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Early American homes, of comparatively recent vintage are scarce—but a new one built to order is now a distinct rarity.

The designer of this property has tastefully blended fieldstone, brick and white clapboard into something delicate of line yet staunch in every respect. Of course, there is a bright cheery living room with fireplace, dining room and a stream-lined modern kitchen with a "dining space for the kiddies." There is also a completely knotty pine paneled library and a lavatory with lovely colored fixtures. Three attractive bedrooms (two with two closets each) and a splendid fully tiled bath with colored fixtures.

Chrysler Air Temp air conditioning unit, laundry and recreation room area fully utilize the high ceiling basement.

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County and School taxes are now due and payable at the City Treasurer's Office in the Municipal Building. They are payable with a 1% collection fee until January 9th, 1943, after which they will carry a 4% fee.

Starting March 1st, 1943, they will be payable only at the Office of the Oakland County Treasurer at Pontiac, Michigan.

12-10-42
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Bits of Birmingham

The meat shortage really hit last week. One butcher said it was the worst week business he had done in five years simply because he could get but little meat to sell.

It has come to the attention of this Wanderer that one family is doing something it hasn't done in years, that is, it plans to buy a pig and smoke, pickle and eat it. We haven't tasted real, old-fashioned homemade pork sausage in some years. It's really swell.

Butter, too, is scarce and without further adieu should be rationed.

We've heard tell that years ago, people with large families provided their tables with goose and pork fat, which after being salted was in lieu of butter.

Fat, incidentally, is still being collected by your meat dealer. One reader who called at the Kroger store last week was amazed at the quantity of waste fat this establishment collected every week.

People who have occasion to watch U. S. 10 traffic say it has fallen off a great deal. There aren't as many cars to be seen on our streets, as you have noticed yourself. Buses are crowded.

An ad in the current issue of the Lattin magazine monthly paper reads thus: "Wanted — a dog house for cocker spaniel, (not for Ben) Call Mrs. Ben Strayer, Southfield 4550." Mrs. Ben, must have a nice sense of humor.

The Eccentric office gets some strange inquiries. A Lake Park drive resident phoned this office and asked: "What shall I do with a mallard duck which came into my yard with its feet frozen?" She thawed out the bird and wondered what to do next, not caring for the taste of wild duck. We suggested that she call the Cranbrook Institute of Science; she did, and Walter P. Nickell, their bird man, invited her to submit the duck for membership in the "Duck Club" maintained on the grounds. We did not put out how Cranbrook succeeds in keeping its ducks with unfrozen feet but do doubt this educational institution teaches them the better ways of life.

Mrs. R. F. Khuen was thrilled the other day to see some rubber overalls made in Brazil on sale at her local store. "I once lived in Brazil," she said, "and this was the first time I ever saw a rubber manufactured product from that country on sale here."

Yes, we in the United States often don't like to get products from other countries. We have a shortage of beef, but the "C" Senators and Representatives will fight tooth and nail to keep up the wartime level at this time for the rest of Congress until it rises up and give those fellows the bum's ruff.

When you buy gasoline, make sure that your tanks will hold what you order, for a coupon must be detached for every four gallons or fraction thereof, and you must come back next day for what your tank won't hold. Don't detach your coupons until the attendant calls for them. Write "Mich." and your license number across the face of each coupon in advance. If Johnny comes on furlough, you can't get extra gas for him to operate the family bus according to word from Detroit.

Fred Conner, of Berkeley, parked his car near the Birmingham Electric Saturday night and was relieved of his radio.

Circuit court jurors to serve in Pontiac during the December term of court include Mrs. Ethel Goller, George W. Clarke, T. Hendrie, 359 Willis, Clarence DeJoy, Troy Township; George C. McGraw, 2nd, 336 South Adams; Mrs. Elizabeth Shipman, 1460 Maryland; and Evelyn S. Trent. Names are chosen from the tax rolls.

Royce L. Beers has secured more patents on stokers; Harold W. Kost has been awarded a patent on a new type of fastener.

Dress designers have been told to save materials by cutting out frills and odd sizes. However, "Bathing suit designer Mrs. Caroline Schurmer says that 'bathing suits are pretty scarce already. I don't see how we can skimp on them much more without causing a lot of trouble.' She says a news story from New York.

Several people were arrested for having their lights during the recent Blackout, but many violate the City ordinance every night, according to Justice Forbes S. Hascall. You are a violator any time if you leave your home, office or car with lights on a night which cannot be extinguished immediately by someone on the premises, he says.

If you know of any one who has an old car—a jalopy, which is not being used for transportation, write down the name of its owner and the location of the car and mail it to the Salvage Committee, Defense Service Center, 131 Pierce street. Or you can phone this information to 401-1.

Felix Darge, 3747 Royal street, Berkeley, and Gerard J. Halverson, of Pontiac, were given a ticket each for speeding 30 miles an hour.

A friend stopped at one of the larger drug stores Monday and the only kind of chewing gum he had was some stuff made in Lansing. We suspect it was left over from the last war—is the gum program in schools to become a forgotten issue?

City Manager Egbert ordered police to look for lost property with all merchants to remind them that snow and ice must be removed from sidewalks. Most of it is, of course, gone.

L. C. Cowden, 240 Oakland reported to police last week that the traffic light at Oakland and Hunter was stuck and did not work properly.

The discussion in this column last week with regard to the projected dance hall has caused two readers to submit letters in favor of it. They are included in the People's Column. Two points made were that the Community House dances are attended only by young people of high-school or near-high-school age who are not a cross-section of the population of the City; and that gas rationing makes imperative some sort of local recreation along this line. D. G. Hayes, who hopes to open the dance place in the building now used by his roller rink, had the names of 186 bona fide property owners within 1500 feet of the place when he called on the City Manager this week with 20 names the goal he must attain.

Lathrop Mitchell Wilkie, the cab driver, had had some bad luck lately. Three weeks ago, while pursued by a nearby resident with whom he had a quarrel, his cab crashed into a third machine Monday, while essaying to park in the lot of the Post Office, he cut in a line too sharply and dented the rear of a car owned by Ned McCormick, 564 Park street, according to a police report.

We are intrigued by the implications of the "Stork Baby Service Co." which was organized by Isadore Leff, Detroit, was driving south on Chester street Monday when it skidded onto Brown street and collided with a laundry truck driven by Horace Boyd Barrett, 648 Kenosha, going east on Brown. Damage to each truck was estimated at \$25.

It has been a long time since this column chronicled the incidents which dogged the victim this time was Allan Garfield, 431 Avenel road. He didn't know it, but was the victim of a plot to look for the animal.

Pleasant avenue resident complained to police Saturday that a Great Dane dog was destroying cats in the neighborhood.

Gas thieves are on the loose, so beware! Robert Moody, 812 Unity street, knows it and believes he has been marked as their special prey. Last Friday night, he had a flat tire on Springfield road, and it was a couple of hours before he could be back with a spare tire, while someone siphoned his tank. The same night, the tank was siphoned again. A good case for Police Sgt. Earl Moody, the father, to solve.

George Dear, of Birmingham has been awarded a bronze star for his work in the field following a tour of duty in the first division of the Coast Guard, Pontiac.

There's no big display of colored lights on the old square rise in the middle of the Civic Center park, a concession to the W.P.I.O.P.T., etc. However, the dog catcher with the Native features has been set on guard under the tree.

It's getting to the point where it's funny. In our office, every time some one turns around he sees George B. Averill with a new form. Truthfully, G.B.A. spends half his time nowadays working on reports and fees for the Government.

Many of you saw the front page of the Free Press Monday, the one on which the same page of a great article was reproduced. A friend, Mrs. V., picked up the paper and was greatly shocked to find that the Native features. She was distressed for hours about it until she got on her reading glasses and saw our date was Dec. 7, 1941.

The current issue of the magazine "Mosaic" carries an article written by Jack Gaffill, of Birmingham, who has developed a project for the Motion Picture Institute of America, Inc. Having spent some years in the commercial motion field, he developed a series of home study courses which he sells by mail. The courses and the magazine article

Curtailed Coiffure



Mary Astor marks her return to fashion with this short-but-long style. Hair is parted on the right, combed high on the right side in a wave, back of which a row of pin curls may be worn loose or as a side roll. Top photo shows how two rows of pin curls are set on the left side. Bottom photo shows hair brushed on each side of the part, giving a close-cropped effect.

are illustrated by Douglas Reinhart, of 556 Stanley.

Mailed your Christmas cards yet? Don't wait, especially not with the out-of-town ones. The Post Office, which is open every evening, suggests that you sort your cards into two packets—local and out-of-town.

Monday was the anniversary of Pearl Harbor and 52 people bought war bonds at the Birmingham Theatre.

Miss Eleanor Stanton, new manager of the Bloomfield Theatre has an idea to honor the service men. During the week of Dec. 21 to Dec. 31 inclusive, when many of them are gone on furloughs, her theatre will issue two free tickets to any man in the armed forces. Parents can apply for the tickets now by addressing a letter giving the name of their son to "Theatre Tickets," The Birmingham Eccentric, or by leaving it at our office. We will turn them over to Miss Stanton. No phone requests can be handled.

A boy living on Holland avenue locked himself in the bathroom Tuesday and could not get out. The distraught mother called police and Patrolman Sam Stanton went to the rescue, taking off the hinges on the door.

Police collared a Knox avenue boy who shot holes in the mail box of Lett E. E. Kookale, 1741.

Gas rationing brings its oddities. Tuesday night a high school boy wondered how much gasoline lay in the tank of his car and he lit his cigarette lighter and poured down the pipe. The vapor caught fire but he was able to merely flick it out. That stuff used to stink up the good old days.

Varsity Club Plans Carnival Jan. 16

The Varsity Club has made some progress in its plans for giving a school carnival Jan. 16, the plans being to help establish school club funds and hold an other trophy case in which championship athletic team pictures will be kept.

Fred Jeffers was appointed general chairman. Working on the committee are Ken Magdonald, Bill Wiskoff, and Don Fisher.

Plans for concessions are under way, and all home rooms have been given a list of these from which they are to choose. The deadline for choice of these concessions is Dec. 19.

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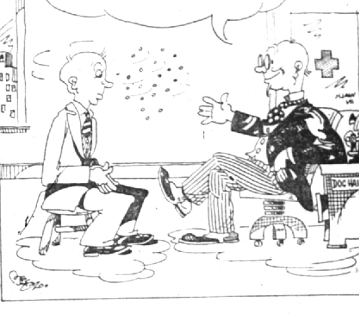
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More Letters to Santa!

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Adams School

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a personalized bridge and a horse. Thank you WILLARD NEWMAN.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a story book doll and a train. Thank you MULLY OLSON.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a train. I also want a doll for my sister. Thank you GARY SHATTUCK. I need some mittens.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a wagon and a horse. Thank you very much BOBBY TARKER.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bottle glove and a horse book. Thank you TOMMY MASTERS.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a pair of mittens and a horse book. Thank you PAULINE OLIVER.

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