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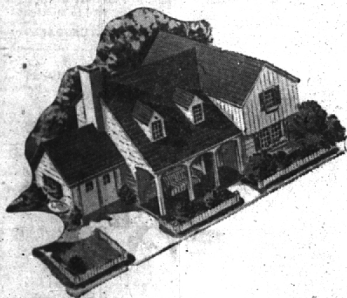
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Bits of Birmingham

Hey you guys, who are leaving town for the summer? Are you wondering when you have to be back to be in time for the first day of football practice at Baldwin High? We've got news for you. Vince Secontine, your new coach, informed the Wanderer this week that he will hold the first practice on Tuesday, September 2. You will cavort on the field in shorts and football shoes and your heavy equipment will be given to you following the practice that day.

The Wanderer was reading a little squib from Stockton, California the other day that told about plans to make their local legion drum and bugle corp the

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finest west of the Rockies. It made us wonder why Birmingham's Charles Edwards Post couldn't put a classy outfit into competition, now that many of the new G.I.'s, who still haven't too many honours to march, are available. A good drum and bugle corp sure pep up those civic gatherings and local parades. They even help their community to gain popularity and create goodwill when they make appearances out-of-town.

Don Bell, one of Birmingham's newest city commissioners, came to a recent meeting with news that the Starlings are back for the new concert season. They hang out near the Bell Funeral Home at the intersection of East Maple, Elm and Poppleton. Don was given several new ideas on how to get rid of them. Commissioner Moody held fast to his belief that the shooting of Roman candles through the bows on which they perch was the best method of chasing them away, but Commissioner Mallerder thought that the new carbide explosive system used in the orchards of the state sound like a good system providing the neighborhood could stand the noise.

Red's Grill is a busy place at noon, and in her haste of the snappy waitresses of the establishment spilled a glass of water on the counter. Vince Secontine

needed locally to referee any group's discussion on the subject he would be glad to offer his help. Bentzen is a resident of Detroit and can be reached by phoning Tyler 4-5517.

The other day the Bloomfield Theatre was staging a big all-cartoon show for the kiddies. A few days before the show Howard Holub, manager of the Birmingham Theatre, decided he would like to have the field stone picked up on a vacant lot he owns next to his home on Euclid. So, he called up Dale Young, manager of the Bloomfield Theatre, and got a bunch of tickets to the cartoon show. Then he announced in his neighborhood that there would be a stone-picking contest and tickets to the cartoon show would be given as prizes. It worked swell. Holub announced later, the stones were picked up faster than Mickey Mouse can switch his tail and all the kids got to see the show. Now they are back wanting to do it again, Howard says.

Dale Young says the special cartoon show last Wednesday afternoon went over with such a bang that a regular Wednesday matinee is being added to the weekly schedule. Beginning on Wednesday afternoon, July 9, the kids can expect to see all their favorite cartoon characters, and maybe even a few cowboys and Indians, every Wednesday afternoon for the rest of the summer. At least as long as they prove as popular as the first feature one Western feature and ten cartoons Miss Young told the Wanderer.

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The kiddies had all been kissed and mom's and pop's tears were still glistening on their cheeks as the Wanderer strolled up in time to see the big blue buses pull away from the curb in front of the YMCA office in late Thursday morning. The youngsters were headed for a summer of fun at Camp Mah-go-tah-see. As he passed, the Wanderer said to himself, "Steel yourselves dad and mother, before you know it these big blue buses will pull away from the curb again, taking them away to college. Then they will spend the short time that is now spent at camp with you. Shortly after that they will pull away from the curb for the last time taking them away to make their own place in a world in which big blue buses are constantly separating people from each other."

Edmond Bentzen, who has appeared before the Rotary Club twice in lectures regarding the Labor and Management vs. Communism question is an authority on all types of labor and management relations. He told the Wanderer at last week's Rotary meeting that if his services were ever

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