

THINGS and THAT

By G. R. A.

World Is Pretty Small Place.

One of the values of travel, of meeting people from other sections of the United States, or even the world, is that you may meet them again in a motion picture house. In these days of stream-lined media the communications of the entire world becomes your backyard. A few evenings ago I sat in the Birmingham Theatre and suddenly the screen revealed the home-coming of young Dwight Long, who had just returned from an eight-year trip around the world in his small, self-made solo; the picture showed how Seattle, his home town, had turned out to meet him. It was of particular interest to me because, in 1937, I had met Dwight Long in a restaurant—he having reached Europe by that time. His father, Stanley Long, is a Seattle attorney and I had the pleasure of nominating him for director of Rotary International at the Nice, France, convention last year. Dwight Long called on me in my room at the Grand Hotel, seeking information on how to reach Seattle on his trip by writing articles for American newspapers. He recounted to me some of his experiences on his trip, and gave me a number of pictures taken in the Far East. He was mild-mannered, very charming chap—but with plenty of grit to do a job that is the early-life yearning of most boys. What an excellent example of a man who will have with which to thrill his children and grand-children!

Strange Co-Incidence

Speaking of travel memories, here is another experience I had a few days ago. I was reading some Leica pictures taken on that European trip, at the same time listening to a radio broadcast of "British Speaks." The announcer speaking from London were stating several interesting facts that great city; one of them, located at Buckingham Palace, was describing the damage done to the tall, brick iron fence that surrounds the Palace by the end of the Mall. Strangely enough, the enlargements I was making at the time were of the same fence, and the fence where the Palace Guards walk back and forth here and there every day. A different set of guards now walk back and forth at that location—securely shielded, too, by piles of sand bags just in case the bombs decide to drop a few more bombs in the heart of Britain.

The Salvation of The Dawn

Look to the exhortation of the dawn.
Look to this day, for it is life—
The very life of life.
In its brief course lie all the virtues
And realizations of your existence;
The glory of growth, the triumph
The splendor of beauty;
And tomorrow is only a vision;
But today we lived
Make every yesterday a dream of happiness
And every tomorrow a vision of hope.
Look therefore, to this day!
Such is the Salvation of the Dawn.

Editor Frank Sparks Is Araid

Over at the Republican State Convention in Grand Rapids two weeks ago I sat right next to Frank M. Sparks, editor of the Herald of that city. We chatted about many things, including trout fishing in Michigan. Mr. Sparks took Senator Vandenberg's place on the Herald, you will recall. A few days after the Convention Mr. Sparks, in his Herald column, "Reflections of an Editor," referred to me being together at the political rally, mentioning my own prowess as a trout fisherman. Now, I'll admit that I am a trout fisherman; but he paid me a similar compliment, he also brought unparalleled stigma upon my piscatorial reputation by declaring that "George's" poor luck fishing in 1940 was due to his use of "worms as bait." That statement, it is simply this: that I haven't used worms as bait for trout fishing for at least seven years—but I was never hungry out in the woods and needed worms in order to catch trout for my own purposes. I'm sure that you would so. On the other hand, (See THIS AND THAT, Page 2.)

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Name Ormond Head of YMCA; Plan Campaign

Physician Named To Another Term; Drive Starts Oct. 18

Dr. John K. Ormond was re-elected president of the Young Men's Christian Association in the annual election of officers held Sunday. First task facing Dr. Ormond and his staff will be the annual financial drive which will start with a dinner on Friday evening, Oct. 18.

RAINGUET NEXT TUESDAY

Maxime Rainguet, French Consul in Detroit, unable to appear this week, will be present next Tuesday to address the French Relief Committee at the Community House, Time, 1 p. m. The public is invited.

Badminton Group Protests New Rate For Use of Gyms

A group of 25 badminton players appeared before the Board of Education Tuesday night to protest a recent raise in price of gymnasium rental from \$4 an evening to \$10.

Candidates' Meeting Called Here Oct. 22

Invitations went into the mail this week to all candidates of each party to attend a general meeting Tuesday evening, Oct. 22 at the Community House as part of the League of Women Voters' program to acquaint voters in Birmingham and vicinity with the candidates of every party.

HONORED

This is JOHN D. MAYNARD, 941 Forest avenue, recently elected president of the Oakland County YMCA association.

Students Use Airplane to Drop Leaflets On Outdoor School Political Meeting

An airplane hired to drop political pamphlets in a Bloomfield Hills School candidates' meeting last Thursday caused an investigation this week into excess campaign expenditures and brought charges of "corruption" in the corridors of the Vaughan road institution.

From Pontiac Airport

This was admitted by W. A. Schuch, director of the school, who said that never used a plane to shower leaflets in the midst of an outdoor rally by students to elect their own officers had stirred the students to talk about all those-dire things which occur in a regular election.

Presbyterians End Meeting of Synod Over Past 3 Days

Wind-up of the three day session of the 106th Synod for Michigan Presbyterians churches here this week comes today when the final business session is conducted. This meeting concludes a busy three-day period for 250 ministers and lay delegates that began Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. At 12:15 today the Rev. John A. Mackay, Ph. D., D. D., president of Princeton Theological seminary, will speak to a large delegation at a Community House luncheon. His topic will be "God's Call to Red-Over-Our Heritage."

Closing Session 3:45 p. m. Dr. Mackay will also speak at 10:15 this morning on "God's Call to Understand our Time." The meetings which were to begin this morning with a devotional hour at 8:30 will continue throughout the day until the final business meeting at 11:30 a. m. on Friday.

Lecture Forum in City Starts Next Tuesday

Nationally-Known Speakers to Appear In Six Meetings

Next Tuesday evening marks the start of the annual Community House lecture forum series, called by sponsors the best ever arranged for this city.

Four speakers of national reputation will take part, the first of them, Professor Preston W. Slosson, of the University of Michigan, who will alternate with the three others and give three talks. The others are Dr. Frederick L. Schumann, of Williams College, noted scholar on a foreign affairs, coming Jan. 20; Dr. Walter Laves, also known to many through frequent participation in the Chicago Round Table of the Air; and Dr. Vera Dean Michels, Russian-born director of research for the Foreign Policy Association of New York.

Playwright Speaks Next Tuesday Eve

Emmett Lavery, distinguished playwright, author and lecturer, will be the first speaker on a new lecture series in Birmingham sponsored by the Men's Club of Holy Name Parish. He will speak at the Community House next Tuesday evening at 8:30 p. m. Admission is free to the public.

Corson Shoots Wild Sheep, Goat With Home-Finished Rifle

Harold H. Corson, City Engineer-Treasurer, went hunting in the Canadian Rockies a couple of weeks ago, took two goats and a home-finished rifle, and brought back a mountain sheep and a mountain goat.

LaGallienne Opens Cranbrook Series

On Thursday evening, Oct. 17, at 8:15 in the Cranbrook School Auditorium, the Kingswood-Cranbrook Lecture Series will begin with the appearance of the distinguished American actress, Eva LaGallienne, who will speak on the subject "The Importance of the Theatre in our Cultural Life," followed by an excerpt from her extensive repertoire.

Police Tighten Up On Bike Riders

Police officers are giving ordinance violation tickets to cyclists who violate city ordinance. Police Chief John P. Hackett revealed this week.

Red Cross Leaders Will Meet Friday

Meeting of directors and roll call leaders of the American Red Cross has been called for Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Community House by Mrs. H. H. Corson, Birmingham chairman of the Oakland County chapter.

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Tunes Car Radio; \$400 Crash Results

Letters From Abroad Tell of Bombs But Also of English Spirit, Unbroken

The great news gathering agencies are covering the general aspects of the war in Europe, but the personal touch, the news that beat the letters which have found their way across the Atlantic, are coming to residents in Birmingham.

Seniors Triumph In Field Day

Retaining the cider barrel trophy for the second year, Baldwin High School seniors have won the annual Field Day at Pierce Field yesterday by the score of 88 points to 69 of the freshmen's 57; and the freshmen's 11.

Eastern Michigan Buys New Buses

Ten of a fleet of 20 new Diesel powered, 25-passenger motorbuses will go into service on the Detroit-Royal Oak-Clawson and Detroit-Ferndale-Ray Oak and Birmingham routes on Michigan Motor Lines Oct. 11, it was announced today by P. L. Radcliffe, general manager of Eastern Michigan Motor Lines.

3 Taylor Employees Killed By Electricity

An unfortunate mishap in which three employees of the Taylor Brothers construction company were killed occurred late last week near Blisfield. The men were moving a frame and electricity from a high tension line jumped to the crane and electrocuted the men.

Cooking School Set For Friday, Oct. 18

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