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Bits of Birmingham

The town of Oneida, N.Y., has won itself an affectionate spot in the heart of Mrs. Ralph L. Fletcher 137 Webster street. Driving through there very recently, Mrs. Fletcher stopped to make a small purchase, then visited a drug store for some refreshment. When she drove off, she forgot the package. Back home, she wrote a letter to the Oneida postmaster to see if he could recover the item. Just the other day she received this note from Roy Blanchard, Oneida postmaster: "I am mailing you today the package which you left at the store while shopping in this city. I hope that you may call upon us again some day in your travels as we believe we have a nice little city located in a beautiful section of the state."

Those 1,000 or more youngsters participating in the city's annual Halloween party Saturday night certainly didn't waste any time in polishing off those beef sandwiches. The steer which provided the meat for those sandwiches was donated by the ranch firm of Snyder, Kinney & Bennett.

When Horace Heidt brings his Municipal Knights and Parade of Stars to the Fairgrounds Coliseum for one night, Sunday, Nov. 21, he will open the door of opportunity to talent in the Metropolitan Detroit area. The event is sponsored

by Lawrence Tech as part of its big combination Social and Athletic program. A talent scout will arrive in Detroit in a few days. An application can secure an interview by sending an application letter immediately to Station WJW, "addressed" "Phillip Morris"—Horace Heidt auditions". Applicants should state age, address, telephone number, talent, and experience if any. Persons seeking auditions will then receive cards telling them when and where to appear. Entertainers of all types, whether amateur or professional, will be auditioned because the purpose of the show is to recognize all talent. Winners of the Detroit auditions will appear on the broadcast to compete against the winner of the Springfield broadcast, the week before for the \$250 prize and a chance to compete for the \$750 prize in the fourth quarter finale.

Police officer George H. McCann this week is in the middle of his traffic course at the Northwestern University Traffic Institute in Evanston, Ill. McCann started Oct. 25 and will be back home Nov. 13 or 14. He's getting a number of special courses on traffic: control, administration, accident investigation, records, vehicle inspection, etc.

Have you wondered how the city manages to connect new water mains to the present system without inconveniencing too many people? Well, this Wanderer the other night saw how it was done by watching DPW crews connect a 4-inch service for the new dial telephone building. When a water main has to be cut (which was occasioned by this case) the DPW usually does it in the evening, when water demand is lightest. Users between the two gas valves, closed to prevent water from gushing into the ditch, are notified of the two or three hour water shutoff. The main is cut, the water turned back on. That's all there is to it.

Recall all that recent clamor when the W. Maple trees were cut down? The criticism of the city if new plantings were made? In the past several days this Wanderer has heard several unaccountable comments about the new trees, all directed toward the same thought that the trees now seem out of place. These remarks, evidently, must come from the city's radical element which would see Birmingham like any other town in the U.S. of A. To this group this Wanderer hastens the new installation added, then the water turned back on. That's all there is to it.

The competitor of the Birmingham Fire Department seems more well known than the department itself, especially with out-of-town motorists. A car, hauling a trailer and carrying Ohio plates, stopped on West Maple Friday noon with a fire smoldering in the trailer. One of the sales clerks from a local store rushed off with a pail of water to dump on the blaze. Just as the fire was being extinguished, a fire truck and firemen arrived. Apparently they startled the Ohio motorist. "Quite a bit of fire, for the men drove east on Maple, the breeze fanning their fire back into life."

Comes the revolution! A woman driver from Washington, D.C., has come up with a new idea. She has suggested that pink cars be provided women, so men will recognize them instantly and offer greater courtesy on the highways. Highway courtesy, by both men and women drivers, could be increased—of that there is no doubt. What this Wanderer wants to know, though, is what's going to happen in a two-driver-one-car family. Does some big six-footer have to drive his wife's car, or are the manufacturers going to build autos with detachable wheels and wheels that can be interchanged, dead lady, but we won't buy it, thank you.

A glance at the police blotter this past week would lead one to believe that Birmingham has some-thing gotten its "special days" mixed up. One reports a man being requested to leave town after he was found selling poppies on the streets. The second report is of persons stuffing lighted fire crackers into mail chutes. Memorial Day and the Good Old Fourth sure have slipped!

This Wanderer, in observing eastbound Maple traffic since the street has been reopened, notices that cars stopping for the Woodward light often extend as far west as LaBelle's gift shop. This completely blocks off Pierce traffic attempting to turn west on Maple, as well as Maple traffic desiring to turn left on Pierce. Perhaps the police department should consider the advisability of erecting appropriate signs which ask east bound Maple motorists to halt short of the Pierce-Maple intersection which, if they proceeded a bit further they would block.

Members of the local Story Tellers' League are planning a streamlined program of stories to meet the needs of the younger generation. It seems that witches nowadays travel on PT boats, submarines, jet airplanes, or even vacuum cleaners. In fact, almost anything will do as long as it travels faster than the obsolete proverbial broom. Members of this group meet periodically at the Baldwin Public Library.

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Monday, in Detroit, I met an old Italian who used to do a lot of work for me, and asked him if he was going to vote Tuesday. "You betcha my life!" he replied. "Republican?" I asked, and gasped when Tony replied, "No! I vote no Republican. Before I leave Italy they tell me this country she's a democracy, so I vote democracy. I no vote any old Republican!" Our caller feels these people have two strikes against the Republican party before they ever sail for this country!

Committee members, who turned the list of merchants solicited for the prizes given at the Halloween parade, report the list complete so far as they know. In the event that any name has been omitted, please believe us, it was purely accidental. In glancing through the list, you will see that an omission could quite easily be made with so many names handled. It is a grand gesture, which these business men make each year, and it would in no way slight anyone intentionally.

Going to the polls early Tuesday morning this Wanderer overheard a man talking to a friend. He was very enthusiastically saying that the League of Women Voters had been doing an excellent job on this election pamphlet and information work and that they were especially to be praised as they give both sides of the story rather than trying to high-pressure a person by giving their own opinions.

Judy Millman, Margaret Davis and Jonnie Wagner, on Halloween night, highlighted interest in the Tuesday general election by parading as an elephant and donkey bearing campaign slogans of the two major parties. Judy and Mar-

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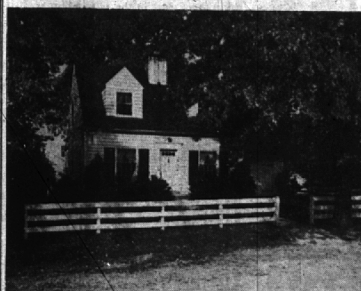
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