

Arrogance is a gigantic barrier to success and happiness. I have never found anything so curable, so tangible or intangible, that so wants a man to become arrogant. Great people—only great men and women—are never arrogant; for greatness of the good kind possesses the quality of honest humility.

SIXTY-SEVENTH YEAR NO. 11

Police Report Many Cars Tested During Brake Safety Month

The police department campaign of brake tests for local automobiles was concluded last week with a total of 96 cars given tests by the police department members and with 86 more tested at garages.

Many scores of cars were reported placed in safe condition again as a result of the campaign. Police Chief John P. Hackett reports 21 cars of the department test, list were ordered repaired. One car involved in an accident was ordered tested.

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Bits of Birmingham

That load, creaking noise that many Birmingham residents heard Sunday afternoon on Hunter boulevard was made by a large number of tractor-type tank destroyers being transported under their own noisy power to some northern point, probably for installation of additional equipment. And it was quite a string of war machines, as measured by the \$25 worth money plan such as the Girl Scout used here Saturday, the equipment might have represented as much as a million dollars. It was the longest line of such war machines to pass through Birmingham.

In a brief note from Carl Bradt, former Birmingham resident, now in Washington, he says: "I have found out where the Mason and Dixon Line is—it's where you call changes to 'youse guys'." Thus, you see, does grammar play a part in fixing a nation's differences.

Just in case, you know, slip this out and save it. But it does not seem likely many Birmingham automobiles will be driving across the Straits of Mackinac this summer but as we just said, here's the schedule in case you really do make the trip sometime before Autumn comes. The Straits of Mackinac summer ferry schedule, with two boats in operation, will go into effect June 16. The schedule, in effect until Sept. 15, will provide twenty-four hour service as follows: Leaving St. Ignace at 6 a. m., 7:30 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 12 noon, 1:30 p. m., 3 p. m., 4:30 p. m., 6 p. m., 7:30 p. m., 9 p. m., midnight and 3 a. m. Times being Eastern War Time; leaving Mackinac City—6 a. m., 7:30 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 12 noon, 1:30 p. m., 3 p. m., 4:30 p. m., 6 p. m., 7:30 p. m., 9 p. m., 1:30 a. m. and 4:30 a. m. Ferry service now is being handled by one boat operating on three-hour intervals, with schedules being on Central War Time.

Pat Wilkinson of 587 Woodland, is all out for a victorious career. Birmingham's own Pat has out her hobby to best. She is the photography chief for the national revue "The Sweethearts of Servicemen" are putting on for the boys at Percy Jones Hospital in Battle Creek on July 23rd, and at the "Back the Invasion" rally at Masonic Temple, June 29th, in cooperation with the Red Cross and the fifth war bond drive. Pat studied photography in New York with Bruce Abbott and did fashion photography with Elliott Clarke.

Mr. Roy C. Hanson, 329 Portland, is a union man. With production in a union made job. Eighty-five per cent of the workers in war industries are members of unions. Back them up with War Bonds.

"Sunday was a big day for me," declared a Birmingham bond buyer, Monday. "My little \$25 war bond, and a lot more bonds and a lot of American lives helped capture Rome." It was the longest line of such war machines to pass through Birmingham.

With summer again here, and rain reckless types of youthful drivers at the wheel, increased danger exists for those who travel our streets. If local police will take here how some kids drive, they'll get an earful of suggestions, including: "Why aren't there more STOP signs at intersections where accidents have, or yet may occur?" Some of these youngsters will get lucky—split right up to and through another heavily traveled street, even though at an intersection shroudy may prevent provision of traffic.

Members of the many clubs and groups of women in Birmingham have been working so hard and so long in the various branches of Red Cross effort will be especially interested in this report on Red Cross work just issued in Washington. "The first full fiscal year of war sent Red Cross aid to 2,409,224 people in the various branches and nearly quadrupled the cost of help for service personnel, their dependents, and disabled veterans." Expansion of Red Cross work was emphasized by the report of \$42,393,000 expended for Red Cross work in 1943. This was an increase of 296 per cent over the \$10,712,000 spent for such work in the previous year, during nearly half of which the United States was at peace.

That first annual Oakland County Junior Open Golf Tournament held last week Saturday and Sunday at the Pontiac Country Club drew the interest of a lot of youthful golfers and a lot of dads trailed along to see their sons in their first competition. The meet was won in a Sunday playoff by Marshall O'Shaughnessy of Keego Harbor high school. He outplayed Jerry Fitzgerald of Elizabeth Lake in the playoff. Each had a card of 75 for Saturday to tie for high honors and the Sunday playoff saw O'Shaughnessy win the title with an 83 while Fitzgerald shot a 92. Par for the course is 74.

From all around the world come word that Birmingham boys, serving their country in time of war, are meeting each other in most unexpected places. Newest word to come is from Bill Walsh, formerly of Birmingham, and son of Mrs. Edith Walsh Barnes, now of Detroit. He had hooked out across the lounge of a North African hotel and recognized the youth in one of the easy chairs as none other than his former friend, Charles F. Dye, Jr. of Birmingham. Bill writes: "I thought to myself, that looks like the fellow I know in Birmingham." Needless to say, those of you young men who are in this workshop, the first in July 1944 summer series sponsored jointly by the Michigan State Board of Libraries and the State Board of Control for Vocational Education. Eighty-five librarians and trustees from southern Michigan have volunteered.

When one of the Westsiders received a letter from a Birmingham group gave him a farewell party at which time the remaining members of the institution group received service stars to hang in their car windows. This Wanderer thinks it not a bad idea.

Several boys from this city and places around are expected to see action with the army has reopened enlistments in the air corps reserve for 17-year-olds to enter a combat wing members. However, youths who volunteer will not be called up for training until their eighteenth birthday. The army explained that recruiting was resumed to insure a commissioned reserve of qualified individuals to begin training next year.

News comes to the Wanderer— it's none too pleasant—that those automobile use stamps are disappearing. They go on sale at post offices on June 10. These stamps cover the tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1, and must be displayed on the windshields of cars after that date.

Thoughtless boys, and maybe some girls, are busy again in other people's gardens. They take twice used for marking seed rows, stakes for corner markers and row markers, remove and destroy water cans and most anything else left out at the garden. Vines and plants are broken over or damaged. And in some sections of the city dows are reported making a playground of nearby Victory Gardens. Several gardeners are building fences, hoping to protect their gardens from both boys and dogs. Other folk, unable to have their gardens fenced, are suffering considerable loss.

Mrs. Margaret Strygman, of the Baldwin Library staff, attended a library workshop at Walden.

Turkey dinners have not been frequent in Birmingham homes and clubs lately but now come welcome news that lovers of good turkey dinners may not have such a hard time getting turkey. The word out of Washington this week was that the WFA had announced termination of its set aside order on hen turkeys, following acquisition of 8,000,000 pounds of turkey for army quartermaster corps. Termination of the order, issued in April, will mean that the remainder of the hen turkeys to be marketed this season will be available for civilian consumption without restrictions. WFA officials said.

This Wanderer wandered out just a few miles on Sunday and found that golfers had crowded the various courses of this area as the weather man provided one of the unusually good golfing Sundays of the early summer. A survey of the area disclosed every course having heavy play all day long. Bathing beaches of the nearby lakes had their crowds when the weather turned warmer late in the day and when the breeze came up there was a bit of sailing on many of the lakes. There was less traffic seemed on the highways as more parties of motorists drove to the nearby golf courses and lakes.

It isn't every day that the honesty and sincerity of Birmingham residents in the matter of returning lost property make one feel known. But just the other day Thomas Ashwell, a night custodian at the Municipal Building stumbled across a purse containing about \$300 in cash and valuable papers. He was walking across the back court of the building and struck the purse with his foot as he crossed a large puddle of water. Shortly after Lewis R. Bebout, Rochester attorney, returned to the building and arranged to see him for the last purse. Custodian Ashwell related how he had just found the lost property and turned it over to the owner.

Pheasants are defended by conservation department game against charges that they cause substantial damage to gardens. The Wanderer was told this week. Real offenders are starlings, blackbirds, and crows, and these authorities say that any disgruntled gardener can convince himself of the truth of the statement if he arises early. Pheasants that visit gardens are looking for cutworms and insects, usually, and only seldom damage growing peas or corn. Special permits to shoot pheasants which gardeners insist are damaging crops are issued only after investigations are made by conservation officers. No permits are issued for use of guns within city or village limits.

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That much talked about picture "Where Are Your Children," is being shown this week at the Bloomfield theatre. The attraction opened last evening and runs for a full week. "Delinquent Children or Delinquent Parents?" is another caption which seems to fit this picture of today's times.

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