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War Winery Commission

Second War Loan Drive Is Under Way

New Committee Will Sell Bonds To Investors Here

The nation-wide 13 billion dollar Second War Loan Drive will have its counterpart in Birmingham when a campaign starts here next Tuesday.

Despite the fact that Birmingham has just been canvassed by the Lions Club in a Buy-a-Bomber Campaign, the local sponsors feel that there are still many thousands of dollars in the community awaiting investment, particularly by the larger investors.

Birmingham retail merchants are starting a new campaign and are setting up about 12 booths in various stores where stamps and

BUY AT HOME "We urge local residents to make their subscriptions in Birmingham," H. C. Gardner, general chairman, said Wednesday.

bonds will be on sale, staffed by members of the A. A. A. The quota for this endeavor alone is \$23,000 for April, according to Walter L. Moreland.

Oakland County's quota in the drive is \$47,000. "This is a vital program," Gardner said Wednesday.

W. Maple, Brown To Be Improved "Seal-coat" repairs to parts of West Maple, Southfield, Pierce and Brown streets are being planned,

Streets to be covered are West Maple from Woodward to the River Rouge bridge; Southfield, from Lincoln to Maple; Pierce, from Maple to Brown; Brown, from Maple to Woodward.

The Commission also discussed two bad spots, "bubbles," one on the city street, the other on the water from springs in the vicinity.

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Your Men in the U.S. Army

Observations of a Michigan "Home-Town Editor" on recent visits to Army Posts in Alabama, Georgia, and Kentucky.

By GEORGE R. AVERILL FORT BENNING, Ga., April 7—Here, in what is called "America's most complete Army Post," sprawled over more than 200,000 acres of land,

If you were to visit this Post, you would find that the Army is doing a tremendous over-all picture of how thorough your Uncle Sam is in building up his Army.

It is a strange feeling that an average civilian gets when he walks or drives over the miles and miles of streets of barracks, where enlisted men eat and sleep; dozens of nice appearing men in uniform are going on active duty on every thought; to kill the enemy, and as quickly as possible!

Did I say kill? Well, there are those in units such as the Red Cross and the United States Army who only thought is to save life. Yet, and not at all strange in the American mind, they are trained to kill.

Uncle Sam Doing Good Job As one who has two sons of his own in the Army of the United States, I am sure that you will agree and here convince me upon this point: The mothers and fathers and other relatives of men in our armed forces may be certain that Uncle Sam, in taking them from you back to the States, is taking them to a better life.

Some people believe in luck and that the boys who are sent to the front are sent there because of some "good luck" or "bad luck."

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Full Houses Expected At Lions' Show

Even Big Crowd Anticipated at Dress Rehearsal

The Birmingham Bondwagon, a show which will be remembered for many a year when the subject of local theatricals is mentioned, opens tonight unofficially, but with the main show scheduled Friday and Saturday nights.

At Wednesday's meeting of the Lions Club it was reported that the bond wagon had reached a total of \$242,650.

A regular performance with an audience of 500 expected. There are no more tickets to be had for Friday and Saturday and Chairman Roland Webber suggested that any who have tickets and do not expect to use them turn them in to Dominic Caputo at the Birmingham Fruit Co.

Air Raid Wardens Sought for Class A new class of instruction for air raid wardens is beginning at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, April 8, in the Municipal Building.

Charles E. Lewis Will Serve on Ration Board Three members of the 12 who will serve on the new Birmingham area rationing board were announced Wednesday.

Local Man Pilots Fortress Over Paris Lt. Lyle Gay Cottingham of California drove Lathrup Towaine piloted a Flying Fortress, the Thunderbolt, on last week's bombing raid by the Renault works at Paris, France, according to news dispatches from England.

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Makeshift Aviation Cadet Dies in Crash

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Funeral Wednesday For Youth of 23 Killed in Arizona

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon for Aviation Cadet Earl H. Cunningham, Jr., who was killed March 31 when his training plane crashed near Camp Laguna, Ariz., northeast of Yuma.

A sheet of corrugated iron and an empty oil drum makes a good oven, these two Army cooks in the South Pacific learn. (Passed by censor.)

Non-Essential Men Checked for Draft Clerks in the Selective Service office this week were going over files of men in the 18-through-37 age group to list their occupations, noting those who are work defined by Washington as non-essential.

New Type Drill Held Tuesday The general practice drill held Tuesday evening for the Citizens Defense Corps was a complete success, according to Cassius L. Miller, deputy Air Raid Warden of the city.

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Aviation Cadet Gives Life

Corvey Noses Out Bissett By Six Votes

Lloyd Reid Wins His Home Town—If Any Consolation

Almost every year since Birmingham became a City in 1933, voters have put one new member on the City Commission, and the election Monday was no exception.

Another close race was that for associate justice. The incumbent, James C. Taylor, who has been in the office for several months, got 401 votes to John W. Gaffill's 398 votes.

Wanted To Buy! It's thrifty and patriotic nowadays to scan the "wanted-to-buy" classified ads. You may have a new store room, garage or attic the very article that some one needs badly. Sell it—and you buy stamps and bonds!

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