

No comet blustering March, harbinger of spring. A month in which many will grumble, forgetting that in the earth's annual tumble toward warmer days the customary weather of March is merely Old Man Winter's angry, storming refusal to let go his hold of us. I claim that NO day is a bad day, even in March.

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## Bits of Birmingham

Howard Holak is the "victim" of public's attentions again. He hasn't denied it, so the Wanderer must accept it as truth that the title of a current feature, "The Seventh Victim," recently appeared on the marquee of the Birmingham theatre with the word victim, spelled with a "u" in place of the second "i"—"victim." Several people noticed it, but it must have been changed in a hurry, because it was spelled correctly the second and subsequent days of its running.

In another part of this edition of The Eccentric will be found a form which may be clipped and filled in as your application for a Victory Garden space. It is suggested by the committee that these be filled in at once and filed at the Victory Garden desk in the municipal building.

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None of us are superstitious, but as the old saying is, "I believe in the weather," the old superstition regarding the weather turns out favorable! We're all glad to say, "I believe in the weather" as it is. March comes in like a lion that goes out like a lamb, and vice versa.

At the altars of 41,000 Methodist churches next Sunday men, women and children will kneel for redemption of "self," service and substance" to the war-time emergency, spiritual and financial obligations of Christian people as the culminating feature of the denominational "Week of Dedication to the Service of the Community." At each Methodist church in Birmingham Pastors will call upon the members and their congregations to make personal commitments for "renewing their covenant with God and giving of their substance to building His Kingdom in the hearts and lives of men."

The Wanderer observes—many people draw conclusions from a few facts and draw an accident.

Measles of especially serious type, now epidemic in Michigan, can have had after effects. The state health department wants to today in urging parents to obtain prompt attention for children who have been exposed to the disease. The so-called red measles now sweeping the state—over 9,000 cases were reported in the past seven weeks of 1944—the second leading cause of death of children under five years.

Andrew Renfro, 15, alias James King, 18, of Detroit, is being held in the Oakland county detention home awaiting further action on charges placed against him by Mary Renfro, Detroit, last August. Wholly unexpected last week on charges of theft from the person, Andrew gave his name as James King and his age as 18. But his mother, who came out from Detroit to Birmingham city court, reported her son's name and age. He admitted the theft.

Birmingham has its quick weather changes, along with some other places the Wanderer could name Saturday morning some strange February weather, when in the late afternoon the mercury climbed to 45 degrees. He entered the service last August.

The splendid blood bank mobile unit, purchased by Birmingham following the campaign of First Chapter, D. A. R., and presented to the Oakland County Chapter Auxiliary, Red Cross, may be assigned to work in the blood bank campaign in Pontiac March 27 to April 1.

The shipmates of Lt. Comm. Jack Haslberger, somewhere in the South Pacific, learned that his birthday was Feb. 1 and arranged their first shipboard party in his honor.

Robins, robins, everywhere, the robins are back in Birmingham—all parts of Birmingham. Maybe more came on the wings of Saturday afternoon's summer-like weather or maybe they just came as it was. But anyway there are here in larger numbers than just the one or two reported here two weeks ago. And are they well come?

Another promotion for Roger Stolberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Stolberg, 584 Rivemook avenue, is reported from the office of the 222nd Infantry, Rainbow Division, Camp Gruber, Oklahoma. The Birmingham youth has been made a staff sergeant. He entered the service last August.

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batting, boating and fishing caused by submerged shanties and shelters.

Major Harry C. Olson, president of the Detroit Aviation Cadet Examining Board, will conduct the U. S. Army Aviation Cadet mental test for boys of this area at 1 p. m. Wednesday, March 8, at the headquarters of the Civil Patrol at 11 1/2 S. Saginaw street over the Eagle Theatre, Pontiac. This test is open to men from 17 to 25 years inclusive who feel they are mentally, morally and physically qualified. After passing the mental test, applicants take a physical examination in Detroit. Free transportation will be furnished for this purpose.

John De Wees, field examiner for the Michigan Department of Revenue, will be in Royal Oak March 22 and March 23 for the purpose of signing local taxayers in the preparation of intangible tax returns for 1943. He will establish headquarters at Room 210, Wayne-Oakland Bank Bldg., and will be there between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. E. W. T. Further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. De Wees at the time given above or by writing the Michigan Department of Revenue, Intangibles Tax Division, 200 Tussing Bldg., Lansing, Mich.

With pike lakes closed to fishing after March 15 and May 15 for the spawning season, and unclassified lakes closed between March 21 and June 25, Birmingham anglers will have to be content to fish for a few weeks for certain species on the Great Lakes, on monsoon streams and on certain designated lakes that have no closed season. In these waters black bass, bluegills and sunfish may not be taken until the opening of the spring fishing season. No trout may be taken in the north and waded lake, white bass, crappie, yellow perch, muskellunge, lake trout, and several other species.

The week of March 12 will be Michigan Potato Week and special evening meetings will be made of the state's important crop during that week.

BATTLE PICTURE COMING  
Date confirmation on the government film of the "Battle of Tarawa" for the entire week, including evening showings, has just been received at the Birmingham theatre. It will take 20 minutes to screen time for showing and will be an extra on the program. It is the actual battle scene and will amaze its watchers.

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FOR CITY OF BIRMINGHAM ELECTION MONDAY, APRIL 3, 1944

To vote at this election, all persons must be registered in the City by Tuesday, March 14, 1944, at 8 P. M. Eastern Standard Time (War Time).

Citizens of the United States, 21 years old, who have resided in the State of Michigan six months and in the City of Birmingham twenty days at the time of voting are eligible.

TO REGISTER—Call at the city clerk's office in the Municipal Building on or before Tuesday, March 14, 1944.

If you have moved since you last voted, you must transfer your registration to your new address by notifying the city clerk of such change before March 14, 1944.

IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk. March 2, 1944.

89 NOTES  
The State Department reveals that it sent 89 notations of protest, representations and requests to Japan in an effort to obtain assurances of proper treatment for our prisoners, both civilian and military.

PRESSURE COOKERS  
The WPB has authorized six manufacturers to produce 400,000 pressure cookers for home canning use. Ample supplies of aluminum will permit the use of that metal. Cookers will be made in seven-quart and fourteen-quart sizes.

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