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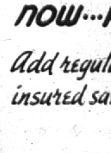

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Two Boy Scouts Get Eagle Badges At Honor Court

The presentation of two Eagle Scout badges to boys in Birmingham district was the highlight of the summer court of honor held in Royal Oak last Saturday evening. Those receiving this honor were Bill Martin, troop B-4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Martin of Bloomfield Hills, and Tom Allen, troop B-5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Draper Allen, 528 Westwood drive.

Another Birmingham boy, Ralph Everall of troop B-4, was to receive his Eagle badge also, but he

Tom Allen

was out of the city and it will be awarded at a future court of honor.

The following boys were presented with their Star rank awards: Lloyd Harvey, B-4; Dick Austin, B-5; Jim Plant, B-6; Norman Clarke, 8-6; and Bob Shutes, B-13.

Merit badges were presented to boys in the following troops:

Troop B-4: Bill Martin, electricity, life saving; Stanley Reinhart, firemanship; Dick Wilson, civics, leatherwork, pathfinding.

Troop B5: Bob King, metalwork, woodwork; Dick Austin, firemanship; safety; Dick Kemp, craftsmanship, handicraft.

Troop B-7: Elmer Giles, forestry, public health, electricity; and troop B-13; Bob Shutes, athletics and marksmanship.

Several Birmingham boys are now attending the Detroit Area boy scouts camps and are receiving regular advancement at the camp courts of honor.

HIT ON TURN

Bud Mayo, of Keego Harbor, was driving north on Woodward avenue Friday night when he struck the machine of Charles B. Dickerson, of 12937 Woodward avenue, who was making a left turn onto Harmon avenue. Damage was not heavy.

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BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

Tom Reinholm, the grocer, has a mother dawg. Last week she had a litter of pups, but as the Reinholm family was away at the time, she had them delivered next door at the neighbors. Tom and his neighbor decided, then, that the canine family could be left at the neighbors until the pups got big enough to move. But Mrs. Dawg took the problem into her own hands, or shall we say—her own mouth. She moved the pups home herself.

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During the hot blast last week-end, a veritable traffic jam developed at Ritter's beer store on East Maple. Double-parking got so bad that a policeman had to direct traffic.

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A letter from the Foster Par-ents' Plan for War Children, Inc., of New York, informs us that 65 residents of Michigan are contributing toward the support of children in Great Britain. Among them are two in Birmingham, David H. Perkins, whose mail address is P. O. box 268, and Mr. and Mrs. David G. Murray, 462 Pilgrim road.

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The dispersion of our armed forces is revealed in the bills at the two theatres during the past week. At the Birmingham theatre, we find "A Yank on the Burma Road," while at the Bloomfield is "Two Yanks in Trinidad." Eventually, Hitler will get a Yank in his hair and a yank on the snout.

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The weekly bulletin of the Michigan Society of Architects carries a story on the recent honor paid George G. Booth, patron of the Cranbrook community. In a special ceremony, he was given a citation by the American Institute of Architects, as his friends all know.

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Another milestone reached by the Cranbrook Academy of Art is the fact that the institution is now empowered by the State to confer bachelor and master's degrees to students who complete their art work there after previous general study elsewhere.

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Walter T. Elliott, former Bir-mingham man who retired July 1 as president of the Detroit Rotary Club, has been appointed executive secretary, a full-time job, which he will take over Sept. 1, resigning as manager of the reporting division, Merchants' Credit Bureau.

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A resident of Ruffner street phoned this Wanderer with the following observations: "They ought to change the name of Ruffner to 'Dog-Haven' boulevard, because there are plenty of them around here. I didn't get to sleep until 4 a. m. the other day the dogs were so bad. The howling, fighting, scrapping—you never heard anything like it. Mister, it was really something! I work in a defense plant, but the next day, I didn't go to work. I called up the City manager and told him that the next time it happened, I was going to get him and the City Commission out of bed no matter what the time was."

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The trouble was that some one let a female dog loose which should have been kept in. People like that are the ones who cause feeling against dogs, whereas most people are pretty careful about their pets so that they don't bother anybody else. The ones who permit nuisances are the ones the police ought to prosecute.

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The Northwest Record, in De-troit, is really going all out for Mrs. Dorothy K. Roosevelt, candidate for Congress. The Record last week made her announcement in big black type and a subordinate head called her a "Modern Joan of Arc."

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Simon H. Waugaman, of Bir-mingham, has received an annulment of his marriage to Mrs. Julia Waugaman.

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You can't fool the kids. Walt Morgan tells of a jewelry store in Hazel Park which started giving away cotton shirts (with advertising on the back) providing that each boy showed he had bought a 25-cent defense stamp. Then the Post Office wondered why so many kids were coming in to ask for a refund on their defense stamps, each of them wearing a new shirt!

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Circuit Judge Hartrick has modified the temporary injunction in the Louise Lathrup Kelley building case, a partial victory for Mrs. Kelley. Judge Hartrick said that she could complete her model home and two others so that he could see whether they violated the restrictions of $7,000 provided in the 1924 building code. A $6,-000 home is now the equivalent of a $7,000 home then, Mrs. Kelley said. The case is not over, however, and is to come up again Sept. 1. Residents of Lathrup Townsite were plaintiffs in the lawsuit.

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Patrolman Henry Timm and his wife are cruising to Duluth this week on the same ship on which his son has been a steward the past three summers. The young-er Timm is a student at Michigan State College and has enlisted in an Army reserve unit.

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They had to tune down the mu-sic last Friday night at the open-air dance after two neighbors complained.

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Four boxes of spark plugs were stolen last Friday from the Fal-vey gasoline station, 543 South Woodward. A theft of money was reported also from the Strand shop, next door to The Eccentric.

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Norton Behn, 688 Humphrey, was bitten last Thursday by a dog in front of the residence at 1288 Edgewood.

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The shorts season for the gals is in full swing. Some are wearing the ordinary blue denim pants such as those worn by farmboys; no doubt those girls are a big help around home, keeping the lawn in trim (?).

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A new term at the YMCA Camp on Loon Lake is starting. See announcement in the Classified section.

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Shirley Elaine Wales, of Maple Ridge road, was backing from the curb on Woodward avenue last Friday when she collided with a truck driven by Joe W. Smith, an Eccentric employee.

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Frank Skinner will be prepared when the match shortage arrives. "Take a couple of dry Boy Scouts," he says, "and rub them together."

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It is said that one of the ladies in the motor corps receives salutes from her servants when she is in uniform. Interesting if true.

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As you know, most of the hired help in the City Hall is female, so there was somewhat of a flurry one Tuesday morning during the physical examination given some 99 young men. The men, all in the nude, were standing and sitting about in the City Commission room when somehow, the door was left open! Maybe the reason was that none of them wanted to be accused of trying to keep out of the draft.

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People living in the vicinity of either of the City's two water tanks will note that the water they may drink on hot evenings is not cool like that drawn from a faucet during the day. The reason is that ordinarily, the 500,000 gallons of water in the big tank is little drawn upon; the pumps keep the tank full. But when everybody starts to water the grass in the evening, the "hot" water in the tank goes into the mains, forcing you and you to go to the ice box for that cool draught.

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Girl Scouts are to drill a well near their cabin in Springdale Park.

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John A. Demorest, who has lived at 528 Oakland avenue for the past month, has been named district manager for Michigan for a large distilling firm. Previous to joining that organization in 1939, he was with International Business Machines in Cleveland.

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Happy Hal says that if he ever becomes a father, he will make arrangements with St. Joseph's Hospital. They have never lost a father.

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Commissioner Harry Bissett told the group Monday night that the green light for East Maple, crossing Hunter boulevard, is of only seven seconds' duration. "If there are two cars waiting for the light, it is very difficult to get across. Pedestrians can make it only from one side to the island in the middle, and must then wait for another car to pass and trip the light green. The State Highway Department controls the timing of the light.

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The Lions Club will be host Wednesday evening, July 29, at a picnic with the Exchange Club at Hemrich park off Rochester road, near 17-Mile road.

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A stone from a passing car broke a window in the Wabeek bank Tuesday.

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Kenneth Green, 20 years old, of 690 Hazel, was treated late Wednesday evening for bruises and the loss of teeth following a crash at Royal Oak.

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We dropped in at LaBelle's shop on West Maple the other day and noted the fine new greeting card display. The racks on top, lighted with fluorescent tubes, contain some 700 varieties of cards while drawers below contain more than 500, making over 1,000 card styles in all. One of the new lines is cards for soldiers. The set-up is said to be one of the finest to be seen anywhere, and was put in under the personal supervision of E. F. Costello, of Birmingham, district representative for the Norcross company.

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Police were sent to Frank and Pierce streets at 12:13 a. m. Tuesday when neighbors complained of a "brass band." It turned out to be some youths practicing at a home in preparation for a dance job they have in the northern part of the state.

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For the second time, William Sanders, 224 East Brown, has had thieves steal fender skirts from his automobile.

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Dog bites of the week: Melvin Boomer, 16 years old, of 816 Pierce, by the A. D. Smith dog, 1010 Puritan. Philip Martz, 14, 724 Ladyview, the Mayor's boy, and Milton Berz, 14, of 647 Woodland, were both nipped by the Richard DeLisle dog, 275 North Bates. The dog's disposition was explained by the fact that she has six pups.

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Fire drill next week will be as follows: Companies 4, 5 and 6, Monday night; 7, 8 and Specialists, Tuesday night; 9 and 10, Wednesday, according to Chief Griffith.

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A local doctor's young son is in the dog house at a summer camp he is attending. He took a beach umbrella and punched holes in the bottom of a boat belonging to a man near the camp—a man who had taken the boys riding. It cost Papa more than $100.

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That rainstorm Sunday after-noon brought welcome relief from the heat. The wind blew down the Edison wire at West Maple and Chesterfield.

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Different people did different things during that bad period Saturday evening, although it seems that the women were the most irrational. One girl just cried, she was so uncomfortable. Another got slap-happy, while her roommate got up at 2 a. m. Sunday morning and proceeded to scrub the kitchen floor, something she wouldn't have done at all in her more lucid moments.

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"There's a car which looks sus-picious parked in the Wabeek lot," a man phoned police. Officers rushed to the scene and found a machine with its doors wide open and a man sprawled inside, asleep. "Too hot at home," he said.

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The heat, of course, was noth-ing like that in the summer of 1936 when for two days, it was not only 100 degrees, but without a breath of air. Remember?

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The rationing office in the base-ment of the high school will not only take care of your sugar needs (the red tape is now much less; see the Consumer News on the editorial page) but has application blanks for tires, cars, bicycles and typewriters.

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Police have nabbed that motor-cyclist who dashed up Hunter boulevard with much of a roar. He is William Ira Williams, 5964 Wabash, Detroit, and he was given a ticket for having no muffler on his machine.

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Alvin Larsen, 832 East Lincoln was scared for a while last Saturday night. His bike was stolen from in front of the Bloomfield theatre, but it turned up next day.

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William Bedard, 728 Humphrey, told police Saturday that a prowler entered his home and went around with a flashlight. He got no description, however.

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Jane Hardin and Carolyn Kane are the two new recruits to the volunteer service section of the

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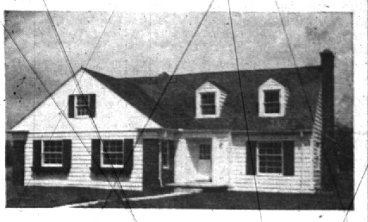

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