

The Birmingham Eclectic

PART TWO

Gradually, but not without effect... our various leaders in high places are "putting the pressure of reorganization" on all of us...

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Just like living in the country with all the conveniences of the city combined, No. 1033 Oxford Drive is a most desirable place to live. Of English architecture, with large rooms, oil, air-conditioned heat, heavy foliage and lovely lawn, it's one you really should see. There is a complete bath and bedroom on the first floor four large family bedrooms (the owner's has a fireplace) and two tiled baths make up the second floor. The corner lot is 70 x 120 and its situation eliminates the side drive to the 2-car, attached garage. Priced to sell and gladly shown at all times.

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Adventure Novels Added to Shelves At Public Library

By LINDO MOORE First cousin to Scarlett O'Hara is America. Marjorie, heroine of Elizabeth Chevalier's 'Drivin' Woman,' recently added to Baldwin Library shelves. America, spirited and determined, brought her family safely through the hungry and dangerous carpet-bagging days in Virginia before marrying a handsome Kentuckian adventurer. Of the same blood strain must be the lovely Lady Lucy who made pratfall Sir Henry Morgan's life miserable during some of the more spectacular moments of his plundering career along the Spanish Main. Overshadowing the slight romance is the swashbuckling story of the capture of Panama and the looting of the Spanish treasure city.

River raged by Houston Branch. The heroine's blood lines, though not so plain, seem the same as those above. The background of the case is the lusty, colorful Mississippi during its great logging days. Bright is 'The Wanderer,' by Bruce Lancaster. It is the 'Canadian Rebellion of 1837' in this novel of Canada and the United States. The effect of political differences on a young man's life and that of his friends and loved ones makes an unusual story.

Dr. Finlay Sees It Through, by Alan Hart. Starting at the smoking of his private hospital, Dr. Finlay at once began laying plans for a new and better one. The story has its struggle with the thread of romance running through it, makes an absorbing read. Fiddle Longpray, by Warren Blescoe. Lighthearted story of straight-laced Maryland society upset by spectacle of scene of one of oldest families unexpectedly present at garden party clad in bathing trunks. Recommended for hammock afternoons.

See Magic, by Sara Ware Bassett. Simple New England story of science professor who comes to live with distant cousin. Complications introduced in shape of young woman, two young men, charming story for hot evening.

The Unwashed, by Howard Fast. Novel, but more fact than fiction in this story of Washington and Long Island campaign. The figure of Washington emerges as a vital one and there is much in the book applicable to the present day. Hurricane Caye, by Margaret Shields. Three different types of love make the threads of this novel. The background is Central American jungle.

Gold and Gains on Halfday Creek, by James Hendry. Concerning some little difficulties connected with keeping Halfday Creek 'the peacefullest creek in the Yukon' when strangers were mostly named Smith and gave part of the well dressed man's costumes.

Driver, Passengers Arrested by Police. A driver and two passengers all of Pontiac were arrested here on the morning of July 4. The operator, Frank Prieto, of 240 West Wilson street, was charged with reckless and dangerous driving. Herman Gomez and Saturno Navarre were charged with being disorderly and were fined \$10 by Justice Robert Appell said the car came from Pontiac to bring a friend here and had made a U-turn on Woodward avenue when he halted the machine.

AT FATHER'S FUNERAL. Miss Anna Smith, 604 Watkins street, declined on Saturday from Lorain, Ohio, where she attended the funeral of her father, Fred Harzert, which was held on July 1.

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BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

D. A. Green, the paint and wall paper man, rides a bicycle to work.

Harold R. O'Reilly, over at Franklin, has a horse and carriage, we noted last Saturday as he and neighbors drove by on a pleasure jaunt.

'Tis said that a firm at Lansing has carriage and rent. That would go over here, this Wanderer will wager. Many parents would like to take their kids out for a buggy ride, for most of them have never had that quaint experience.

Many of Birmingham's landlords are unhappy over the rent ceiling which sends the figure back to April 1, 1941 because so many places are leased, and leases usually run from May 1 to May 1. So, the ceiling forces the rents back to the figure of one year and 11 months ago in these cases.

Hot weather and complaints to police about noisy parties go together for this reason: the windows are up. Officers were sent to a place on Kimberley road July 5 at 1:30 a. m. when one of the guests started shooting fireworks on the lawn. He promised to desist and the neighbors went back to sleep.

Because the express company refused to deliver fireworks sent up from Ohio, Birmingham spent the quietest Fourth within the memory of living man. Police had only a couple of complaints.

One call sent officers to Suffered road where two boys and a girl were engaged in exploding the crackers celebrating the birthday anniversary of Emil R. Keller, 17, Quanton road, which had July 5 as its birth month of July 5. The time was 1:45 a. m.

Young Keller was dealt a cruel blow by fate. Just having left the status of a juvenile by 1 hour and 5 minutes, he was arrested and next day, Judge Haswell put him in a 30-day suspended sentence and assessed \$10 costs. The other boy, 15, and the girl, 15, are juveniles and received nothing worse than a lecture by the police chief. A quantity of fireworks was seized.

A letter from W. S. Toothacher, coroner here, tells us he is homesick and that we should send him his paper forthwith to 816 S. Highland, Arlington, Va., where he is spending the summer. 'Very busy, keeping out of mischief,' said he.

W. J. Wiggins, 586 Fairfax, found a .32 caliber Harrington and Richardson revolver in his yard July 2. Police have been unable to trace the ownership through the registry.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kehoe, Jr., have appealed a judgment of \$294.00 rendered against them in favor of Mrs. Inez Asper in Judge Haswell's court. The amount was due on a lease and for damage to the furnishings of Mrs. Asper's house, it was claimed.

Here's an honest man: Bill Hawley, route 1, Royal Oak, found a purple early July 4 and brought it to the police station. It contained between \$9 and \$11, the owner, Lynn White, of Kalamazoo, told officers when reporting the loss.

Dr. John E. Martin, former Methodist minister here, and Mrs. Martin recently observed their 25th wedding anniversary. They are now at Redford.

Mrs. Andrew Watson and her salvage committee in the zone west of Woodward and south of Lincoln certainly have done themselves proud. A whole truck load of scrap metal, including brass, copper, aluminum and iron was hauled away recently from the zone.

Sharing Rations. We wish one of our large photographic staff had been prowling about last Friday morning to get a picture of a police car towing a pony. The pony belongs to the William D. Crims, officers said, and had been brought from the country to the Crim home at 178 Linden so that the little Crim girl could ride it next day on her birthday. However, the pony demurred. Not used to his strange surroundings, he started to whinny and otherwise complain in pony language, but he gave out your own combinations. This idea should have a definite appeal, we think, in hot weather.

Friday at 2 a. m., Burr Walton, driver for Kroger, was driving at the super market when he saw two men jump from the bushes and run to their car, driving away on Oakland avenue. Several weeks ago, police in Detroit arrested a pair who had groceries in their car and a list of the Kroger

vacant lot next door to the Watson home, as well as a big load of paper.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Minton are now settled in their new home at 1846 Northland drive. J. B., who has been Grand Trunk Railroad agent in Birmingham for many years, has lived in Wayne since his marriage last fall. With them is Mrs. Minton's daughter, Madeline Robinson, who is 15 and will be a sophomore at Baldwin High School next year.

Hats off to three benefactors of the summer recreation program this week. John R. Rosso, a loyal ex-member of the Birmingham Recreation Commission, sent around enough fine sand to all six play centers for the sand boxes last week. Lawson & Son gave the necessary lumber to Mrs. Loren Blander's religious education group at Barnum Play Center for a frame to be used for a coming dramatization. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Byrd were the fairy godmother and father who are storing the Tuesday Play Center supplies in their basement this summer. The Recreation Commission feels most grateful to all these generous people for their civic service.

Has anyone a flat-top desk high as the Air Force Recruiting "Hanger" which now holds four daily from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. in the lobby of the Walworth Building? The staff is now using a table, which is not satisfactory.

Mrs. Charles J. Shin, that indefatigable student of international relations, has a large display of maps in the lobby of the Walworth Building. The staff is now using a table, which is not satisfactory.

Hal Burge is proud of his friend, Sgt. John Preston of Reed City, who is one of the six U. S. planes which made the historic first raid over Holland on July 4.

We hope not too many dropped over to Manley Bailey's table for hot dinner last week after reading in this column of his landing a big one. It was Russell Berger who caught the fish, but he hasn't even a fishing license. Bailey, Berger, Mark Harlin and the others were talking among themselves about it and when we returned to write it some, quirk in our own well-meaning credited the catch to Brother Bailey. Better luck next time!

Al Bodine was born in Birmingham, Ala. as a youth of 18 but came back 10 years later when he decided to start a business of his own—be his own boss. He then started his successful newspaper and tobacco shop on Woodward avenue, yard July 2. Police have been unable to trace the ownership through the registry.

Bob Erwin, 119 Southfield, reported a car parked on the Southfield and Lincoln. Police are tracing the ownership.

The price of old newspapers has dropped from \$15 to \$4 a ton but the Recreation Commission is still recovering it at the warehouse at Hunter and Maple. There's little profit anymore but they hope to keep it for the project alive for it is possible that the need may increase. So, bring your paper to them when reporting the loss.

stores in Birmingham. Do you suppose there's something foul about it?

Lawrence Westerby, 352 Catalpa, bought an axe handle and wire screen at Huston's Hardware and put it in a car while he went elsewhere. Now he is afraid he put it in the wrong machine.

Charles Carey, of 146 Linden road, is moving in at that address. He hung up his coat to lend a hand but when he returned to his coat a wallet containing \$100 had been taken.

William Denman, of 255 Ardmore, member of the Birmingham Recreation Commission, sent around enough fine sand to all six play centers for the sand boxes last week. Lawson & Son gave the necessary lumber to Mrs. Loren Blander's religious education group at Barnum Play Center for a frame to be used for a coming dramatization. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Byrd were the fairy godmother and father who are storing the Tuesday Play Center supplies in their basement this summer. The Recreation Commission feels most grateful to all these generous people for their civic service.

Remember our item last week about the bride and groom who enjoyed that protracted kiss in the garden ceremony? They decided that their mothers would help to arrange the wedding, so they gave them a vacation trip to a lake resort. A fine pair of kids.

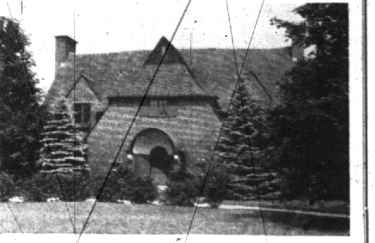
DISORDERLY. On July 4, police arrested Ray H. Mattice, of 266 South Woodward avenue. He pleaded guilty to being disorderly when arrested before Justice Prefect S. Haswell and was fined \$15, to be paid by July 11.

Rich Harvest



Digging a "victory garden" in his back yard, Mario L. Bernardi, Yreka, Calif., found \$100 in gold pieces and currency. The entire amount will be spent, Bernardi said, on U. S. Defense Bonds.

Some Bargain!



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BIRMINGHAM CREDIT BUREAU, INC. July 10, 1942.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION AS OF JUNE 30, 1942

ASSETS	
First Mortgage Loans	5815,737.39
Loans secured by Savings Share Accounts	516.00
Real Estate sold on Contract	11,932.20
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	7,500.00
Office Building and Equipment (less depreciation)	10,907.57
Cash on hand and in Banks	101,570.48
United States War Savings Bonds	50,000.00
Deferred Charges and Other Assets	764.16
Total Assets	\$998,927.80
LIABILITIES	
Savings and Investment Share Accounts	\$657,586.55
Federal Home Loan Bank Advances	90,000.00
Dividends declared and unpaid	2,295.00
Mortgage Loans in Process	3,304.48
Advance payments by borrowers (Taxes, Insurance, etc.)	16,802.17
Other Liabilities	1,292.05
Specific Reserves	353.25
General Reserves	16,423.06
Undivided Profits	10,671.24
Total Liabilities	\$998,927.80

W. L. MORELAND, Vice President and Secretary of the Birmingham Federal Savings and Loan Association. He solemnly swears that the above statement is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

W. L. MORELAND, Vice President and Secretary. HAZEL E. LAWLER, Secretary Public. Oakland County, Michigan.

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