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As a member of this latter group for three years, Harry F. Bissett did his part in such community service; last Monday he offered his services for another three year period, but received fewer votes than did Milton F. Mallender, who succeeds Mr. Bissett.

We know both these men.

Mr. Bissett was a distinct asset to the City Commission; he has been interested in economy in government, and a firm backer of his own contvictions on the various problems that came before the Commission. He never voted in favor of anything just because the majority wanted it. That is self-governing democracy in action; more of it will improve the quality of government everywhere.

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Mr. Bissett, in defeat of this nature, may smile sweetly in recalling his contributions as a Commissioner, and we'll wager that he stands ready and willing his contributions as a Commissioner, and we'll wager that he stands ready and willing his contributions as a Commissioner, and we'll wager that he stands ready and willing his contributions has a Commissioner, and we'll wager that he stands ready and willing at any time in the future to lend his support to any project for the betterment of Birmingham.

Now we MAY UNDERSTAND BETTER why the barnyard rooster struts around and feels he has something to crow about. For, with meat rationing here, chickens appear to be the No. 1 desired item for the average family menu.

SAVINGS IN CRITICAL MATERIALS by cutting down the production of items from hairpins to industrial power trucks in 1942, enabled the WPB to increase its steel reserves 600,000 tons, 17,000 tons of copper, large quantities of other materials, and enough man-hours to build 23 Liberty ships. Without centralized WPB controls, you can see what a mess war production would be.

As we HAVE OFTEN SAID IN THESE columns, "when members of the Birmingham Lions Club start to achieve a certain objective, they always do it successfully." This was again demonstrated in their successful efforts to sell \$175,000 worth of War Bonds, and thus have a big bomber named: City of Birmingham, Michigan. Those Lions, composed mostly of younger business and professional men of Birmingham, prove their real Americanism in the Bond sales; on behalf of the entire local area, we raise our collective hat to them!

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## Knocking on Wood

THE ALTERNATIVE TO GLOBALONEY

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WASTE FATS—Strain and seen cool. Turn in to your meat market when you have a few sounds. Rancid fats not wanted.

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SCRAP METALS, GLASS,
RUBBER—Leave in bin near
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of the month. Copper engraver's plates and old keys may be
left at the library.

ZINES—You can donate these to Salvation Army, which will call for them. Phone, 4014. Scrap paper not wanted.

# AVOID THE SPRING RUSH

Have your Houseclean-ing, Paper Hanging, Wall Washing, Mainte-nance and Repair Done NOW!

SUBURBAN WINDOW

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the Pontiac office for the various restricted commodities.

To Mr. Diebel and his co-workers thus far hanks should be extended for every good thing they accomplished; on the other hand, when the problem gets so difficult that decentralization is necessary, then no individual or group of individuals is large enough to prevent the change.

This is still America: decent public service is one of the things we are fighting for. That's exactly what the decentralization plan calls for; it is part of Prentiss M. Brown's ideas of the use of democratic action in this emergency to make even required regimentation an acceptable item in the civilian defense system.

CONGRESS TO DATE HAS FAILED to accept a tax program in keeping with the demands of the times through which we are going. Funny, isn't it, how men who reach the high offices in Washington can disagree so completely over the right solution of a given problem? But that's human nature in action, after all: it's a right that, paradoxically, we are fighting this war to defend.

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### ADVICE TO BUSINESS MEN

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### Consumer News

Facts About Rationing and Wartime Buying

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