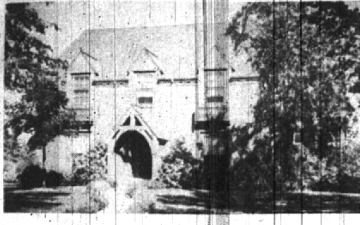


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Superstitions Debunked in New Book at Library

By LINDO MOORE

Concerning man—his health, sickness, diet habits and related subjects there has arisen more curious superstitions and pseudo-scientific lore than one could believe possible.

Do you believe, for instance: That eating oysters in months without an R in their names can cause food poisoning? That fish is a superior brain food? That tight hat bands cause baldness? That hair can turn white in a single night? That sun tan is beneficial? That a clean tooth will decay? That goldenrod causes hay-fever? That one should "starve a cold and feed a fever?"

Not a word of truth in any of them! At least not according to a lively new book recently published, "Doctors Don't Believe It—Why Should You?" by August Thomen, M. D. The doctor divides a great mass of information into ten classes; these are divided into related questions and answers. A well-written book of unusual interest.

**Food and Health**, by Henry C. Sherman. A book on diet and nutrition, doctors and the newer conceptions of the interrelation of food and health. There are sections on mineral elements, weight control, energy, and all-important vitamins.

Other books recently added to Baldwin Public Library include a wide variety of subjects.

**The Ship's Husband**, by H. A. Cahalan. A romping guide for yachtsmen who take care of their craft themselves. Everything about a small boat and how to do it.

**Primer of Navigation**, by George Mixer. Designed to teach surface navigation, coastline and sea, this primer is simply written for the novice, but may be of value to experienced skippers interested in recent developments of the art.

Louisville, by the Works Program. A well illustrated guide to the charming southern city.

**How to be a Fashion Designer**, by Gladys Shuler. Helpful advice on traveling the long, hard, but fascinating road of clothes design in one of the most interesting occupations in the country. Gaiety illustrations make this practical book attractive.

**Advertisements**, by Kenneth M. Goode. A completely revised edition of an authoritative work on advertising. Included are how to break into advertising; how to write, sell and use advertising. Voted in the Frisco's "Big Pot" "the most useful book on advertising published."

**The Conservative Revolution** by Hermann Raushning. The famous ex-Nazi discusses Germany and Hitler's rise to power in terms of the world upheaval through which we are passing today. Written in his usual clear and entertaining style, this is a book with much food for thought.

A few "whodunits" for moments of relaxation:

**The Town is Full of Rumors**, by Ruth Wilson. Spooky tales of prominent banker creates rumors of murder.

**Dead of Winter**, by Christopher Hale. Clever puzzle laid in Northwestern Michigan.

**Skull Mountain**, by Dean Hawkins. Spooky ancient manor house scene of horrendous happenings.

**Who's the Mystery**, by Baby St. John. Well-bred manor in charming country house filled with weekend-ending guests.

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Bits of Birmingham

In regard to the recent death of George A. Beecher struck by a train, which caused comment regarding the mislay as accidental. The Eccentric learned this week Mrs. Beecher's friends have been quite disturbed and offended about early rumors and talk.

The jury list for September includes the names of Milda Harlick and Pearl Lamb, of Birmingham, and John Kille, Bloomfield Hills.

City Treasurer Harold H. Corson arrived home last week from a 10-day vacation trip into the wilds of Canada. He raised 1.5 of the 17 days, but Harold said they got used to it and had a fine time. Fish are plentiful.

**Editor, The Eccentric:** We've followed with an avid interest the claims of several of the more successful Waltonians of our little community but to date none of them has been successful in introducing a record catch of black bass fish within our territory to say is the most sought after by the anglers of this city. Therefore we feel quite important that we be the first to submit the story of our successful expedition, and that the fish which we have introduced is all the actual proof of the quality. We feel that it is also unique that these fish were caught.



—W. A. P. John Photo  
Within five miles of the Birmingham city limits, this disproving the old saw that it is necessary to travel in order to successfully catch fish. Our third claim to distinction is that these fish were caught in three consecutive casts, and that their total weight was a trifling ten pounds.

As you can see, then our claim is a niche in The Eccentric Hall of Big Fish Fame lies not only in the size of these big bass, but also in the extraordinary circumstances surrounding their capture. For sheer fish, ticks and stammina, give us a large-mouthed black bass at sunset any time—the man was right who said that once for dinner, pound found, they are the gamiest things that swim. Sincerely (from left to right) ROBERT B. KINGLE, Cranbrook Rd., Bloomfield G. E. KREJCI, JR., Beverly Hills.

**The Wanderer notices more**... than most with bare legs. It seems that some one soon make money by advertising hoisery repair, now that every pair is viewed preciously by the women.

This week's flash from a correspondent: A spruce washed with water and rolled in flaxseed, hung in a window and kept damp, soon becomes a pretty thing. To try it and let us know if it works.

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that a truck left apart at Wood- and Oak streets, Monday night. The driver left the scene. A load of black dirt was in the truck. The driver left the scene. A load of black dirt was in the truck. The driver left the scene. A load of black dirt was in the truck.

Mrs. Florence Stokes, Birmingham, has been granted a divorce from Thomas Stokes. She receives child and \$10 monthly support.

**Labor Day week-end, only** accidents occurred in Birmingham. Last week-end, from the 6th to the 8th, there were 13 accidents. With schools reopening, there must be more traffic on the streets.

It is pointed out that the Birmingham Police Department is doing an excellent job of investigating accidents and prosecuting lawbreakers.

**After teachers met Monday** morning for their annual pep talk at the Ladies Aid meeting. They discussed school and talked.

When the picture on Page 1 was taken, the new teachers were called out Sunday and police arrested one of them.

**Vinewood great resident** looked herself out of her house Monday but police helped her in.

The Eccentric staff looks forward to the fall and winter, but more news but also much work.

The Johnsons, of 631 Brown, called gas Sunday and police arrested one of them.

**What was some wind last Saturday**? This Wanderer was at Hough-Lake, but it was so rough that not even her feet kept from being blown through the woods. It was a gale, but she was not a substitute, however. In Birmingham, several trees and limbs were blown down.

Properly up to here, but still constables are working. St. Paul, a dining room suite and rug were re-located at one house, and last week, they came after a refrigerator at another place.

We note by the marksmen's record bulletin, posted at the Police Department, that Patrolman Henry Finn has recorded the best improvement from July to August, upping his score 15 per cent.

**Ray Todd, Jr., one of our** linemen operators looks like a young man about 25, but we were surprised that he is the father of three children. The latest, a girl, arrived his other day, and the Wanderer has a cigar in his desk. We will wait for a breezy after-dinner at a football game to smoke

Mrs. Carolyn Plumstead, at the Community House, displays a beautiful California tail, while visiting her son, Millard, now in the Army. She also gained weight of getting sunburn. Her husband had to go to bed for a day.

Mrs. L. L. Northrup, 1040 Corbett Court, reported to police this week the theft of four sheets, four blankets, aprons and other articles. A maid was named.

Mrs. Donald Calhoun, 561 Chestnut, sought aid police last Friday in recovering personal papers. She was mistaken by a junkman's son included them in some waste paper.

**Malcolm Yerkes, 536 Chester** field, reported to police last week that some one opened letters in his mailbox. He did not know whether anything had been taken.

**Art Holmes, Bloomfield Township** constable, says he has received a lot of calls from people who object to hunters wearing private property to roam their dogs.

**News from the Cat Bureau:** Sometime before 8 p. m. on Saturday, Sept. 6, Wimpy, a 4-week-old black and white kitten belonging to the Cat Bureau disappeared from the Bureau's yard. Kittens at the Cat Bureau are kept in a pen with the big cats and kittens rarely stray. Wimpy had spent all day Saturday in the yard, which is

bounded by Woodward, Ravine Road and Brookside, with his sister, a little mouse-colored kitten, who he has been playing together at 7 p. m. At 8 p. m. feeding time (kittens in this age are fed often in this case every three hours in the daytime) the mouse-colored kitten came running, but Wimpy was not to be seen.

"After an hour's search that night and an all-day hunt on Sunday, Wimpy did not turn up. The little mouse-colored kitten mourns for her brother; do you know where he is?"

Mrs. Carson Wilder, of Metamora, sends us a snapshot of a cute pair of youngsters near a boy in a sailor suit, and the other a girl dressed like a show-biz dancer. They entered in the Lapspur Day Festival parade.

The boy is Buddy Haimbaum, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Haimbaum, 1530 Welster, Birmingham, and the girl is Betty Scott, 2 1/2 years old, of former Bremen George Scott.

**Edwin R. Krueger, Birmingham**, has filed suit for divorce from Mrs. Dortha Krueger.

**Miss Jane Howarth, 20-year-old** granddaughter of Birmingham's J. H. Howarth, was rescued from the hands of a Los Angeles man on the gale Saturday. Miss Howarth's home is in Groesbeck Place.

The Salvation Army will have a tag day near Saturday. Headquarters will be at the Birmingham Federal Savings and Loan, and Walter L. Moreland is acting as treasurer.

**Another Cat Bureau note:** Mrs. A. H. Allen found a stray half-grown cat near her home at 252 Rosewood street, Tuesday night. The cat is a tiger color; seems not to fear dogs and also seems to be afraid of men. If anyone has a cat, they may call at Cat Bureau, 11 Ravine road, and pick up cat.

**Three cars collided last Thursday** at Crooks and 14-mile roads. The car of Jay Rebeard, 72 years old, Troy Township, collided with one driven by John Main, 26 years old, of 54 East Long Lake road. Both cars then hit the machine of a Royal Oak man. Rebeard was taken to the hospital with chest and back injuries.

**Harold H. Meher, 760 Fairfax**, had left his keys in his car Monday night when it was parked behind the Bloomfield Theatre. Alas, he had to take a cab home, for the car was misused.

**Firmen estimated that losses** during August amounted to \$160.

At that Tommy Bridges Day game at Briggs Stadium Sunday, Detroit's out local fireman manager, sat in a box seat and looked about with great satisfaction. He was Walter J. Lister, the sports editor of the Free Press which brought about the game. Lister is a good friend of Dale Stafford, the aforementioned editor, so it was probably pre-arranged that his epistula should have been given great prominence.

Police Investigate Recklessness Charge

**Omber Bridgewater, 47 years** old, of 1323 East Lincoln avenue, is charged with reckless driving following a crash last Friday at Woodward avenue and Adams. Louis Beca, 28 years old, 4733 Field avenue, Detroit, driver of the other car, told police that he was going south on Woodward avenue when Bridgewater crossed Woodward, toward Adams. Bridgewater did not stop, he said, and was followed to his home. Police are investigating further.

**NO ONE HURT**  
Cars driven by Reuben Miller, 28 years old, 401 Maxwell, Royal Oak, going south on Woodward, and Alex Baker, 38 years old, of 744 South Adams, crossing Hoster boulevard at Hayes, crashed last Friday. No one was hurt.

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