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Another quality home of distinct design, having 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and maid's quarters, rear stairs, first floor lavatory and basement toilet, breakfast room, library, 2-car garage and real value at \$35,000.00.

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Bits of Birmingham

According to a well known lady, it is not polite to listen to the conversation of others. But this Wanderer could not help overhearing an interesting bit at the concert given Monday evening by Charles Turner and Stanley Lock. Seated nearby were several members of a family, including a young boy who, we gathered, is taking music lessons. At the end of the first brilliantly executed selections someone asked him how he had liked it. "It was swell," he replied with boyish enthusiasm, "but I wasn't listening!"

During the war shortages, it was a common, though questionable, practice to take one's friends and family along to shop and have them get items which happened to be in stock on that particular day. The habit has apparently clung to some, as witness the event of last Saturday morning in a local store. Two ladies approached a still-hard-to-get item, and each took the allotted two-to-a-customer. They reached the cashier's desk, and as she tallied the sales she turned to the second lady and asked, quite evenly, "Shall I pack this with Mrs. Y's things, Mrs. Z?"

It's a turbulent, topsy-turvy world we're living in and it has even struck the merchants to the extent that they advertise it. One of Birmingham's better known shops for women has a window display advertising its annual sale, and a part of the sale signs in the window are up-side-down!

One of our charming Hills hostesses whose parties are greatly anticipated is the owner of a large Persian tabby. The lady is an Easterner and delights in giving real old fashioned New England breakfasts of a Sunday morning. The affair begins with grapefruit soaked in rum or brandy before a large blazing log fire in the recreation room. Then some baked beans with salt pork, codfish cakes and coffee what am I! There is always a clamour for the deliciously browned pieces of salt pork. At a recent party two of the male guests wanting to be sure of their share surreptitiously slipped extra meat on a separate dish and put it on the floor between them to be consumed later on. Imagine their surprise to find it gone. This time the "cat did not swallow the canary"; why should she, in lieu of salt pork?

Genaro A. Flores, 287 Safford, has been made an honorary member of the Michigan Section of the Professional Golfers of America. Tommy Shannon, golf pro at Orchard Lake CC announced this week.

Dick Beale, Birmingham junior at Michigan State College, will play a role in the Children's Theater's forthcoming production, "Mr. Doubly, Jr.," the first full-length play sponsored by the group and scheduled for presentation Feb. 21. Dick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Beale, 139 E. Brown street.

The Oakland County District of the Michigan Educational Association will give a dinner at the Birmingham Community House Thursday, Feb. 5, at 4:30 o'clock. The speaker will be Miss Mary

Ellen Lewis, MEA president, who will discuss "Cheating Our Boys and Girls."

Persons who take short-cuts across local gas station driveways should be ever mindful of the rubber hose stretched between the gas pumps. The hose, which signals the attendant that a car is on the drive, can cause some nasty falls if one trips over it. This was called to this Wanderer's attention by a local station operator who reported that a middle aged woman did trip over one of those hoses, fell flat on her face and broke her glasses and possibly her nose. It can happen to you if you are not careful.

Robert F. C. Copeland, 516 Hupp Cross road, spoke Monday evening at the dinner meeting of the St. James Church Men's Club. His subject was "Advertising."

Several Birmingham Sea Scouts visited the Brodhead Naval Armory last week end to inspect the submarine "Fambou." Those looking over the various compartments of the 300-foot sub were Skipper Richard Brown, Mate Howard P. Estes, Chuck Allison, Dick Blaisus, Gale Elms, John Kalter and Dick Kruschanski.

This Wanderer has been reading about the series of cold waves that have been hitting the Southland, bringing snow and ice to such places as Georgia and Florida. Maybe the Michigan robins have been experiencing those cold snaps and decided they might as well come back up North. Anyway, Mrs. Charles C. Hood, 976 Fairfax, reported to this Wanderer Sunday that a sleek robin had sent a large part of Sunday and Monday sunning himself and sitting berries off a tree in her neighbor's yard. He even allowed himself to be photographed, reports Mrs. Hood.

Residents along East Bannaville street are very pleased to have such a good neighbor as Glen Wing, 163 E. Bannaville. They report that Glen sent a good share of Sunday morning removing the night's snowfall from the walks on both sides of that street.

From Torrey to Woodward, Glen, they said, used his own gasoline-powered snow plow to accomplish the job.

Allan Orth, 583 Mohagan, is the co-author with Charles F. Kettering, research consultant, on a recently published book which tells the story of mass production in a lively non-technical way. Orth is director of GM educational services.

KST Club to Aid 'March of Dimes'

K. S. T. Club held its meeting last Saturday night at Jack Shendoff's, to get into action its annual plans to help the March of Dimes and to elect new officers for the coming semester. Jack Christen and Guy Tunnicliffe, co-chairmen of the drive, organized the drive to pass canisters in the local theatres and obtained 3,500 pamphlets to be sent to Birmingham residents, urging them to contribute to the March of Dimes.

Then they moved on to elections, choosing Jim Ensign president, Steve Campbell, vice-president; Larry Young, recording secretary; Jim Patterson, corresponding secretary; John Chantler, treasurer; Dale Fairway, sergeant-at-arms; Rollie McGinnis, athletic director and Dick Reilly, historian.

Cornell to Graduate Birmingham Youth

Jerrold A. Frost, Jr., of Birmingham is a candidate for the degree of bachelor of science in civil engineering at mid-term commencement exercises February 4 when Cornell University will graduate a class of 450 seniors and award more than 150 advanced degrees.

Frost, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerrold A. Frost, 1530 Cranbrook Road, prepared at Garden City High School. He is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. His campus activities have included membership in American Society of Civil Engineers, Crew Club, Fingers, Lakes Camera Club, freshman crew, Cornellian, Cornell Era, and Willard Straight Committee.

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NEAR ADAMS SCHOOL

A pleasant frame Colonial, well designed. Usual 1st floor and of course, 4 bedrooms up. The bath, tiled, has hot tub and stall shower. Insulation. Living room is 12 x 21! The price \$16,250.

QUORTON LAKE ESTATES

A prime location and a fine street sets up this charming Colonial home. Living room has bookshelves, is 14.6 x 24.6. The dining room with bay is 12 x 16; Second floor has 2 baths, 4 bedrooms. Air heating, oil fired. Attractive carpeting throughout 1st floor. \$28,500.

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CHARMING CAPE COD

Neat as a pin, this brick home offers the best in semi-rural living. Has bedroom and tile bath on first floor, 2 bedrooms and lavatory up. Everything perfect including breakfast bar, recreation room with bar, 22 foot breezeway with attached 2-car garage. Almost an acre—well landscaped. Only \$16,500.

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