

Most of us spend most of our time... plenty of time to think, to recall... plan. The level of such thinking... is dependent upon one's desires, urges, and aspirations. Soli-

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Women Stress Obligation Of Every Citizen

League of Voters Opened Program Here Last Monday

"Responsibility of the citizen" was the keynote of the meeting of the League of Women Voters held in the Community House Monday. In her welcoming speech Mrs. Ralph Yonker, the president of the local League for the coming year, stressed the necessity for citizen activity if government by consent is to be achieved.

"Hitler thinks Democracy is almost played out," said Mrs. Yonker, "and he almost proved it; and the people can make Democracy succeed or fail. Dictators don't snatch power from the people—the people surrender it." Mrs. Yonker then pointed out that there are two reasons why citizens in this country do not interest themselves in good legislation and good administration. The first is the responsibility for plotting the courses of all flights, both in training and overseas. At the fighting front it will be his task to navigate the Fortress to the enemy target, and the mission being accomplished, to return the bomber and its crew to their home base safely.

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It was the task of the navigator of the Fortress to the enemy target, and the mission being accomplished, to return the bomber and its crew to their home base safely. Flying Fortress navigator Lt. Jerome F. Hart, Birmingham, Mich., who is completing his training here aboard a Flying Fortress, and will soon be sent to combat with the rest of his 10-man crew. He is shown above in the front row, second from left.

What can I, a single individual person do about it? The second reason such spectators surrender is that they are not interested in government. "Government is you!" "Government is not some far away ABSOLUTE, functioning in a vacuum, but it is the government of the people, by the people, for the people," she said, "Government is our School Board, government is our City Commission, government is our County Supervisors, Druggery, isn't it going to be a helpless attorney? I say to you here and now, that if the citizens of this country do not make the necessary assumption of responsibility, democracy will fail—and will fail in the life of our children, for the human beings—not supermen. They need the help and advice of you."

(See WOMEN, Page 2)

All Men Under 45 Subject To Draft Changes

Each Local Board Making Inventory For Washington

For the first time since Selective Service Boards were established in the United States during this current World War, a complete inventory is being made of all registrants, whether in military service, or in one of the several deferred classifications; this information, to be completed by Sept. 30, will then be sent to Washington, where federal agencies will examine the data and then be able to determine the exact status of American man-power relative to existing military needs. In view of the pending investigation by Congress into the man-power situation, and especially as the military needs affect the draft of fathers, it is believed that the inventory now going on in Birmingham, as well as all over the nation, is the result of this Congressional action. Hearings are now being held in Washington, and during the past week our military leaders have argued that the drafting of some fathers will be necessary, if current plans to vanquish the Axis enemies is to be carried out along existing plans. In view of the pending investigation by Congress into the man-power situation, and especially as the military needs affect the draft of fathers, it is believed that the inventory now going on in Birmingham, as well as all over the nation, is the result of this Congressional action.

Work as a Team Already specialists in their job before entering the Second Air Force, pilots, radio operators, aerial engineers, gunners, navigators and bombardiers learn to work and fly together as a team through a rigid intensive course designed to prepare them for every phase of combat flying. While at the Army Air Base here, which is the farthest east in a chain of Second Air Force bases covering the West and Midwest, Lt. Hart has spent many hours in ground school and in the air with his "teammates."

Bond Selling Groups And The Territory They Are Covering

The Community Council organizations engaged in the house to house phase of the Third War Loan Drive and the territory each is covering is listed here.

Rotary Club; Dale Milliam, Ray Cook, William Storey; Maple on the North side of the South and Adams to the Grand Truck railroad. Floop 8, Boy Scouts, sponsored by Rotary; Oakland on the North side of the Grand Truck railroad. "Many local people are waiting for Gallants to call at their homes to sell War Savings Bonds; we'd like to suggest that prospective purchasers can aid the campaign by going to both Birmingham banks, the Post-office, or the Federal Savings & Loan Association, where every type of Bond may be obtained."

"The Gallants, of course, are doing everything they can, but it is difficult to solicit every household, but time is getting short, so we advise folks who haven't been contacted yet to take the purchases themselves."

Haynes on the South and from Adams to Hunter. Rotary Annex (women's auxiliary); Mrs. H. H. Gardner and Mrs. George Steelman; Between Adams and Hunter from Lincoln on the South to Hazel on the North. Presbyterian Church; Women; Mrs. Isaac W. Robertson; Oakland on the South to Hohagan on the North between Adams and A. U. W.; Mrs. Harry Gruber; (See BOND, Page 2)

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Edison Co. Vice-Pres. Improvement Noted in War Loan Drive

'Must Sell \$400,000 'E' Bonds; Women Scoring Well

Both in total number of workers enlisted and in volume of sales, Birmingham's Third War Loan Drive this week assumed a more satisfactory aspect. For the final week of the drive, ending Sept. 30, activity was being executed on a scale never before equaled by this community, drive leaders said.

The problem of the \$400,000 of Series C bonds yet remaining to be sold is the vital point to be remembered and stressed in this final week, said Howard R. Gardner, chairman of the Birmingham War Finance Committee.

His words were echoed by Howard R. Estes, chairman of the Gallants, Charles J. Shain, president of the Retail Merchants' Association, Howard C. Holab, and all the group leaders from the ranks of the Community Council organizations whose members are pledged to see that not one home in the City remains without its share of every possible dollar in stamps and bonds for the support of the United States.

Mrs. Clarence W. Wacker and Mrs. Streeve R. Sellers won their spurs as Gallants in the Third War Loan Drive when they sold a total of \$7,525 in E. Bonds and \$5,000 in F. Bonds for Mrs. Wacker and \$5,000 in E. Bonds and \$1,000 in F. Bonds for Mrs. Sellers.

Both are members of Piety Chapter, D.A.R., and both are members of the Birmingham War Finance Committee, which are determined to boost the total drive to the point where they must reach every friendly neighborhood.

Comparable to a hole in one was the single \$10,000 bond sale recorded Tuesday by Miss Eleanor Stanton, manager of the Bloomfield Theater.

F. E. Bogart Takes Over Managing Editor Position

With this issue, Frank E. Bogart has taken over the managing editorship of The Eclectic. A native of Michigan, Mr. Bogart has spent the last 22 years in the newspaper and advertising profession. During his newspaper career, most of which was spent as a reporter and observer of the affairs of city and state government, Mr. Bogart has held several of his predecessor's in this position, which adds to his ability to contribute as much to this newspaper's reader interest and service to the community as they did. Mr. Bogart lived in Birmingham during 1933-34 and has many friends here.

Five Are Winners In Garden Finals

News of the Birmingham winners in the State finals of the Victory Garden Contests was received Wednesday by Howard R. Estes, who staged the local contests for the Victory Garden Contests. Headed by Mrs. William McCullum, the winners were: Mrs. W. J. Larson, 832 East Lincoln; Mrs. Max Cornell, 165 North Chester; Mrs. J. E. Smith, 1717 1/2 West 17th in the Oakland County standings for \$10 and \$5 prizes. Mrs. Estes and Mrs. McCullum joined in praising the winners for upholding the excellence of Birmingham's gardening standards.

Street Improvement Asked For New Homes

Hearing on the petition of E. S. Jackson and Paul H. New for the laying of a quarter mile of gravel road on Webster street between 10th and 11th streets was held before the City Commission Oct. 4. Mr. Jackson informed the commission that he had been notified by the W.P.B. for construction of 30 one-and-one-half-story dwellings on Webster and hopes to obtain 15 more. The homes will be rented to persons connected with the defense industry and later sold. The road will cost \$3500, of which he and other property owners will pay \$2500 and the City the remainder.

Baldwin Loses Opener, 13-0; G. P. Has Edge in Series, 2-1

Scoring in the first few minutes of play and adding another marker in the third quarter, Groose Point downed Baldwin 13-0 Saturday afternoon on the Pointers' field to make it two out of three victories for Groose Point in the series. Baldwin's offense resumed in 1941.

After receiving the opening kickoff on the 25-yard line, Baldwin ran three plays without gaining yardage and Carl Blumman dropped back to throw a 26-yard pass to punt on fourth down. Groose-Point's aggressive center, Ed Maroon, forced the Maroon forward wall to block the kick, recovering on the Maples' 27-yard line.

Blue's First Score The Blue capitalized on this early lead by scoring on a 40-yard line on four plays. Ted Field hit pay dirt on the next play, and a 20-yard pass to Groose-Point was converted to convert to Groose-Point, Maroon tackled, and

Legion Post Kicks Off with \$28,500 Sale of Bonds

In three hours last Saturday night the group of Navy Auxiliary members under Commander Prudence Masters and Commander Charles Edwards Post, American Legion, and Oakland County Veterans No. 811 sold \$28,500 in war bonds to an audience which attended the rally in front of the Birmingham Convention Center.

Dishonesty Rampant

You may teach people to be great lawyers, and they can defeat the best in the land in the application of their knowledge. Doctors and surgeons may enter the arena of life almost wholly intent upon earning big money, and some of them do just this, although, of course, many of them don't; but it is the impact of their knowledge upon human progress that is largely what counts.

Are Poor Citizens

I have referred to "civic consciousness" in a previous column, and it is evident everywhere, not only on election days, but between them. People are paying more attention to sports and entertainment than they do to this important job of self-governing themselves.

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B. C. Gas Ration To Be Cut After Mileage Review

Practically every Birmingham holder of B and C cards for supplemental gasoline rations may expect his mileage allowance to be cut as a result of a review that the OPA in Washington has ordered. Charles E. Lewis, chairman of the local rationing board, was informed Wednesday.

W. E. Fitzgerald, director of the Detroit District of the OPA, notified Mr. Lewis of the review process and said one of his representatives will visit Birmingham soon to conduct the review.

Attaches of the ration board said they had been informed the recent cut of A coupons to three gallons in value from four had by no means effected the saving in gasoline consumption that will be necessary if the area between the Appalachian and the Rocky Mountains is to live within the gas quota assigned to it for this winter by the War Petroleum Administration under Secretary of the Interior.

R. H. Fisher Leaves Local OGD Post

Russell H. Fisher, 256 Abbey road, commander of the Birmingham Office of Civilian Defense, this week resigned his volunteer post to enter a war production unit in the late theater-going crowd on the streets that Saturday evening, the 140 members of the MOMS Club will be on parade in two hour shifts to garner the gift you wish to make to their fund to make gifts brighter for the boys and girls serving their country.

Tag Day' to Raise Funds For Local MOMS' Projects

From the time the 8 o'clock train leaves for Detroit Saturday night, the late theater-going crowd on the streets that Saturday evening, the 140 members of the MOMS Club will be on parade in two hour shifts to garner the gift you wish to make to their fund to make gifts brighter for the boys and girls serving their country.

For the year's activities, now just starting, Mrs. Guy H. Jensen, president, and Mrs. Herbert H. Gardner, treasurer, believe that a fund raised by the tag-day method and budgeted over a year's time will produce much more effective results than scattered fund-raising activities.

It is hoped that a decision can be reached and announced as early as the late theater-going crowd of the next regular meeting, Oct. 7, Mrs. Gardner said. This meeting will be on Saturday from the usual time of the second Thursday of each month, because the MOMS State convention will be held that day in Ann Arbor and Mrs. Jensen will attend.

Mrs. Ralph Goodfellow is general chairman for the MOMS' Tag Day and will have her headquarters in the Sanders Cleaners store on West Maple avenue.

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