

The problems of government are the problems of the many; the answers, to a large extent, the government seeks, are the same answers that solve our individual problems. It is in the selection of the qualities of honesty, decency, tolerance, generosity—not predatory politics.

The Birmingham Centric

PART TWO

SIXTY-EIGHTH YEAR—NO. 43

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1946

\$2.00 PER YEAR (In Oakland County)—SINGLE COPIES, 5c

FIVE-STAR SPECIAL

A Colonial cottage, all on one floor, in the close-in section. Nice, big living room and porch, large dining room and kitchen, 2 nice bedrooms and bath. Panelled playroom with colored tile floor. 100 x 100-foot corner lot—lots of garden and play space. Only \$15,500.

A brand new and sparkling ranch house in Huntington Woods. All on one floor, 2 bedrooms and tiled bath, it sparkles inside and out. Owner moving, immediate possession. Best of all, in these days—price reduced to \$11,750.

For those who like the country, here's a Dutch Colonial farmhouse near Rochester. Large rooms, 3 bedrooms and bath, stoker heat. Five acres, nicely wooded, with small barn and kennels or poultry barn. \$2,400 down, at \$12,500.

A 3-bedroom brick just outside Birmingham on one-half acre of land. There's a first floor lavatory and a stall shower in the bath. The kitchen is a dandy. You can move in right away. The price is \$15,500.

And, for those who want the best in one-floor ranch houses, here's a perfect example in the 13 Mile-Lahser area. Fireplaces in both living and dining rooms add much to hospitality and 3 bedrooms and 2 baths permit flexibility. The kitchen is a housewife's dream. A new two-car garage has a roomy workshop, there's a small chicken house—and the foundation is in for a guest house. Five acres, fruit and hardwood. \$24,500.

For the Best — LOOK WITH BROOK!
CALL
MAX BROOK INC.
REALTORS
ESTABLISHED 1919

ORDER *Duroduk* AWNINGS NOW—
THEY MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE LATER!
PAY NEXT SUMMER
Prompt indications are that there will be enough awning material to meet demands. Protect yourself—order the awnings you've waited for so long. We guarantee delivery on order placed before Jan. 15, 1946. Detroit's Oldest Independent Awning Company. You can always depend on National! Be Sure to Get Our Bill Terms Can Be Arranged.

National Tent & Awning Co.
33 ELIOT at WOODWARD GET OUR ESTIMATE TE. 1-5260

(USE ECCENTRIC WANT ADS. FOR BEST RESULTS)

Birmingham Federal Savings & Loan Association

BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

as of
December 31, 1945

ASSETS:	
First Mortgage Loans	\$ 869,842.28
Loans Secured by Savings Share Accounts	1,100,000.00
Properties Sold on Contract	26,123.73
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis	51,600.00
U. S. Government Bonds	72,493.05
Office Buildings and Equipment (less depreciation)	69,143.86
Other Assets	1,015.46
Cash on Hand and in Banks	106,595.15
Total Assets	\$1,841,957.53
LIABILITIES:	
Savings and Investment Share Accounts	\$1,755,947.84
Loans in Process	13,293.18
Advances Payments by Borrowers (Taxes, Insurance, etc.)	328.84
Other Liabilities	413.25
Specific Reserves	798.99
General Reserves	57,295.43
Undivided Profits	14,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$1,841,957.53

State of Michigan, County of Oakland, Walter E. Norstrand, President of the Birmingham Federal Savings and Loan Association, do hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WALTER E. NORSTRAND, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of January, 1946.
RALPH E. LAWLOR, Notary Public, Oakland County, Michigan.
My commission expires January 11, 1948.

Bits of Birmingham

Was to the next generation, or the half of the generation that has to listen to the other half, The Wanderer believes they are going to grow up to be comedians, characters, cards or what have you. For example, here is a sample of the verses in a modern nursery rhyme book: "Mary had a little lamb, his fleece was black as tar. And everywhere that Mary went, they thought it was a bear." The only trouble is, there will be too many jokers and not enough chucklers. Everyone will have to go around informing people—"That's a joke, son."

The lady wasn't stark mad, she was "stoked" (short for stoking) mad. Four girls from the office of a well known local newspaper were sitting in the Woodward room the other day, four abreast, when they heard the racy voice of a ranked woman talking to them. "Girls! Our four dainties stopped, military fashion, and looked back over their shoulders. The youngest of the most aged at parts of modern young ladies, and once again, still under the menacing tone of voice, she demanded—"where in Heaven's name did you get the stockings?" The quartette of cuties breathed a sigh of relief, having previously thought they were becoming the victims of something foul. They relaxed and explained that the nylon were all Christmas gifts. They relaxed and explained that the nylon were all Christmas gifts. They relaxed and explained that the nylon were all Christmas gifts.

An old pair of crutches, in use more than 30 years ago, have just found their way back to Alfred J. Bodine, of the Bodine news stand and book store on North Woodward avenue, after being completely forgotten by the original owner. Years and years ago when Mr. Bodine's hair was not so white as at present, the merchant suffered a leg injury and hobbled around on crutches. Recovering, the hobbler stuck them stored away and forgotten, just later the present owner of the home in which the Bodines resided found the crutches way back in a corner of the attic. "Don't know just how solid those crutches are," declared the merchant, "and I hope I never have to find out. But they look just as good as they did a half century ago."

RALPH A. MAIN
CIVIL ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR
Subdivision Design and Layout
For this office
Wabek Bldg., Birmingham
Phone B'ham 721

COMMUNITY Window Cleaners
Walls - Windows
Wall Paper
Floors Scrubbed and Waxed
TELEPHONE 53016
MARTIN MURAWSKY
172 E. Wilson Avenue
PONTIAC, MICHIGAN

WOOD FARMS
"The Place to Ride"
5500 N. Adams Rd.
Saddle Horses
Boarded, Sold
and Rented
Enjoy the fun of a Hayride Party
For Reservations—
PHONE B'HAM 3405-J4

PLUMBING HEATING & OIL BURNER
Service & Repair Work
BIRMINGHAM 4359
E. A. CHAMBERLAIN
Licensed Plumber
PROMPT SERVICE

INSURE with the HARTFORD INSURANCE COMPANIES
All Types of Policies
FIRE, LIABILITY AND CASUALTY
ANALYSIS AND SURVEYS
PHONE 523-J
Birmingham Representative
RICE A. HOWELL
WABEK BUILDING

When they helped me get around while my broken bones healed."
C. G. Roderham, chairman of the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross, announces two committee changes. Mrs. Ford Brock has been appointed chairman of volunteer special services and Mrs. Sheldon Noble will assume the chairmanship of the home service committee. Mrs. Noble has been chairman of the volunteer service since November 1940, and Mrs. Brock has served for a number of years as vice-chairman of the service. Mrs. E. P. Turner, former chairman of home service will continue to serve as a member of the committee. Mrs. Turner has been chairman of home service since 1942. Both services have been extremely active during the war period and are still continuing their activity.

Bowlers always get the breaks, and sometimes, to the surprise of time, however, it is definitely a good break, for Rod Smith, proprietor of the Birmingham Recreation bowling establishment, on Hunter Boulevard, announced early this week that Ned Day will make a personal appearance at the local alleys on Monday afternoon, January 21, from 1 to 4:00 p.m. Ned is in Detroit instructing in the Detroit News bowling school and his appearance here will be as an instructor. He has long been one of the nation's top notchers and this year he has perfect games and this year he has perfect games and this year he has perfect games.

The other afternoon over at the Community House, an afternoon musical program on the main floor of the building found itself in conflict with the Wednesday afternoon use of the new Band Room. Young folks coming in from school set the juke box going almost on the stroke of 3:30 and also almost on the minute a singer was presenting a beautiful number before her club. The Wanderer was not told how the conflict finally was settled but apparently on certain days programs will of necessity have to close right on the minute.

Future of Birmingham's Y. M. C. A. is having now being studied with the aid of the Detroit Y. M. C. A. and some decision as to the future program likely will be made shortly. James E. Doods, on the staff of the Detroit Y. is spending several days in Birmingham.

PHONE VE 7-8500
HUBBARD & HUBBARD, INC.
Building Contractors
For Over Forty Years
14255-85 Schaefer Highway Detroit 27, Mich.
CARPENTRY ALTERATIONS
ADDITIONS REPAIRS
Let Us Discuss Your Building Needs With You

WHEN YOU NEED
INSURANCE
ANY KIND
CALL OR SEE
James R. Mock
TOWNSEND 8-0715 B'HAM 1432

ON GILBERT LAKE . . .
near Oakland Hills Country Club and Cranbrook
Attractively designed Early American Home. In setting of large shade trees, orchard and garden.
Beautiful living room, dining room and hall, each with fireplace. Breakfast room, spacious kitchen, butler's pantry, screen porch and lavatory on 1st. Panelled recreation room in basement and playroom on 2nd. 5 bedrooms, 3 baths.
Maid's room in house—also apartment over garage.

A charming home with 4 1/2 Acres at \$41,600.00
If you want to enjoy this in early Spring and Summer, now is the time to buy.
For Birmingham or Bloomfield Homes and Sites always consult.
Walsh James & Wasey Co.
STREET, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
431 S. Woodward Ave. Birmingham 1250

making a survey of future possibilities for the Y. M. C. A. either as an independent unit or a member of the Metropolitan Detroit organization.
Jack McNeelance, who served with the infantry for 37 months, has arrived home and is with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex McNeelance, of Glasgow, who operate the Birmingham Paint and Glass store on East Maple avenue. This is Jack's first visit home in all that time and when he arrived the past week end he brought with him his official discharge from service. He came across the Pacific and through the Panama Canal, his ship landing at New York. "Dus ship was named the Explorer," Jack told friends, "and it seemed to us it sure was doing a lot of exploring as it slowly nosed its way through the Pacific, the canal and then up the Atlantic to port."

Oakland County Republicans are going to get together on Monday evening, Feb. 11, at the Pontiac Elks Temple for their annual Lincoln Day banquet. Howard E. Estes, member of the committee, has word that Rep. George A. Dondora plans to be present at the banquet. Tickets may be secured from Mr. Estes. The supply is limited. Mr. Estes says he believes every available ticket will be taken.

The bang! bang! bang! heard at the Birmingham Gun Club range of Adams road lately is expected to increase rather than decrease, now the club is able to get a more liberal supply of shells. Trap shooting is continued by the local club all winter, according to members and some really lively afternoons are to be enjoyed there two Wednesdays of each month. Yesterday's shoot found more than the usual number out for the sport, and more than has for several years been termed "the usual" rounds of shots were taken. For some time shots were held once a month but now they will be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

Both old time and new residents agree that the weather man is supplying Birmingham with quite a variety of weather. The old saying of "some like it hot, some like it cold" seems to have been providing, locally. The high school young folk, arranging the annual ice pageant, are hopeful that they may pick the right kind of a day, after a three dayles. They think

next Saturday may drop in the "cold" list and they can run off their events at Quarton Lake during the afternoon of Jan. 19. They have picked three days thus far and every one of them has dropped in the weather man's "hot" days list. So if Saturday is cold, or rather if the cold weather of the next few days remains so that the ice can be flooded and sprayed to provide a place for figure skating, the big pageant and coronation ceremonies will be held Saturday afternoon, likely starting at 1 o'clock.

A new gravel roadway, constructed by property owners adjacent to the north city limits along Redding road, was up for study at the Monday meeting of the City Commission. It seems that the soft weather of late December and early January did not allow the gravel proper chance to pack and as a result a few cars became mired along the edge of the roadway. The city will permit construction of a drain into the sewer for the drainage from the lands to the north where water is now held back by the roadway dyke. The City Commission members expressed their appreciation for the road improvement and City Manager Donald C. Egbert said he would cooperate for the remaining improvements sought.

Funny thing this help and employment problem. Sometimes there is plenty of work with no one to do it while other times there is plenty of help with no work to be done. The employment office in the Community House has just gone through some of such experiences. For a time there was no help. Miss Faye Jasmann, director of the Community House, said Tuesday that the problem of supply is more liberal and if folks need any help she is sure the employment department can now prove more helpful. She invites calls to be made to Phone 785 by persons needing workers and persons needing work.

INSURANCE - BONDS THE BIRMINGHAM AGENCY
CHAS B RANDALL
DEAR P PETERSON
Insurance for Every Need
PHONE 840
1065 WOODWARD - BIRMINGHAM

An Early American!

In Bloomfield Village we have this recently built modern home for sale. Close enough to the Village School and only a few blocks away from Maple Road transportation.

Brick and clapboard exterior with a wide site nicely planted, it definitely has "eye-appeal."

Five bedrooms, 3 baths serve the average family. The library, pine-paneled, is nicely proportioned, as are the other usual first floor rooms.

Other features are the economy of operation—low rates, efficient Gar Wood heating—storm windows, insulation, etcetera. Carpeting is available.

INSPECTIONS GLADLY ARRANGED
SNYDER BUCK & BENNETT INC.
THEATRE BUILDING BIRMINGHAM 1400

THE ROOFING SHORTAGE, 1946
Manufacturers Warn of Serious Shortage of All Types of Roofing Materials For 2 Years
WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU ACT NOW IF YOUR ROOF WILL REQUIRE REPLACING OR REPAIRING
Expert Roofing Know How
W. P. HICKMAN COMPANY
1360 E. Maple, Birmingham
21 Years' Experience Phone B'ham 2080

Investigate These
Unusual Offerings

BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE
This charming 5 bedroom, 3 bath home consists of everything you would expect to find for comfortable living. It is convenient to transportation, etc. Still it is in the low tax area . . .
\$27,500

IN BIRMINGHAM HIGHLANDS
Character is the foremost attribute of this lovely English home. Distinctive landscaping, blended with artistic design, makes it a desirable new offering. Four bedrooms, 2 baths, winding stair and two car attached garage comprise some of its features . . .
\$27,000

ESSENTIALLY PERFECT
Three bedroom, Brick Colonial in perfect condition. Excellent location in Quarton Lake district. For entertaining—a lovely panelled recreation room. For comfort—oil heat and liberal sized rooms . . . First time offered . . .
\$20,000

APPEALING COLONIAL BUNGALOW
This new offering, with its attractive split-stone chimney, located on the front of the house affords the best in good living for the small family. It has a two-car garage, terrace, two bedrooms and refinished upstairs . . .
\$15,800

NEWLY DECORATED
This livable, four bedroom home available for quick occupancy. Spacious closets and gas heat are two fine features. Close in to transportation, schools and shopping.
\$9,500

HOME or INVESTMENT
Close to shopping and transportation. This four bedroom home has extra rooms on third floor. Furniture included, except two bedroom suites . . . a buy at . . .
\$9,000

HOEY, BENJAMIN & STEPHENS
Realtors
259 So. Woodward Birmingham
Phone 4129