

"He who humblyeth himself shall be exalted" is a Biblical phrase as true as any statement ever uttered. It implies that "humbleness" is synonymous with "helpful service to others"; it is paraphrased in another statement that "he who would be greatest among you, let him be the servant". True humility is essential for attaining greatness.

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The newcomers from Cleveland! Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pickens and two children are residing at 4221 Arlington drive in Beverly Hills. He is on the executive staff of the Jam Handy Organizations.

Pine tree seeds now are planted by air. Inserted in split lead weights, they sink upon reaching the ground.



Bits of Birmingham

Many people who are used to parking all day long in the available spaces near the Birmingham National Bank have found that it is mighty hard to find a place to leave the old bus, now that those who used to park in the area where the new addition to the bank is being constructed are having to share the other available space. It only emphasizes the parking problem in our community and makes the Wanderer wonder what is going to happen when other buildings are increased in size, or new ones are constructed close to the business district.

Karl Detzer, the Michigan author, is scheduled to have an article in the October issue of the Reader's Digest regarding the action and efforts of Western High School of Detroit civied classes in bringing about political action to clean up the neighborhood around their school. Detzer is well known to many Birmingham people and because his article deals with a scene close to home it might prove interesting to local folk. It is reprinted from the Christian Herald.

The Woodward General Hospital has been neglected as a topic of conversation around here lately, but evidence came to this Wanderer this week that leads him to believe that the South Oakland Authority is still making progress. One of Fennell's outstanding industries, the Ethyl Corporation, has given its check to the hospital fund in the amount of \$7,500. The check was presented by Franklin Frier, of Ethyl.

Do you want to be a soldier? Sgt. Sundell of the United States Army Recruiting Service has been in Birmingham since Tuesday and will be here in the lobby of the Post Office, yet today. If you hurry you can still get in to ask him what it's all about. He is pre-

pared to answer any and all questions about Uncle Sam's peacetime army.

The big Radio and Television Fair sponsored by Grinnell is on right now. It started Monday and is continuing through the week. Feature of the fair is a contest in which \$5,000 in radios and phonographs, 55 prizes in all, will be given away for the best statements written on the subject "I Like Music, Because." Contest entry blanks can be obtained at Grinnell's store any time up to Saturday night. Free personal recordings of your voice is another feature of the event.

When we hear about William Dayner's apple tree that blooms in the fall tree la, Emerson Brown, local landscape architect, informed the Wanderer that he has an apple tree in his nursery that is pulling the very same trick. Transplanting was the cause of his tree's late start, too.

Robert Hunter, 30, of 1160 Smith street, and Dick Stevens, 12, of 1386 Lakeside, won autograph baseballs for submitting questions on sports which were used on Disney Radio's broadcast over WXYZ last Saturday morning. These two youngsters were among 28 local kids taken to the broadcast by Ed Kirtel, local YMCA secretary. The boys also met George Kell, outstanding Tiger third baseman, who was Dizy's special guest on the program.

There are few football teams in the Mid West which have not left the field, at one time or another, with the challenging strains of "The Victors" ringing in their ears as the score board showed another victory for Michigan. To many of these youngsters the name of J. Fred Lawton of Royal Oak means but little, but to many Michigan alumni in Birmingham means the composer of a real "fighting" song. Soon, to the world, it will mean good reading for his book, "Hurry-Up Yost, Story and Song," will be released next month by an Ann Arbor publisher. In speaking of his book Lawton says, "It contains more than 60 hit-parade songs, and stories about 'The Old Dean,' which I gathered through 40 years' intimate acquaintance with him."

Twenty-two teachers of the elementary schools of Birmingham have registered for the course in Education for Mental Health which is to be held in the Rackham Memorial Building in Detroit. Classes will begin on Tuesday.

Sept. 23, in the evening and continue for a total of sixteen consecutive weeks. Because of the great importance of mental health, especially in these years when many young children have had difficult and abnormal home experiences because of the War, many school people and other civic leaders have wanted to expand the training available to teachers in the field. It is gratifying that so many teachers in Birmingham are taking advantage of this splendid opportunity," Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools, stated.

Old Mother Nature evidently decided to give all the local hot weather complainers a stiff jolt Monday—and she really "turned it on." The current cool weather is reported to be an indication of the sterner stuff to come. If it stays brisk and snappy as it has in recent days, football fans will see some interesting gridiron contests. There's nothing like warm or hot weather to sap the playing ability of rarely eleven. Of course, this does not concern teams from the South, who in turn would be "frozen" by local weather.

Dr. Dwight B. Ireland's annual superintendent's report has been issued and includes a comprehensive coverage and analysis of 1946-47 school activities. The report is 185 pages in length, or 43 pages more than last year's.

Mrs. Winifred B. Lowe, 607 Vinewood street, called in Monday afternoon to say she not only remembered the old Wooster Hotel, but she has preserved an old picture postcard of the building. Located where the present National Bank is situated, the hotel was founded and owned by Ned Daines who sold it to the late Jim Wooster. Mrs. Lowe, who admits she has lived in Birmingham for the past 53 years, knew both men very well. "In the picture are five men, only one of whom was living, and that is E. A. O'Neal of 583 Madison," Mrs. Lowe explained. She said the others were

dentist Dan Johnston, Dr. J. L. Campbell, DUB conductor Charlie Kamin and Clarence Hirschberg. The men were watching local firemen put out a fire at the hotel," said Mrs. Lowe.

Continuing its policy of providing special Saturday morning

movies for the city's youngsters, the Birmingham Theater this Saturday morning is offering a revival of "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," starring Mickey Rooney. Also included as a vital portion of the program—which will start at 10 o'clock—will be (Continued on Page 6, Part 2)

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- French provincial—convenient but secluded location. There are 4 bedrooms and 2 baths. The living room is the last word in old world charm as is the rest of this lovely home \$29,500
- Bloomfield Estates—Spanish type of solid masonry with tile bath and 2 bedrooms each with adjoining sitting room on 1st floor also exceptionally large living room plus dining room, kitchen and maid's quarters. On the 2nd floor there are 3 good rooms and bath. The property consists of approximately 1 1/2 acres \$26,500
- Golfhurst—New Ranch type with 2 bedrooms and bath on 1st and 2 bedrooms and bath on 2nd. The lot is 108 ft. wide and there is an attached 2-car garage.
- Beverly Hills—Georgian colonial with 4 bedrooms and 2 baths on 135 ft. lot. Inside completely redecorated. Immediate occupancy \$24,000
- Brick 3 bedrooms on west side of town—priced for quick sale.
- New bungalow in Adams school district. Additional space for 2 extra bedrooms and bath on 2nd floor \$12,300
- Brick 5 room bungalow on 50 foot lot built in 1944, price reduced to \$9,200
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