While war does give impetus to the scientific and productive capacities of mankind, it also does strange and vigorous things to our economic, political, and social structures. The governments of mankind are in constant shift and change . . . always, alas! toward less dependence upon the individual and more upon the State.

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THIS and THAT

By G. R. A.

The Gentle Art of Drinking From A Cup

....now you take this business of drinking tea or coffee from a cup. Some folks use sugar and cream; others neither, some either sugar or cream. Many, of course, don't take either at all.

Generally, a spoon is used to stir the contents of the cup; a finger would hardly do, because most people like hot tea or coffee, and that would mean a scalded finger. So, down through the ages, various tools have been used for the stirring, generally a spoon.

After stirring, some folks still use the spoon to obtain small quantities of the hot liquid. By and by, when the liquid cools sufficiently, the spoon is discarded—for use, anyway.

Some folks discard the spoon by placing it on the saucer that holds the cup, depending on where they are supping for the moment. On certain types of table coverings, the spoon may be placed on the table surface without harm; but not where a tablecloth is used, of course.

By placing the spoon on the saucer, it is practically impossible to pour the liquid into the saucer and drink from the saucer; if one tried this, the spoon would slide and slither around the saucer, unless held firmly by one or more fingers; even then, by exerting too much pressure in holding the spoon next to the saucer, it might become over-balanced and toss some of the liquid into one's face.

If the spoon is left in the cup while one is drinking, there is danger that the spoon's end might strike one in the eye, or the ear, or some other part above one's neck. This problem can be solved, as we all know, by holding the spoon firmly against the side of the cup, away from that portion of the cup that touches one's lips; or, of course, the spoon handle could be bent way down.

. . . now you take this business of drinking tea or coffee from a cup.

Oh, well, this is being written on a very hot afternoon, and maybe one would prefer plain ice cream, or a coke, even ginger ale—then the spoon would present no problem at all. Yes, let's settle for one of these refreshments, and not bother with hot tea or coffee.

Coach Helmer Calls His Grid Squad For Practice Saturday

Coach Hal Helmer has called his Birmingham High School football boys out for their physicals and first limbering up session on Saturday, Sept. 1 at 9 a. m. at Pierce field. Physicals are to be given by Dr. Thomas F. Schooley right at the field.

Once through with this necessary checkup the boys will present their certificates of permission to the coach in the equipment department and receive their suits and other equipment. Then the boys will get onto the field for a very light first-day workout.

The outfit will be called back for practice on next Monday at 9 and they will be back again Tuesday. The Tuesday hours will be from 9 to 11 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. On Wednesdays the boys report at 3 o'clock. The usual afternoon practices are booked for Thursday and Friday of next week and on Saturday they will be asked out at 8 a. m. for a long drill.

New League Opens

This will be the opening season for football for the newly formed Eastern High School League of which Birmingham is a member. League baseball and track were played last spring. Other league schools on the football list are Ferndale, Hazel Park, Port Huron, Mt. Clemens.

Van Dyke High School comes for the opening game. This is a new outfit for the opener and is expected to give Coach Helmer's boys plenty of opposition. Word comes that the Van Dyke squad will have 18 lettermen from last season. War service and moving of families has cut heavily into the Birmingham list of lettermen and the coaches are not banking on more than six or eight of these experienced players for this year.

Here Is Schedule

Here is the schedule of games which Birmingham fans may look forward to:

Van Dyke, here Sept. 21, 8 p. m.
Melvindale, there, Sept. 28, 8:30 p. m.
Hazel Park, here, Oct. 5, 8 p. m.
Dearborn, here, Oct. 12, 8 p. m.
Mt. Clemens, there, Oct. Oct. 19, 3:30 p. m.
Port Huron, here, Nov. 2, 8 p. m.
Grand Haven, there, Nov. 9, 2:30 p. m.
Ferndale, here, Nov. 16, 8 p. m.
Royal Oak, there, Nov. 22, 10 a. m.

ON 40-HOUR WEEK

A change in hours at Selective Service Board No. 7, in the Municipal Building, puts that board on a 40-hour week. Hours are to be 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. Mondays through Fridays. The office will be closed all day Saturdays. This week end the office will be closed from Friday night until Tuesday morning for Labor Day.

Tax Payments Short Of High Record Set Here Last Summer

Birmingham right now is experiencing a slight falling off from last year's high August record in tax payments. According to City Treasurer Russell T. Berger the percentage of tax collections, through August 23, was 73.1734 per cent, while a year ago for the same day the percentage showed 76.1847.

On a total 1945 city tax levy of $302,418.70 the treasurer had collected at the close of business August 23, 1945, a total of $221,290.08. The figures for last year showed that on a 1944 tax levy of $293,856.96 there had been collected at the close of business August 23, 1944, a total of $223,873.96.

Payments may still be made to the city treasurer without penalty until the close of business on Friday, Aug. 31. Starting on Sept. 1 a collection fee of ¾ of one per cent will be added each month. The roll will be closed on February 28 and the uncollected taxes turned over to the county treasurer on March 1. After that date the county treasurer adds a collection fee of four per cent and interest at the rate of one half of one per cent per month.

Bloomfield Hills City Planning Is Well On Its Way

Chairman G. J. Graham, of the Bloomfield Hills City Planning Commission, in reviewing the first year of the Commission's work at the August meeting pointed out the very considerable progress made towards the completion of a master plan for the city to date.

Mr. Graham was chosen chairman once more for the year ahead, and all committees were re-appointed.

In commenting on the work to date, Mr. Graham said, "our choice of Saarinen and Swanson the internationally reputed architects, and leaders in the field of city planning has, we feel, been a very fortunate one. Familiarity with Bloomfield Hills and adjacent territory coupled with their development of Cranbrook assures us of a deep seated interest in our problems.

Plan Well Underway

"In working towards the completion of a master plan for the city Saarinen and Swanson have already compiled a great deal of essential data necessary to this end. Maps based on U. S. Department of Agriculture Surveys of the vicinity have already been completed showing present population distribution, and projected distribution to a maximum desirable absorption figure. Large scale aerial mapping will soon get under way to further the accuracy of these studies.

"Thereupon the work of true planning will get under way. In the not too distant future we will be able to lay before the citizens of Bloomfield Hills and interested property holders of adjacent communities a comprehensive plan and recommendations which will visualize for them the ways and means of achieving the ultimate in scientific planning, while preserving natural beauties and property values at the maximum.

Aid to Orderly Progress

"This will include projected utilities, highways, service centers, and all the other aids to orderly progress, while minimizing the possibilities of undesirable or blighted areas, or other factors that would tend to harm the essentially residential character of the community.

"We want the people of Bloomfield Hills to realize that the work of the Planning Commission is in no way arbitrary regimentation of property holders, but rather a service which suggests ways and means towards the best possible development of the area as a whole, based on solid scientific studies and recommendations."

Charles Dye To Be Given Bronze Star

Charles F. Dye, Jr., 581 Lake Park, Birmingham, technical observer for the Fisher Body Division of General Motors, has been recommended for the Bronze Star Medal by Brig.-Gen. A. F. Kingman for his work in training French Army personnel in using and maintaining Fisher-built American tanks and tank destroyers in North Africa and France.

Dye, one of six Fisher Body technical observers sent overseas by the Army, spent nearly 18 months with various French armored divisions, including one headed by famed General LeClerc, that landed in Normandy, helped liberate Paris, fought through France and Germany and cleaned out the Colmar pocket.

Gen. Kingman reported to Fisher Body officials that Dye performed his services "in a clearly superior manner" and "cheerfully undertook many tasks beyond the normal duty of a technical observer, often living and working under conditions far from ideal." He said Dye's "ingenuity, great technical ability, and capacity for hard work earned for him the esteem and admiration of his colleagues, French and American, as well as the enthusiastic commendation of the French commanders whose units he assisted."

Local School Teaching Staff Now Complete

Two Instructors Are New At Pierce; Call Teacher Conferences

The teaching staff of the Birmingham public schools has just been completed and Superintendent Dwight B. Ireland said today he expected to open school with a complete staff in all buildings.

Latest additions to the teaching staff are to teach at Pierce School. Miss Frances Brown of Farmington will teach kindergarten and Mrs. Josephine Bristol Beck, of Detroit, a former teacher in Birmingham, is returning to teach fourth grade in Pierce.

This gives the public schools a complete staff for the first time in two or three years. Nearly every building was short handed last year, due to teachers leaving to assist with the war effort, lured to industry, the call to higher positions and similar reasons.

Call Teachers' Meetings

A general meeting of teachers has been called for Room 101 in Baldwin High School at 9:30 o'clock next Tuesday forenoon. During the afternoon of Tuesday there will be meetings in the various buildings, with the school principals, where the various courses of study and aims of the schools will be discussed, get-acquainted sessions held and in other ways preparation made for the opening of school on Wednesday.

Baldwin High School opens at 9 o'clock Wednesday forenoon. Other schools open at 9:30 o'clock for a half-day session with the pupils.

Wednesday afternoon teachers will arrange their enrollments, secure necessary books and supplies and be ready for full-time sessions on Thursday.

The school buildings, repaired during the summer, are reported in first class condition for the new school year. Considerable equipment has been added and all buildings and departments are in fine shape for a busy year.

This year the Franklin schools become a part of the Birmingham district and high school pupils from that area will be regular students at Baldwin High School. Grade pupils will continue in the Franklin building, which becomes one of the district's elementary schools.

Holy Name school will open on Thursday, Sept. 6, that date having been fixed for all of the Catholic Parochial schools of the Detroit area.

Birmingham Is Still Short of Homes for Her War Veterans

The Veterans' Counseling Center in the Community House is continuing its campaign to aid returning servicemen locate homes or apartments in which to live. Mrs. Fred Samuelson, secretary of the Center, says the need is constantly increasing.

"One could safely say without exaggeration that the 'battle cry'—or rather it should be called the 'peace cry'—of the returned veteran is 'give us homes to live in'," she stated today. "Daily the list of veterans coming into this office asking for a place to live is increasing. Even boys who are not yet out of the service but who anticipate coming home soon are contacting this office through their families.

"The veteran rightly looks to his home community for help. Nine out of ten boys who had lived in Birmingham before they went into the Army or Navy certainly want to establish their homes here after coming out of the service. The parents, friends, and neighbors can be counted on to lend a hand because of their esteem and affection. All local resources must band together with but one thought—to help our returned boys. The fighting is over, the glamor of the uniform soon fades but if our thanks are sincere, as they should be, the veterans' every need should be satisfied right in his old home town.

"This office appreciates very much the cooperation of those people who have answered our plea for 'homes for returned veterans.' And we will ask the community to continue in this all-important task. Please call this office at any time if you have a house for rent or sale, or furnished or unfurnished apartment. Telephone 3778, second floor of the Community House."

LEAVE FOR WAR DUTY

Among the young men recently inducted into the Army from the jurisdiction of the local Selective Service Board are Dalton H. Lamb, Harry R. McIntire, Roy V. Meyer and Arnold L. Stamman, Birmingham; Lyman A. Bartley; Highland Park; Robert H. Baldwin, Dearborn and Charles M. Pierce, Bloomfield Hills. Going to the Navy was Maxwell Matthews, Bloomfield Hills.

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New Honors For Lt. James R. Sprague

New honors have just come to Lt. James R. Sprague, USN, who was presented the Navy Air Medal a few days ago at a ceremony at the Air field near Brunswick, Maine, where Lieutenant Sprague is now doing special experimental work for the Naval Air Force. This award was for shooting down a big Japanese bomber over the Philippines during Lieutenant Sprague's months of service in that theater of the war. Previously the Birmingham Naval officer had been presented the Navy Cross for his air activities in the Philippines. The picture above shows Lieutenant Sprague receiving the Navy Cross from Captain A. P. Storrs, USN. The presentation was at Paluxent River, Maryland. Lieutenant Sprague was lost for some time on a Jap held island when the plane he was piloting was forced to make a crash landing. The officer was badly injured but recovered and was on duty aboard a Naval carrier which was sunk by Jap suicide bombers in the Philippines. He has been on duty in the United States for some time and now his wife and their son, James, Jr., are with him in Maine. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sprague reside at 588 Stanley.

Parents Reminded of City Ordinance to Regulate Hours of Children at Theaters

As a reminder to parents whose minor children are refused admission to Birmingham's two motion picture theaters, unless accompanied by adults, managers of these theaters this week have suggested that The Eccentric call attention to a Birmingham City Ordinance covering the problem.

This Ordinance, adopted October 11, 1937, requires that all children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by persons over 21 years of age, if the children are to be in the theaters after seven o'clock in the evening; for youngsters between 10 and under 16 years of age, the same requirement holds if they are to remain at the shows after 10:30 o'clock evenings.

Another requirement of the Ordinance is that no pictures may be shown to anyone after 12:30 o'clock, midnight, unless special permits are obtained from the police department, here. Such shows are held on a few occasions annually, New Year's Eve and when the theaters stage special shows for various benefits.

One Mother Complains

The occasion for recalling this Ordinance now is the receipt of a letter by The Eccentric from a local mother who desires that her children be allowed to see a show, even though her minor children are not accompanied by adults.

"On the whole, the adoption of the local Ordinance has proved beneficial to all parents who wish to know where their offspring are," said one of the local theater managers yesterday. "Prior to its adoption, many times we were called by parents who were becoming anxious over the whereabouts of their youngsters in the late evening hours. Youngsters would come in to the show at its start, then remain until closing time, even though they were not obeying their parents, and were supposed to go home after the first show.

"We at the theaters have always tried to co-operate with parents, and we honestly believe that the requirements of the Ordinance aid parents in controlling the recreational pursuits of their children. However, of course, the whole problem is within the hands of Birmingham officials and they, after much experience, believe the Ordinance a good thing for juveniles."

Robert Atkinson Taken By Death

Robert Atkinson, 914 Shirley drive, died Sunday after a month's illness. He was born in Holly, Mich., Jan. 11, 1892. For 20 years he was a resident of Detroit and for the past seven years he made his home in Birmingham.

He was sales manager of the Detroit District Steel division of the Timken Roller Bearing Co., of Canton, O., and had served in that capacity for the past 18 years.

A graduate of the University of Michigan in chemical engineering in 1914, he also took his master's degree there in 1915. He was a member of the First Presbyterian church of Birmingham, the Detroit Athletic Club, and the Detroit Golf Club. He was also a member of Holly Lodge, F. & A. M., the Detroit Consistory and Moslem Shrine, and the Hi-Twelve Club of Birmingham. He was a past president of the Detroit chapter of the American Society of Metals.

Besides his wife, Mae H. Atkinson, he is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Robert C. Lorenzen, of Detroit; Mrs. Theron H. Haas, of Ann Arbor, and Dorothy Lois, of 914 Shirley drive. Also by a brother, Lawrence, of 1652 Taunton road, and his mother, Mrs. Katie Cooper, of Holly.

Funeral services were held at the Hamilton Funeral home in Detroit at 1 o'clock on Wednesday and burial was in Acacia Park cemetery. Dr. W. Glen Harris and Dr. C. A. McPheeters were the officiating clergymen.

Ferd Broock Lands Big Bluegill While Fishing Silver Lake

Now Birmingham has another champion.

This time it's Ferd M. Broock of the real estate firm of Max Broock, Inc., who recently landed a two pound twelve ounce bluegill while fishing Silver Lake with feather weight tackle for black bass.

The fish is believed a new national weight record. Anyway, Ted Trublood, fishing editor of Field and Stream, thinks so. He has asked for sworn statements and, of course, a picture of the fish. All are going forward to him at once.

The Birmingham follower of Isaac Walton was fishing with friends from Black River Ranch, east of Vanderbilt. He was using one of those English spinning rods, with a 3-4 pound test line and a special reel. The bluegill, he says, struck like a big-mouth bass and was well hooked, at the end of about 40 feet of line in a deep section of the lake.

Mr. Champion fish ran the line out to nearly 80 feet before being checked, and then the fight started. There was none of that "Blood and Guts" Patton stuff, for with so light a line there had to be considerable careful coaxing.

Bass were not biting so well on Broock's last trip up to the lake but the week previous they were hitting flies, minnows or plugs. Broock plans another trip and hopes to land a three pound bluegill. "I would like to break my own record," he declared today.

Library Audience to Hear Tschaikovsky's 6th Symphony, Friday

The famous "Pathetique," Tschaikovsky's sixth symphony, is planned as a feature of this week's "Twilight Concert" at the Public Library Friday evening, from 7 to 8:30.

Included also in this program of recorded music are the Overture to Der Freischutz, by von Weber; Schubert 'Cello Concerto in A Minor and the uproarious "Bacchanale" from "Samson and Delilah" by Saint Saens.

STARLINGS ARE BACK

Those Starlings are back in numbers out East Maple and residents of the area around Poppleton are suggesting to City Manager Harold H. Corson that he make their stay as unpleasant for the birds as it is proving for the humans with homes in that section of Birmingham. Use of shot guns, bombs, fire hose, roman candles, skyrockets, or some kind of rockets are being suggested as a means of conveying to the birds the word that the people who live in houses in the area desire very much that the birds seek other homes, far, far from Birmingham.

Victor and Bluebird Records. New releases weekly. Leonard Electric, 162 W. Maple. adv. tf.

Local Police Move To Halt Speed Craze

Chief Hackett Warns That Cars Will Not Stand Fast Driving

With the war ended and gasoline restrictions removed, there is a local and national tendency for people to "step on the gas" more vigorously than since rationing went into effect; insofar as the handling of traffic in Birmingham is concerned, every effort will be made by local police to enforce traffic regulations, to the end that life and property may be protected.

This statement was made yesterday by Chief of Police John P. Hackett, who declared that within the past two weeks some increase in local traffic accidents has been shown.

"Already the State Highway Department has supplanted many of the 35 mile per hour road signs with those reading 45 miles, in keeping with the federal government's removal of this regulation," stated Chief Hackett. "So we, here, expect to handle through Hunter Boulevard traffic on that basis. We shall be lenient in a practical sense, but absolutely will not tolerate reckless driving."

Chief Hackett also issued a warning to motorists to be aware of the fact that old cars mean worn-out brakes, and advises automobile owners to keep their cars in the best possible operating condition.

Speeders Picked Up

Persons picked up by local police during the past week include W. H. Knowles, 1985 West Lincoln, for going 35 miles in a 25 mile zone; D. B. Burleigh, 1601 Brookwood Court, for speeding 40 miles in a 25 mile zone; and Massao G. Yamamoto, Pontiac, for doing 40 miles in a 30 mile area.

Stella M. Crawford, Evergreen road, was given a ticket for driving her car at 45 miles an hour in a 25 mile per hour zone, while Cornell P. Peleo, Detroit, was arrested for speeding at 70 miles an hour in a 45 mile per hour zone. Ernest S. Losey, Ferndale, received a ticket for driving 45 miles per hour in a 25 mile zone. Robert B. Sell, of Detroit, was held on a reckless driving charge.

Last Sunday afternoon a car driven by Rodney Smith, Jr., 652 Bloomfield Court, was struck by a car driven by Arthur E. Luhellier, 987 Smith street, at the corner of Cummings and Chapin.

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Lt. Edwin Snyder On Sub At Tokyo Harbor Entrance

News from Tokyo brought word to anxious members of the Snyder family, Monday, that Lt. (jg) Edwin K. (Ted) Snyder was aboard the American Submarine Hake, with the American War fleet in Tokyo Harbor. The radio news of the maneuvers was heard here.

Ted's ship was mentioned in news broadcasts as one of 12 submarines which surfaced at command of Admiral Halsey surrounding American and Jap ships during some of the harbor ceremonies.

The Birmingham naval officer is the son of the Edward S. Snyders, 768 Oakland avenue and has served aboard the submarine for a year and a half. He was home on a leave last April and since then has been back in the thick of the fighting in the Pacific.

Wins Commendation

Recently Vice Admiral T. C. Kinkaid, of the Seventh Fleet, with which Lieutenant Snyder formerly served, commended the local officer for his excellent performance of duty during battles in the Pacific.

The commendation reads:

"The Commander Seventh Fleet takes pleasure in commending Lt. (jg) Edwin K. Snyder, USN, for services set forth in the following citation: "For distinguishing himself by excellent service as an officer . . . on a vessel, during her . . . patrol in enemy-controlled waters of the Southwest Pacific Area. Lieutenant (jg) Snyder's alertness, coolnes, and excellent performance of duty, materially contributed to the sinking of great quantities of enemy shipping. For his conduct throughout he is commended and authorized to wear the Commendation Ribbon. Signed T. C. Kinkaid, Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy, Commanding Seventh Fleet."

CITY NEEDS ROLLER

The City of Birmingham does now own a road roller and for a long time has had to rent a roller for use in repairing and improving streets. City Manager Harold H. Corson told the City Commission Monday evening that the city could make good use of such an outfit. It is believed that purchase of additional street paving and repairing equipment may be undertaken soon.

CLOSED ON MONDAY

The Banks of the city, city offices and many business and professional offices and some retail stores will be closed all day Monday for Labor Day.

City Gets Report On Streets And Lights And Other Changes

The series of hearings on the proposed re-zoning of a section of the city east of Hunter boulevard brought to light a number of improvements and changes desired in city streets, lighting and other city affairs. At one of the early hearings a section of street needing improving out in the East Maple section was brought to light, while Monday night a street with a number of dangerous holes was reported to City Manager Harold H. Corson.

Several other rough streets were reported as residents of the East Side talked about changes and improvements. All were recorded and given immediate attention. Last Monday night a light was asked at 1291 Bird street by City Manager Corson and it received immediate approval of the City Commission. A stop sign at the intersection of Forest and Elm was requested by a resident of that area and the request is now being studied by the police department.

Road Oil May Be Available For Use Late This Season

Birmingham's new storage tank for road oils is expected to be delivered early in September, according to Mark Dance, of the Department of Public Works. The tank will be mounted at the Grand Trunk railroad yards in the east part of the city, a plot of ground having just been leased to the city by the railroad for that purpose.

Road oil is expected to be available shortly, according to word received by the city this week, and as soon as the storage tank has arrived and is set, a car load of oil may be ordered. Some oil may be used this fall in street repair and a quantity would be on hand to start the city's dust laying program next spring.

The new storage tank has a capacity of 11,600 gallons and the tank car expected to be ordered will be of a capacity of about 10,000 gallons.

Work is being completed on the Oak street blacktop paving, from the end of the old pavement west about 300 feet. This is a two-inch layer of asphalt and rock, similar to that just placed on a portion of Oxford street.

Last spring a number of volunteer assessment groups were formed and funds collected for oiling certain sections of streets in the city. Then road oil was suddenly placed on the "no sale" list and projects had to be abandoned or put over until 1946. It is thought most of the sections where owners planned road oiling will be undertaken next season. On some the funds have been left in the hands of the city treasurer and work will start as early next spring as weather will permit.

Pioneer Resident Dies Here Sunday

Chancey Nixon, 87 years of age, 569 Pierce street, one of Birmingham's oldest residents and businessmen, passed away at 6:10 o'clock last Sunday morning at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, following an illness of 15 days. Pneumonia was the direct cause of his passing.

Funeral services were held from the Bell funeral home here Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, with burial in Roseland Park cemetery. Rev. Jesse Epps, of the Embury Methodist church officiated.

Daughters Survive

Mr. Nixon is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Irving M. Allen, 569 Pierce, and Mrs. Fred J. Walls, 629 Pierce, and two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Nixon was born in Southfield township Feb. 11, 1858, and attended the public schools there. He married Mary Jane Erity in 1883, and embarked with his father-in-law in the Erity & Nixon milling business; for many years they operated a grist mill at what is now Sleepy Hollow, South Cranbrook road, on the branch of the Rouge River that flows through Birmingham southwestward toward the Detroit River. They produced and sold a popular brand of flour, called "Snowball."

Moved Here 30 Years Ago

Thirty years ago, Mr. Nixon moved to Birmingham and conducted, until about a dozen years ago, a feed store in his building at 167 North Woodward, just south of the Kresge store. Associated with him for years was the late Huston Logan in that store; reminiscent of "the good old days" was Mr. Logan's "portable cash register"—consisting of an old-fashioned long leather purse, kept closed by strings, into which he would dip for change when making sales.

Mr. Nixon at the time of his passing was a member of the board of directors of the Birmingham National Bank; previous to the closing of the former First National Bank of Birmingham, Mr. Nixon had also been a director and, for a long time, chairman of its board.

He was not a member of any church, but did attend frequently the local First Presbyterian church.

Birmingham's Clocks To Go Back An Hour

City Commission to Keep In Step With Detroit and Pontiac

Keeping in step with Detroit and Pontiac, as well as many other cities in the region, Birmingham will turn its clocks back one hour at midnight Sunday, Sept. 30. This will place the city on Eastern Standard Time, instead of Eastern War Time under which the city has operated during the war years.

Action to make the change in time possible was taken by the City Commission at its meeting Monday evening. The motion was made by Mayor Wilmer E. Moody who explained that many Birmingham residents are in offices and other business in Detroit or Pontiac and that this city should operate on time similar to surrounding cities. Commissioners quickly gave their unanimous approval to the proposal.

Clocks in the various city departments will go back at the hour specified and the city siren will be blown on Monday noons at the new hour, starting with the signal of Oct. 1.

Like Long Evenings

Eastern Standard Time is the time under which the city operated in the pre-war days and no difficulty is anticipated in making the change back. Commissioner Milton T. Mallender suggested that the city consider using Eastern Daylight Saving Time during the summer months of next year. "I like these long evenings for gardening, golfing, fishing and other activities," he told fellow commissioners. This suggestion also was well received but no action was taken. This question of time will probably be restudied next spring and Commissioner Mallender's proposals given further study.

City Manager Harold H. Corson called attention to the use made during the long summer evenings by Birmingham residents who enjoy golf and tennis and also picnicking at Springdale Park. He declared that the park had proven a paying proposition. "The park has paid its way each season," he told the commission.

It is believed that with the pro...

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City Authorized To Begin Work On Park Club House

After several months of effort by the City Commission members, and City Manager Harold H. Corson the city has finally received permission to replace the club house in Springdale Park, burned last autumn, with a new and modern structure.

Plans for the building, drawn by City Manager Corson and the city engineering department some months ago, call for a building costing around $60,000, but so planned that it can be erected in two units.

The structure planned would be about 50 by 135 feet in size, erected on or near the site of the old building. A part of the building would be two stories and provide living quarters for the park superintendent and his family.

Cost about $60,000

Manager Corson stated that the proposed plan calls for a casino, locker rooms, service rooms, refreshment department, dining room, dance floor and the department for club service for the golf course and tennis courts. He explained that the first unit would cost around $40,000, and the finished building around $60,000.

Most of the Commission members voiced their approval of the plan and urged that a study be made to see if it would be possible to erect the entire building at the present time. Commissioner Allee said "we want a building which the city can be proud of, even though it may cost a few more thousand dollars than planned."

Manager Corson was authorized to receive bids, one on the proposed first unit and the other on the proposed entire building. It is thought bids will be received within a few weeks and the matter again brought up for action by the City Commission.

Eleven Billion Goal of Victory Loan Drive

Further word on the forthcoming Victory Loan drive has been received by Herbert H. Gardner, Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills chairman. Mr. Gardner reports the campaign will begin October 29 and will seek a total of 11 billion dollars. Of this sum four billion dollars would come from sales to individuals and the rest from non-bank investors. The goal for the sales of Series E Victory Loan bonds, part of the individual goal, will be two billion dollars. Mr. Gardner has asked that all workers and organizations assisting in previous bond sales make plans now to do their part in making the coming campaign a success.

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