

Most folks who live in Birmingham and vicinity come to the conclusion that this is a fine area; the inhabitants are above the average in intelligence, in earning power, in service to their community. Yet there is much more to be done for the good of all; have you any ideas for the betterment of Birmingham?

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Tire inspection records must still be presented to ration boards whenever application is made for gasoline or tire rations, the Office of Price Administration said in explaining the need for saving the tire record form. The tire record book kept with the automobile and transferred with the car if sold. Operators of trucks, buses, taxicabs and other types of commercial motor vehicles are still required to have their tires inspected periodically, although passenger car tire inspections are no longer required.

Gardeners anxious about their planting will be glad to know that the plowmen have already started in certain parts of the city where the land has been dry enough. Just as soon as other sections dry out and the plowmen will be plowed as fast as possible. Telephone calls to the Victory Garden Committee or plowman can not hasten the day of planting. Old Man Weather still calls the plays.

The heavy fog of last Sunday night certainly slowed automobile traffic in this area—and in some sections almost put the cars off the streets and roads altogether. The fog was reported very bad from Cadillac to Mt. Pleasant and from Brighton to Detroit.

Travelers returning from the northern part of the state the past week report snow banks in some areas and along the railroad; several lakes still covered with slush and the woods and fields seemingly very, very dry. They reported that trout fishermen were being warned early of dangers of forest fires, cigarette stubs left lighted, and from matches. The fishing season opens Saturday as far as brook trout fishermen are concerned.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Fellows have sold their home on Riverton street and returned to their residence at 332 Fernside avenue.

Last week the Wanderer mentioned that a local resident had heard a Birmingham boy on the radio. The program was "Breakfast at Sardi's" broadcast from Hollywood, Calif., and the local boy was Sgt. Milton (Tony) Freeman, private Mrs. Charles Bennett, of 1094 Cherry street, Springfield, Mo. Another call revealed that George Bagwell, one of Birmingham's Navy men, was heard on the same program several weeks ago.

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Archie Livingston, who has barbered for many years, announced this week that he has opened a barber shop at 1314 Woodward avenue. Archie is well known as a barber and equally well known as a baritone singer in barber shop quartets. He has long been a member of the Variety Four, which quartet represents Birmingham in the national SPEBSQSA. The new shop will be identified in some manner with the society.

Birmingham sent two of the 24 dentists accepted from all parts of the country to attend the fourth annual postgraduate program of the American Academy of Periodontology. This conference on diseases of the gums was held at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, June 28 and 29. The Birmingham dentists are: Dr. Grace Rogers Spalding, 535 Maple avenue, and Dr. Clayton H. Gracey, Wabeck building.

Pheasant hunters from the list of sportsmen in and near Birmingham have been watching the weather for signs of a good hatching season. In addition they have been informed that the supply of pheasant eggs, which the conservation department will distribute from the Mason game farm this spring has been allotted. Each individual group has been limited to 300 eggs instead of the 500 allotted in previous years. The eggs are hatched by individuals or groups and the pheasant chicks released when they are three weeks old under the supervision of conservation officers. Pheasant hunting is expected to get good in the Birmingham area next autumn.

Ninety-eight fires swept 1358 acres of Michigan forest land last week, conservation department officials reported today, giving the 1944 forest fire season heavy initial impetus. There were several bad grade fires near Birmingham. Caution to use of fire to destroy debris and brush, especially during dry, windy weather, is urged by the department. State law requires that property holders must secure written permits from conservation officers before setting fire to brush or slash, woodlands or grass lands.

Birmingham sportsmen interested in smelt dipping have been advised that the season for the St. Clair river, heaviest in the "rapid" waters of the Huron basin, has yet approached the peak of the 1942 season. The smelt now being taken in trap nets are large, about the size of "pin" herring. No smelt have showed up yet in the smelt traps set along the Lake Huron, but they present there usually is about two weeks later than the St. Clair river run.

There are not now so many Birmingham residents traveling up across the Straits of Mackinac, but to those planning to travel either way across the Straits this week's announcement about boat service will be of interest: The State Highway Department ferry City of Cheboygan has replaced the ice-breaker Chief Wawatam on the St. Ignace-Mackinac City run and the following schedule of departures is now in effect: Highway Commissioner Charles J. Ziegler announces: Leave St. Ignace at 6 and 9 a. m., 12 noon, 3, 6 and 9 p. m. Leave Mackinac City: daily at 7:30 and 10:30 a. m., 1:30, 4:30, 7:30 and 10:30 p. m. (Eastern Standard Time).

The City of Birmingham will send two delegates to the annual convention of the Michigan Association of Letter Carriers at Port Huron on May 20 and 21. The local group has selected Clifford Hunt and Chris Bailey as their representatives. The convention for the rural carriers is being planned for July 11 and 12, probably at Holland. The Women's Auxiliary of this association will meet at the same time. The postal clerks' meeting is slated for late May and the program is now being completed. The Birmingham delegates to these other groups have not yet been announced.

The Birmingham liquor store stock and fixtures, moved last week to the new location at 154 South Woodward avenue, are now all in place and the store is again doing business.

Hayride Party Enjoy the Fun of a Hayride Party For Reservations Phone B'ham 3405-J SADDLE HORSES RENTED Ride for Your Health at WOOD FARMS "The Place to Ride" 5500 N. Adams Rd.

The Bloomfield Village pickup of paper and old clothing is to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 2 and 3. Mrs. Henry Gassan, chairman of the volunteer committee on salvage, reports the Good Will is to spend two days on the Village on this work. The committee asks that bundles and bags of paper and old clothing be left in open garages so that the workers of the Good Will may easily load it onto trucks.

The Birmingham Price and Ration board reports receiving information from the retail merchants and restaurants in the matter of price regulations. The second price survey for Birmingham is expected to be completed this week. Little evidence has been reported, it is stated, of any deliberate violation of the regulations. A change in the plan for hearing persons charged with violation of the gasoline regulations has been made in order to devote an entire evening to a study of the problem of persons selling and using gasoline.

A car crash at the intersection of Maple and Woodward last Thursday resulted in damage of about \$150 to each of the two cars involved and a cut over the eye for Jovell Gasko, who was riding in one of the cars. The driver was Duan Hagen, 1764 Oak street, and Henry E. McCurry, 120 Purinton.

Lt. Col. E. E. Rothman stationed at Fort Belvoir, Ill., Air Force Service Command, recently returned from a mission to inspect an I-57 ship. A young commander showed him all around in one of the cars. The driver was Duan Hagen, 1764 Oak street, and Henry E. McCurry, 120 Purinton.

Corporal John E. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Brown, 611 South Woodward, who was home for a short furlough visit, has returned to Salt Lake City, Utah, for further training in the physical and medical examining unit. He was for some time taking special training at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis.

Mrs. Arthur Handren, president, Mercy Hospital Auxiliary to meet at Christ Church Cranbrook at 2:15 o'clock p. m. Saturday to attend the funeral of Walter Scott Saunders.

Mrs. W. L. Nolen, chief clerk at the Birmingham Selective Service board in the Municipal Building, has recently received a letter from her husband, Lieut. (j.g.) W. L. Nolen, bringing news of his safe arrival in New Caledonia, where he is attached to the naval effort in the south Pacific. He is in command of a log damage control unit and writes the climate now is clear, with calm days sunny. The Pacific trip was uneventful, though calm seas.

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Gardeners Must Get Plots Ready

Two plowmen were able to start the spring plowing last week in one section of the city where the ground had dried sufficiently. All of the plowing in that particular section could have been completed by this past week-end had not twenty-five percent of the plowmen's time been consumed in removing broken glass from a number of the gardens or in their having to guess where the gardens were laid out.

According to Frank C. Heath, head of the Victory Garden Committee's plowing division, one plowman spent five hours plowing gardens totalling fifteen thousand square feet because of the large amount of time spent in picking up broken glass, rubbish, and digging out roots. On the other hand, a garden of unshaten thousand square feet which has been properly cleared up was plowed in just fifty minutes.

The plowman also found that gardeners had not staked out the pieces to be plowed and this necessitated either taking time to find the gardeners or the right on piece and shape or passing up the work for a later date.

If this amount of lost time continues, said Charles S. Rust, chairman, all of the city's gardeners will have a considerable wait until they can plant. Every gardener who has requested plowing service should by now have his garden clearly staked and free of all rubbish, roots and glass. The plowman has the right to refuse to plow an unprepared piece of ground or postpone doing it until he has finished all others. Don't forget the plowman is plowing many more gardens than just yours. If he wastes his time on your lot, other Victory Gardeners will be that much later getting their seeds planted. Let everyone make it his business to cooperate so that the plowman will finish their work that best sooner.

PLANT PROTECTION MEETING Protection problems of industry and agriculture during the post-war era will be studied by 500 plant protection officers at a meeting of the Plant Protection Division of the Michigan Safety Conference to be held in Detroit May 28 and 29, according to Henry L. Lohr, Chairman of the division and State Plant Protection Officer of the Michigan Office of Civilian Defense.

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