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leave area at Aix Les Baines, where as many as 5,000 soldiers were at one time.

During his service in France he met and made friends among France's leaders and for years carried on correspondence with them; members of nobility were numbered among these friends.

Came Home 23 years ago He came to Birmingham just 23 years ago last month, acquiring the Whitehead-Standart Insurance Agency, which he later changed to John E. Howarth & Son.

Community activities have always appealed to Mr. Howarth, and Birmingham has been the beneficiary of many of his activities.

Recalls Early Days The other day the reporter visited "JB" at his home. He was lying down, but cheerful and with a mind tuned not only to current problems, but capable of recalling incidents that took place 75 years ago.

Well, speaking of antagonisms, that kind of dislike typifies the personal philosophy of "JB." He likes animate beings—but opposes evil things, objectively and impersonally. He hates in insects—and all his life he has been a disciple of famed Henry George—who gave the world its first scientific principles of political economy.

Yes, "JB" is retiring from business. He's going to take things a bit easier, as he grows older. He loves Birmingham, because it reminds him of the New England of his boyhood. You'll see him about the town, often and—well all hope—for years to come.

So, folks, hats off to John Bradford Howarth, 86 years young!

'Good Neighbors' On Telephones

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company today reported that the war has increased the number of families using party-line telephone service in its territory by more than 150,000 since Pearl Harbor.

Walter B. Fausser, local manager, cited the increase in party-line usage as one way by which the Michigan Bell has been able to meet much of the unprecedented demand for wartime service with a minimum use of critical materials.

Because of the shortage of materials, the company has been asking many of its customers and applicants to accept party-line service for the duration. Even with that avenue of relief, many thousands have been unable to obtain service because of lack of central office equipment, cable and other facilities.

Mr. Fausser said that the heavy increase in party-line service pointed to one more thing that users can do to relieve the strain on wartime telephone service: "be a good telephone neighbor."

"The public must not overlook the telephone line as one of the things that should be shared ungrudgingly in wartime," he said. "The telephone has gone to war just as have automobiles and lawn mowers. Many who never had party-line service before are cooperating wholeheartedly in the courteous sharing of their lines."

The teacher had been reading to the class about the great forests of America.

"And now, boys," he announced, "which one of you can tell me the pine that has the longest and sharpest needles?"

Up went a hand in the front row.

"Well, Tommy," asked teacher. "The pine?" Tommy replied.

NO HUNTING—NO TRESPASSING signs on sale at the Eccentric office. Special prices on quantity lots. (27-33)

OPA Ceiling Prices

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Fruit and produce price ceilings for retailers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties for the week beginning Thursday were announced today by the district Office of Price Administration.

Table with columns: ITEM, CLASS 1, CLASS 2, CLASS 3, CLASS 4. Items include Cabbage, iceberg lettuce, leaf lettuce, Onions, etc.

Oranges are 12 cents a pound in Class 1 and 2 stores; 11 cents in Class 3 and 4. Table grapes are 10 cents a pound in all stores and other grapes 6 cents.

PLYMOUTH Lions Go Up Against Green Bay 2d Time

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Plymouth received a no other chance a few minutes later when they returned a punt to the 25. Several plays later Bonnet, Plymouth end, caught a touchdown pass, but the play was nullified because of an offside penalty on the Blue and White.

The Matt Dicks returned the ball into safe territory on the next play when Bob Joyce intercepted a pass and returned it to the 43.

On the next play Tom Spiegel threw a pass to Dick Dunn, who reached the ten before he was stopped. Spiegel scored on the next play. Adams' kick was not good again, and the half ended two plays later with the score 18-0.

Late in the third quarter Bud Keller set up another touchdown with his pass to Harold Kelley and carried it over for a score from the three-yard line on the next play. Keller threw a pass to Dick Dunn for the only successful extra point attempt of the game.

Keller continued his scoring spree late in the last period on a 41-yard run. The try for extra point was not good, and the game ended a few plays later.

Keller was definitely the star for the locals with 18 points to his credit, but Dick McConkie and Tom Spiegel also turned in excellent performances.

Plymouth started Bennett and Curmi, ends; Moffet and Livernois, tackles; Captain Wisely and Jewell, guards; Rock, center; Harsha, quarterback; Cummings and Hunt, halfbacks; and Shepley, fullback.

The following took the field for Birmingham: Dunn and Gabm, ends; Blauman and Fisher, tackles; Brungaber and Joyce, guards; Little, center; Kelley, quarterback; Spiegel and McConkie, halfbacks; and Captain Keller, fullback.

BUDGET

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Garrison and Mrs. Howard reported. Mrs. Berrien Ketchum paroled her inquiry into the proposal offered at a recent Board of Education meeting by George E. Averill that the feasibility of re-valuing Birmingham's taxable property for the purpose of raising more school funds be investigated.

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Mrs. Ketchum presented the following statement from Mr. Harbeck on the question of revaluation: "While it would be possible to raise more school taxes by assessing property at a higher percentage of value than at present (about 48 per cent now as compared with 63 average for the state as a whole), unless other political units bring their assessments upon an equal basis, Birmingham taxpayers would be penalized in different ways so as to make this step inadvisable."

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Parade of Barber Shop Quartets Will Be Staged on Nov. 6

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Advertisement for Southern Highland Pottery in Peach and Tea Rose. Includes an illustration of a teapot and cups, and text: '43 Piece Set \$17.50', 'Fiber Mats 50¢ each', 'BLEAZBY'S', '292 W. MAPLE', '31 E. ADAMS, DETROIT'.

Advertisement for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company. Features an illustration of a woman and a child, and text: 'Hold your breath, Katie... I have a war job', 'Now, listen, Jean... you've never done a lick of work in your life.', 'I know... but when I heard that the Telephone Company needed more operators, I said to myself, Jean, there's your chance to get a war job and still keep up your volunteer patriotic work.', 'And it's fun, Katie! Nice, clean work. Nice, comfortable office. No crowds. And the office is within walking distance of home. Why don't you join us? It'll do your soul good to know you're doing a real war job.'

Advertisement for 'Pre-Hallow'en Party' at BIRMINGHAM THEATRE. Text: 'This Sat. at 1:45 p. m.', 'Yes! 1 hour of Cartoons—Extra', 'MEN'S and WOMEN'S Suits & Coats Slacks Made to Measure', 'Alterations—Repairing Dry Cleaning & Pressing', 'Wm. L. Owen', 'PHONE 374', '253 PIERCE ST.'