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At first glance this attractive Colonial looks like a smaller home than it really is—and the room arrangement is flexible enough to please either large or small family requirements. Here's what you'll see:

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- * Grand recreation room, asphalt tiled floor; fireplace, walls paneled.
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The downstairs arrangement consists of a cheery living room with bookshelves and fireplace, ample dining room, kitchen and breakfast nook. A screened porch for outdoor living, and attached two-car garage, completes the comfort of this lovely home.

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Bits of Birmingham

A lot of Birmingham folks know Dr. Joseph E. Madly, founder and director of the National Music Camp at Interlochen, Michigan, but what many may not know is that Dr. Madly, long considered a good member of the American Federation of Musicians Union, has been named on a charge of "teaching music at Interlochen and thereby engaging in acts detrimental to the union." Friends express the belief that Dr. Madly will go right ahead with his teaching, union or no union, and that Birmingham boys and girls who go to camp next summer will find him there doing his usual fine job.

The Williams Children's Apparel store on West Maple has a crew of men at work remodeling the section of their building formerly occupied by the Burr shoe store, and soon the entire store will house a greatly enlarged stock. The word comes to this Wanderer that the remainder of the store will be fully in keeping with the small section in use for some months. The store front will be modernized, too.

It was a great day in the morning but it was a bad day in the afternoon, Monday over at the Birmingham Recreation where the famous bowling teacher and expert had a "standing room only" crowd. Instruction talks and demonstrations were free, the visiting artist being brought here by Rod Smith, proprietor of the Recreation, as a special mid-winter feature. Ned bows all over the country and just now has been spending some time in Detroit as instructor at the Detroit News bowling school. He says the Birmingham weather is a bit more humid than that of Santa Monica, Calif., but that bowling is just about the same all over the world.

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Last Thursday night the Men's club of the First Presbyterian church had a real surprise—a real enjoyable surprise, with Vernon C. Genn, Bloomfield Hills, giving the men a two and a half hour talk on his experience in Europe and in Japan, mostly in Japan. The General Motors executive spent many years with the sales division of this firm in Japan and made a close study of history, religion, and customs of the Japanese people. Class members declared it had been years and years since a speaker has been able to hold a hundred businessmen so spell-bound. The talk, at the start, seemed to hold little promise of thrill, but the men soon sort of unconsciously edged up on their chairs and from time to time informed the speaker, "give us more, give us more."

This one was actually overheard when this Wanderer passed a group of Birmingham young folks. "Wish we had a nice toboggan slide and some open fields for skating," said another group, with members carrying skates over their shoulders, expressed the wish that Birmingham could have some nice, smooth ice on which to do some racing or some figure skating. However, none offered any suggestion as to how these things could be brought about.

"Getting back to Birmingham after more than three years in the Army" is almost like moving into an unfamiliar scene, an ex-serviceman informed this Wanderer this week. "Of course, there are the old, familiar landmarks, but there has been a great deal of 'rebuilding' in this period. And, of course, there are a great many friends you have to practically re-meet."

One local young man, about to get married, was investigating the local housing question—and he learned about it first hand. "Well," he groused, "Congress, instead of voting a bonus for us vets, would do better to build us a home and give us the key to the front door—we could use it to greater advantage than the money."

This Wanderer noticed his good friend, Charles Taylor, Ann Arbor, in town the other day and

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right away suspected that Taylor was on what may prove a helpful bit of undertaking. Taylor is with the National Recreation association and came to make a survey of lands and equipment Birmingham has for recreational purposes. He spent several days here and was in the city at least for a day last summer in connection with the City Recreation Commission. His report will form the basis of future plans for expansion and operation of recreation facilities in the city.

The Community House is going to have to get along without its director, Miss Faye Jasmann, for a few days. She leaves tomorrow for Atlantic City to represent Birmingham at the National Recreational Congress, and says she hopes to learn a lot of things that will prove helpful in planning and carrying out Birmingham's future recreational program.

The U. S. Army Recruiting Service announced today that all members of the Enlisted Reserve Corps who enlist in the Regular Army by Jan. 31, 1946, will be enlisted in the grade they held at the time of their discharge.

Mr. Weather Man gave Birmingham another taste of winter Monday night when he allowed the mercury to drop 3° below zero at the official thermometer at the Fire Department. The weather proved good for ice making and crews of men were out flooding

and spraying the local skating rinks. The snow of Sunday night proved quite general over the nearby states and Birmingham folks driving home Monday from Pennsylvania and Ohio cities report the roads very slippery. On some stretches of road speed was down to 10 miles per hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Foley of Madison avenue now have both of their sons home with them. Sgt. Robert P. Foley was discharged at Camp Beale, Calif., and returned during the holidays. He served in Patton's 3rd Army in the Sar and Ruhr campaigns. He was in the service for 18 months and was overseas for 12 months, spending some time in a hospital in England. He is returning to the University of Michigan to continue his studies this week. Capt. Arthur Foley has returned from Europe and is home on terminal leave. He saw four years of service and was overseas in two years, spending six months in England and entering Paris, where he served six months with the Military Government. Before leaving for home, Captain Foley was public safety officer with the Allied Military Government in Bavaria.

Sue Ann Sloat, nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Sloat, 236 Elm street, now knows all about getting one's head bumped against the windshield of the family car. The other day while Susan was riding with her mother she became necessary to stop the car with unusual quickness. As a result Susan had to visit a physician and have a lot of stitches taken to close a bad wound across her forehead. With the child seemingly in bad shape the mother (Continued on Page 2, Part 2)

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