

There are many social lies in Birmingham, untruths, by which we are deceived. Have you ever thought it advisable to do a bit of beautifying of that piece of social honesty, your own honor? One cannot expect the city to provide care for such lies—and clean them up.

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Red Cross Has Spring Session Here Monday

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Mediocrity in State Affairs
If the people of Michigan really want to know what is going on in the powers of Frank D. McKay, Grand Rapids "boss," should be curtailed. He should consider the mediocrity of the man McKay has generally maneuvered into high State positions. The fact that he has been beholden to McKay, they generally have neither the ability nor the reports were enthusiastically received. Preceding the meeting the Baldwin high school band, directed by Arnold Berndt, entertained those attending with several selections.

Reports Show War Fund Drive Will Go \$100,000 Over Top

A quarterly meeting of the Oakland County Chapter of the American Red Cross at the Community House Monday evening was largely devoted to reports on the fund drive. The report was enthusiastically received. Preceding the meeting the Baldwin high school band, directed by Arnold Berndt, entertained those attending with several selections.

Is Glider Pilot

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SOUTH PLAINS ARMY FIELD, Tex.—Harold Joseph Holden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Holden of 683 Elmwood, Birmingham, Mich., has received his wings as a glider pilot and appointment as a flight officer at the "Home of the Winged Commandos" at Lubbock, Texas.

Local Groups Busy Studying Post War Plans

Organizations Work Under Leadership of Community Council

A number of Birmingham clubs and societies, associated with a part of the Community Council, at last week's president and delegates meeting, gave an entire program to studying what each group and club has in mind in way of post war planning. In fact, many of these attending expressed the thought that one of the biggest items these organizations could list for their agenda for the coming phase of post war effort.

Process of Getting Absent Voters' Ballots Is Explained

The simplified process of obtaining absent voters' ballots for use in the armed forces is explained by County Clerk Lynn D. Allen.

Service men 18 years of age, on or before Nov. 15, are entitled to vote regardless of prior registration. Mr. Allen's explanation follows:
The Extra Session of 1944, of the Michigan State Legislature enacted a law setting the regular September Primaries two months earlier for the year 1944, or on July 1, 1944, thus giving seventy (70) days for sending out and returning Absent Voters' Ballots.

Wins D.A.R. Award

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We, The People, Are to Blame

I have been writing editorial and personal comment in the Post for the past 24 years and two months. The other evening I approximated the total number of words I have written, exclusive of news stories; they add up to 2,995,200. That is about a million words in plain language. I also estimate that at least a third of those words were devoted to the actions of government, and the average individual's relation to them. I have not been writing about the little good that has been accomplished from this endeavor. Now, after having written this, I have a realization of government and people. I have come to this conclusion: that it is not the intelligence, the interest and the application of lack of application of government to the people, but the intelligence, the interest and the application of government to the people, that is the cause of our problems. If government has a duty to the people, it is to provide for the welfare of the people. If government is bad, it is because too many people are not doing their duty. If government is good, it is because too many people are not doing their duty. If government is bad, it is because too many people are not doing their duty. If government is good, it is because too many people are not doing their duty.

Funeral Services For W. S. Saunders Will Be Saturday

Walter Scott Saunders of Cranford road, Bloomfield Hills, died of a heart attack at the Sea Crest Manor, an Hollywood, Fla., Sanitarium, on Monday, April 25.

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Hold Big District Convention May 3

Charles Edwards Post, American Legion, of Birmingham plans to send a large delegation of members to the convention of Seventeenth District Association, which Birmingham Post is a member, to be held on Wednesday, May 3, at the Elks, 1000 Orchard Lake avenue, Pontiac.

Another Group To Leave May 4th For Service In Army

More Birmingham men are being called up for Army service. Another group will leave Birmingham on May 4 to serve their country in the present war effort.

Next Paper Day To Be On May 5th

Preparations for the citywide paper salvage drive are being made by many citizens who have started scrap paper boxes in basements and garages.

War News Increasing

More and more, the columns of this newspaper are filled with news of local men and women in the nation's armed forces.

Businessmen Are Guests of Legion

Birmingham businessmen were guests last evening of Charles Edwards Post No. 14, American Legion, at the Legion Home on South Woodward avenue.

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Will Serve On New Destroyer Escort

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