

The Birmingham Eccentric

To send a young man or woman from college or university into the world without a sympathetic knowledge of the processes of self-government is a terrific indictment against such educational institutions. Too many such places are behind the times in making good citizens; world conditions prove this.

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Bits of Birmingham

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Remember These New "Deadlines"

Due to war-time man-power problems of producing this newspaper, we are compelled to make the following changes in "deadlines for all copy," as follows:

CLASSIFIED ADS must be in by 5 o'clock each Tuesday of the week of insertion.

DISPLAY ADS must be in by six o'clock each Tuesday evening.

SOCIAL NEWS must be in our office by 6 o'clock each Tuesday afternoon. CLUB NEWS must be in by Monday noon.

STRAIGHT NEWS COPY must be in our office by 9 o'clock each Wednesday morning.

seaboard, the price being a million dollars cash. Mr. Glancy, who was president of Pontiac Motors, and for many years before that, also connected with General Motors Corp. During the NRA days he served as an assistant to General Hugh Johnson, and for the first two years of the present war was a brigadier-general in the U. S. Army Ordnance.

A couple of weeks ago this column ran an article regarding the disappearance of a 12-pound shot from Pierce School athletic field, while the Birmingham track squad was practicing. Lloyd Cooper, track mentor at Baldwin, called up this week to ask that we make a new appeal with a new inducement to all athletic trainers to give the 40-46 seasons to the person who has the shot. No questions will be asked if it is returned now. The Wanderer wishes to point out again that the shot is the city badly and that it cannot be replaced until after the war. So, if you have the shot or know who has it, you can get a free pass to all the games next year if you will get in touch with Coach Cooper.

This exhibit of Modern Dutch Architecture on display at the Museum of the Cranbrook Academy of Art is attracting unusual attention. Photographs, diagrams and maps, along with running commentaries illustrate the most outstanding features and construction of contemporary Dutch architecture. A great variety of modern buildings are illustrated, such as housing developments, public buildings of all kinds, homes and schools. This exhibition, loaned by the Netherlands Information Bureau in New York City, will be at Cranbrook until May 15. Museum hours are from 2 to 5 p. m. daily, except Mondays.

Now those Pontiac residents, who seemed to be enjoying that extra hour of sleep since the city went back to slow time, have lost their dream time and are back on Eastern War Time. The change was

made Monday morning when most of the city shifted back. Now about the only places in Pontiac on slow time are the sheriff's department, City Hall and City Hall annex and the county offices. On fast time are the city manufacturing plants and stores, city offices, public offices, schools, police department, state hospital, theaters, ration board, city buses, banks, and railroads. In fact most everything is back on fast time in our neighboring city.

Pheasants and rabbits are busy again in gardens about the city. These garden pests appear to have lost little time in finding out where the peas have been planted or where the tender shoots of the early plants have made their way through the soil. Sunday evening this Wanderer was at the Smith-Poppleton gardens and there watched a big cock pheasant calmsing up nice soft peas for his supper. He dug over quite a patch of garden and really got his crop well filled. A short distance farther there was a rabbit calmly getting his late evening meal.

Birmingham trout fishermen are warned that if they plan to do their trout fishing on any one of the 134 trout lakes in the state they will find anglers limited to a catch of ten or 10 pounds and one trout. Previous regulation permitted 15 trout or 10 pounds and one trout, a limit which is still effective on streams. Action was taken last September to reduce the allowed take on all designated trout lakes for a three-year period when it was shown that the larger limit was seriously reducing trout populations in many of the lakes.

Birmingham farmers, sportsmen and conservationists report that the nesting season of pheasants in Southern Michigan will be early and winter flocks generally have disbanded. Both east and west of Birmingham several large flocks of these game birds were seen earlier in the spring. Because of the unusually advanced season some nests may be found this month. Hen pheasants are successful in hatching about 30 per cent of the eggs that are laid. Fifty-four per cent of the hens that hatch eggs are able to raise from adults and five chicks per brood, local sportsmen say. Farming practices destroy most nests; predators destroy most hens and young pheasants. Among common predators they prey on pheasants are the red fox, mink, weasel, dogs and cats, and skunks. Bird predators include the great horned owl, Cooper's and marsh hawk. The crow also causes some egg and nest destruction.

Jack A. Getz is the new club manager at the Birmingham Country club and his past experience reads like the labels on a shoe troter's trunk. Jack, has previously been manager of the Detroit Yacht club, the Detroit Golf club,

he has managed the hotels Westward Ho, in Phoenix, Ariz., the Plover, in Tucson, Ariz., and the Albany, in Denver, Colo. Besides these he has managed numerous other clubs in California and Colorado. Genial Jack says you can't beat this community or its people no matter where you go.

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