

I do not hesitate to acknowledge my desire to become a good Christian. I am glad that, somehow, there came into my consciousness a serious wish to learn more of God, as revealed by Christ Jesus.

The Birmingham Eccentric

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- Here's a spic and span one floor home near the Junior High School, newly remodelled and attractively decorated. The Living and Dining Rooms are good size and open into each other, the three Bedrooms and Bath are comfortable and the Kitchen has been recently made over. The lot is 45 by 120, there's a 2-car garage and the price, best of all, is only **\$10,900**.
- Only \$3750 down buys this attractive Cape Cod near the Holy Name school. The usual rooms on the first floor, with 3 Bedrooms and Bath on the second. The lot is unusually deep—177 feet—which gives plenty of room for gardening. The taxes are \$102 annually. Monthly payments of \$50 automatically pay off the balance of the purchase price.
- This new brick ranch home is just outside the city limits in an excellent residential community. Two Bedrooms and Bath on the first and two Bedrooms and Lavatory on the second; pine Kitchen with picture window and a breezeway to the two car garage. You need only \$5,800 down for this attractive four bedroom, 1 1/2 Bath home. Large basement playroom, air conditioning.
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Bits of Birmingham

We saw a new one, Thursday. A driver pulled her car into a parking spot on Woodward avenue. The meter was red. Mrs. Driver handed a penny to her little boy and stationed him near the front of the car—more or less acting as "lookout" and went her way. In about ten minutes she returned to the car, the lad had returned the penny to her, and they proudly drove away. Well, there is the old saying that "a penny saved is a penny earned."

The Michigan Police Journal, official publication of the Michigan Association of police chiefs and the Michigan state police ran an article and picture of Birmingham's ex-chief John P. Hackett who retired recently. This Wanderer was pleased to discover. The magazine gave Hackett quite a plug as a man of law and order.

A local lady who has been wanting a car for some months confessed to a dream the other day, about said car. It seems that she bought a seven-passenger Cadillac, and when she arrived home members of her family began to criticize her choice because of the gas consumption. She waved it all aside with the bland explanation that she could get about 30 miles on the gallon. Amid the amazed gasps of her family she explained that the car was running on a Crosley motor. Brother! What a dream!

The other day a gentleman confessed to a "pet peeve". He had spent some time hunting through the telephone book for the Michigan Central Railroad station, had finally located it, after much confusion and was late to discover it said "see New York Central Station". The man in question couldn't see anything except red for a moment there.

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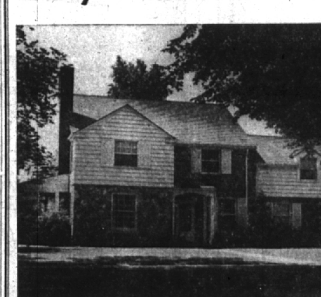
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A glance through The Exchange, national publication of the Birmingham Club, the Wanderer notices the name of local Exchange secretary, Walter C. Morgan, listed among the class of "A" secretaries. Walter, the footnotes accompanying the listings explained, attained to top honors by filling out first quarter, 1948 membership reports, and sending them to National Headquarters promptly.

At a regular meeting of the Patients Benefit Association (O. C. S.) held July 15, tentative plans were drawn up to have a Homecoming for all ex-patients of the Oakland County Tuberculosis Sanatorium, their families and friends to be held Saturday, September 11. A special meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 29 at 7:45 p.m. in the O.T. Room at the Sanatorium to further this large undertaking. The group hopes to have this the biggest meeting yet with everyone attending.

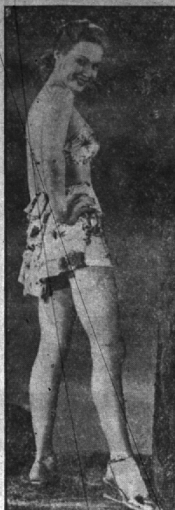
They do it with mirrors—or so they say. A new development in photography makes it possible to photograph both sides of a document at the same time, by using a mirror which projects the reverse side into the camera simultaneously with the face of the object. Now this Wanderer does not want to stand in the way of progress, but heaven's name is going to happen when some bright lad turns this latest into the portrait field.

"Cuddles" is dead. The four-foot crocodile, pet of Marshall Fredericks, 879 Randall court, died at the U of M Hospital in Ann Arbor last week, cause of its demise unknown. Reported Fredericks, "Birmingham first and only crocodile is now in an alcohol-filled bottle in the University's Museum of Natural History."

While the Community House closes during the month of August for its annual repainting, redecorating, the Rotary club will hold its Monday noon luncheon during that period at the Embury Methodist Church, Woodward and Benaville.

Birmingham's new dial system, set for sometime in 1949, will in all probability not start with the letters "BI", this Wanderer learned this week unless the present CHery exchange is eliminated and the "2-4" pull, as Bell employees call it, is assigned to Birmingham. This is not likely to happen. As we get over the grapevine, the Birmingham will be "7-4", or an exchange beginning with the letters P, R, or S with the second letter G, H, or I. Thus it would appear that something like "Pinehills", "BI", "Sheridan", "Giant", "Sheridan", or "Simmons" might be used. Since this "7-4" pull is now being used by the Detroit "Pinegrove" exchange, it appears that "Pinegrove" is to be abandoned or consolidated with some other Detroit exchange before it can become

Curves Do It



The Magazine Photographers Association picked movie star Virginia Mayo as "Miss Star Dimension." Reason for the award and title: "On account of those curves."

available to Birmingham customers. (Now don't begin sending in names for exchange because the Bell Company could give us the "3-0" pull.)

Apparently local dairymen are short of milk cards for their customers. A local woman has been trying unsuccessfully for many weeks to secure one, and on opening the milk box recently felt that at last her efforts had paid off. To say she was amazed at what she beheld is putting it mildly, for there, in all its glory, reposed a daily record sheet, complete with neat little blanks for the farmer to record the vital statistics and daily doings of a Guernsey cow.

We wonder if there is a particular reason why people in Birmingham should prepare for a fast getaway? Last Thursday this Wanderer saw two different cars parked with the motors humming, completely unoccupied. At least we don't think the owners feared a sudden frost.

Just walk through the center of town and you'll know the New Look wasn't created for a new era of women's modesty. Not when you see two friends walking along together as this Wanderer did. One's wearing a skirt that just breezed her ankles and the other sported the newest in the "short" shorts.

A new use for the parking meters in town has been discovered by a young man of nine or so. He sits on top of them and actually manages to appear very comfortable. He looks cute, too, in a white suit, bare feet and with a red and white striped cap over one eye.

If you stop to realize it, you will recall that in recent months a number of Birmingham business buildings have been repainted, redecorating, or building new additions, all measures for the convenience of the customer. Incidentally, it also improves the appearance of the downtown section. Now, if ALL local residents had such a mind to improve the general appearance of the city, and to themselves a monument to the long run, by favoring hard surfaced streets, this Wanderer would be inclined to believe the millennium had arrived. But we suppose Oak, Arlington, Shirley, streets in the Birmingham Highlands subdivision, and a number of other local avenues, will still be full of chuck holes in a year or so now. "Do or die for the 'village atmosphere'" is the war cry of too many local persons. Some of these days this paper will come out with a story or two on THE FACTS, or is it no dirt street safer than a paved street; do speeders go faster on a gravel residential street than a gravel one? We believe some local persons' arguments are getting us into a cocked hat on this score.

Weights and Measures Laws Reach Into Many Channels

The weights and measures laws assigned by the legislature to the Michigan Department of Agriculture, reports that in the Detroit area his inspectors were recently checking on trucks delivering a large supply of gravel for the construction of a new building. The purchaser had ordered several hundred yards of gravel, which was being delivered and billed in ten-cubic-yard loads.

When department inspectors made routine measurements of the trucks and lots, they found on four lots, two had 6.4 cubic yards, one had 5.6 cubic yards, and the other had 6 cubic yards or a total shortage of 16 cubic yards on the four lots. After the investigation was made, the additional cubic yards were delivered gratuitously, to properly fill the contract.

The same law covers measurements of equipment. During the past week inspectors recently found that the public in some instances was being overcharged for gas. The Michigan Department of Agriculture for enforcement.

Director Charles Pigy states there are over 100 laws on the statute books that have been sent to the Michigan Department of Agriculture for enforcement.

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Local Boy Attends OCS's Junior Camp

Charles Holden, 30 Ashley, is attending the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club junior boys' camp this week at Lake Oakland.

With the cooperation of the State Conservation Department, OCS's camp is located on the new public fishing site recently purchased by the department but not yet developed. Twenty-five boys from throughout the county have been invited to the camp and will enjoy a week of fishing, swimming, games and outdoor studies. Adult counselors will be with them.

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