

### Birmingham Girl Is Commended by Army Commander

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN SENDAI, JAPAN, APRIL 2—Miss Janice L. Stock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Stock, 887 Smith Avenue, Birmingham, recently received a letter of appreciation from Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, commanding general, Eighth United States Army, as a member of the Amori Military Government Team.

The letter was in recognition of the team's fulfillment of its rice collection quota and its stated

"Achievement of this goal has been possible, I know, only through the conscientious effort and diligence of all concerned. Exemplary work of this kind greatly contributes to the successful completion of our mission in the occupation of Japan."

"It affords me great pleasure, therefore, to extend my congratulations and sincere appreciation to you and the members of your team for the part you have played in the successful attainment of this quota."

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### Walled Lake Park Opens for Season

Walled Lake Park announces the opening of its 26th season starting with pre-season week end openings on April 16, 17 and 18 and every Friday, Saturday and Sunday thereafter until the grand opening for the season on Friday, May 14. The park will be open every day after April 16 to accommodate school picnics.

Roller skating will be the big feature in the early openings and all the thrill rides will be ready for those anxiously awaiting their chances to again enjoy this popular Oakland County resort.

The New Casino Ballroom will have its first week end opening on May 7, 8 and 9, featuring Ted Weems and his orchestra. The following week end, May 14, 15 and 16, Blue Baron and his orchestra will entertain the dancers. The grand opening for the Ballroom is set for Friday, May 28, and it will be open every day thereafter except Mondays.

### Airline Hostess Is Commended by Company President

A former Birmingham school girl, who has been hostessing aboard a Trans World Airline Constellation, was among the airline's crew members recently commended by TWA's president, LaMotte T. Cohen, for helping make possible the company's outstanding record for winter flight completions.

She is Miss Catherine Eby, daughter of Hyatt Eby, 287 Puritan, Birmingham. Miss Eby was graduated from Baldwin high school and attended Kalamazoo College and the University of Michigan.

TWA's Constellations had a remarkable over-weather flying record this past winter, completing 97 per cent of scheduled mileage for the period. The Constellations, which carried 117,000 passengers along TWA's transcontinental routes since November 1, 1947, flew a total of 4,377,000 miles.

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### Michigan's public enemy No. 1 today is inflation, the by-product of war.

It is responsible for most of the problems now before state and local governments.

This fact came to us with new force the other day when we heard State Senator Otto Bishop of Alpena, chairman of the Senate Finance committee, give an excellent luncheon talk on State government's financial dilemma. We then visited the gallery at the House of Representatives at the Capitol. What we heard there was an echo.

Here's the overall picture, as we see it.

The worth of a dollar bill is measured by how much you can buy with it. Compared with 1937 prices, the dollar today is worth only 60 cents.

This is dollar inflation. It has followed every major war: War of 1812, Civil War, World War I and now World War II. It happens whenever there are more dollars in circulation than there are goods on the market.

World War I was followed first by inflation, then by depression. By 1932 the banks were closed; thousands of people were losing their homes. The state legislature voted a mortgage moratorium, abolished the state realty tax, and adopted a 3 per cent sales tax. Eleven cities look retro behind a 16-month limitation of local real estate taxes, as offered optionally by constitutional amendment.

Then World War II came to us via Pearl Harbor. Prices started flying record high, State government collected more taxes than it could spend due to war controls; the legislature took \$50 millions of surplus and created a veterans' trust fund. Money was earmarked also for hospital beds, college buildings and other needs, all long neglected.

Inflation grew worse. Cities badly needed more funds. So did public school teachers. Cities and teachers then put over an amendment to divert 76 per cent of the state sales tax (first adopted as a

### Hayakawa to Lecture at Cranbrook Apr. 23

Prof. S. I. Hayakawa, world famous author, lecturer and semantic scholar, will speak in the academic building auditorium of Cranbrook School on Friday, April 23. His subject will be "A Semantic Approach to the Understanding of Literature."

Earlier in the day he will address the Schoolmasters' Meeting which is being held at Ann Arbor. He is the author of the academic best-seller, "Language in Action" and is a frequent contributor to many magazines throughout the country.

A Japanese by race, Canadian by birth and an American by choice, Hayakawa was at one time a staff member at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

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