

Not until I reached the age of forty years did I convince myself that there are many people capable of saying one thing and meaning quite another; by this I mean that a person can utter statements of idealism and high ethics, yet in his own life be far from applying them to his own everyday activities.

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This 1946 built one-floor ranch home has a perfect setting of nearly 4 acres. Lush hardwoods surround it and screen it from the road—the balance is open meadow, part of it set out to young orchard (nearly 200 young trees) and cane fruit.

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Bits of Birmingham

From Miami last week came the news that water pipes from crops were severely damaged, and people remained in bed until noon when the sun came out during the "cold wave." This Wanderer figures that vacationists, desiring to escape the cold winter in the North, would be having an expensive vacation. Imagine going to Florida and paying \$15 or \$20 a day just to stay in bed! We who have stayed behind can do it today and it doesn't cost us a cent.

If some local group should be so unfortunate as to not be able to find a speaker for one of their meetings, and it comes to this Wanderer as a last resort, we shall have to cite to them a prefacing statement made last Thursday evening by James B. Reston, brilliant young Washington correspondent of the New York Times, when he appeared in Birmingham for the second time. Said Reston, "After all, I'm a reporter, and a reporter should report, not go around making speeches." For it's comparatively easy to write an unbiased account of YOUR speech, compared to reporting OUR speech.

Our apologies to the Birmingham Men's Glee Club. We wish to correct the previously announced date of their spring concert. It is to be given on the evening of Wednesday, April 30, instead of the previously announced March 30. The auditorium of the Birmingham Community House will be the place, according to Shansoss, director.

This Wanderer doesn't know whether Mark Hardin, owner of Park's Coal, believes this metropolitan area is too tame for him or not. Anyway, Mark is having mounted a nice 40-inch wild-

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Scouts in Birmingham are really busy these days, this Wanderer understands. Not only in celebration of their 38th Anniversary Week, either. Seems that scouts from this area are busy shaping

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plans and actors for the Big Scout show, "Tomorrow's Men," to be presented April 11 and 12 at the State Fair Grounds by 20,000 Scouts and Senior Scouts. Birmingham scout troops and clubs will be featured, we understand, in exhibits of scout lore such as axmanship, massed fire-lighting and in building. These three displays will include coordinated log cutting, splitting, log saw work, flint and steel fire-lighting, friction lighting, color by fire, and building bridges, lean-tos, towers, tables, etc.

Commander Chet Brown and Mrs. Brown of the local Charles Edwards American Legion Post, dropped in at the office the other day, all sun-tanned and exuberant after their more-than-a-month long vacation in Florida and the West Indies. They told this Wanderer about the wonderful time they had and about the wonderful colds they both have now. As yet they haven't had time to really organize their experience in Florida, but say they've been in long enough to tell other groups all about conditions down there. Only they're glad they have about the sojourn in the South is that it wasn't nearly as long and they are already ready planning a return trip!

Mrs. Louis Aldrich of W. Maple road really does like that fabulous city of Hollywood, as she said in a recent visit to the Kent Hotel statement that was "I liked it so well that Mr. Aldrich and I may not even go to the Kent to visit our daughters and the famous city!" Since then she has decided not even to wait a month or so to go by. The Aldrichs left Saturday for a return visit, and will stay with their daughters, Betty Lou and Leigh.

The arrival of Dick Kent to his home at 445 Arlington and the departure of his father, P. J. Kent, were joint events at the Kent home this week. Dick will be home until Sunday before returning to Cornell University to resume his studies of industrial and labor relations, while his father left Tuesday to join the Fight Task Force at Fairbanks, Alaska, as a technical adviser for the Army. He will return about the first of March.

According to Chet Brown, commander of Birmingham's American Legion post, the post's membership this week unanimously adopted a resolution opposing any attempt to abolish the State's \$51-000,000 veterans trust fund or to use any part of it for any other purpose than that for which it was intended. This action on the part of the local post ties in with that already expressed by many other Legion groups throughout the State.

An old-time resident of Birmingham who labels himself John Doe called to ask this Wanderer if there wasn't an ordinance in Birmingham regarding keeping the walks free of snow and ice. He could hardly retain his balance walking up to the four corners, he said. He checked with the City Hall and discovered that there is an old, old ordinance regarding this very thing. On thinking it over, however, and watching the number of cars and people who got stuck on the main streets of Birmingham, this Wanderer decided that sometimes contrary old Meth-

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