Who, one may rightly ask, has a greater ownership in a land of freedom than those who bear arms in defense of that freedom? I hope that the returning legions of our military men and women will enter into post-war civilian activities in such fashion as to make democracy work at its most unselfish best.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

The ability of the New Deal to collect money is exceeded only by its ability to spend it.

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"I didn't even know that Franklin intended to run for a fourth term . . . he doesn't tell me everything," said Mrs. Roosevelt the day her husband announced he would accept renomination. "Well," said our Neighbor, "how can he tell her everything—she isn't home enough."

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FDR says he is running for re-election as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy. He, dominantly, is responsible for our success thus far, and Messrs Marshall, King, Eisenhower, Nimitz, etc., are only carrying out FDR's personal plans and orders, then every Republican ought to vote for FDR. If he isn't responsible for the war's military success, then FDR is merely running for the office of President; and so is Thomas E. Dewey; that ought to be the real issue this campaign.

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That was an elegant piece Walter Lippmann wrote about Vice-President Henry Wallace. Lippmann admits that Wallace is a "prophet"; indeed, Walter even suggests that Henry is too celestial to become Roosevelt's successor. Sort of like saying that Henry is too angelic to lead a nation; now, ain't that a devil of a note!

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I think we should change the words "income tax" to a phrase more in keeping with what they really are. Let's call 'em "outgo tax."

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Can you imagine the sad case of Henry Morgenthau, U. S. Secretary of the Treasury, when he finally gets to Heaven and seeks a conference with St. Peter, and says, "Well, Pete, how's about me framing legislation to get taxes for the support of your Eternal Government?"

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Come to think of it, maybe one of the reasons FDR seeks a Fourth Term is because he doesn't like to stop on uneven digits. Or maybe he planted a tree on the White House lawn and wants to be there when it grows up. Or maybe he likes the special room service he gets in that famous domicile. Or . . . or . . . well, maybe he just likes to be President.

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I will gladly give one hundred dollars to the Red Cross if somebody can tell me within two weeks exactly how Jim Farley will vote in the November election. (Come on, Jim—here's a chance for you to help the Red Cross!)

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Don't you agree that it will be good for the rest of the world if Germany is required to re-build, with her own manpower, the property she has destroyed in her current vain attempt to rule the earth? Perhaps not all the Germans will work at one time, for they will have to rebuild and regenerate their own country; but it can be done on a schedule of service that will require each male to work at least one year for this purpose. Then they may remember!

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"Tax and spend . . . tax and spend . . . elect and elect . . . elect and elect." That is the political philosophy of the New Deal, as advocated by FDR's close friend, Harry Hopkins. Well, that's what they've been doing for 11 years: the plan certainly has worked, politically, up to date. But 1945 is a new date, isn't it?

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"All that is within me cries out to go back to my home on the Hudson River . . ." said Mr. Roosevelt in announcing his reluctant (?) willingness to run for a Fourth Term. Well, Sir, respectfully we ask, you surely ain't a cry baby, are you?

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Anyway, so far, except for the heat, this has been a nice summer . . . especially if you overlook the crabgrass in your lawn, the weeds in your garden, lack of rain . . . and the threat of a Fourth Term.

Rotarians Have Annual Picnic

Birmingham Rotarians Monday afternoon and evening held their annual summer picnic at the beautiful home of a fellow-member George E. Baldwin, on Old Orchard Trail, adjacent to the Orchard Lake Country Club. Together with guests, the attendance was 52.

During the afternoon and evening the Rotarians indulged in golf, fishing, horse shoe pitching, softball, and cards. Louis Hassall headed up the entertainment committee, while Bill Torrence and Sam Bruni were responsible for the food.

Prizes were awarded winners in the various competitive contests.

(Note to the OPA: In order to receive his portion of the steaks on the menu, each Rotarian was required to tender the correct number of ration points.)

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Leonard Erickson Is Made Captain In 7th AAF Bomber Squad

AN ADVANCE 7TH A.A.F. BASE IN THE GILBERTS—Leonard E. Erickson, son of Mrs. J. E. Erickson, 464 Townsend street, Birmingham, Mich., and assistant supply officer of a 7th AAF Mitchell bomber squadron, has been promoted from first lieutenant to captain.

Captain Erickson, who entered the AAF in June, 1942, has been stationed in the Central Pacific Area since October, 1943. He attended Wayne University, Detroit, and prior to entering service was district manager for General Motors Corporation Truck Division at Pontiac, Mich.

Clyde R. Paton Is Transferred To New Toledo Plant

Announcement has been made in New York, recently, that Clyde R. Paton, former Birmingham resident, and a chief engineer for the Packard Motor Car Company, will be the directing engineer for a separate division of that company now being established at Toledo. Mrs. Paton writes friends that the change may mean the family possibly might return here to reside.

While here the Patons resided at Morningview terrace, Bloomfield Village.

Been On War Work

Mr. Paton has just returned to Packards after being on special war assignment for the past two years. He will be directing engineer in the new development program and his first task will be to recruit a staff of specialists and technicians eventually to number several hundred.

The department will handle advanced aircraft engine development and is being established at the request of the Army Air Forces Material Command.

In announcing the new department and the fact the former Birmingham man would be its directing engineer, George T. Christopher, president and general manager of Packards, announced that the Defense Plant Corporation had increased its contract with Packard by $1,350,000 for additional facilities at Toledo, bringing the total Federal investment in the plant there to $8,750,000.

Secret Project

"Work on these facilities to include latest design dynamometer cells, propeller test stands and special machinery to stimulate high altitude conditions already is under way," Mr. Christopher said. "When completed the developmental addition to Packard's Toledo operation will be one of the few fully equipped engine test centers in the coultry. Because of the restricted nature of the program, I cannot reveal specific aims of the project."

He added that the new project was to be kept separate from current production of Rolls-Royce aircraft and Packard marine engines at the Detroit and Toledo plants and that the development activities would not necessarily be confined to the Rolls-Royce engine, on which Packard "has extensively collaborated with British and Army engineers in important design improvements.

"Furthermore, this engineering outgrowth of our war work need not be considered a temporary operation," Mr. Christopher continued. "It is anticipated that improved power plants resulting from this long-range program will go well beyond present limits."

Creative work already established at the company's Detroit factory under Col. J. G. Vincent, vice president of engineering, ultimately will be transferred to the new Toledo development, but responsibility still will be his.

Bond Sales Light Since Close Of Big Part Of Bond Drive

The sale of E, F and G bonds fell off with the bang with the closing of the main part of the 5th War loan campaign the night of Saturday, July 8, and there has been little demand for these bonds since then, according to Herbert Gardner, Birmingham city chairman of the war bond sale drive.

The Bond Premiere at the Bloomfield theatre on Tuesday of last week did bring out the purchase of some of these bonds at this theatre and also at the Birmingham theatre, but the Premiere most Birmingham residents had already purchased their bonds and secured their free tickets by July 8.

All of these bonds sold anywhere up to July 31 are to be credited to the 5th War Loan campaign today. Few cities, counties or states went over the top in the quota assigned them for the sale of E, F and G bonds.

Most places did go over the top on the sale of securities to banks, manufacturing plants, store corporations and other such business but for some reason the E, F and G bonds were not in so great demand as had been anticipated.

The Birmingham committee members are all hopeful that there will continue to be a demand for those investment bonds, especially to the end of July. Committee members today again urged these bonds as constituting a fine investment and their purchase a fine help to the war effort.

Has Difficulty Trying to Make House Fit Lot

Leon Smith Finds Building Larger than He Had Anticipated

Leon C. Smith, who bought the house over on West Maple and last week moved it to a location on Chester street, seems to be experiencing all kinds of difficulties in connection with the deal.

The house, which to some looked like a story-and-a-half structure, was found after careful measurement to really be a two-story one, and because of this change in its status comes all the trouble to the new owner.

The lot on which it was placed is one of those 44 foot plots and the house is 32½ feet in width, plus a few extra inches for the wide fireplace. This does not leave enough side yard room, it is said, to satisfy the requirements of the Birmingham building code and zoning ordinance for a two-story house.

Neighbors Object

So right now it seems the new owner may have to turn the house around on the lot or cut off part of the structure to narrow it down to the two-story house minimum. He tried to buy a bit of land from adjoining owners but failed.

Mr. Smith appeared before the City Commission with his difficulties, Monday evening, to back up his request for a permit for completing the relocation of the house. Henry Dahlquist, who owns property to the south, also was on hand and said that he would like to have the building code and zoning ordinance enforced.

The Commission members spent an hour going over the situation, viewing and reviewing but could find no way to aid the new home owner. The permit was refused and now it appears the new owner must find his own way out of the tangle.

Eliminate Conflicts

The situation did bring to light a seeming conflict between the building code and zoning ordinance and the Commission adopted a resolution to straighten this out. Now the wording in each instrument, regarding this part of the zoning and building regulations, is similar. A public hearing on the change was called for Monday evening, August 14.

The request for permission to maintain a real estate sales office on the Birmingham Hills subdivision was granted. This is on a 90-day basis, with the structure to be repaired and painted with 15 days. The permit was to the Houseman-Spitzley Corporation of Detroit, which has bought up most of the remaining vacant lots in the subdivision.

Watts Electric Resumes Work On War Orders

Felix J. Watts, of the Watts Electric and Manufacturing company, 2222 East Maple reported today that his company was getting back into full stride of turning out war supplies for various companies after being partially closed down for a short while after completion of numerous contracts.

Mr. Watts states that the plant will turn out parts for many different pieces of war machinery such as planes, guns, tanks, mines and other equipment.

New contracts include those for Briggs, Ford, General Motors, Nash-Kelvinator and a number of others.

The East Maple plant is constantly increasing production and the annex on South Woodward avenue is expected to resume operations as soon as materials are received. The crew there likely will be small for the first few days after operations are resumed but are expected to be rapidly built up to quite a sizable organization. About 130 persons were employed there when the place completed its early summer operations.

Dr. John P. Wood Heads Osteopaths

Dr. John P. Wood, who has his offices in the Wabeek building, has just been elected president of the American Osteopathic Association at the 48th annual convention of the House of Delegates of the association in Chicago. The election session of the meeting was held Monday.

Dr. Wood, in addition to his practice here, is an orthopedic surgeon on the staff of the Detroit Osteopathic hospital.

REPORTS HOME ROBBED

Mrs. R. E. Fowler, 1240 Lake Park drive has reported to police that some one cut the screen in a window at her home and stole two pocket books from a table. There was little of value in the stolen property, she said, and the robber dropped the pocket books on a lawn of the home. Police investigated but found no clues, other than possible footprints near the window.

What Happened to the Master Race Here?

Army Signal Corps Photo

The answer to this is simple. These American paratroopers dropped out of the sky over Normany, took this French village and captured this Nazi tank. Herr Goebbels used to prattle that we were a decadent race. Sure, so decadent that foot soldiers can capture German tanks intact. Note that division insignia has been censored out.

City Treasurer Reports Balance At End of Year

The City of Birmingham operated well with its budget for the fiscal year, ending July 1, 1944, according to the annual report of Russel T. Berger, acting city treasurer.

His figures disclosed a budget of $241,453 with expenditures, as of July 1, totalling $232,339. Added to this list of expenditures will be the June bills, paid after July 1, which will cut the total balance considerably.

However, it will still leave the city in the black, which is considered a very fine showing by the City Commission. The report was made during the regular session of the Commission on Monday evening.

Tax collections were much better than had been anticipated and departmental expenses were kept to a minimum all the year, the report disclosed.

The Commission heard a report on the reason for continuing the bus stop special designated space, at the southeast corner of the Wabeek building. City Manager Harold Corson reported that the stop had been arranged because very often cars parked in the space in question blocked view of traffic on West Maple. He recommended the regulation be continued, reporting a noticeable reduction in traffic accidents at that corner since the regulation was placed in the traffic rules.

At the Monday meeting the Commission accepted a bid of the Gulf Refining Company for 7,500 gallons of gasoline for the city, the bid being 8.371 cents per gallon.

Jackson F. Moore Wins Promotion

Jackson F. Moore, 1180 Willow lane, Birmingham, for the past eight years general manager of the Detroit retail store group of Sears, Roebuck and company, has been appointed general manager of the Sears retail department store organization in Chicago, according to announcement by the company. He will manage the seven Sears retail department stores in Chicago and one in Gary, Indiana.

Moore took control at his new post this week in the place made vacant by the resignation of C. Penticost, Chicago group manager for the past 11 years.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of Sears, Roebuck and company in April in New York City, Moore was elected a director of this company.

Named to the Detroit vacancy is H. C. Shoemaker, who has been general manager of the Sears, Roebuck and company retail store operations in Utah for the past five years. He took over this week.

Mrs. Moore and family plan to join Mr. Moore in Chicago September 1. The Moores came here from Buffalo where Mr. Moore was Sears manager for a number of years.

George Gorman Made Air Force Lieutenant

George T. Gorman having successfully completed his course at the Air Forces Officer Candidate School at Miami Beach, Florida, has received his commission as Second Lieutenant in the Air Forces of the Army of the United States. His duties will be to direct vital administrative and supply operations of the Army Air Forces in theaters of operations all over the world.

As a civilian, Lieut. George T. Gorman lived at 327 Southfield road, Birmingham, Michigan. His wife, Mrs. Patricia D. Gorman, now resides at 591 West End Blvd., Winston Salem, N. C.

Family Afternoon At Park On Wednesdays

A Family Afternoon at Springdale park, as a part of the Birmingham Recreational program, is announced by John Brotzman, recreational director. The first of what he hopes will be a series of at least a half dozen or more such afternoons will be on Wednesday, July 26.

Director Brotzman urges Birmingham businessmen and those workers who are off duty that afternoon to bring their families to the park at 2 o'clock and promises an afternoon of fun and frolic.

The program will be over at 5 so that families may then enjoy their picnic suppers or carry out other plans for the late afternoon and evening.

Legion Elects Its New Officers

At a special meeting of Charles Edward's Post No. 14 American Legion the following officers were elected for the coming year:

L. A. Cady, commander. Arthur Mason, senior vice. Walter Cadel, junior vice. Ed. Chapman, finance officer. Ray Cook, chaplain. Peter Aristos, historian. George Spaff, seargeant at arms.

Delegates and alternates were also elected for the State Convention at Grand Rapids August 11-12-13. Delegates include, Al Mason, L. A. Cady and Carl Ely.

A number of the members have already made reservations and signified their intentions of being there.

The baseball team which the post is sponsoring in the American Legion Junior baseball league received considerable attention. The team is improving and is putting up a good game of ball.

Local Residents are Thought To Be at Mexican Volcano

Dr. Robert Hatt and Mrs. Hatt of Cranbrook and C. Thoburn Maxwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Pretz, Wing Lake, are today supposed to be at or near the volcano, Paricutin, in Mexico, which has been in eruption again.

News from Mexico City yesterday said that millions of tons of molten lava pouring along a 25-mile front have engulfed two towns and are threatening to wipe out three others.

Paricutin, the town from which the volcano takes its name, and Parangaricutiro, already are buried.

The lava is moving 200 yards a day toward Zacan, San Francisco Pariban and Zirosto, which have been partially evacuated. Residents also are leaving other towns farther ahead.

Highways leading from the doomed region are crammed with caravans of Tarascan Indians swarming to higher ground with such belongings—a n i m a l s and household effects—as they can hastily scrape together.

Earthshaking explosions are heard at more or less regular intervals from the elevated center of the sea of lava. At each explosion, a higher wave of melted stone pushes out from the volcano, born in February, 1943.

Dr. and Mrs. Hatt, left Cranbrook recently for Mexico and Thoburn has been visiting friends in Mexico for several weeks.

Late last winter Mr. and Mrs. Howard Estes visited the volcano and secured pictures there. They were on a Mexican tour.

RESIGNS FROM BANK

Mrs. G. Eleanor Thus, for the past nine years connected with the Birmingham National Bank as secretary to the president and assistant cashier, has resigned from her position, effective August 1. She came to the bank two years after its formation, and has been intimately associated with its growth since then. She and Mr. Thun will continue to live here on Park street.

All makes of inner spring mattresses repaired. ROYAL MATTRESS COMPANY, PHONE B'HAM 1-0788. —adv.

New Members Are Named On Red Cross Board

A number of individuals in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and vicinity have recently been appointed as executive committee members, service chairmen and operating committee chairmen of the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, according to an announcement made by Judge H. Russel Holland, chapter chairman.

R. J. Emmert is a member of the executive committee as are Mrs. Sheldon Noble, Bloomfield Hills, volunteer service chairman, and Mrs. E. P. Turner, home service chairman.

Arthur Chantler, disaster chairman; E. M. Bernsford, public information chairman; Mrs. Anyce Gillette, nurse recruitment chairman; Harry Hoey, Bloomfield Hills, blood donor chairman; Mrs. Karl Bailey, Bloomfield Hills, nutrition chairman.

Other members of the executive committee are: C. G. Rudderham, Bloomfield Hills, 1st vice-chairman; Arthur Bassett, 2nd vice-chairman, Royal Oak; Leo P. Atkins, West Bloomfield, treasurer; Mrs. Carlton Shafer, Ferndale, secretary; Mrs. R. A. Armstrong, Mrs. T. W. Jackson, Mrs. Hugh Little, Byron B. Webb, Pontiac; Mrs. John Austin, Lake Orion; Mrs. George Graves, Huntington Woods; and Rev. P. W. Czamanske, Hazel Park.

Operating committee chairmen are: planning committee, Marshall Smith, Waterford; nominating committee, Mrs. Claire Gaukler, Pontiac; house committee, William B. Tippy, Pontiac and Arthur T. Bassett, Royal Oak.

Set Record For Salvage Intake

June proved quite a month in Birmingham for the collection of salvage for use in the war effort. Dom. S. Caputa, general salvage chairman, reports that 99,000 pounds of paper was collected, which is considered quite a good amount for June.

For the tin can record he reports 7,000 pounds along with 6,680 pounds of other metals. The old clothing and rags totalled 7,530 pounds.

The total fat collected was 5,575 pounds. This is a bit lower than the pound total anticipated, he says.

Mr. Caputo again expressed appreciation of himself and committee for the fine assistance of the Good Will and Salvation Army in making these collections. City crews and trucks have been doing a great job, he states, and people in general have been showing good co-operation.

He did take occasion to urge there be no letdown in the handling of these items, all so badly needed in the war. He asked that every family in Birmingham assist in this big campaign. "Save your old paper, prepare and save your tin cans and metals, rags, etc., and do your utmost to boost that total of fats," he said.

Pvt. Samuel J. Moore Is Reported Killed In Action In Italy

Pvt. Samuel J. Moore, brother of Mrs. Charles T. Boyce, 1039 Stanley, was killed in Italy May 28, according to word received by Mrs. Boyce.

Pvt. Moore was born in Cork County, Ireland, 37 years ago, coming to America with his family at the age of 17. He settled in Mansfield, Pa., where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moore, still reside. He lived in Birmingham for a year while employed as a salesman for Barney Habel Auto Company in Pontiac.

Pvt. Moore joined the Army Sept. 1, 1943, leaving for overseas some time in February. He was buried in Italy.

Dr. Melvine Crump To Become Pastor Of Baptist Church

Dr. Melvine W. Crump, for the past five years pastor of the Baptist church at Norristown, Pa., has accepted a call to the First Baptist church of Birmingham and is expected to reach this city about Aug. 1 or 2. He will open his pastorate here on Sunday, Aug. 6.

He was active in the Baptist work of Pennsylvania. In 1943 he was chairman of the important program committee of the Pennsylvania Baptist convention when it met in Philadelphia. While serving as president of the Norristown Council of Churches, he was instrumental in organizing the community Sunday evening services in Elmwood Park, which are now in their third summer. These services have attracted an attendance of from 400 to more than 800 each Sunday evening during July and August.

Ten Years in Baltimore

Before going to Norristown, Dr. Crump was for ten years pastor of the Temple Baptist church, Baltimore, Md., which church for a long time has maintained the record of having the largest Baptist prayer meeting in the city. While in Baltimore he was also a member of the state mission board and for nine years on its advisory committee. He served a term as president of the Baptist Ministers Conference. For nine years he was a member of the advisory board of the Business Men's Pocket Testament League.

Dr. Crump is a Tennessean by birth; in the same state he received both his early education and college degree, graduating from Bethel College, Jackson, Tenn. He pursued his graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania. He attended both the Crozer Theological Seminary at Chester, Pa., and the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. From the latter institution he was granted the degree of Doctor of Theology in 1937. major in the department of the Greek New Testament. He has served as vice-president and president of the Alumni association of the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Wife An Active Leader

Mrs. Crump was born and educated in Pennsylvania where she taught in the public schools for three years. She is active in the work of the Sunday school, interested in missionary education and co-operates with her husband in the program of the church.

Dr. and Mrs. Crump have three sons, Melvine, now married; John, assigned to Navy V-12, Purdue University, majoring in mechanical engineering, and Ben, at home.

Young Moore Is Hurt In Accident

Young J. Moore, 22, of 2379 East Maple, was painfully hurt and bruised Sunday afternoon near Mt. Pleasant when he swerved his motorcycle to avoid crashing into a fellow motorist whose machine had hit a bump in the pavement, on the runway of the Mt. Pleasant airport, causing it to crash only a short distance ahead of him.

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Hibler, 31, of Pontiac, was riding the motorcycle just ahead of Moore when it crashed. Hibler died of a broken neck. Officers said Hibler lost control of his machine when it hit the bump. He was travelling at about 50 miles an hour.

Both had been given permission to take part in a stunt program at the airport, it was reported.

Also killed in a motorcycle accident was Richard Ferris, Pontiac, a brother of Mrs. Beatrice Axler, 715 Pleasant street, Birmingham. Ferris died Saturday evening of hurts received earlier in the day when his motorcycle collided at the intersection of Voorheis and Telegraph roads. Ferris was thrown against a utility pole.

Archie Bliss, of Toledo, was drowned in Cedar Island lake Sunday evening. It is thought he suffered a heart attack while carrying a child in the lake. He was seen to push the child onto shallow water and then go down. The body was taken to Toledo, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Bliss had been guests of the Fred Emerson family of Kinsabeth Lake road.

THEY WERE SPEEDING

Wednesday two autoists, both registered as driving 50 miles an hour in a 35 mile zone, were ticketed by local police. One was Verly Yates Hopkins, Pontiac, and the other was Roy Stephen Ferndale, parked on Knox street and disappeared. Because of the darkness and the element of surprise in the attack, Dr. Qua said he could give no description of his attackers, nor of their car.

Kahn Records Are Given To Local Library

Baldwin Receives Private Collection of Phonograph Records

The private library of phonograph recordings, collected by the late Albert E. Kahn, international ly known Detroit architect, was presented to Baldwin Public Library by Mrs. Kahn, last week according to Miss Adeline Cooke, librarian.

The wide range of composers and artists represented in the collection is contained in nearly four hundred albums, about 2,500 separate discs in all. The thirteen cabinets necessary to house them were also presented to the Library by Mrs. Kahn.

Rare Recordings

The classicists and romanticists among composers are heavily represented as well as a great many of the moderns, and a large proportion of each group recorded works are in the collection. There are also a number of rare recordings by artists now dead or retired, including Caruso, Melba, Louise Homer and Dohnyani.

With the collection is Mr. Kahn's own catalog, which is completely cross-filed.

The recordings will be ready for circulation by the first of October.

Mrs. Kahn has purchased a residence on Linden road, and plans to make her home in Birmingham.

Get State Aid

The Baldwin Public Library received a check for $38,402 from the state board of libraries, according to Miss Adeline Cooke, librarian. This represents the final payment on a grant of $807.94 from the general library fund.

The library receives this bonus because the local tax support is being maintained. If the local tax support drops, the library would not be eligible for this additional assistance.

The library board has decided to use a large part of this check for additional shelving, much needed to house our growing book collection, Miss Cooke explains. A new set of the Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia is also being purchased.

The grant is part of the state aid for public libraries, forced apart by the legislature for the development of Michigan libraries. The 1944 special session appropriated $200,000 for the 1943-45 fiscal year, which will help libraries hold the line under wartime conditions.

Hospital Needs Produce Raised In Local Plots

Don't let your surplus vegetables spoil. That is the plea made today by the Victory Garden committee, of which Charles Rust is general chairman. "Rather contribute any extra produce to St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in the south edge of Pontiac," Mr. Rust pleads.

A plan has just been worked out by John Gaffil, of the Victory Garden committee, whereby Birmingham's 1,000 Victory Gardeners may contribute any extra produce to the hospital, and, if they wish, receive a small sum for the produce thus given.

The hospital, which serves from a thousand to fifteen hundred meals a day needs the produce and will be happy to have any donated. Those who do not wish to donate produce will be paid a small sum.

Persons having produce to dispose of to the hospital are asked to call the Municipal Building, Phone 1230, and a record of their name and location and what they have to give will be made.

The Red Cross Motor Corps will make the pickups each Tuesday and Friday and get the produce to the hospital promptly. Carrots, beets, and such things should be bunched, beans, peas, etc., placed in paper bags or containers, all carefully packaged and a note pinned on listing the produce, the name and address of the giver.

Miss Evelyn Salisbury of Bloomfield Hills, is head of the Motor Corps group which will handle the pickups, Mr. Gaffil says.

Dr. John Qua Reports Attack and Robbery

Dr. George R. Qua, 1083 East Maple street, reported to police late Monday night that two men attacked him as he stepped from his car in the rear of his home, threw him to the ground and robbed him of his horse containing $10, and the keys of his car and his house.

Dr. Qua said the men appeared, apparently from the darkness by the side of his house. One accosted him with the remark "So you are the man who was driving 40 miles an hour." He then grabbed Dr. Qua about the neck and threw him onto the ground. The men then proceeded with the robbery.

The men quickly ran to a car

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