"Walking the extra mile" . . . doing more than you have to in any good activity . . . such efforts bring the best rewards. To get ahead on a job, win friends and keep them, requires doing more than you have to—if "put by." If more folks so acted, this weary world would be better off, by far.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

Should A Newspaper Man Hold Elective Public Office?

Ever since I have been in the newspaper business, which covers more than 25 years, I have gone on the belief that a working newspaperman should not accept and occupy an elective public office.

For this reason I have never been on the Birmingham Village Council or City Commission, School Board, Township Board, though I have been importuned at various times to do so. Neither have I sought a place in the Michigan Legislature, or Congress.

I have believed, and deeply, that my first responsibility is to get out a newspaper with as little prejudice as possible; I was convinced that, while I might make mistakes of judgment on public issues, such mistakes should be of the head and not of the heart.

I felt that mistakes of the head could be understood by readers of this newspaper, and allowed; but that mistakes of the heart, based upon prejudice, would not be forgiven. You see, I want subscribers to The Eccentric to feel that what goes into it is honestly sought for, and sincerely published.

To occupy a public office, then, it seemed to me, would tend to prejudice my judgment and my position, whether I wanted it to or not.

For example, were I a member of the Republican side of the Michigan Legislature, either the House or the Senate, I believed that whatever position I took on a public issue would be discounted, should I write about it in these columns.

To me, this conviction seems only in keeping with human nature.

It is like discounting the enthusiasm of a Californian for his State's beautiful scenery and climate.

All of which brings me to a current situation relating to this problem.

Three weeks ago I received, from a responsible group of Michigan citizens, the suggestion that I be a Republican candidate for the Michigan State Senate, to replace Senator George McCallum, of Ann Arbor. Six or eight years ago I was similarly importuned to do this—and I went through all the mental labors of "thinking it through"; I was finally myself in agreement with my earlier position on the problem, namely: that a working newspaperman should not, in the public interest, be identified with a political party in an active sense; he should not be in a public office, for reasons I have stated.

I do know, of course, numerous newspapermen who have held public office, reflecting considerable credit upon both themselves and the office they held. Whether they suffered at the hands of their reader confidence I do not know, specifically.

Yet, if human nature is generally the same everywhere, I am inclined to believe that they did. However, that's only my own belief.

So, again confronted with the problem, I have about made up my mind to go on as I have; just remain a private citizen, on a newspaper.

Were I in some other business, the problem would be easier of solution.

Do you, friend reader, agree with my policy on this subject?

Value of Voluntary Community Service Seen In Many Cities

Have you ever inventoried the value of personal voluntary service by residents of a community?

Do you not agree, by and large, that most of the best and enduring work done for people is accomplished by folks who, without monetary reward, lend their talents and time to various community projects?

A few days ago I was in Midland, Michigan, where I went through that city's brand new hospital—a project conceived and carried on entirely through voluntary efforts of its own citizens.

It cost, to date, $417,000.00. 5,200 Midland people gave $276,000.00 toward it, the remainder being a federal grant. It is situated most uniquely, right out in a woods area where the land and the flora is wild, and it will be kept that way.

But the thing I want to stress here is the fact that three Midland business men conceived the idea, and called a meeting of citizens to discuss it. Just three people, each motivated by a desire to do something for their community, and active voluntarily, got this project into motion.

Some day, of course, some other few might have done so. Had this happened, it would have been conceived **voluntarily**—which is what I am emphasizing as most important.

Incidentally, Phil T. Rich, publisher of The Midland Evening News, was the spearhead in the project, and now is president of the hospital board.

Here in Birmingham, too, we have constant evidence of the value of voluntary community service by our citizens. The valuable Com-

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Victor and Bluebird Records. New release weekly. Leonard Electric, 162 W. Maple. —adv.tf.

Junior Red Cross Girls Collect Large Local Theatre Fund

The Junior Red Cross girls, who assisted at the Birmingham and Bloomfield theatres during the special Movie Industry National Red Cross Week are receiving special commendation for the fine way they handled their work of receiving the Red Cross collection. The total contributions are just a bit past the $2,000 mark, according to Howard Holah, who headed up the committee.

The girls took charge of the canister collection in both theatres and collected about $1,800. To this was added the personal contributions of the workers at the two theatres, bringing the total past the quota of $2,000 the two theatres had set as their goal.

In charge of the girls was Mrs. H. C. Strong, chairman of the local Junior Red Cross, and assisting her were these girls: Barbara Strong, Mary Ann Rainey, Mary Jane Strong, Barbara Kennedy, Barbara Foster, Barbara Toles, Joan Gove, Dawn Hauger, Margery Pheatt, Doris McKee, Dolly Moore, Connie McGirr, Ella Clark, Margaret Dunnstedt, Phyllis Moore, Patty Stanford, Jeanita Pierson, Joan Pasher, Mary Mead, Donna Olson, Pat Pearsall, Louise Hersey, Mrs. William Davies.

Music Festival Is Outstanding Event Of Present Season

One of the most outstanding musical events of the season in Birmingham was the Southeastern Michigan Band and Orchestra Festival last Saturday evening in the Baldwin high school auditorium. The program was received with great acclamation by the large audience.

The band and orchestra were made up of members from Pontiac, Oxford, Birmingham, Ann Arbor, Grosse Pointe, Wyandotte, Rochester, River Rouge, Highland Park, Milford, Hamtramck, Ferndale and Dearborn.

The orchestra was conducted by Dr. Joseph E. Maddy, of the University of Michigan and played five numbers.

The conductor of the band was Leonard Falcone, director of the Michigan State College band. The program presented by the band also included five numbers.

Soloists from the Baldwin high school band under the direction of Arnold W. Bernde, were chosen as members of the band at the festival. They were: Nancy Pierce, flute; Katherine Kemp, bassoon; Robert Marsh, clarinet; Margaret Richey, clarinet; Richard Fox, cornet; Robert Hart, trumpet; Bud Wyatt, trumpet; Candee Sproull, horn; and John Gilbert, tuba.

Those who took part in the symphony orchestra from Birmingham were Robert Gove, tuba; Jean Kelly, violin; Burton Bronson, violin; Doris Minks, violin; and Jeanne Blinn, cello.

In the supplementary string orchestra were Josephine Connor, violin; and Marjorie Henshaw, violin, from Birmingham.

City To Be Ready For 5th War Loan

Birmingham residents who only recently bought war bonds three quarters of a million dollars of war loan securities of the 4th War Loan campaign, are to be asked for another subscription at least that amount when the 5th War Loan drive opens on June 12. Americans, rich and poor, will be asked to lend the Government $6,000,000,000 between June 12 and July 8 to meet the record $16,000,000,000 goal set for the country's Fifth War Loan.

This city will get busy at once on plans to handle the new campaign.

Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr., in announcing in Washington details of the mammoth financing operation recalled that individuals subscribed $3,309,000,000 during the January-February Fourth War Loan and added, "we are asking more than ever before because the Treasury must borrow a great deal of money this year to keep the war going."

"We will need more than twice as much as we can expect to get in taxes," he declared.

Again ruling out commercial banks as participants, Morgenthau said major emphasis will be put on individual purchases. Corporations, associations and other "big money" investors are looked to for $10,000,000,000.

Birmingham Youth Awarded Air Medal

With 13th AAF in the South Pacific—By direction of the President the Air Medal was awarded on March 13, 1944, by Lt. General Millard F. Harmon, Commanding United States Army Forces in the South Pacific Area, to Gordon L. Drumheller, (36170572), Birmingham, Michigan, technical sergeant, Air Corps, United States Army, as aerial radio operator gunner from January 30 to February 12, 1944.

Taxicabs Back But Service Is To Be Limited

Operators To Make Certain Of Gasoline For Next 3 Months

Taxicabs are back in service in Birmingham, after two cabless weeks but service is much more curtailed than ever before, owing to rigid ODT regulations.

It is again possible to call a cab, or get one at the cab stands downtown, but not for every trip desired; for the companies have just so much gasoline for the three-month period and must keep their cabs in operation each day during that time. Such things as taking children to school where the children could just as well walk, trips to taverns of the surrounding area and other out-of-town trips, taking young folk to the theatre and many other such runs classed as non-essential are being eliminated.

All runs considered essential service will be made, the operators declare. This means, they state, that the essential service will get first call and less necessary runs must wait. Cab service along bus routes will be greatly curtailed.

Birmingham has two cab companies, the D. H. Reynolds managed Birmingham Cab company and the Vern Colburn owned and managed Star Cab company. Both have been all but out of business for two weeks owing to exhaustion of their ODT allotment of gasoline.

To Ration Gasoline

Now both have agreed to ration their gasoline in such a way that all necessary service may be maintained for Birmingham residents for the coming months. Both companies have agreed that ODT regulations will be rigidly enforced.

The Reynolds company resumed operations with two cabs at the stand and others in reserve. Mr. Reynolds stated he would place more cabs on the stand as demand increases. "No unnecessary runs will be permitted."

Mr. Colburn started the Star company back into operation with four cabs on the day shift and two on at night. He said he might increase the number if he could secure more drivers. He is rationing gasoline to each cab on a daily quota in order to assure the public of full taxicab service over the entire three-months period. His company is eliminating trips out of the city and many other runs formerly accepted.

Lions Club Opens Funds Campaign

President John Springman and Project Chairman Dr. E. D. Kellerman announce Birmingham Lions Club commenced its drive for funds on Wednesday, April 5. Funds will be used for carrying on major activities and club projects of civic benefits.

Among the projects which the Birmingham Lions club is sponsoring are: defective vision, rehabilitation for returning war veterans, recreation programs, Boy Scout sponsorship, sending of youths to summer camps and Wolverine Boys' State, and contributions to numerous local activities.

The money making project runs for four weeks and will end on May 3.

Pencils will be given to each contributor and they will have "The Birmingham Lions Club—1944" stamped on them. They will serve as a souvenir of the campaign.

Each Lions Club member will be soliciting.

The committee consists of: Dr. E. D. Kellerman, chairman; Donald Cummings, purchasing; Walter L. Moreland, finance; Roland W. Reese, sales; Roland F. Webber, inter-club contacting; John Springman, policy; and W. K. Gardner, assistant chairman.

New Chairman Of Rationing Board

Samuel J. Duncan, 683 Woodward avenue, has been named chairman of the Birmingham rationing Board, replacing Charles E. Lewis, resigned. He assumed his new duties on Monday night.

Mr. Duncan is an engineer with the International Salt company with considerable executive experience.

In addition to a new chairman the board has two additional members. Mrs. James Grier, of Fairfax avenue, has been named to serve on the price panel and Russell T. Denison, 931 Ruffner, has been added to the gasoline and violations panel. These are not replacements but are additional members.

TRAFFIC VIOLATORS

Police report a number of persons ticketed for traffic violations. Among those listed were Edwin W. Jablonski, Bay City, going 50 miles an hour in a 35 mile zone; and Edwin A. Stalker, same city, same speed, same limited zone. Norman Haight, Pontiac, was ticketed for traffic rule violation.

All makes of inner spring mattresses repaired. ROYAL MATTRESS CO. PAINY. PHONE 8-HAM 1-0766. —adv.

Reported Missing

Lt. Roy Uhlmann

Lieut. Uhlmann Is Reported Missing In Pacific Area

Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Uhlmann, 26550 Monon Court, Birmingham, have received from the Navy Department the message that their son, Lieut. Roy Uhlmann, is missing in action and that the submarine "Capelin" on which he was serving is long overdue and must be considered as lost.

Lieut. Uhlmann was the twin brother of Ensign Robert Uhlmann, who was killed during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The two Navy men were the only children in the family.

The twins were constant companions until they joined the Navy. At Baldwin high school they carried the same subjects, usually with identical marks, and graduated in the same class. They then entered the University of Michigan and studied engineering for three years.

They enlisted in Naval service in November of 1940. Robert was called to duty first and was commissioned at Northwestern University June 15, 1941. Roy was called for the next class and was commissioned September 15, 1941. After a brief stay together in Chicago, Robert was ordered to Hawaii. It was the last time they saw each other.

Robert died while trying to extract a Navy patrol plane from its hangar during the Jap attack on Pearl Harbor. He was cited for bravery and awarded the Purple Heart posthumously. Last July 30 he was further honored when the USS Uhlmann, a new destroyer, was named for him. His mother christened the ship at Bethlehem Steel company ship yards, Staten Island, N. Y.

Roy chose the submarine service after completing Diesel engine

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Citywide Paper Collection Will Be Made Friday

Birmingham will conduct its second monthly city-wide waste paper salvage campaign on Friday of this week. City trucks will visit every section of Birmingham, picking up the bundles and boxes of paper. It is asked the paper be put at the curb by 8 a. m. on that date.

John Gafill, new paper salvage chairman for Birmingham, hopes for another large lot of paper in order that this city may maintain its position up near the top of cities of Michigan in the waste paper campaign.

In an appeal for more waste paper as a raw material for war production, Rear Admiral Harry L. Brinser, inspector of Naval material, declared that failure to save waste paper can delay the return of troops from the war. Birmingham residents are urged to answer the appeal with a heavy contribution of waste paper on Friday.

Paper Badly Needed

Admiral Brinser said: "There is absolutely no exaggeration in the statement that waste paper may be as deciding an influence in the war's outcome as the mobilization of the fleet of pleasure craft that saved the British Army at Dunkirk.

"One of the thousands of Navy uses of waste paper is the apparently unimportant but necessary container which protects the shell in transit, from the finisher's bench to the gun breech. Cardboard containers are absolutely necessary for transporting twenty and forty millimeter ammunition tracers and projectiles which have to be manufactured to extremely close tolerances. Shipping requires that each of these shells, and there are millions shipped monthly, must be protected so that they can not chip or nick one another. . . . If marred, the projectile would not reach the target due to irregularities in flight.

"Your cooperation in the saving of waste paper will result in delivery of vital material, thereby insuring an early victory. Perhaps delay in turning in that waste paper pile may delay the return of your son from this war!"

Ask War Plant Be Allowed To Operate Here

Commission Refers Request to Appeal Board For Decision

Permission to open a new war industry plant in Birmingham was asked of the City Commission at its meeting Monday evening and the question, because of the zoning ordinance regulations, was referred to the city appeal board for recommendation.

The request came from Frank D. McAllister, 311 Waddington, who asked permission to use the garage building at 464 South Woodward for the making of certain small parts of the B-24 bomber manufactured at Willow Run. His contract would be with the Ford Motor company.

Several small machines and welding equipment would be installed and about 60 persons employed; probably working in three eight-hour shifts. Parts manufactured would be trucked to the Willow Run plant.

The garage building is now used to house the Ford sales and service agency. There Mr. McAllister carries on his business and a general garage business.

The building is located in the zone known as "Business B" restricted to small business of not more than 10 machines or workers or equipment using not more than 25 horse power.

Further War Effort

Commission members expressed the thought that everything possible should be done to further the war effort and some expressed the belief that the city might well relax its zoning regulations for "the duration." It was stated that a number of nearby cities are granting "day to day" permission for a number of war plants to operate in violation of zoning regulations.

Mr. McAllister's proposal exceeds the present limitations but commissioners believe a further analysis may show the new plant not too undesirable.

City Manager H. H. Corson, who presented the matter at the request of Mr. McAllister, stated he had observed the manufacturing operations at the Willow Run plant of the articles which would be made here and that he did not think similar operations in a plant would prove unusually noisy or

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Lt. Patrick Tobin Missing Overseas

First Lieut. Patrick D. Tobin, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Tobin, 889 Chestnut street, is reported missing in action over Germany, according to notification from the War Department to his parents. The bomber pilot did not return from a raid on March 6, the notice states.

Lieut. Tobin entered war service in 1940 and for a time trained in the anti-aircraft division. He then was placed in the air force where he received his commission in May of last year.

He left for overseas duty in February of this year and shortly after was promoted to first lieutenant. The last letter from Lieut. Tobin reached his parents recently. It was written February 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Tobin have another son, Jack A. Tobin, a fireman, first class, serving with the navy at New Caledonia. Lieut. Tobin's sister, Mrs. Glenn Morgan, resides in Grand Rapids, where Lieut. Tobin formerly attended high school.

City Commissioners Are Re-Elected

Mayor John E. Martz | William Coit Allee

Commissioners, Officials and Board Members Are Elected

In a rather quiet spring city election on Monday Birmingham voters returned to office members of the City Commission, Library Board, and a number of elective officials of the city without opposition. A total of 557 votes was registered. This total, it is said, while considered small for a city the size of Birmingham, is larger than that recorded in a number of spring elections of recent years here.

Re-elected to office and the vote they received are:

For city commissioners, three-year term, John E. Martz, 533 votes; and William Coit Allee, 467 votes.

Members of Board of Baldwin Library, three-year term, Ruth H. Russell, 488 votes; and Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, 481 votes. Member to fill vacancy, one-year term, Harry Allen, 506 votes.

Associate justice of the peace to fill vacancy for three-year term, John W. Gafill, 505 votes.

Constable, one-year term, Calvin R. Snell, 500 votes.

The present City Commission will hold its last formal session this evening to officially canvass the election returns so that City Clerk Irene Hanley can notify each person named to office of his or her election.

On Monday evening of next week the Commission will hold its formal organization meeting of the new year. Elected at that time will be the mayor and mayor pro tem. Commissioner Martz has served as mayor for about eight years and during the year just closing Wilmer E. Moody has been the mayor pro tempore.

For some years it has been the custom in Birmingham to continue in office all the officers of the Commission, the various appointive officials. These include city clerk, Miss Irene Hanley; city manager, H. H. Corson; city treasurer, R. T. Beiger; city assessor, Elmer W. Haack; and health officer, Dr. W. Lloyd Kemp.

It is thought these same officials are to be continued in office. Thus far none has asked to be relieved and all have been considered as highly efficient in their several tasks.

The various boards, City Commission and committees are expected to enter the new year with very little change of policy or organization setup.

Good Friday To Be Observed By Local Churches

The City of Birmingham will join with the rest of the Christian World on Friday, April 7, in the observation of Good Friday. Several churches of the city will have their own services and the Union Good Friday service will be at the First Methodist church from one to two o'clock that afternoon.

Participating in this service will be the First Baptist, First Presbyterian, Embury Methodist and First Methodist churches.

The Rev. Charles C. Becker is to preside at the Union service and Oscar W. Schmidt will be the organist.

Many business places of the city will be closed from 12 o'clock noon until 3 p. m.

The program of the afternoon, arranged by the ministers of the cooperating churches will be as follows:

Prelude: "The Supremacy of Jesus," Rev. Max Moore.

Solo: "There Is a Green Hill Far Away," by Gounod; Floyd Franklin, accompanied by Mrs. Howard D. Ritter.

Prayer: Rev. Peter MacKay.

Solo: "Crucifixus," Faure; by Raymond Peck.

Brief sermon: "As Jesus Prayed," Rev. W. Glen Harris.

Duet: Mrs. Max McKeynolds and Victor Ulrich.

Brief sermon: "The Transformed Cross," Rev. Chas. C. Becker.

Trio: "Peace, I Leave With You," Roberts; by Mrs. Alfred Wahl, Mrs. Howard Efaw, and Mrs. Max Moore.

Abroad With Lockheed Six Years, Tom Allen Is Home.

There are all kinds of civilian workers and civilian organizations that are doing their part in the war effort. Most of these organizations are active on this side of the ocean and few of them are called overseas. However, Thomas R. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Allen, 17560 Derwood drive, has, for the past eight months been stationed in the United Kingdom as part of the staff of the Lockheed Overseas Corporation.

His creed might easily have been "Keep 'Em Flying," for that was his job while stationed there. This year Tom had the job of servicing P-38's indirectly for the 8th Air Force.

Although a civilian, while on the base Tom wore Army uniforms, was billeted in Army barracks, and ate Army chow. He had officer's privilege and was treated as one. When he was off the base he wore civilian clothes.

Prior to his employment with Lockheed Tom was instructing the Army at Allison Service School, Indianapolis, Ind. Having recently returned home, he is at present waiting his induction.

At the end of his interview Tom said, "There is still no place in the world like the United States. I'm very happy to be home with my family again."

"The boys over there are doing a fine job day and night. We here in the United States, have no idea just what war is. The American Red Cross is doing a wonderful job making the boys feel at home. They do not receive enough praise for the wonderful work that is being done."

Tom Allen

Pension Plan Is Adopted By Big Majority

Count of Almost 4 To 1 Registered In Monday's Election

Birmingham voters in Monday's election gave their approval to the Municipal Employees Retirement Plan by a majority of more than four to one. The actual vote was 454 Yes and 105 No, the decision being a centering one in each of the six voting precincts of the city.

The decision in the Sixth precinct was by a margin of more than six to one while in the Fifth precinct the action showed a two and a half to one decision made. The vote by precincts was: First precinct, Yes 77, No 19; Second precinct, Yes 70, No 19; Third precinct, Yes 69, No 15; Fourth precinct, Yes 141, No 32; Fifth precinct, Yes 57, No 14; Sixth precinct, Yes 58, No 9.

Members of the City Commission and representatives of the various groups of employees who co-operated in the drafting of the plan, consider the decision a sort of three-way vote of confidence.

They point, they explain, expressed their belief that the city of Birmingham should have such a retirement plan; that the plan worked out is equitable, especially for this city and contained the very best provisions possible for the area, and that the chances for success under the city management arranged for are very good.

In Effect July 1

The plan is to go into operation on July 1, 1944. Details of arranging details of operation will be placed under way at once, according to City Manager H. H. Corson.

Operation of the plan calls for appointment by the mayor of three employee members of the Board and one city employee member. The Board will order and arrange the election of a member from the police department, one from the fire department, and one from the general employees.

The Board membership will total seven and include the mayor, a commissioner, the City Comptroller to be selected by the Commission, the city treasurer, a citizen of the city, and three employee members. At the first election, Mr. Corson, mayor, be named on the Board will be elected to serve for four years, the

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Memorial Day Is Being Planned By Veterans' Groups

The Birmingham Memorial Committee, composed of members appointed by the local posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion, has plans well under way for the annual observance of Memorial Day on May 30. The program, weather permitting, will be held in front of the Municipal Building with many organizations participating.

Groups will be named to place flags on the graves of war heroes in cemeteries in and near Birmingham, while other groups will complete plans for the program and for services at the several cemeteries.

The committee held its first meeting on Sunday at the Legion home on South Woodward avenue to draft a proposed program for the day. On Monday evening the plans were outlined to the City Commission and approved by the body, which appropriated $50 to cover necessary expenses in connection with the day's activities. Appearing before the Commission were Leonard Cade, of the Legion, and Sylvester H. Wilkinson of the V. F. W.

Permanent Committee

It was decided to form a permanent committee to handle the arranging for all memorial events and to provide an annual a record of the burial place of war veterans.

The tentative program for Memorial Day, sponsored by the City Commission, calls for the downtown program on the lawn of the Municipal Building, with a flag ceremony, music by the band, placing of flags on graves of veterans who have died during the past 12 months, the address of the day, and other interesting items.

In the afternoon, veterans will visit several cemeteries and services will be conducted about the monument in Greenwood cemetery in which is buried part of the dead.

The City Commission also voted to the Birmingham posts of the V. F. W. and American Legion and their auxiliaries permission to sell poppies on the streets on Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27. These days will be known as "Poppy Days" in this city.

STRUCK BY TRUCK

Rita Parisian, nine year old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Parisian of Lahsey road, is in Redford Receiving Hospital suffering from serious hurts received when struck by a truck as she was crossing the highway in front of her home Monday afternoon. The truck was driven by Dawn Gayton of Detroit, who said she had no chance to stop or dodge as the child stepped from behind a school bus into the street.

LOCAL MAN PROMOTED

A. F. Blank, 564 Brookside, who is vice-president and Detroit district manager of the Austin company has been elected a member of the Board of Directors, it was announced Monday by George A. Bryant, company president. Mr. Blank also is president of the Austin Engineers Inc. Here in his home city he is active in civic affairs and is a member of the Birmingham City Planning Commission.

Coast Guardsman Reported Killed

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Follman, 327 Davis street, have received notice from Washington that their nephew, Clarence H. Follman Jr., U.S. Coast Guard, was killed in action on March 9.

The young man was accompanied Pierce school while he lived in Birmingham with his uncle and aunt and many friends here remember him well.

He visited here recently while home for a three-day stay following a long period of sea duty.

He enlisted in the Coast Guard in August, 1942, at Detroit and last September was assigned to duty aboard a destroyer escort which sank in the North Atlantic as the result of an "underwater explosion," word from the navy said.

Mr. Follman saw duty overseas his unit assisting in landing troops in Italy and other sectors in the European war theater.

More Men Receive Call to Service

The Navy and the Army are going to get several more Birmingham young men within the next few days. The Navy has asked for five men on April 8 and the Army for six men on April 14.

Going to the Navy will be Jack E. Sights, Birmingham; Clarence P. Way, Royal Oak; William F. Jones, Rochester; Kenneth P. Axford, Pontiac; and Arthur S. Arnold, Royal Oak.

Listed for the Army service are Harley S. Hinman and William B. Hargreaves, Donald Van Dyke Jr., Richard G. Bordy, Basil V. Vell, and Robert E. Myers.

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