

Around The Cracker Barrel

Last week a lady asked me what we thought of the people of Birmingham. She thought that we should have some rather definite impressions after having visited with many hundreds during the last six weeks. Until then it hadn't occurred to me that we had already formed some impressions, and that they might be interesting to you.

Upon reflection, probably the most amazing thing about all of you people is that you are intensely happy in Birmingham. Or if you live in Bloomfield Hills, or Franklin, then you're just as enthusiastic about your area. I've yet to talk to a single resident of this town who didn't think it was just about the best town in the country. One chap volunteered that Birmingham would be perfect if it was a bit closer to New England. That was the closest to criticism we've heard.

Of course some of you like to beef about the roads, about inadequate drainage and about a hundred other little items. But you always end your criticisms with the statement that Birmingham is still the best town there is. This final statement always seems to come as proof of your right to criticize. It's wonderful.

Many of you fear that Birmingham will grow too fast in the next few years. You have a fear that it will lose its character, will become too metropolitan. You wonder what it will be like five or ten years from now.

I think I can tell you what it will be like. It will be just like it is today, only larger. For it's people who make a town, not new buildings, not paved roads, not more rapid transportation, not even the opening permanently of West Maple. And because you people of Birmingham are as you are, the town won't change.

I'm amazed at your generosity to your friends. This is an interesting trait, and very wide-spread. It just seems the natural thing for you to send gifts to your friends, wherever they may be. We've shipped gifts for you to many states, from Maine to California. Some have gone to foreign countries. We know it's a nuisance for you to bother with shipping these gifts. So, from now on, we'll properly package and send gifts from this store to any place in the world without cost to you. I'd never thought of this when we opened Campbell's Village Store, but so long as generosity is one of your traits we'll do our part by handling the shipping.

Another one of your traits is your love of visiting. This characteristic is most outstanding with almost all of you. We designed the Village Store to encourage this trait, but we had no idea the trait was already so well developed. It's really astounding in this age of rush and hurry that you do take delight in old-fashioned talking. The wonderful stories I've heard from you would fill a book—and that book would be intensely interesting and vivid.

You may be a successful business or professional man; you may be the wife of an outstanding citizen. But underneath you are all real homey folks.

Hundreds of you have been genuinely interested in knowing just how the new store was progressing. It has been loads of fun to tell you of some of our rarer experiences. You've chuckled. You've also cried on my shoulder when you heard about some of our problems. You've been inquisitive in a kindly way, have been interested in the many new products coming in. One gentleman was intrigued by the long tubes, sealed tight, which contained the new Flytex girdles. He was amazed that the most modern of girdles came in such a small package, and wondered just how much of the old-fashioned cord could fit into a tube. When I told him I'd never seen the things before either, he felt our jointed experiences were being improved. When I told him that these new girdles "live and breathe with you" he thought that breathing part was quite an innovation for such a garment. Didn't bother to tell him my price. But to you ladies, they're \$3.50 and \$5.95. Can be washed and dried in less than five minutes.

Another young man, who was puffing contentedly on a pipe which should try someone, was interested in the new Ludman Custom Carved Pipes which just arrived. These pipes are made from fine imported briar, and have a bit guaranteed not to break. You won't bite through 'em either; for in a week I haven't been able to make a nick. These pipes are being made by a young G. I. Where he learned pipe-making I don't know. But they are beautifully and scientifically made, and retail at only \$5.00. No matter what you've ever paid before for a good pipe, I think you'll agree these pipes are as good as the best—regardless of price.

What to do about getting enough White Stag sports wear into the store has been our constant problem. You haven't seen it mentioned here much. We haven't dared advertise it. For, if a shipment came in from Oregon in the early part of the week, it would be all gone before this weekly paper came out. We've handled huge quantities of this fine line, and we're getting near the end of that summer stuff. White Stag came out this year with that astounding line of cotton tickings, cut in the greatest styles. The demand has been greater than they ever planned for, and now that the warm weather is just about commencing, cotton tickings are just about gone. We'll be ordered whatever they can get us have—in any color. We don't know when these last orders of tickin' will be in, or how extensive they'll be. So, if you're one of the scores of women who are waiting for certain items, I'd advise you to check with the store from the time this paper is released. I'm sorry about this, but we have done our best to get our share for Birmingham.

Do you need a new shower cap? If your hair is as thin as mine you probably don't bother. But if you do wear one you should invest 95¢ for one of the new models made by the International Latex Corp. In many colors, they'll stretch almost three feet and go right back into shape. Wonderful to put on and take off without disturbing your hair. The same material in swim caps, molded to the head, with chin strap, for 95¢.

You ladies should see the new items just received from Luxite, that maker of exotic undergarments. New cut nylon slips in black and white; summer pajamas that will really be cool; sleeping coats. And a great many other beautiful undies which I cannot adequately describe.

Oh! yes. Hem facings in many colors. Hope some are still here when this ad appears.

And here's a note to Cranbrook Art Academy students: We have received some beautiful pastel neckties. These ties are made of a special fabric for painting. Some of you artists can probably produce some very gorgeous ties with your own creative ability. We'd be interested in seeing what you can do. They're \$1.50, but hand painted would be worth many times that much. How about painting one for Dad for Father's Day? That comes on June 20.

So when you feel like visiting, come to Campbell's Village Store—the store of National Brands. You'll meet your friends around the cracker barrel. You can shop in comfort, without being crowded or rushed. And when you want to send a gift any place, remember we'll do it for you.

205 Pierce Street

Telephone 5300

Paper Distributed to Subscribers

More than 800 yearbooks were distributed Friday by members of the sales staff to subscribers and advertisers.

The book's planning was headed by Virginia Reinhart, Barbara Kelley, Jeannot Barnes, co-editor; Pete Abbrecht, sports editor; George Allen, business manager; Dick Stoll, advertising manager; and Janet Fishack, sales manager.

The attractive white cover carries a photograph of Baldwin with maroon title. Teamwork is the theme of the book and Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools, wrote the theme article as guest writer.

The editorial staff included Nancy Fisher, Margaret Mary Kemp, Ruth Oldberg, Martha Miller, Sherrill Williams, Pete Abbrecht, Barbara Hughes, Nancy Beck, Jerry Neumann, Betty Drake and Pete Little.

Advertising staff was composed of Jim Patterson, Tom Seaborn, Mary Ann Tomlin, Marilyn Staley, Nan Stromquist, John Parslow, Bill Lewellen, Guy Tunncliffe, Pete Hartzoff, Larry Young, Bill Reid, Neil Stoll, Martha Miller and Phil Allen.

Selling and distributing the book were Bob Bergoigne, Steve Samuels, Mily Chapman, Tom Colby, Evelyn Horne, Marion Monrroy, Carolyn Meiser, Core Mackle, Bill Lewellen, Sherry Quinn, Dick Reilly, Sally Roseberry, Virginia Schaffer, Mary Thiringer, Per Thompson, Guy Tunncliffe and Betty Whitelaw.



By Kay Knowlton

Here's news! Mabel Markley and Sally McCann who were formerly with the Wilson Knit Shop have opened their own shop, the Markley Yarn Nook, at 227 Pierce St. Naturally they want all of their old friends to drop in and say "hello," and want newcomers to know that the shop has a complete line of knitted materials. You'll even find the Ruban D'Art ribbon for making those exquisite knitted ribbon dresses you've seen advertised in Vogue. They are so luxurious looking—yet, with their simple styling, suitable to wear anywhere, anytime—and the cost when you make one yourself, is surprisingly low.

STORE GAZING: You gals who are expecting shoo see the sun-baked woven striped chambrays I found this week at Little Miss & Mom's, 294 S. Woodward. They have large white pique button-on collars, so presto! they become street dresses in a twinkling. And the price is most reasonable—only \$8.98. Another model in smart plaited ruffles has wide eyelet ruffle to give it an off-the-shoulder effect. Both are adjustable, of course, and just as wearable after the baby arrives. The shop also has Bemberg sheers and cottons in those hard to get larger sizes, 14 1/2 to 50.

There's at least one real fisherman in almost every family, and the one in yours should know about the splendid selection of fishing tackle at Maszkill Hardware, 4400 N. Woodward, Royal Oak, just south of 14-Mile Rd. They have everything the angler wants and needs—rods, reels, artificial baits, and landing nets for the big ones. You can also get your fishing license at Maszkill's and that's a real convenience. You'll find all the equipment you need for a happy Decoration Day week-end—picnic jugs, camp stoves, balls, bats, racquets, and even deluxe croquet sets.

Baugh's Bike Shop, 341 S. Woodward, has recently been appointed Birmingham dealer for Schwinn bicycles—one of the most famous makes rolling. Every Schwinn bike purchased at Baugh's is guaranteed against defects in materials or workmanship as long as you own it. Schwinn won't possibly make this guarantee unless they knew their bikes would stand up under all conditions. Schwinn bicycles come in all sizes from sidewalk bikes up, and Baugh's also has some husky tricycles and rubber tired wagons for the lad or lassie who is not quite ready for a bike.

Even though the "thin blue line" of Civil War veterans will not be marching this year, we will still observe Memorial Day by placing flowers on the graves of our loved ones. For this sacred occasion, you can get the very finest cut flowers and plants at Jost, Theisen, Flowers, 3826 N. Jos. Theisen, Royal Oak, just north of 13-mile Rd. They have a plenty of sturdy, healthy plants for your home garden too. They are sold by the dozen too. They can also buy them in flats. Theisen's has quality plants of all kinds, and there is no parking problem.

For a fun-packed vacation, go to Leelanau Lodge, at Leelanau, Michigan—half way between Glen Lake and Northport, in the center of the finest resort country in Michigan. For a good rest, take a room in the lodge and have your meals in the lovely Pandarus Room. The cost of a room is very reasonable—\$2 to \$3 per day for two people. Or you can rent a fancy cottage on the property. There's excellent fishing in Lake Leelanau, and deep sea trolling in Lake Michigan. Golf, swimming, boating, Write: Leelanau Lodge, Leelanau, Michigan, for circular and complete information.

Poppleton School Class Graduates; Award New Plaque

Sixteen eighth grade graduates of Poppleton School received their diplomas Wednesday evening, May 19, from Superintendent Boyd R. Larson. The program was composed of vocal selections by the school glee club, under the direction of Mrs. Derek Bolton and accompanied by Kathleen Higby; these were followed by the class history, prophecy, and will.

The Poppleton Plaque, a new award presented for the first time this year, was received by John R. Acton who was selected by the teachers as outstanding in scholarship, sportsmanship and good citizenship. It will be given annually to the graduate meeting these requirements.

Governor Kim Sigler greeted each graduate individually in his Lansing office, May 20, when the class made the annual trip to the State Capitol. The class members are John Acton, Lewis Bernath, Richard Dear, Richard Fieley, Karl Gravin, Morine Lakin, Richard Loomis, Louis Major, Raymond Major, Lowell Mullins, Theodora Oliver, Howard Rice, Arthur Sartor, Marjorie Shuman, Leona Stalker and Guy Tucker.

Revel of Victory garden organizations throughout this country is urged by the U. S. department of agriculture.

Maples Rate With Top Contenders for State Crown

By Pete Little

When the state track and field meet rolls around Saturday, 13 members of the Birmingham team will attempt to "bring home the bacon", which in this case means the state championship. These boys qualified to participate in the state meet by placing either first, second, or third in last week's regional meet. Of the 13 events being run off the Maples have participants in every one except the 440 yard dash.

Some of the members are competing in as many as four events: Bob Littleton and Rolie McGinnis share this honor and are competing by Littleton and Rolie McGinnis and Bob Polin each of whom is competing in three. The only other member who will clash more than once is Joe Ross in two.

Maples Rate High

Due to the large number of entries from Birmingham the team is rated high on the list of those who aspire to dethrone Alma, last year's champion. Outstate teams also rated as top contenders are Adrian, Ypsilanti, Ludington, Hastings, Traverse City, and Greenville. Gene Seidl, Ypsilanti, for instance, seems to have the mile run under control, completing the distance a 4:32.5.

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at the regionals. Of course, the reigning champions from Alma may have something to say about that. The big doings are slated to begin at 9:30 Saturday at Michigan State College's Macklin Field in East Lansing.

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