No patriotic American should grumble about the necessary costs of this war, insofar as taxes go. Freedom is cheap at any price. But we all have a right to gripe over the unnecessary expense of maintaining political bureaucracy in government; that there is still plenty of that is evident to all who read today.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

FLORIDA DOING ITS PART IN TRAINING OUR FORCES

For many, many years, in times of peace, Florida made its warm and sunny climatic contribution to the folks up north who wanted to get away from winter's blasts; since Pearl Harbor, Florida's year-'round good weather has made its war-time contribution to the nation's military program—for, spotted in nearly every section of the State, are flying fields where American men are learning how to outwit the enemy in the skies.

Of course, other areas in the South, all the way across to southern California, are also important training centers for the Air Forces; I do not know the comparative statistics for each state, naturally, but it is safe to say that Florida is doing its grand part in this mighty task of fitting our men to beat the common enemy.

Weather conditions, you see, in Florida are ideally fitted for flying; and this long peninsula, with large bodies of water on its east and west sides, offers excellent aerial space for the training of the Air Forces in the art of shooting at targets in the skies.

Shoot Trailing Targets

Near Sarasota, where I recently spent several weeks, is what is known as "transition air field," where men trained in the art of flying, navigating, bombing, etc., at other air training centers, are given the training they need before going overseas; much of this Florida training consists of sending up crews in various types of fighter ships, to machine-gun targets about four by 12 feet in size that trail behind fast smaller planes.

Day and night this training goes on. Often you may look up into the skies over the gulf of Mexico, and see a plane trailing the white target; then, as you watch, out of most anywhere one or more fighter ships will swoop down on the target, each letting go with a two or three second-long blast, the sound of which reaches your ears. Each fighter has its own colored bullets, which leaves their mark upon the fine wire mesh of the target, thus allowing for a check on the accuracy of the shooting.

Further proof of this shooting, that Uncle Sam leaves no expense spared in training the men who, after all, finally pit their own lives against the enemy, flying over the Gulf, of course, eliminates danger of bullets falling upon civilians.

In Florida you see thousands and thousands of soldiers of the Air Forces; most of them are young chaps, second lieutenants dominating. With many of them are their wives, also a plentiful number of babies. You also see the young mothers and their babies on the trains, going to and from the camps in Florida and their northern homes. Between trains, on several trains I rode on at no time did I find either soldiers or civilians standing—there was plenty of room to go around.

Dining Car Service

Insofar as eating on trains goes, the soldiers generally are served first; this is always true, if a body of them are being transferred from one camp to another—and the dining car stewards will tell you that less than five per cent of the civilian travelers gripe about dining car service. One evening I stood in line for an hour and twenty minutes, waiting to get into the dinner; I carried a magazine with me, just to pass the time away—and then enjoyed the meal much better than though I had been able to rush right up to a plate of victuals.

Soldiers and sailors traveling on furlough, though, are treated just like civilians insofar as dining car service goes.

One steward related the story of a certain Navy Lieutenant-Commander, apparently an arrogant chap, who demanded quick service one morning; he even tried to get into the dining car ahead of others waiting. But it was "no soap." It also happened that on the same train were two "non-coms," furloughed home with injuries received from the African campaign.

"The same morning that the Navy chap griped over having to wait for his breakfast, I sent one of the waiters through several cars with a tray of food for those two non-coms," the steward told me. "The Lieut.-Commander saw the waiter go through, learned it was for two soldiers, and then rushed up to me, complaining that 'I'm just as important as two non-coms.' I got a big kick out of telling that Navy man something like this: "My dear Commander, I know that you are important in this war; I know that you wear considerable gold braid, too. But I've examined you, Sir, that we are in a war, and the two non-coms who got that tray of food are physically unable to get to the dining car themselves; they were injured seriously in North Africa. My dear Sir, I repeat that you may be important!—but let me inform you that, so far as I am concerned right now, the two most important men on this train today are the two 'non-coms'."

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Is Army Pilot

Lieut. D. R. Matthews

Spence Field, Ga., March 23—Donnell Randall Matthews, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Matthews of 251 Brown street, Birmingham, was appointed a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States, Air Corps., and awarded his silver wings and the rating of Pilot on March 12 in colorful graduation exercises at this AAF Training Command Advanced Single Engine Pilot School.

A graduate of Baldwin high school in Birmingham, he later attended Denison University in Granville, Ohio and University of Michigan.

The young pilot is now in Birmingham visiting his parents and his wife, the former Madelaine Pease, at 1251 Buckingham, etc. At other air training centers, are given the training they need before going overseas; much of this Florida training consists of sending up crews in various types of fighter ships, to machine-gut targets about four by 12 feet in size that trail behind fast smaller planes.

Y.M.C.A. Leaders Hear Reports On 14 Local Groups

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the local Y. M. C. A. Friday evening the Board, under the leadership of the president, Dr. John K. Ormond, received reports from the treasurer, W. Ray Woolfenden; the secretary, Robert D. Lyndi and the chairman of the Centennial Committee, Young C. Smith.

Mr. Lynd reported that a total of 14 groups including 351 members are meeting each week in the various school buildings.

In Adams school there are three groups—two of boys and one of girls. Paul Carter, the principal of Adams, leads the Junior high boys; Mae Bluhm, a teacher at Adams, is the leader of the grade age girls and Homer Roberts, who teaches in Redford Township high school, directs the activities of the grade school boys.

At Baldwin, the senior Hi-Y club of boys has as adult adviser, Lloyd Chapman, the high school boys' counsellor.

Barnum school has three groups of boys; two Junior high groups under the leadership of John Brotzman, coach at Barnum; and Malcolm Tindall, boys' counsellor at Barnum; and the grade group with A. E. Ebersole, now teaching in the Detroit schools, as leader.

Pierce school has five groups—the Junior high girls with Betty Steffee as leader; the grade girls under the direction of Eleanor Carter (Mrs. Paul Carter); Fourth

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School Principals Are To Meet Here

A large number of Junior high school principals for Southeastern Michigan will meet at Barnum school, Thursday, March 30, and spend the day visiting classes and exchanging ideas.

This group has been active for many years and is a division of the Michigan Secondary School Principals. It has been their custom to visit all newly constructed or newly organized schools in this area. Barnum was reorganized last year under a central plan for the city. The group will have lunch at the school and have a meeting after lunch to get a review of what the school is doing.

Lyle Hotchkiss, principal of the Salina Junior High School of Dearborn, is secretary of the group. Miles W. Robinson, the Barnum principal, served as secretary of the state organization in 1942 and last year was chairman of the junior high school division.

Presbyterian Supper Club Meets March 28

The Presbyterian Supper Club, under the chairmanship of Mr. and Mrs. Allen K. Parrish, will present an excellent program in the church auditorium Tuesday evening, March 28, at 8:30. Edgar A. Guest will be the speaker and the high school a capella choir, under the direction of Victor Ulrich, will be heard in "This Is My Country" arrangement by Fred Waring; the spiritual by Burleigh, "Were You There?"; and "Go to Dark Gethsemane" by Noble. Supper is by reservation for members only. The public is cordially invited to hear the program.

Commission Studies Plans For Local Improvements

The City Commission, meeting Monday evening, approved a campaign being put under way to secure for Oakland county one of three Michigan State Child Guidance Centers, provided for at the recent meeting of the state legislature.

The commission adopted a resolution outlining the need for such a Center in this county, to serve this area of Michigan; requested the Board of Supervisors to appropriate needed funds for housing and other costs (remaining costs being paid by the state); and expressing the city's approval of the proposed undertaking.

A copy of the resolution will be forwarded to the state and another to the Board of Supervisors.

City Manager H. H. Corson reported that the attention of the Commission had been called to the plan by Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools.

A letter, expressing the appreciation of members of Piety Chapter, D. A. R., for the aid of the City Commission at the recent dedication of the blood bank mobile unit, was received by Mr. Corson and presented to the Commission.

Plan Improvements

Mr. Corson called the attention of the commission to difficulty the city has had during the present winter in securing suitable coal for the furnaces of the building. He reported refunds on one car of foal found not up to the standard desired for the local plant.

Other reports included an interesting one on future development of various city parks. Mr. Corson reported consultations with Edward H. Laird, widely known park authority, and suggested further aid from this authority in a long range program covering future development of Birmingham's parks. With such a program, Mr. Corson stated, considerable improving can be accomplished without much cost to the city,

The stokers in the municipal building are to be overhauled this spring at a cost estimated at not more than $150. Mr. Corson reported that the stokers have not been overhauled for some time and that some parts need replacing and adjustments made.

To save the lawn around the northeast corner of the Municipal Building Manager Corson recommended the building of narrow concrete walk leading to the flag pole and on around to the north entrance and to the entrance to the offices of the Fire Department. The cost of the project, he said, would be about $60.

The city traffic regulations were modernized through the adoption by the Commission of amendments to sections 61 and 62. These changes, Manager Corson explained, tend to bring the regula-

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Baldwin P.T.A. Has Completed Year Of Unusual Activity

Mrs. Francis W. Niedenfuhr, 512 Hanna, president the past year of Baldwin P. T. A. has compiled and delivered to that organization her annual report of the Baldwin P. T. A. activities. She reports the year a very successful one, with a fine increase in both membership and interest in the various activities of the organization. In closing the year she made a special plea for more parents to assist with the various P. T. A. activities.

Chairman of the various committees, she reports, were Mrs. H. D. Harris, program; Mrs. S. D. Foster, membership; Mrs. Fred Zoellin, recreation; Mrs. Robert Gans, treasurer; Mrs. D. O. Steger, ways and means and Mrs. W. G. Mason, defense.

In her report Mrs. Niedenfuhr said in part:

Baldwin's activity really began before school opened in September. Mr. Toothacker had a school victory garden and we helped can 190 quarts of beans, 65 quarts of corn, and 120 quarts of tomatoes. These canned vegetables were equally divided between Barnum and Baldwin cafeterias.

Late spring and early summer found the mothers taking their turn with the other organizations in town selling war bonds and stamps in the booths of the local stores.

The last of Oct. brought the Hallowe'en festival. Pretty hirl school fathers helped that night.

The year's theme was "Let's get acquainted." With this theme in mind three membership teas were given and well attended. The students planned these parties, which were sponsored by the P. T. A. and financed by the events.

The first meeting in the year was a tea honoring the mothers of the new 10-B class. About 150 attended at the open house in November. The parents, about 350 of them, took the students' places and attended ten minute classes. When school was out many came to Room 101 to become better acquainted over a glass of cider and home made cookies. Fathers' and boys' night was a little different from other years.

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School of Religion Will Close Monday With Fine Program

The Birmingham School of Religion will finish its season with a special program next Monday evening, at the First Baptist church.

The classes, consisting of 65 students, will meet in their respective rooms until 9:15 p. m., when the whole school will assemble in one room for a worship service and the awarding of the certificates. It is expected that thirty-five certificates will be given out by the instructors of the various courses.

The instructors and courses are George Carhart, "The Message of the Prophets for Their Day and Our Day"; Mrs. Alice Goddard, "Ways of Teaching"; Miss Olive Robinson, "Guiding Youth's Approach to Religion"; and Jo Kreiger (Mrs. Chester Graham), "Recreational Leadership."

Reverend Max Moore, minister of Embury Methodist church, will lead the worship service. The program will be presented by the dean, Robert D. Lynd.

Following the worship service, the school is invited to participate in a party in the gym put on by the recreation class. The members of the school will bring cake, sandwiches and coca-cola for refreshments.

Famous Hastings Indian Collections Given To Cranbrook

Some 3,000 objects from the collection of Walter Hastings, representative of the archaeology of Michigan and the crafts of modern Ojibway and Ottawa Indians have gone to the museum of the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills.

In the collection is a fine dugout canoe, numerous baskets, wooden bowls, corn grinders, sugar molds, stone axes, knives, spear points, and ceremonial stones of slate. Other objects of copper, iron, silver, bone give diversity to the collection.

Dr. Robert Hatt, director of the museum, said of the gift, "The Hastings' collection is of particular importance to us in filling in gaps in our collections near home. Though we owned notably fine material from New York, Labrador, New Mexico, and Melanesia, we have always lacked good material from our own area, and particularly from the Ottawa and Ojibway Indians. We are especially indebted to Dr. Alexander W. Blain who donated this fine collection to us."

Postal Rates Will Be Boosted March 26

The increases in postal rates are coming along on March 26, Mrs. Gladys Heinze, acting assistant postmaster, reminded Birmingham folk today.

She called attention to the fact that the local letter rate goes up to three cents, the air mail rate to eight cents along with some increases in parcel post and money order fees.

Young Music Groups Will Give Concert

Leading High School Musicians of Region Coming Here April 1

Music will fill the air of Birmingham on Saturday of next week when the finest of high school orchestra and band members from southeastern Michigan schools come to this city for their annual concert.

Baldwin high school auditorium will be the scene of their efforts and 225 individual players will participate in the day's activities. This will be one of the first times in history of these spring concerts that Birmingham has played host to the youthful musicians and their leaders.

The event is sponsored by the Southeastern Michigan School Band and Orchestra association, Symphony orchestra members will number 85 and string orchestra members will number 119. For the band there will be 75 members.

These young folk are the outstanding players from each school's band and orchestra picked from the best players recommended by the local directors through auditions.

They will come from Ann Arbor, Birmingham, Dearborn, Ferndale, Grosse Pointe, Hamtramck, Highland Park, Milford, Oxford, Pontiac, River Rouge, Rochester, Romeo, Walled Lake and Wyandotte.

The young people will report in Birmingham at 9 a. m. on Saturday, April 1. They will rehearse from 10 to 12 o'clock in the forenoon and return at 1:30 to continual rehearsals until 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The concert, open to the public, is to be in the Baldwin auditorium at 8:15 o'clock that evening.

Conductor of the orchestras will be Dr. Joseph Maddy, of the University of Michigan and the National Music Camp. Conductor of the band will be Leonard Falcone, director of bands at Michigan State College.

More Land Secured For Persons Wishing Big Victory Gardens

John W. Knight, owner of Sheffield Estates, has offered this tract for Victory Garden purposes: Located east of Woodward avenue in the vicinity of Chapin and Emmons, it is within easy walking distance of many homes in this part of the city. Last year there were a few gardens here but there is a big need for more. Anyone desiring a garden plot at this location should register with the Victory Garden Desk, Municipal Building, before March 31st, between 9 a. m. and noon, Mondays through Fridays.

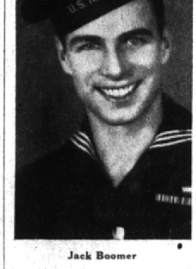
Only seven days remain for Victory Gardeners to register for their garden plowing. Mrs. Carl W. Moyer, head of the Victory Garden Desk reports that already some three hundred and seventy requests have been received for spring plowing and discing. All gardeners who have put off applying for plowing are urged to get in their applications immediately as the committee can not accept any plowing requests after March 31st. It is necessary to close registration for plowing on this date due to the shortage of plowmen and with the prospects of an early spring, plowing schedules must be made up by April 1st.

TALKS TO LIONS

Corporal Harold Pickering, who was a member of the United States Marine Paratroops until he received his medical discharge in February, answered questions at a round table discussion at the Lions club meeting Wednesday noon. Harold, a Bloomfield Hills youth, saw much action in the Solomon Islands while stationed at New Caledonia in the South Pacific theatre of war.

Birmingham Boy Wins Citation From President

Jack Boomer, M. M. M.2/C, today is the holder of that much coveted Presidental Citation, given to him for services rendered as an



Jack Boomer

American sailor on Guadalcanal.

He came on Sunday and made the day a happy one for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Boomer, 816 Pierce street.

Jack joined the colors January 22, 1942 and in less than a month was a sailor aboard the battleship U. S. S South Dakota, sailing out on the Pacific. The Navy a bit ago revealed that this ship was the famous "Battleship X." When the Birmingham youth arrived at Guadalcanal he was detailed with 45 other sailors ashore with the Marines in that first landing. Fifteen of the sailors came back alive. In the battles on the Island the youth received a bayonet wound and also suffered an attack of fever. He was shipped back to

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Proposed Retirement Pay Plan Is To Be Decided At Coming Election

The voters of Birmingham are to make their decision on the proposed city employee retirement pay plan in the city election on Monday, April 3. The plan, as proposed, would provide retirement pay for city employees under a system somewhat similar to the teacher retirement plan and other municipal retirement plans in operation in other cities. The local plan has been drafted especially for Birmingham.

The cost is shared by the city and employees. The cost the first year for the city will be less than $17,000 while employees pay five per cent of their wages into the fund. Cost to the city will gradually be lessened until it is down equal to that paid by the employees.

Several business people in the city have been asked for their views regarding the plan and two have already responded. Others have said they would have something to say next week.

A statement on the plan, from the Birmingham City Commission, is found elsewhere in this issue.

Two communications regarding the plan follow:

To the Birmingham Eccentric:

This is a problem of major importance, that should be considered seriously by all qualified voters in the city of Birmingham.

If we are to have an efficient, smoothly operating group of municipal employees, this plan or one of similar character must be adopted.

A city of Birmingham's propensities can hardly be found anywhere which does not have such a plan in operation.

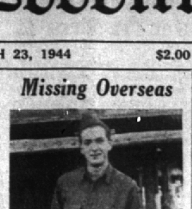
N. WEIR BURKMAN, D.D.S.

To The Editor:

This is a forward step; it is to be regretted that the federal or state social security program does not include our municipal workers. The commission is to be commended on their foresight in using actuarial records to lay out their plan and thus avoid the pitfalls of a sort frequently encountered in this field.

CHAS. J. SHAIN.

Missing Overseas



Pfc. James Hopkinson

Albert Hopkinson, now reindufuhr at Big Beaver, has received word from the War Department that his son, Pfc. James Frederick Hopkinson, of the Rangers, is missing in action somewhere on the Italian front. The telegram states that the young soldier has been missing since January 30, 1944.

Pfc. Hopkinson has been in the service a year, leaving here for duty March 27, 1943. He left for overseas in August of the same year and saw service in North Africa, Sicily and Italy.

He resided in Birmingham for a number of years and then moved to Big Beaver with his father, completing his high school education there, and then returning to Birmingham to reside for some time at 1084 Bennaville.

Gifts May Now Be Mailed To Men In Overseas Service

Instructions concerning articles that may be mailed to the Army forces overseas have just been received from Washington by Postmaster Joseph Byrne.

Heretofore no parcels were acceptable for mailing to these forces unless the articles enclosed therein were specified. Exceptions were made to essentials such as watches, eyeglasses, pens, etc., un to 8 ounces, provided they were sealed and sent at the first class rate of 3 cents per ounce.

In accordance with the instructions received, all mailable merchandise may now be accepted up to eight ounces without request therefore, under the conditions shown above. Care must be taken by mailers of course to exclude perishable matter and prohibited articles.

Consideration must be given to the long delays and extremes of atmospheric temperatures these parcels will be subjected to in transit. Such articles as prepared meats, soft candy, certain pastries, nut meats not sealed, or any other articles liable to become mouldy or rancid should not be sent. Matches, lighter fluid, narcotics, liquors and obscene matter are prohibited in the mails and declared unmailable.

The following and similar articles are suggested as suitable for mailing: Leather goods, toilet articles, magazines, cigars, hard candy, flash lights, newspapers, tobacco, stationery, pens and pencils, books, clothing, playing cards, sewing kits, watches, soap, first aid kits, name bracelets, shaving kits, shoe polish and cigarettes.

CITY MANAGER MEET

The late March meeting of the City Managers Association for Southeastern Michigan was held in the City Commissioners' room at the Municipal Building Wednesday afternoon. This group, which includes men from most cities in the Detroit area, meets twice a month to study how better to serve their communities.

Red Cross Campaign Nearing Close With Full Quota In Sight

Birmingham's campaign to raise $30,000 in the annual American Red Cross War Fund drive will be concluded next week with success of the undertaking appearing in sight. Already about half of the sum sought has been subscribed by Birmingham folk and has been turned in to the treasurer F. R. Woolfenden. The treasurer said last evening he felt that there were several more thousands of dollars in the hands of captains and workers ready to be turned in within a day or so.

Both co-chairmen, Isaac W. Robertson and Charles S. Kinnison, expressed the hope that the field workers would all hurry in their reports so that final and accurate figures might be compiled. Both urge that the remaining calls on each person's list be made at once, the campaign being closed up by the end of the month.

With about half of the money banked and with numerous credits from such large contributors as General Motors, Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Consumers Power and others the outlook is considered most hopeful.

The quota given Birmingham is the largest in history of Red Cross campaigns. However, every worker has expressed complete confidence that the city will go well over the top.

All Reports Favorable

Many surrounding communities and the county as a whole are doing fine work, according to the county organization.

Birmingham's two movie houses are joining the National Theatre campaign for the Red Cross which opens Monday of this week. Girls from the Birmingham Junior Red Cross will appear in uniform to assist in the collection. Mrs. H. C. Strong will be in charge of the girls working in the drive. Manager Howard Holah of the Birmingham Theatre stated today that hopes were high for a collection of more than $2,000 in the two theatres. The funds realized go to make possible the work of the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross.

Coming "into the home stretch" in the American Red Cross War Fund Campaign, Mrs. Jess McNeal Pryor, co-chairman of War Fund Committee for Southfield Township lists many contributors of $50 or more.

One solicitor, Mrs. Erna M. Pashby, covering District 7, reports that so far she has secured $141.50 in calling upon 72 persons. She has an 18-year old son in Italy whose letters to his Mother have spurred her on in the war fund campaign.

Education Board Approves Budget And Contracts

Teachers' contracts and the annual budget were two main items up for study at the meeting of the Birmingham Board of Education at Hill school last evening. The Board approved the list of contracts and salaries and the tentative budget, approved the bills and claims, the purchase of supplies for next year, authorized improvements in school property, changes in room arrangements to provide for additional pupils, heard from its post-war planning and other committees and laid plans for future activities.

The budget as submitted by Superintendent Dwight B. Ireland included a number of items to cover cost of necessary repairs and improvements and changes in some buildings, maintaining of the salary schedule, maintenance of the building, heating, necessary equipment and other items. It was based on an anticipated income of $359,-118.20.

A leave of absence for Miss Joy Heath as fourth grade teacher at Quarton school was granted and Mrs. Consuelo Vershure was named to complete the term. The resignation of Mrs. Virginia Williams, school nurse, was accepted, and qualifications of a successor were studied.

Mrs. Irene Stevens was appointed child accountant for next year and Mrs. Alberta Deer was appointed secretary in the office of the Board of Education for the coming year. Miss Joyce Olson was named clerk on the Birmingham public school staff.

The Board authorized Superintendent Ireland to secure the services of Miss Dora Silver, of University school, Columbus, Ohio, as teacher of vocal music in the elementary schools. Miss Silver headed the vocal music staff in the Petoskey high school for a number of years. She will come here next September.

A resolution approving the plan for visiting teachers was adopted. Mrs. Ireland and board members agreed that Birmingham could use at least one such teacher. Under the new plan the state pays half the cost of this work.

Red Cross contributions from the teachers were reported at $318 thus far.

Bills ordered paid amounted to $62,070.54 and accounts payable approved totalled $5,626.05. Superintendent Ireland was authorized to purchase supplies totalling $2,724.73.

Flying Officer

Lieut. Chas. Van Dusen

Lieut. Charles T. Van Dusen son of Mr. C. Theron Van Dusen of 783 Puritan road, Birmingham, was graduated and board members with special ceremonies at the 44-C class of aviation cadets to graduate from the Army Air Forces Pilot School (Advanced 2 Engine) at George Field, Illinois, on March 12. He received the silver wings of a flying officer and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces.

Lt. Van Dusen entered pilot training last October, and attended flying schools at Clarksdale, Miss., and Greenville, Miss., before his graduation at the advanced flying school at George Field, Illinois. Before he enlisted for pilot training he had attended Purdue University.

POSTAL JOB OPEN

Mrs. Gladys Heinze reports that bids were being received for the job of mail messenger. The work is that of carrying mail between the post office and railroad station.

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3 Local Stores Are To Be Moved

Greene's Paint and Wallpaper store, operated for some time at 175 West Maple street, is to be moved to the Hanna building at the southwest corner of Woodward avenue and West Maple street, it was announced today by D. A. Green, manager. The store is to be closed March 27, 28 and 29 and the stock and fixtures will be moved to and set up in the new location. Mr. Green said today he plans to enlarge the stock considerably. The store was first opened in 1924 by LeGrande Green, who died nine years ago. Since that time the place has been managed by the son, D. A. Green.

Still another business change, anticipated shortly is the moving of the liquor control commission store at 172 North Woodward avenue to 140 South Woodward where it will occupy the store formerly occupied by the McBride Hardware company. It is said the larger store will allow for additional stock. The building is owned by the Krim Amusement company of Hazel Park who are busy making alterations in the building and preparing it for the new occupant.

The Sherman market, operated for some time at 362 East Maple street by W. J. Sherman is being closed for the duration. Mr. Sherman is waiting call to naval service and is moving out his stock and fixtures. Mrs. Sherman and two children are to remain at their present home, 4346 Olivia street, Royal Oak.

A third business place with moving plans is the Karmelkorn Shop, 151 South Woodward, which must give up its present quarters at once. Moving to a new location is 261 East Maple street will be accomplished by late next week. Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Kocher have operated their shop in its present location for the past 13 years.

Cablegram Says Wm. Spinning Safe

Mr. and Mrs. Rolfe C. Spinning, 816 Knox street, received a cablegram on Monday from their son, Lieut. William H. Spinning, in which he declares he "is well and happy."

Lieut. Spinnigg was reported early in March as being missing in action somewhere over Europe. He was with the U. S. Army Air Force in England and had been in action over enemy territory with the Air Force for some time. He had been in England since last October.

His cablegram concludes with the message "Home soon."