

The Eccentric

I saw a preacher walking down our Main Street the other day, his head seemed to be focused on thoughts removed from pedestrian activity. Was he thinking about some errand member of his congregation? Was he wondering why one or more of his congregation acted un-Christianlike? Preachers must think on many subjects.

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A rather upset young lady informed the Wanderer the other day that something good must come of that particular day, because it had started out so badly. She got up in the morning to fix her breakfast and the first egg she opened was spoiled, she made a cup of coffee, and put the cream in it, and the cream was sour. It was noon when the Wanderer spoke to her and things were still at 6 and 7's. The Wanderer hopes the day ended well for her.

Traditionally, Birmingham has always been a Republican Party area. Since the elevation of Harry S. Truman to the Presidency, that attitude has changed—to quote an extent. This Wanderer has sounded out a number of his friends and neighbors of late and learns that even numerous rabid Republicans agree that "Truman is doing a pretty good job." So if an election were to be held next week, for example, it might be that Birmingham would "go Democratic."

Don't stand too close to a stranger, especially if you have anything of value upon your person. A local 17-year-old boy learned the truth of this one day last week when he was standing at the counter in a local store, waiting for his purchases. He reached into his pocket for his wallet; it was gone. He had noticed a strange man, who was holding a sign, standing next to him—said man moving away as the youth felt for his wallet. The man was walking outside, the youth following. Said youth then started to run to catch the man, intending to ask him an important question of the moment; said man then began to run—the youth caught up with him, finally was given back his wallet. No policeman was handy at the moment, so the man got away.

Ask the V. L. Desmonds, 783 Willis, about the beauties of the bittern, of the heron bird family, and they'll probably give you a bit and complimentary things about it. One day last week a strange, rather beautiful, bird was observed standing in the poolpond of this yard; quickly getting a bird book and field glasses, the Desmonds, (so says the Desmonds' service reports), identified the welcome (?) bird as a bittern; they were careful not to scare the bird away, it so beautifully adorned their premises; after a lone time the bird finally was looking into the pool-pond, the Desmonds discovered that the lovely bittern had eaten several goldfish and tadpoles in it. And, what was most embarrassing, only a few days before they had placed five dollars' worth of brand new goldfish in it!

Proof that summer was late in arriving, insofar as warmth is concerned, is apparent in the current display of climbing roses that

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annually adorns the fence at Roseland Farm, Corner Woodhead and 12-Mile road. This half-mile stretch of roses always is a welcome sight to motorists, and is so lively enough to be able to see them.

Perfect team-work. Two local boys seen astride one bicycle the other day, one on the seat, the other on the rear fender, four feet on the two pedals, round and round went the pedals and the wheels... ah where they stopped nobody knows.

Michigan's apple crop isn't going to be too good this year. Carl A. Strand, of North Adams road, for many years has maintained a fine orchard on his estate, but this year the late frosts so damaged the blossoms that only about 25 percent of the usual crop is expected this fall.

Anyone in Birmingham capable of turning out a line of men at a tennis match? If you can do it and would like to officiate at the Western Junior and Boys' Tennis Championships at Cranbrook, July 23 to 28, get in touch with Miss Luella Houser whose phone number is (for applicants only) Birmingham 1068W. She would like to secure your services for this tournament, and ladies as well as gents will be welcome to help out.

With processing and distribution of milk stopped at two major dairy farms in Detroit, because of striking drivers and other dairy workers, the Wanderer had a little difficulty getting coffee cream on Tuesday. In fact most of the local dairy bars and grocery stores were without milk or cream.

"Don't sit under the apple tree" may be a popular song, but when a bunch of kids climb into one and spend 15 minutes shaking it, generally they expect apples to fall. Not so in the case of six youngsters Thursday of last week on the latter field. The High School football team took a 8-5 trouncing from Southfield Township School on the latter's Junior League of Birmingham. Clayton Joyce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Joyce of Walnut Lake, hit what could have been a home run into right field, but the brand new ball disappeared into an apple tree. The game was halted for 15 minutes, while six of the kids hoisted one another to the heavy foliage tree, shaking it merrily all the while, finally one boy reached into a crotch of the tree and extracted the ball, and the game was resumed. "Hal Helmer was umpiring, and the two of us had some big laughs as we watched those kids retrieve the baseball," said Jack Brozman, director of summer recreation for Birmingham.

Jack Brozman, city recreation director, took time out the other day to tell the Eccentric's society editor a few courtesies of the golf course. Such as "when she is playing her amateurish game and better players come up behind, invite them to go through Mr.

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From a reader comes this contribution: "Had Abraham Lincoln been living today, the Rotary Club would supply him with a set of books, the Exchange Club with a good reading lamp, the Lions Club with a wooden floor for his cabin. He would have had the protection of the old age insurance. Some kindly philanthropist would have sent him to college with a scholarship. A case worker would see to it that Albe's father received a monthly relief check from the OPA. The OPA would reduce his rent by 50 per cent. He would receive a subsidy for splitting rails, another one for raising some crop he intended to raise anyway, and still another subsidy for not raising a crop which he had no intention of raising. Results: There would have been no Abraham Lincoln. Yes, it is much less blessed to receive than it is to give."

A lady sat down on the deck of a certain Birmingham businessman and landed right on a lighted cigarette that she had not noticed and got burned by the butt.

It's a nice trick if you can do it, but we wouldn't advise trying it at your age. The boss the Wanderer saw doing it were wending their way down Brown street from the west just as nonchalantly if they were riding in the back seat of a big limousine. Actually they were doing it the hard way. Lou One was in the driver's seat, one was up front on the handle bars and the other, bless his little soul, was perched high up on the shoulders of the lad who was piloting the contraption.

QUARTON AREA BUSY

The Quarton School Playground is carrying on the business of filling the long summer days in good form. They report an attendance of about fifty boys and girls, being directed by five art teachers. The time is spent in learning handicraft arts, painting and coloring, and active games. The younger children enjoy making airplanes, hats, chains, windmills and yarn dolls. The older children are working with leather, turning out such articles as lanyards, leather key cases, purses and belts.

The playground equipment, consisting of swings, merry-go-round and monkey bars, is very much in use, and several new games have been introduced to add to the always favorite tag, drop the handkerchief, etc. There is also a table period for the telling of stories.

This playground is under the supervision of Sally Mock, Jane Dodds, Anne Mock, Sue Manning, Tom Halstead, and Ralph Miller are acting as very competent assistants.

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A grand living room (15 x 24) with a softly barrelled ceiling has the mantle and fireplace at the end of the room. The screened porch (12 x 17) makes the most of the view beyond, likewise the library and the lovely dining and breakfast rooms. The kitchen leaves little to be desired—has a Monel-metal sink, G.E. dishwasher, stove and refrigerator.

First floor bedroom adjoins will be more than pleased with two for the family and a luxurious bath. Upstairs there are 2 more bedrooms, linen room and bath.

More can be said—but see it for yourself and be convinced. \$42,000 is the price and worth it to the buyer with perception seeking "the best."

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First Mortgage Loans	\$769,431.24
Loans secured by Savings Share Accounts	1,795.80
Properties sold on Contract	14,347.26
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis	46,300.00
U. S. Government Bonds	62,600.31
Office Buildings and Equipment (less depreciation)	86,130.10
Other Assets	2,587.08
Cash on hand and in Banks	109,751.94
Total Assets	\$1,059,551.71

LIABILITIES

Savings and Investment Share Accounts	\$1,382,862.32
Loans in Process	16,119.48
Advance Payments by borrowers	770.24
Other Liabilities, etc.	283.43
Specific Reserves	467.11
General Reserves	46,349.13
Undivided Profits	13,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$1,450,551.71

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