doing...

Board of Education meeting April 23, 1940.

The following communications were received: Dr. W. Lloyd Kemp expressing his conviction of the worth of a program in which mental hygiene should be considered.

Maud B. Moore, secretary of the Pierce P. E. A., requesting the Board to contribute one half the cost of new draperies for the Pierce auditorium.

Fletcher Van Tiffin and Ross proposed to audit the books of the district and the various bank accounts of the schools for the sum of \$350.00.

D. C. Egbert, city manager with information of the possibility of the Board obtaining lots in the Brightman Subdivision.

The following motions were passed: That the request of the Pierce P. E. A. to contribute one half of the cost of draperies for the auditorium be approved. Cost not to exceed \$67.50.

That resolution of Fletcher Van Tiffin and Ross be accepted in the amount of \$350.00.

That the president and secretary be instructed to make application to the State Loan Board for permission to borrow \$250,000 to meet operating expenses, including security of unpaid taxes or future state aid payments.

That registration notice be approved for publication in The Eccentric and that May 21 be set as the last day of registration.

That persons listed be authorized to administer and take registrations for the coming election in accordance with regulations of Howard D. Crull, Louis M. Randall, Inez Asper, Alberta Dever and Irene Hanley, city clerk.

The proposed bill to be filed with the Oakland County Allocation Board in the amount of \$145,144, for operating expenses of \$8,800 mills on its 1939-40 valuation be approved.

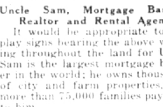
Flint's Odyssey Has a Sequel



Miss Ruth Engelsen, 22, above, Norwegian shipbuilding heiress, is going to marry a sailor. Not any old sailor, mind you. He's Carl Ellis, 23, ex-third officer on the City of Flint.

She met Mr. Engelsen on a blind date after Norway released Flint's crew from incarceration by Nazi rule. Miss Engelsen came to the United States recently to cap happy ending of the Flint's perilous wanderings.

Congressional Comment by Dondero



Uncle Sam, Mortgage Banker, Realtor and Rental Agent. It would be appropriate to display signs bearing the above wording throughout the land for Uncle Sam is the largest mortgage banker in the world; he owns thousands of city and farm properties, and more than 75,000 families pay rent to him.

Uncle Sam now holds the mortgage on one out of every six farm homes and on one out of every three owner-occupied city homes. He is getting deeper and deeper into the real estate business and he really got into it through the HOLC.

In loaning three billion dollars to a million home owners, his Home Owners Loan Corporation has made it necessary to foreclose on 11,034 properties. This means that one out of every 17 homes mortgaged through the HOLC has been foreclosed.

At the beginning of the current fiscal year, the HOLC had nearly 10,000 properties in its possession, with an aggregate value of more than 500 million dollars. In its foreclosures, the HOLC has experienced a loss of 18.2 per cent and the average loss per dwelling has been \$804. The experience of

tracts for teachers who will not obtain their degree at the specified time. This question was deferred for a later meeting.

Treasurer Rosso reported on the cash balance and the advisability of borrowing to meet the necessary operating expenses.

Resolutions were adopted requesting the State Land Office Board to transfer 21 lots in the Brightman Subdivision to the Board of Education.

Mr. Randall submitted proposed plan of a concrete bleacher for the Pierce Field, also quotation for the erection of same for the sum of \$6200. Bleacher would seat 1,050 persons.

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Children in Trouble

Do you love your own children? Then please read this through. Modern criminals start young. Therefore, if we wish to prevent crime, we must begin with youth. The Juvenile Courts recognize that the parents are usually to blame. But blaming is no cure. So much has been said about delinquent children, that is true and scientifically right, but not at all practical. So many institutes and commissions have studied the problem, and recommended good action and made laudable plans. Comparatively little has been done to carry out these plans. So little has been done to awaken normal, good parents to help the child "down the street." So much can be done if local communities would only try. It is all very simple and requires some additional effort which is needed.

The Ones Who Need It Most If you ever saw a child coming crying on the street corner, you would all stop for the few minutes necessary to help such a child. Human nature is kind. People intend to be good neighbors, but they don't really help. Sunday Schools, day schools, boys' and girls' clubs, and all the fine money all these are filled with well-mannered, disciplined, happy, affectionately cared children. But the ones who need it are those who have careless manners, or poor or untidy clothing or appearance, whose behavior is erratic.

the HOLC with foreclosures and sales is being repeated by another of Uncle Sam's agencies, the Federal Housing Administration, which stands back of more than two billion dollars in mortgage loans. The FHA has lost nearly \$400,000 on the sale of 680 homes and has already paid out more than 10 million dollars to make good defaulted mortgage loans.

At the present time Uncle Sam's Credit Administration makes a third of the farm mortgage debt in the United States. Approximately 25 percent of the farm home loans now outstanding are delinquent. The percentage of delinquency on city and farm properties, and in fact is but half (12.5%) of the national average, according to figures given by the Federal Credit Administration. Uncle Sam, through the F.H.A. now owns more than 200,000 farms. As of February 29, 1940, the Farm Credit Administration reported, in response to a request for information, that but two farms in the 17th district are now held subject to redemption and that on two farms in the district were sold in 1939.

With such a large number of Federal mortgages outstanding and the percentage of defaults experienced it is apparent that Uncle Sam is in the real estate business for keeps.

TRAVELS AT HOME

PORTLAND (M.P.A.)—Raymond Sandbrook, local dairy company driver, has done a great deal of traveling in the past 12 years, but most of it has been right around home. Covering his daily milk route, he has amassed a travel mileage totaling 109,000. He has never had a serious auto accident while delivering.

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