

Why is it, when we eat bread upon the water, we unconsciously expect it to come back by return boat—battered side up? Isn't it compensation enough to feel gratitude for the bread we were able to absorb in another's need?

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If the youngsters are using the Lounge and Recreation Rooms, the Living Room with its fireplace and picture window is available for adult privacy. The Dining Room has custom built walnut furniture and built-in cabinets which are included in the price. The Kitchen is a joy to behold and to use—a most modern and efficient unit.

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Bits of Birmingham

It isn't very often that a customer comments on the LOWNESS of a price, but that's what happened to this Wanderer last week. A lady called to inquire about our display advertising rates; when they were quoted to her, she remarked, "I'm not sure your advertising would be effective—your rates are so low." We did not faint, but it certainly was a struggle!

During the past few days the Birmingham police have received calls that someone is shooting dogs. This occurred in the north side of Birmingham, or the Bloomfield Hills' vicinity. Now this Wanderer admits to being a softie where animals are concerned, especially dogs. However, it is hard to understand how anyone, even though he (or she) may not like animals, can shoot dogs. What personal satisfaction can possibly be gained through shooting or poisoning an animal? After all, if you do not like dogs, you do not have to own one. There are few persons in the world who do not

like children, yet when you shoot or otherwise injure a dog, how do you know you are not damaging something dearer by far than wealth and property to some child? You would not think of breaking a little girl's doll nor little boy's wagon, yet neither of these objects would suffer any physical pain. Still you, the person who is doing this thing, will willfully destroy a dog which is dearer than the doll or wagon because it can play and respond to love and fun, and can offer untold sympathy when a little fellow is a bit down in the dumps.

Members and former members of the Birmingham MOMS will soon be receiving a letter asking for funds. It is the aim of the club to erect a memorial—a token of their esteem—to all the young men and women of this city who served in any capacity during the war. They do not plan to honor only those who gave their lives, but those who served and came back as well. The memorial will be a fine electric clock, and will be

placed in a location where it will constantly remind all of these young people who interrupted their daily lives to offer their aid and protection for their homes.

The group of 117 Baldwin high school students have toured the one-time colonial capital city of Williamsburg, Va., that has been restored to its appearance of the 18th century by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. They were given a special escorted tour of several of the buildings that have been restored or reconstructed to a way they looked two centuries ago and saw the setting in which many significant acts in American history for independence took place. Referred to by educators as a "living laboratory" of early American history, Williamsburg is annually visited by more than a half million persons.

When persons attending the city commission meetings heard commissioners names around when addressing them, it brings a slight smile to "commissioners' faces. However, it is difficult to remember names if they are repeated fast during the discussions, and this Wanderer can sympathize with the audience. If you don't know what the individual's name is, how can you address him by it? A nameplate before each commissioner would certainly be a great help to the audience.

Have you noticed how nice the municipal park looks now that the dead leaves have been raked away and the grass cut?

Mavis Bailey and Lillian Stewie, both of Big Beaver, will receive county championship medals for their 4-H club work when club members from the county gather at Pontiac High school Saturday evening for their achievement program. Lillian will be given a dress review award, while Mavis will receive a clothing award.

A local woman called The Eccentric's editorial office Monday morning to ask for the name of the city's road commissioner. As it developed, she wanted his name so she could appear on the ballot that day she wouldn't vote for him. It happens Birmingham has no road commissioner as such. The director of public works, an appointive official, is charged with most of the road maintenance. Incidentally, this wanderer would like to point out that Birmingham DOESN'T have the worst streets in the state. A drive through any of our surrounding communities will convince one of that—practically all roads are bad this spring.

That house moving project at the corner of Martin and Henrietta, necessitated by the construction of the new Telephone building, attracted a good many "sidewalk superintendent's Monday. Employees of the moving firm certainly knew what they were doing—not a wasted motion in the whole bunch.

Get your new-view, 1948 State road map here—can't tell a detour from a state highway without a road map? All this is by way of informing our subscribers that on or about April 16, which is next Thursday, the State Highway Department will have its new, revised, and completely up-to-date road map ready for distribution.

If you believe that a week consists of only 7 days, just ask any local trout fisherman how long it is before the trout fishing season opens April 24. He'll undoubtedly say "two weeks." Trout widows have already learned that their hobbies are anxious to head for the clear streams of northern Michigan. Trout flies, rods and lines have been gone over time and again in the past few weeks.

This Wanderer would like it known that he will walk across the path of a black cat, pass under ladders, break mirrors, and in general

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Venerable Connie Mack, just turned 85, is looking forward to his 65th year in baseball. The ancient and active chief of the Philadelphia Athletics is shown holding a "white elephant," which became the Athletics' symbol as a result of a remark by John McGraw, who said in 1901 when the American League was about to begin its first season: "And in Philadelphia, Connie Mack has a white elephant on his hands." The A's won nine pennants and five world series.

eral commit any other breach of superstition to show he has no fear of "bad luck." This is by way of explanation to the anonymous person (of course) who this week sent him one of those "bad luck" chain letters. It has been placed in File No. 18.

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Genaro A. Flores, 287 Sulfurd Avenue, president and general manager of Flores, Inc., Detroit training and promotion specialists, last week announced the promotion of several company employees including one Birmingham man, James L. McGuire, 1446 Bates street, who has been with the company since 1939, has been made editorial manager. He is a veteran of 13 years' experience in all phases of copy and script planning, preparation and editing.

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First floor includes 2 bedrooms, and upstairs is a 3rd bedroom with lavatory. Certainly there is every modern facility: softener, oil A/C heating, insulation. School district is Wing Lake.

Grounds provide 40 assorted fruit trees: pears, apples, peaches, plums and cherries. A 2-car attached garage is supplemented by a small 1-car barn and tool shed.

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