New Principal Appointed by School Board for Baldwin High

Perhaps to too many of us Americans remaining at home come evidences of personal dislike for the many increasing "annoyances" that governmental regulations place upon us; yet compared with the sacrifices made by our men, and women, too, on the fighting fronts, these domestic "annoyances" are as nothing—utterly nothing!

The Birmingham Eccentric

OVER THE TOP FOR VICTORY with UNITED STATES WAR BONDS-STAMPS

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

The Power of a Yawn!

Yawn!

Imagine that you see some person yawning; recall a picture of some one yawning, either an adult or a baby.

Then yawn.

A yawn, insofar as its contagious powers go, is one of the most compelling and powerful forces on earth.

Try to recall a good healthy yawn—and then try to keep from yawning yourself.

It's almost impossible to prevent yourself from yawning—especially if you see another yawn, of remember some one yawning, or recall one of your own large and lusty yawns.

As I write this, I have yawned—not once, but several times. As you read this, how many times have you yawned?

Ain't yawning restful and comfortable, too?

Boy! There's terrific power in a good yawn.

But always cover your mouth when you yawn, (which is part of politeness); it can help to prevent another from seeing your yawn—but to do so completely you must use both hands, or a newspaper, or something spacious, to hide your own yawn from another.

Yawning really is good for you; it gets oxygen into your lungs—and that's really important.

So, Folks, yawn.

Yawns don't cost anything—yet. Open wide, now—attaboy!

YAWN!

We Must Plan to Get Back Every Freedom We Voluntarily Give Up!

To close observers of the manner in which the New Deal is operating the domestic affairs of the United States in this war emergency, it is clear that the administration still has its weather eye slanted to the political phases of the situation. In brief, President Roosevelt still retains unto himself many important controls that relate to practical politics—controls that, say many persons in government places, he ought to relinquish so that he could handle the war problems more thoroughly.

To all of which I only want to make this comment: during this war emergency, necessarily, as free people we are giving up many of our so-called freedoms to win the war. When the war is won—which it eventually will be—how many of these freedoms will we get back?

The answer to that depended upon two conditions: first, how vigorously, and intelligently, will we, the people, insist upon getting back all the freedoms we now relinquish, and make this feeling felt in Washington? How much farther advanced will be the New Deal's plan of controlled economy in our American way of life?

Not that we impugn the Americanism of the President, himself, but rather we do believe that too many New Deal theories are going to be more firmly entrenched in the matrix of government—and it's going to be very difficult to pry them loose from their controls.

Paradoxically, then, unless the whole people demand a return of every American freedom they are now giving up during this war, we will in the United States be in the peculiar position of having won a World War against dictatorship, only to have lost too much of our domestic freedom at home.

You say this cannot happen?

I hope you are right.

Time alone will tell the story.

Rubber Collection At 20,000 Pounds

The scrap rubber drive in Birmingham has resulted in the collection of 20,000 pounds, it was estimated Wednesday by Jess McNeal, chairman of rubber salvage.

Every gasoline station in Birmingham is cooperating, and scrap rubber continues to come in, McNeal said.

Phone Calls Aid

Stimulating the drive is a phone-call barrage layed down by women of the A.W.V.S. Fifteen women working at different times are calling every number in the book to urge them to get out their scrap rubber, according to John H. Harwood, general chairman of salvage.

Friday and Saturday, Boy Scouts are to canvass the City, collecting scrap rubber.

McNeal, at his own garage, has collected nearly 6,000 pounds of rubber, while Jukking Service appears to be next highest with 4,000 pounds.

The drive ends next Tuesday.

Mrs. Kenneth S. Kuhn, of Golden Gate drive, Lathrup Townsite, through ill in bed the past three months, managed to interest enough Townsiters in the drive for

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SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE IN LUCK —others own Insurance policies, safeguarding against loss by Fire, Windstorm, Burglaries, accidents, etc. Call or phone 321.

J. B. HOWARTH & SON
National Bank Bldg.

War Stamps to Get Boost On Wednesday

Merchants Join In National Drive To Increase Sales

Next Wednesday will be "Stamp Day" in Birmingham, Detroit and other cities throughout the State and nation.

At noon, most of the City's business places will sell nothing but War Stamps and Bonds for a 15-minute period, and at the same time will start a new campaign to suggest that customers take part of their change in stamps.

About 50 merchants met Tuesday night at the Community House, at a meeting called by the Birmingham Retail Merchants Association, and discussed plans for the drive. Speakers were M. T. Scott, of the Consumers Power Company, Detroit, and Charles J. Coward, 2258 Pine, director of advertising for the Nash-Kelvinator Corp.

"Never will you have an item to merchandise which will be more profitable to you and your family than War Stamps and Bonds," Scott said.

Coward declared that up to now, the sale of stamps had been "handled with kid gloves."

"They require just as an aggressive sort of merchandising as any other item in stock," he said.

The key to success lies in clerks asking their customers if they care to take part of the change in stamps, he added, declaring that merchants are thus doing this duty as "Commandos of Main Street."

Window display kits were given out during the meeting, presided over by Charles J. Shain, president of the association, Walter E. Rayhel, secretary, and Walter L. Moreland, chairman of the Stamp Day Celebration Committee, spoke briefly.

July 11 Next Date For Draft Quota

July 11 has been announced as the next date for Selective Service pre-induction. For that time, the men who leave will not go immediately into the Army but will be given a 12-day furlough. There will be no sendoff here until the departure for Fort Custer, probably the last week of July.

On July 11, the men will be taken to Detroit for their physical examinations and those who pass will be given the oath of allegiance making them soldiers in the Reserve, and then sent home. However, those who desire it, may go directly to Fort Custer. After they get home, the men must contact the draft board to get the time of departure when their furlough is over.

The new system does away with the embarrassment and uncertainty of the former method, when no one knew for certain whether he would be accepted when he left Birmingham.

Reapportionment Drive Is Closing

A final drive is being pushed this week to secure petitions for an election this fall on reapportionment. The measure, if approved by the people, would force the Secretary of State to redistrict the State to give honest representation to the more populous districts, as required by the Constitution, and which the Legislature has refused to do. Petitions being circulated may be turned in at the Eccentric office, where one of the workers will call for them and send them to Lansing.

Aide in MacArthur Dash Visits Old Friend Here

Do you remember in reading of General MacArthur's escape from the Philippines that one of the torpedo boats broke down? Well, the man who commanded that boat was in Birmingham this week for a brief visit.

He is Lieut. Vincent Schumacher, U. S. Navy, former school friend of Miss Mary Palmer, daughter of Commissioner Ray A. Palmer, 720 East Maple avenue. Coincident with his visit, Mrs. Arthur LaFave, of Beverly Hills, was notified by the Navy Department that her brother, Chief Machinist's Mate Richard Regan, was missing at Corregidor. He was second in command of a torpedo boat, and described his commanding officer as being a big fellow, "six foot three," which fits Lieut. Schumacher, so both Mrs. LaFave and Miss Palmer wonder whether Petty Officer Regan served with Schumacher. The latter left Birmingham Monday before he could be asked about it, but Miss Palmer plans to write him.

Lieut. Schumacher told a fascinating story of the perils of operating the small but swift "mosquito" boats in the dangerous waters of Manila Bay. When the MacArthur party left Corregidor, engine trouble beset the craft piloted by Schumacher and he pulled into an inlet, the boat bobbing about like a cork, with the crew wondering what the score would be. A submarine had been ordered to follow the route, and to the men's joy, it finally came to the rescue. The boat was burned and all the crew returned to Corregidor.

Before that bastion fell, Lieut. Schumacher was taken off aboard a sub which went to Australia, but Regan was one of those who joined in the final stand. The Navy reported him missing, but believes he is a prisoner. He has been awarded a Citation Star for valor.

Miss Palmer and Lieut. Schumacher attended Kalamazoo College at the same time. He later went to the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Play Center Leaders

These five girls, snapped during a swim in the Barnum pool, are playground leaders this summer. Left to right, ANN SEARS, Quarton; BARBARA HOLLAND, Barnum; PEGGY HADJISKY, Torrey; JOY WOOLSON, Pierce; and BETTY STEFFEE, Adams. The pool is open for public swimming during specified hours. (Eccentric Photo).

Swimming Pool Enrollment Large

Pleasant, sunny weather ushered in the summer recreation program Monday, bringing 310 children to the six play centers and (believe it or not!) 310 children and adults to Barnum Pool. Recreation director Malcolm Tindall and his assistants expressed themselves as very much pleased with this public response to the program.

Adams

Supervisor Betty Steffee reports an initial registration of 50 children at Adams Play Center, where "Farmer in the Dell" was the favorite with the little girls; and baseball, bowling and croquet engrossed the boys. Jerry Mills' dancing instruction interested a group of more than 30, while a number of children preferred drawing. Next week's plans include dramatizing stories, woodcraft, and a horseshoe tournament. Sad tale of the week: Judy Tuttle fell off her bike and skinned her leg badly Monday so she can't go swimming in the pool all week.

Barnum

Barnum Play Center, according to Supervisor Barbara Holland, registered 68 children Monday and Tuesday. Leaders organizing the younger children's games were Don Jones and Joseph Stroup, while Roger Jackson and Jane Wyles were chosen captains of the intermediate group, for games of "Red Rover," croquet and baseball. Especially helpful also were Leo Miller, Sonny Hall and Richard Murray. Handicraft activities popular this week were weaving and drawing. A group of 20 children were in attendance at Mrs. Loren Blunt's Bible story group. This Friday the seventh-through-twelve age-group plan to hike to the salt water spring on West Maple and take their lunch.

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Charles Lindbergh Moving To Hills

Charles A. Lindbergh plans to move with his family to Bloomfield Hills early next week, it was learned Monday.

He has leased the 11-room stucco house on Cranbrook road owned by Mrs. William J. Belknap, attracted by the privacy and spacious wooded grounds at the rear, adjoining the Cranbrook property.

Arrangements were made by Myron E. Snyder, president of Snyder, Buck & Bennett, to whom he was directed by an official of the Ford Motor Company. Lindbergh will thus join others in this district who will commute daily to the Willow Run bomber plant where the noted aviator is serving in an advisory capacity.

Sugar Rationing Time Extended

Here is the latest news on sugar rationing:

The local office, as most people know, is at the High School and is open from 9 to 12 and 1 to 4 daily.

Stamp No. 5, which is valid after next Monday, may be used at any time in the succeeding FOUR weeks and is good for TWO pounds instead of one. The customer gets the same amount of sugar but need make only one trip during the period.

The office here now has the cards which merchants use for pasting up the stamps they receive from customers. The office also has application blanks for tire rationing.

Boys 16 to 19 Organizing Junior R.O.T.C. Training

Junior R.O.T.C. "commando" training for youths of Birmingham is being organized here, with a recruit meeting set next Tuesday, June 30, in the Community House, at 8 o'clock.

Boys between the ages of 16 and 19, inclusive will be given opportunity to receive physical toughening, combat training and leadership work during their spare time in summer months. All boys within the age limits are invited to the session next Tuesday night, at which an Army officer is expected to speak.

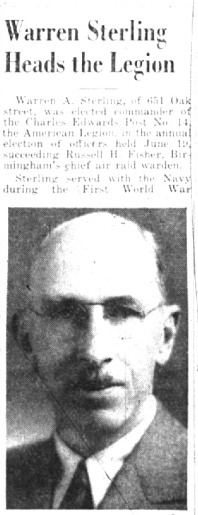
Adult sponsors are William D. Grant, Harold H. Ewen, Harry E. Bissett, Russell H. Fisher and Wayne Mortimer. The youthful organizers are Stuart Linton, Robert Cole, Dean Firth, Paul Quinn, Harry E. Bissett, Jr., Richard Burket, John Eustis and Frank Coe.

Combat training will consist of grilling drills, training with rifle and bayonet, skirmishing and basic tactics. Physical toughening will consist of competitive sports, boxing, wrestling and jujitsu, obstacle course work and calisthenics.

Warren Sterling Heads the Legion

Warren A. Sterling, of 651 Oak street, was elected commander of the Charles Edwards Post No. 141 of the American Legion, in the annual election of officers held June 19, succeeding Russell H. Fisher, Birmingham's chief air raid warden.

Sterling served with the Navy during the First World War aboard the USS Don Juan de Austria, in the Atlantic submarine patrol.



Mr. Sterling

Other officers elected are as follows: E. W. Hett, senior vice commander; Dr. Peter Aristos, junior vice commander; Edward R. Chapman, finance officer; J. D. Kenyon, chaplain; James Flanagan, service officer; Roy Webb, sergeant-at-arms; Dr. Aristos, historian. Office of adjutant to be appointed. The executive committee for 1943 will be Russell H. Fisher, Carl W. Eley and Richard H. Dewey.

Draft Board Seeks Whereabouts of Man

The Draft Board here is seeking the whereabouts of Christopher Wilson Fleming, who moved from a farm at 31975 Lahser road, leaving no forwarding address. He failed to appear for a physical examination June 15 and a subsequent notice was returned by the Post Office. He worked as a stable groom.

Victor and Bluebird Records. New releases weekly. Leonard Electric, 162 W. Maple. adv.—tf.

Registration June 30 for Youths 18-20

Will Be Held At City Hall Next Tuesday

Youths of 18 and 19 will register next Tuesday in the fifth and final registration under the Selective Service Act. So far, Congress has taken no action which would permit drafting of these men, although the Army favors it.

Registration will take place in the Commission chamber on the second floor of the Municipal Building, and covers all boys residing in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Troy Township and Bloomfield Township. Those who cannot register next Tuesday may do so Saturday, Sunday and Monday at specified hours, or they may register elsewhere in the State and their cards will be sent here.

The registration covers males born on or after Jan. 1, 1922 or before June 30, 1924.

Hours Saturday will be 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m.; Sunday, 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.; Monday, 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. The main registration Tuesday will be 7 a. m. to 9 p. m.

The volume is not expected to be heavy.

Political observers say that no official announcement of this group is likely until after the election. Meanwhile, the Army and Navy concentrates its recruiting efforts on the age group.

When and if Congress decrees that these men shall serve, they will be called in order of their birth dates, and not by means of a lottery.

Reichhold Firm Gets Navy Honor

The United States Navy's coveted "E" pennant award, given to industrial concerns for outstanding cooperation in the production of armaments for the carrying on of this second World War, was presented to the Reichhold Chemicals, Inc., Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. In the presence of its many employees and scores of Navy and Army officials, together with friends, the ceremonies were held at its Ferndale plant; a flag-draped platform had been constructed for the occasion which was held in the rear of the new laboratory, also simultaneously dedicated during the ceremony.

Headed by Local Men

Two prominent Birmingham citizens, Edward Reichhold, chairman of the board, and Charles J. O'Connor, president, were on the platform, in a really great patriotic and sound social and economic speech. Mr. Reichhold received from Rear Admiral Willial Carleton Watts, U.S.N., retired, of Washington, D. C., the "E" pennant.

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Two More Doctors Going Into Army

Two more Birmingham doctors are to enter the Army soon. They are Dr. John B. Schoenfeld, physician for Cranbrook school and a private practitioner, and Dr. J. F. Hollister, dentist. Both are members of the Harper Hospital unit organized for Army service, and this will be activated July 15, with actual service expected at the end of July. Both doctors will receive the rank of captain.

Dr. Schoenfeld said his wife and two children would move to Ann Arbor. He has served in this locality for seven years, while Dr. Hollister has been in Birmingham 10 years.

The place to ride
Wood Farms
Saddle Horses
6500 Adams Rd., nr. 18 Mi. Rd. adv.

14 AIR RAID VIOLATIONS

Birmingham has yet to attain complete success in its blackout efforts, for last night, air raid wardens reported fourteen places where lights remained burning.

Most glaring omission was a red neon sign in the Photographic Shop on Woodward avenue, so bright that from the air it could have been seen miles away. Frederic Mock, proprietor, left E. A. Hubbard in charge of the store Wednesday afternoon and Hubbard forgot it when he left the place.

If plans announced earlier in the week are carried out, each of the persons responsible for lights will be taken to court, whether or not the act was willful.

Other lights were reported as follows:

A basement light in the Bir-

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Hallett Youth, 22, Dive Bomber Pilot, Dies in Plane Crash

Charles A. Hallett, 22 years of age, a Baldwin high school graduate until 1938, was killed last Saturday when the naval airplane he was piloting exploded somewhere in the southern part of California. The young flyer, who for many years lived here with his parents, Major and Mrs. George E. Hallett, on Adams avenue, received the close personal friend and local school teacher. Exact circumstances of the explosion have not been obtainable up to press time.

Hallett received his air training at Corpus Christi, Texas, and piloted a dive bomber, preparing for duty aboard a carrier. He is survived by his parents, his widow Lucille, a brother, Fred, and a sister, Lucille.

The Halletts left Birmingham about four years ago for Tucson, Ariz., for several years Charles attended the University of Arizona there. He enlisted in the U. S. Naval air corps about a year ago.

His father, Major George E. Hallett, many years was an engineer in the experimental division of General Motors Corp. He also was a pioneer in aviation, having taught himself to fly back in 1911. During the first World War he was placed in charge of all U. S. airplane mechanic schools by the government.

High Club Office Goes to Anderson

Walter A. Anderson, of 1140 Lake Park drive, was elected president of High Twelve Clubs International during the 18th annual convention of the organization held last week-end at Toledo.

High Twelve is not an official Masonic order, but only Masons belong to clubs which are scattered throughout the United States and Canada, and Anderson hopes to organize one in Birmingham.

Other officers elected were Fred W. Starratt, Berkeley, Calif., first vice president; C. D. Royal, Des Moines, Iowa, second vice president; Hugh Allerton, Highland Park, Mich., third vice president, and W. J. Schoenfeld, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, secretary-treasurer.

Anderson is vice-president of the Taylor Winfield Corp., manufacturers of electric welding machines.

Even A Flat-Broke Soldier Turns to Recruiting Desk

At the end of their first two weeks' of duty, women in charge of the Birmingham Army Air Force Recruiting Hanger recounted some interesting experiences. (The "hanger" is a desk.)

A fond father stopped to tell what he'd heard about the Army Air Force but it turned out that most of his information was false, and was he surprised! He went home with an application for Junior, by the way.

Then there was the private from another branch of the service who found himself on furlough from California and not much in the way of funds. In fact, he confided he was stone broke and needed the services of an officer to collect a little pay. The volunteers from the A.W.V.S. were in no position to hand out Army funds but directed the young man to the proper place and he went out much more happily than he came in.

The first week's largest number of applications went to young men home from college who were interested in ground duty service both immediate and deferred, but there were also several recent high school graduates who wanted more information about the Air Force plan for students from 18 to 20 years of age who are entering college this fall and want to enlist and take advantage of their education. It seems there have been rumors that this deferment plan might be terminated, so if there's anybody in your home who's duly-qualifying, it might be a good idea to send him over to the Hanger soon," it was said.

The Exchange Club sponsors the Receiving Center which is staffed by women from the A. W. V. S. They've established their hours of 2:00 to 5:30 p. m. in the lobby of the Wabeek Building and from 7:00 to 10:00 p. m. in the lobby of the Bloomfield Theatre. They have already enlisted several Birmingham young men but they're eager to help all who might be interested in the Army Air Force cadet training.

Coming Here

DWIGHT B. IRELAND
New Baldwin High Principal

New Principal Engaged for High School

Select Assistant Professor At Rochester, N. Y.

The Board of Education announced this week the new principal for Baldwin High School, to succeed Ray H. Bechtold, who has resigned.

He is Dwight B. Ireland, Ph. D., assistant professor of education at the University of Rochester, N. Y. Supt. Herman L. Shibler and the Board believes they have obtained an outstanding man for the salary which the district can pay.

Third Ph. D.

Dr. Ireland, who will be the third holder of a Ph. D. degree added to the school system in the past year, obtained his college training at Ohio State University, and did a year's graduate study also, at the University of Southern California.

Starting out, he spent two years as instructor in science at Fostoria High School, Fostoria, Ohio; then, for a year was graduate assistant on the faculty at Ohio State, and also, for a like period, was graduate assistant in charge of teacher-training in science and mathematics at Southern California.

Then came seven years as principal of the high school at Washington Court House, Ohio, after which he was selected as an assistant professor at Rochester, where he has been the past four years. Summers, he has taught at Wilmington (Ohio) College, Bowling Green (Ohio) State University and at the Hampton (Virginia) Institute.

Dr. Ireland belongs to many educational associations and is now president of the Western New York State branch of the Progressive Education Association.

In the university, he has been teaching secondary school administration and that, largely, is the reason why he is re-entering the high school field.

Not a Demotion

"Isn't high school work a sort of demotion?" he was asked by The Eccentric.

"Not at all," was his reply, indicating that the experience he will get here will fit into his chosen field exactly. Dr. Ireland is married and the father of a daughter. He is to report here by Aug. 10. The salary will be $4,000.

Dr. Shibler has been working to fill the vacancy for several weeks and sought recommendations from Columbia University, Chicago, University of Michigan, Northwestern, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio State and Wayne.

Blackout Arrest Costs Man $15

Birmingham's first arrest for blackout ordinance violation was settled this week with the payment of a $15 fine by O. S. Bratton, 816 South Bates street.

The offense occurred during the May 24 trial when Air Raid Warden Frank Phillips, 724 Chesterfound a floor lamp and radio lights burning in Bratton's home. The floor lamp was turned off on request, but Bratton refused to turn off the radio or exclude the light which came from two pilot lights on the radio, police said.

He was found guilty and given a sentence of $15 fine and 90 days in jail. However, Justice Forbes S. Hascall suspended the jail term.

Cars on Street Attract Thieves

Tire thieves again went into action last Thursday evening, stripping cars parked in the street for the first time in the past two years. Hitherto, tire thefts have been confined to unlocked garages.

Victims, who lost but one tire each, were Ray Collins, 29 Townsend, and James M. Merritt, 1039 Stanley. At 1:05 a. m. that day, Mrs. Gladstone Cook, 544 Bates, noticed some one around the car of a neighbor. C. V. Hunnestreet, and she evidently frightened them away.

Lieut. Delyle Service described the method the thieves practiced that they can take a tire in a mere one or two minutes. First they slip a cement block under the axle, remove the valve stem to let out the air, and then take off the nuts under the hub cap. The axle rests on the block and the wheel falls off easily, without use of a jack.

Bloomfield Villagers Will Organize

Residents of Bloomfield Village are meeting next Monday evening at the school to organize a Bloomfield Village Protective Association. Elmer Sylvester, of 253 Hupp Cross road, is acting as temporary chairman, while Lee E. Joslyn, Jr., is preparing a charter and by-laws which will be presented to the group. The 175 residents of the area have as a principal objective the purchase of fire-fighting equipment which will augment the protection now given by Bloomfield Township. Two men already have taken a fire-fighter course in the Birmingham Fire Department.

Halt Fireworks Shipments Here

A blockade on firecrackers—that is what has been established in Birmingham with the aid of a new State law and the Railway Express Company. Complaints this year already are far behind other years, when Young Birmingham celebrated July 4 from April to August.

In other years, almost all the fireworks came from one company in Polk, Ohio, shipped by express; for this material cannot be mailed. Nothing could be done about it under the old law, because it was illegal only to shoot the works, not to possess it. Under the new statute, possession is forbidden, so police asked the Express company to send the orders back, which Manager Frederick Kemp has done.

Ordinarily, about 50 shipments a year are received.

Now, the only method available is that of driving to the Ohio line where booths are usually set up along the highway, of course, to obtain the material through approved sources with a permit.

$118 STOLEN

A thief entered Milks' gasoline station on Tuesday night and took $118 from the cash register. Sunday night, a coin box in a public telephone at the gas station at Oak and Woodward was taken.

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