

One of the best lessons that can be taught to youth is the basic lesson of true sportsmanship. It is right and good for one to put forth his best efforts to win at anything—but real sportsmanship acknowledges that even in defeat there can be personal victory.

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DeMolay Party

The Hasbeger Chapter of DeMolay opened its fall program last Saturday with an interesting evening. A scavenger hunt was held in Birmingham, after which the members met at the home of Larry Bunyan near Waterford, where refreshments were served. The party was in honor of 14 candidates who will soon become members of this DeMolay chapter.



Bits of Birmingham

"Johnnie" had been walking around the house all day, his mouth all puffed up, and blowing as hard as he could. When his dad came home from work last Thursday the troubled, eight-year-old greeted him with, "Say, Dad! How do you whistle?" Dad explained, as well as anyone can explain a whistle, and then wanted to know what he behind all the sudden interest. "Well," replied "Johnnie," when I get to be big, like Bob, and I meet the guys down by the drug store the way he does, I just gotta know how to whistle, don't I?"

and perhaps some 15 minutes later came back to find she had a ticket. Carefully, she removed it from the wiper blade where the officer had placed it, put it in the car, put a penny in the meter and went on with her shopping. Now maybe we were wrong, but somehow it just doesn't make sense.

A mouse is a poor substitute for most as we are sure one local housewife will agree. The other day this housewife made some pea soup and left it cooking overnight without a cover in her deepwell cooker. In the morning when it came time to finish her soup she began to strain it, only to find that a little mouse had enjoyed her cooking so much he had decided to remain awhile and enjoy it with her. We think that the mouse was allowed to finish it by himself.

This Wanderer sat in the Eccentric office the other afternoon and wondered about automobile drivers, parking meters, motorcycle police, and parking tickets. Watched a woman drive into a parking zone in front of the office and glance five minutes left on it. She walked across the street,

H. N. Burr and Mrs. Dominic Caputo will head the PTA food committee working on the annual city Halloween party October 31. It was announced this week by Charles J. Shain, general chairman of the event.

City Commissioners, city clerk, city manager, the representatives of the press—all were pretty worn out on Monday evening's city commission meeting. Three hearings on various public improvements—particularly those on off-street parking and Quorton Lake sewers—took up the great majority of time between 8 and 11 p. m. Then, after a few minutes recess, commissioners took up the rest of the agenda which included several of City Manager Donald C. Egbert's recommendations on various subjects. After the meeting adjourned at 11:50 p. m., everyone was happy to leave. Incidentally, this Wanderer can't remember that any member of the public was

present when the meeting broke up. Commissioners are to be praised for putting in an evening like that for five months.

What with all the bragging that the Rev. Glen Harris, our local Presbyterian minister, has done about the state of Texas, the Rev.'s face turned a brilliant red and he became temporarily speechless Monday noon while listening to the Rotary club's luncheon speaker. It was Maj. Gen. Stanley Reinhart, in discussing past military wars in which the U. S. was involved, who stated, " . . . and then there was the time the Texans got us into trouble with the Mexicans." Club president Bill Torrence later explained to the General why his speech was so rudely interrupted for several minutes while club members had a resounding laugh on Glen.

Mrs. J. R. W. has sent in the following bit of poetry, and while it is a little silly the Eccentric publishes verses, this Wanderer believes the work of Mrs. J. R. W. is particularly welcome at this time. The poem, which is to be regarded as more of an opinion than a literary gem, reads:

Christian Science Lecture Scheduled Here October 19

"Christian Science—Logical and Practical Religion" is the title of the first lecture to be given at the Baldwin High School auditorium on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 19, at 4 o'clock.

Archibald Carey, C.S.B., the lecturer, comes from Detroit and is a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

In arranging for the lecture, the members of First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Birmingham, believe they are providing a means for reaching many people with answers to frequent questions about Christian Science—what it teaches, how it heals, why thousands have become its adherents. A cordial welcome is extended to the public to attend. The lecture is free.

Small World Idea Is Proven Sunday Thru Phone Call

Dick Daeschner, stationed in Europe with the U. S. Army of Occupation, added a few more links to the chain of events proving that the world is not such a large place after all.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Daeschner of Berwyn drive, received a telephone call from Switzerland where Dick is at present, and were able to visit with him for about ten minutes.

He told them of the beautiful scenery there, of the wonderful time he is having, and of the people he meets.

A short time ago he visited Brussels, and on his way back to

With the price of chicken at 43 cents per pound, the famous expression of ex-President Herbert Hoover could actually be an accomplished fact today: "A chicken in every pot." That is, if you can afford the pot.

A. R. Musson, executive secretary of the Oakland County Tuberculosis Association, this week announced that official totals from the Michigan State Department of Health show that 2068 Birmingham persons obtained free chest x-rays early last winter. When the mobile unit visited the city, this local total included 960 Baldwin high school students and other personnel, Musson explained. In the entire county, he said, 37,849 persons participated. Lansing did not report a statistical breakdown of those persons discovered to be carriers of TB. Musson stated, giving only a county total. For the entire county, only 757 persons were reported as abnormal, with another 426 having indications.

Annual meeting of the members of the Birmingham Retail Merchants Association for the election of directors to fill vacancies for 1948, will be held at the Community House on Thursday, Nov. 13, at 8 p. m. Directors whose terms expire this year are Ray Cook, Walter Parmenter and George Wm. Averill. The annual report of progress will also be read at this meeting.

With this being Fire Prevention Week, local residents should take advantage of the Indian summer weather we've been having to repair the defects they discovered in their heating plants during the cold snap a week or so ago. With the current housing situation, it is hard to believe that anyone would hesitate to check thoroughly their furnaces to prevent possible fires and potential loss of their living quarters.

The Birmingham Tennis Club city open tennis tournament was completed this week with the play-off of the mixed doubles and the girls' division.

Kathryn Smith and Edward Dingler won the mixed doubles title by defeating Anne Wilson and Wayne Smith 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. Kathryn Smith's play was outstanding, making numerous court placements. Her net game was played with almost mechanical perfection, taking away expected points with well placed drop-shots.

Anne Wilson won over Dolly Milbrandt in the semi-finals of the girls' singles 6-1, 6-2. The first and only major upset of the tournament then took place when Gerig Reichold won the girls' championship from Anne Wilson by the score of 6-1, 6-3.

A new television set developed by Midwesterns manufacturer will supply parts on pictures by telephone. Some parts of the images are sent by radio, with only the key frequencies transmitted by wire. However, lawyers say a lot of Federal red tape must be cleared away before set-owners can obtain the new service.

his base, passed through Frankfurt, Germany. He spent a long evening visiting with Faye Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson of Lake Park drive.

According to his report, they had a wonderful evening talking of home, familiar scenes and mutual friends. When he left it was with an invitation to return to Frankfurt later in the month when Miss Anderson will complete her tour of duty with the American

Red Cross and will become the bride of John B. Bennett of Worcester, Mass.

Before ending his call, Dick told his mother he planned to visit Patsy Chubbuck the following day. Miss Chubbuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chubbuck of Long Pine road, left Sept. 8 for an extended European tour.

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