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Whatever an adult does makes its impression upon the youth that may observe. That is why every parent should be careful to impress upon children the value and virtue of self-government.

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# Local Draft Board Here Waiting Orders

## and THAT

By G. R. A.

### I'm Happy About That Republican Convention Held in Grand Rapids

For the first time in a goodly number of years I am happy about the status of Republicanism in Michigan. Aren't you, too?

The reassurance that I received last Friday in Grand Rapids when Republican delegates to the State Convention, by an overwhelming majority, literally threw out the rule of political bosses. Chief exile right now is Edward N. Barnard, Detroit lawyer, for more than a long decade, has controlled the Wayne County delegates; this control made it possible for Frank D. McKay, Grand Rapids boss, to select high State officials, from Governor down.

### A Dramatic Affair

For about 16 years I have been a regular attendant at State Republican Conventions; last Friday's was the most dramatic I ever witnessed, for during it I stood up on the platform, within ten feet of Mr. Barnard, and, although I put up a valiant, but losing fight, to retain his tattered throne, it was his, unless the electors of Wayne County remain alive and busy. Boss Barnard will be back again, for he makes it a regular business, this Mr. Barnard, of controlling precinct delegates from Wayne's more than 1,000 precincts.

### Brucker In the Fight

Former Governor Wilbur M. Brucker, almost single-handed at Grand Rapids, rode the high tides of the moment when he pleaded the case of his group of delegates; you will remember the rights of Wayne County delegates to the State Convention, one by one, by Barnard, and by Harry S. Toy and Brucker.

With 1,563 delegates seated in Grand Rapids, most of the audience and another thousand or more alternates in the galleries, it was a great sight to witness Brucker and Toy endeavoring to win the nod of howling, whistling, and sometimes booing, delegates to the respective standards. But Brucker finally won.

### Governor to the Rescue

The old facts of the history was the dramatic move by the aged Governor Dickinson when, seated on his seat on the platform, he strode forward to the microphones and, with arms outstretched, hushed the audience with the idea "Ed Barnard have lost by your voting, but I'm asking you to let Ed Barnard have his chance to speak to you right now."

It was excellent sportsmanship of course. The crowd quieted for a while, but before Mr. Barnard was stopped by the chairman he received considerable favoring.

As he started to defend the right of his group to be seated in the Convention, E. Barnard began by stating that "I have always believed that evil never lasts; that the destructive lines of that is the only enduring thing, and right then and there most of the delegates were seated in my position in the press row to the stage—for I had been through the Convention two years ago and realized how, amidst confusion and chaos, delegates might vote on questions opposite to their views. At least, I said to myself, I would like to state, specifically, the question to be voted upon; when the final roll call would be made, my delegates would be seated, revealed that Brucker's forces would win, and Barnard would announce the withdrawal of his group from the argument. I moved that the "rules be suspended, and the secretary be instructed to have the unanimous ballot of the Convention for Brucker's group to be counted." It was a bold move.

### Birmingham Cops Relentless Group

The Euripides Nicholades, of Detroit, threw a ticket in August of 1938 for a show at the Grand Theatre in Birmingham, a city where the law never reles. Unlike his Euripides, Nicholades to arrest him, a notation was sent to the Secretary of State to refuse him a license which he expired. That was done, and Tuesday, the man appeared before Justice Forbes S. Hascall and paid a \$15 fine.

## Presbyterians' State Conclave Starts Tuesday

### 300 Will Attend Synodical Session Here Next Week

The 160th Synod of Michigan for the Presbyterian Church will meet in Birmingham next week, the first time that the local First Presbyterian Church has ever entertained the state conference. Three hundred ministers and lay delegates are expected to attend the three-day session beginning Tuesday afternoon.

The public is invited to attend the meetings, particularly the welcoming session at 8 p. m. Tuesday night and the official synodical session which will be held Wednesday at 7 p. m. at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, Detroit.

More than 500 adults and school children thronged the Grand Trunk station Tuesday morning to cheer WENDELL WILLKIE, Republican Presidential nominee, as he waved from the rear platform of his long special train. Rep. GEORGE A. DONDERO stands beside Willkie. The train moved very slowly through Birmingham but did not stop until it arrived at Pontiac. (Eccentric Photo)

## Crowd Cheers Willkie

### Ralph Nadell, Slain, Lived Near B'ham



Ralph E. Nadell, slain Tuesday night in Common Pleas Judge Robert E. Sage's Detroit court, from their large home at 3030 North Adams road, near this city, Sept. 30, 1939, records here above. A daughter, Aedie, 19, once attended Baldwin High. Their house and grounds of 24 acres, improved at a cost of \$60,000, was sold under foreclosure here. Nadell and his wife had been living at the Palmetto Hotel, Detroit.

## This Is Draft Board Here

### County Clerk Now Has Cards for Registering

Appointed but not yet officially notified of their selection, Birmingham's draft board this week was awaiting further instructions. However, first to go into action on the registration Oct. 16, of all men between the ages of 21 and 35 will be the local election officials. Miss Irene E. Hanley, City Clerk, and such assisting instructors. However, first to go into action on the registration Oct. 16, of all men between the ages of 21 and 35 will be the local election officials. Miss Irene E. Hanley, City Clerk, and such assisting instructors.

## Building \$54,235 During September

Following a peak period of new buildings started in August, the volume of building permits fell off during September, returning to levels of the spring months. It was shown in the monthly report issued by Building Inspector James B. Baynes. However, the total this year is still \$155,120 ahead of the same period in 1939.

## James A. Beresford

### Edward H. Laird



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## Will Buy Piano For Baldwin High

The Birmingham Musicale, with the active cooperation of the Parent-Teacher association, is endeavoring to raise funds to buy a new grand piano for Baldwin High School. Instead of the artists series sponsored by the group in the past, all efforts will be used to help the piano.

## City Must Go To Supreme Court

After spending about \$400 to defend the Charles E. Dohany suit against the city, in Circuit Court, the City must now defend an appeal to Michigan's Supreme Court. Dohany immediately filed notice of appeal to the higher court.

## John D. Maynard Heads YMCA Camp

Y.M.C.A. Camp, held its annual meeting in the Community House, Thursday, Sept. 28.

In addition to Trustees C. E. Summers, John D. Maynard, M. P. Cole, J. H. Moody, Dr. Palmer Sutton, J. Arthur E. Moore, J. C. Covet, Samuel Lang and Frederick Madison, the following were present: Mr. S. Evans, Harry Bresford, Rollin Patterson, Rollin Patterson, Sr., Wm. Carlisle, Dr. M. L. Richards, Frank Cox, and Alfred Zahray. Also present were Secretary Frank Ruff of the Pontiac Y.M.C.A., Arthur Hubbard and Miles W. Robinson, who were counselors in camp and Robert D. Lynd, the camp director.

## Hit By Automobile, Woman Loses Arm

Mrs. Lydia Caswell, 77 year old mother of Frank S. Caswell, of 840 Buford avenue, is recuperating in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, from amputation of her right arm as the result of injuries received Saturday evening when she was struck by an automobile on Dayton Plains.

She was struck as she walked across the street from a store to her husband's car. William Chilton, 41, of Detroit, was the driver of the other car.

## National Newspaper Week

We Ask Our Readers for Their Opinions of the American Press

This is National Newspaper Week, and in observance of the event, The Eccentric, in the humblest of its obligations to the public, went to its readers this week to get their suggestions for better newspapers in America.

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## Fire Prevention Week Will Be Observed Here Next Week

Fire Prevention Week is to be observed in Birmingham and throughout the nation beginning Sunday and extending through Saturday of next week.

## 3 Master Minds Predict Tiger Win

Three master minds in the Birmingham Exchange Club picked the Detroit Tigers to win the pennant in the annual contest conducted by the club. Last April, Howard Johnson, J. Howard Hendrix, and Harold Brock made this selection, and Johnson, Wendorph and Ralph Moulthrop won a \$2 prize. A \$60-cent prize was split by James J. Reilly, Riey A. Howell and Joseph A. Byrne, none of whom picked a single team to finish as it did.

## LaBelle to Open Addition to Store on Maple Avenue

Alfred J. LaBelle, gift shop owner in Birmingham the past 15 years, has announced the opening of an addition to his store on West Maple avenue.

## On Lecture Series Here

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## Winning Football Ballot

TEAM	WIN/LOSE	WINS
Michigan	X	12
California	X	8
Detroit Lions	X	7
Cleveland Rams	X	6
Minnesota	X	5
Washington	X	4
Ohio State	X	3
Purdue	X	2
Tulane	X	1
Missouri	X	0
Yale	X	0
Harvard	X	0
Stanford	X	0
UCLA	X	0
Georgia Tech	X	0
North Carolina	X	0
Texas A.M.	X	0
Wisconsin	X	0

## Defense Expert To Speak Here

Col. Walter C. Cole, Air Corps Reserve, and national expert on the question of essential materials in war time, will speak here next Wednesday evening at the Community House. He served in the White Committee to aid the Allies.

## Another Feature

In their effort to make the Birmingham Eccentric the most interesting of its kind, the editors announce this week another feature of considerable interest. It is the issue of young people of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills, presented in the form of a photo album. Studios. Turn to Page 7 of Part Two for first week's picture layout.

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## French Consul Speaks Here Next Monday

Maxime Rainguet, French consul in Detroit, will speak here next Monday at the Committee for French Relief, which has been working here the past summer. M. Rainguet will summarize information recently given last week in Detroit by a young French priest who has just come to this country. The meeting is at 1 p. m.; the public is invited.

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The City Commission has issued an initial merchant's license costing \$25 to the Jay Shop, 133 1/2 North Woodward, to be run by James H. Grant, 1256 Davis.