

# The Birmingham Eccentric

PART TWO

It is difficult for the average person to believe that the nations of the earth will co-operate to prevent those differences that lead to war. This is because one sees only in each nation, (especially the U.S.A.), plenty of friction between many, many groups of people. Selfishness is the root of the problem.

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## IS ROTARY CLUB SPEAKER

"Acquire all the knowledge possible but remember that you become responsible for the power that goes with that knowledge," said Arthur Leomoni, Pontiac attorney, and resident of Orchard Lake road, in a talk before the Rotary club, Monday noon, at the Community House. His topic was "A Root from the Tree of Knowledge." Harry E. Bisset served as

acting president of the day in the absence of both Dr. Dwight H. Ireland, club president, and W. Ray Cook, vice president. Program chairman was Lloyd S. Johnston.

## DEADLINE FOR CLASSIFIED ADS

is five o'clock Tuesday afternoon of the week in which you wish them published. Phone them in, as you desire.

## Bits of Birmingham

A resident of the City of Birmingham was down street Tuesday night, for said the informant, Girl Scout Sunday day, is going to be held June 1—if the weather man will cooperate. But the annual collection of funds is going to be in June for if the weather is bad June 1 then the day will be planned for June 8, and that will be only one more week to keep that supply of coppers. The Girl Scout organization was given the go ahead sign Monday night by the City Commission. The girls hope for miles and miles of pennies to they will have funds with which to carry on their busy program.

"Lots of folks are looking for homes and apartments in Birmingham and everyone we have heard about through the papers," said Mrs. Wm. L. Goodwin of Birmingham Manor, 375 Merrill, today. "Our latest well known was none other than Rudy York, of Detroit Tigers fame. Rudy said home was with relatives in Pontiac but that the home was of course crowded and that he would like a place in Birmingham."

D. C. Egbert, Birmingham city manager, says it's all right to be city manager, but that it takes a lot faster pencil pusher to serve as city clerk. Egbert was drafted for the latter job Monday night while City Clerk Irene Hanley took care of election business at her office in the Municipal Building. The manager had to call for help on occasions when City Commission members rattled their resolutions and motions too fast.

This Wanderer just wonders what it's weather. Dak Fred Press weather prognosticator, has doped out for the month of April also May and June. We have been wondering just how he accounts for that March weather—that kind that came in like a lamb and went out the same way. Lots of folks in Birmingham would give a half penny or more if they could just know a bit about the Birmingham weather in days ahead. Do we plant gardens now or wait; do we try that trip or stay home because of a spring blizzard? One farmerette declared: "I don't believe we will get a killing frost, the air and the ground are getting warm." What do you say?

The city garden plowmen are not to be busy in Birmingham, even this early in the season. This Wanderer noticed a medium sized tractor busy Saturday while in another section of the outer edge of town a gangplow outfit was in use. And today nearly every store in town has a supply of garden seeds on sale. Apparently for father that back breaking job of garden making is just around the corner.

Says G.R.A., agent the subject of Michigan politics: "Tell the local folks that I have some dandy, new petitions for Kim Sigler, Republican candidate for Governor at the June 18 primary election. I'd like to get local folks to sign 'em for Kim—and even give petitions to those interested in his candidacy if they'll come into my office at The Eccentric."

**SPRAYING ORCHARDS, SHADE TREES AND SHRUBS TREE SURGERY**  
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Birmingham residents are very partial to their trees, and put up quite a kick if any live trees have to be moved. Right now City Manager D. C. Egbert has in mind to move in the other direction; he would want a nice row of attractive trees—probably elms—along Elm street from Maple avenue south. He told this Wanderer that such a row of trees would serve as a sort of buffer between industrial property on the east side and residential property on the west. "It certainly would dress up the street," he said. "The plan is to be discussed with the Plan Commission and a definite report made next week. People who like trees might give Egbert a ring."

Three years of wishful thinking paid off to Mrs. Winton J. Kelly, 485 Westwood drive, at 9:15 a. m. Monday morning. She correctly answered the question being asked over WJRM "Know Your America" program. "Who was the coach at Notre Dame during the days of 'The Four Horsemen'?" The answer was, of course, Knute Rockne. She and her family had been consistent listeners for about three years in the city. "Who was the coach at Notre Dame during the days of 'The Four Horsemen'?" The answer was, of course, Knute Rockne. She and her family had been consistent listeners for about three years in the city.

Out of the Army Air Corps after years of active duty, Gerald B. Horger is now in Birmingham as manager of Williams Children's Apparel store, 116 West Maple, and in addition is the Birmingham Lions Club's newest member. According to the Birmingham Roar, Horger was re-

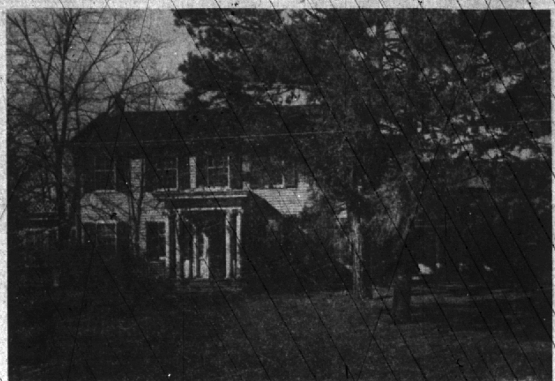
ceived into membership at last Wednesday's meeting. Just a week older on Lions Club list is John T. Spencer, an executive at the B. & W. Co. in Detroit. "I'm a little late," "The old town growing, our service clubs are growing, and it looks like busy days ahead," Ralph J. Main, president of the Lions Club told this Wanderer this week.

Every now and then reports of land sales through the Scavenger sale of lands in city and county disclose Birmingham is losing some of its tax money. Now, however, comes word that through a suit against the State Land Office Board Birmingham and numerous other municipalities have a chance of getting some of this lost tax money back. This Wanderer is told that the state is negotiating the purchase of the Cadillac Square Building, under court settlement for \$185,000 and that the proceeds of the sale will be distributed to the various units in accordance with their interest in a previous land deal which nipped off some tax money. A number of building sites in Birmingham were involved in the original case.

Judge Forbes Hensall says, if you cannot get to a national convention the next best thing is a district convention. He was telling his fellow Rotarians about the Rotary district meeting in Windsor on April 28 and 29 and urging members to take in the meeting. Speakers, he explained, would include Phil Lovejoy, Rotary International secretary and former member of the Hamtramck club, and Paul Martin, former member of the Lansing parliament. Judge made a good plea, too, for quite a few members said they were going to take in the neighboring city across the river late in April.

A bit of excitement occurred in the Standard station south of The Eccentric Monday afternoon when Vic Kittle resorted to a big soda-acid extinguisher to put out a motor fire. A spark had accidentally jumped from the battery terminal through a wrench to the manifold onto which gasoline had spilled as the carburetor was being primed. After using just enough of the extinguisher to stop the fire, Vic rushed into Hamilton avenue and let the container spout until it was exhausted—for you can't stop 'em once they get started. Then all three—the car, Vic, and Hamilton—needed a wash job to remove the splattered acid foam. (More BITS on Page 1, Part 3)

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