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3 bedroom brick all on one floor. Large unfinished studio on second, fine for play room or additional bedroom. Just a short way to school and shopping. Oil heat—2 car garage. Nice, shady street. \$14,750.

BEVERLY COLONIAL

Due to owner's transfer, this 4 bedroom, newly built brick home is being offered at cost. A "bargain" on today's market. Fine landscaping, new carpeting, storms and screens, Youngstown kitchen, oil A/C heat, 2-car garage, covered porch. Worthy of your inspection today!

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Your last fling at a summer vacation may be your last fling if you don't "take it easy" over the long Labor Day weekend. Labor Day weekend hazards are the same as those of all summer vacation time, but excessively heavy highway makes added caution imperative. Take it easy in travel, swimming, boating, sunning, golfing and tennis. You have another year in which to vacation, but not another life.

Monday is Labor Day, the grand climax of the several holiday weekends this year of 1948 has brought us. Many families will be hurrying off to camps and resorts for their final fling before the youngsters go back to school, the fall and winter work schedules and the social whirl begins. Many more will be closing their camps and returning to their homes in the cities. Now, speaking for ourselves, we like news, in fact we have to have news in order to survive—but there are some kinds who do not like our news. Please, drive carefully, wasn't you.

Burt Blodgett, 1827 Banbury, a first lieutenant in the Michigan National Guard, was one of the officers who participated in recent

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We refer you to the "Happenings" column, if you are disgusted with the condition of local streets and sidewalks. There, under the date line of 1928, is an item quoting an opinion that Birmingham had more paving equipment on its streets than any other place in the world. Maybe this is case of history repeating itself, or lightning striking twice in the same place. Anyway, we can appreciate the thought expressed 20 years ago, that eventually the work will be done and they will go away.

That Aug. 23 accident at Woodward and 14 Mile road, in which Leo Flynn and young David Green escaped serious injury, resulted in quite a bit of butter, eggs and cheese being scattered around. Several Birmingham persons, among others who stopped at the scene, evidently were little interested in the accident itself. They were observed hastily gathering up usable butter, eggs and cheese, jamming them in their cars and speeding off. This wanderer sincerely hoped that the salads, omelets and bread prepared with these products tasted mighty good to the scavengers.

Just returned from the National Institute for Chamber of Commerce executives, held at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., is Charles Mortensen, Birmingham C. of C. executive secretary. He is a veteran of World War I, and representatives from chambers in Canada, eastern and northern U. S. who studied organization, membership, civic betterment and financial methods.

Barnum junior high school needed a girls' physical education instructor. But where to obtain one was a problem that had bothered Superintendent of Schools Dwight H. Ireland all summer. Last week the solution came by

way of Lansing. A good friend of Ireland's tipped him off that a girl in Syracuse, N. Y., might be persuaded to take the job here. Ireland arranged an interview with the prospect for Thursday morning. She said she would let him know in a couple of days. So Thursday night Ireland was back in Birmingham. Saturday morning Theresa Nellenbach called Ireland and accepted the appointment. "That's the first time I ever flew after a teacher," Ireland smiled. "But that's how hard it is to get certain types of instructors."

Benz airport is to get two new hangers in the near future. Each will be five additional planes, thus bringing total hanger space to the point where about 30 planes can be kept under cover.

Driving north on Woodward the other morning, the thought struck this wanderer that, considering the way traffic regards that corner, it is most appropriate that a sign on a corner of the Woodward-14 Mile road intersection points the way to a cemetery—a short distance to the east.

Former Resident Named Director of Regional Office

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — The local office of the Department of Commerce has announced the transfer of Roland F. Brown from regional director at large for the Department's Field Service at Washington, D. C., to the position of regional director at Philadelphia to succeed William M. Park, who has accepted an appointment in the Foreign Service of the United States.

Brown, who resided in Birmingham, Mich., from 1927 to 1931, is a veteran of World War I and during World War II served with the War Production Board as Director of the Durable Goods and Products Division and in other important executive assignments associated with the war effort and post-war industrial reconversion.

Prior to his government service, he was for many years a marketing and merchandising consultant in the durable goods and advertising industries, with headquarters at New York City and operating in the Atlantic Coast and Midwest areas.

Brown's former business connections include positions as sales manager of the market research division of R. L. Polk & Co., Inc.; Merchandising Director of George Bijur, Inc. (New York City); and assistant advertising director of the General Motors Corporation, Pontiac Division.

Oscar Peterson Appointed Chairman of Birmingham Y Membership Campaign

Young C. Smith, chairman of the Birmingham YMCA Committee of Management, stated this week that Oscar Peterson, local insurance representative, would lead the membership campaign for Birmingham YMCA during this fall. The campaign opens with a dinner meeting at the Birmingham Community House September 20 and closes October 20.

The goal of the local organization is to raise its membership from a present 604 to 750 members in all categories. The financial goal is \$1,000 which is needed to supplement the Community Chest allotment of the local organization.

Plans call for two teams to compete against each other in obtaining new and renewed memberships in the community program of the Y. The motif will be a western ranch round-up. There will be awards for members brought in as well as the dollar value of each particular member.

Seek Comparable Program. Further details concerning personal details and possibilities of youngsters collecting prizes for

bringing in boy and girl members will be announced shortly. Smith stated further that it is the hope of the local committee of management to create an organization that will eventually build a well equipped structure in Birmingham, which will provide physical facilities and program comparable to other YMCA branches in the metropolitan Detroit area.

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