

The Birmingham Eccentric

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There is a tenderness and affection between most adults and little babies, seen wherever babies are present. Something warm and fine comes forth from adults as they stand before the pure, sweet innocence of babyhood. Perhaps it is because babyhood is an adult's link with a forgotten, or dulled, belief in God.

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Bits of Birmingham

Attention parents! The druggists of Birmingham have added their support to the annual Spring Festival and Pet Parade which will be held May 21 at St. James Church by laying in adequate supplies of bicarbonate soda and pepto-bismal. Year after year, on this occasion, the offspring in Birmingham consume gallons of ice cream, frost dogs, candy, popcorn, frost bites and carbonated beverages. All of this adds up to a troublesome night for parents to say nothing of the temporary discomfort of the youngster. But the general atmosphere of gaiety and fun for all is worth it, believes this Wanderer (who is not to be out-done by the small fry in regards to quantity of refreshments).

Bernard Fowler, acting postmaster, has another choice item for local stamp collectors. The Birmingham post office will begin selling the three-cent Annapolis Tercentenary commemorative stamp on Tuesday, May 24.

Our grandmothers used to have a saying, "Penny wise and pound foolish." One day last week this Wanderer ran into a perfect example of this while making a visit to the police department. A lady motorist was in paying her dollar for having overparked, and laughing at herself. She explained that she saves all her utility bills to pay them all at once. Then, she drove into town, parked, and went to Detroit Edison, Michigan Bell and Consumers Power to deliver her checks. "I figured I was saving postage," she sighed, "as she pushed the dollar across the counter into the city till.

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This Wanderer heard about the "Perfect Squelch" last week. A salesman walked into the office of a big Detroit firm, and for want of anything better to say, asked the executive's secretary how she liked the extremely hot weather we were "enjoying" (!) The young lady, according to the salesman, looked down her nose and gave a very disdainful snort. "What," she asked, "do you think you will do when summer comes?"

How many Birmingham citizens know that a very patriotic little dog lives in the city? She is Trixie, a black and white fox terrier owned by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Douglas, 424 Southfield. It makes no difference where Trixie is, nor what she is doing. Just let her hear the opening bars of our National Anthem and there is no peace for the family until she is let into the living room, by the radio. Once there she takes her stance and in a loud clear voice "sings" the Star Spangled Banner through to the end.

City Plan Commissioner Harry Klein's sub-committee on Parks and Problems of Street Revitalization, from Southfield to Cranbrook road, should be accomplished by adding lanes to the north and south of the present street, rather than by taking out the parkway in the center. While agreeing that the parkway enhances that particular stretch of road, certain city officials point out that retaining the parkway is the most expensive method of any widening program.

B. C. Schleicher, 3103 N. Adams road, is a comparatively new commercial photographer in town. How did this Wanderer find out? The Eccentric last week grabbed the wrong photo credit line and put it under the cut of Rev. Russell Hubbard and Rev. Harold E. Towne showing them breaking ground for the \$60,000 St. James Church expansion program. Schleicher called to let us know about the error and we hasten to give credit where credit is due.

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McCann Resigns from Local Police Force

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley has announced the resignation of the Birmingham Police Department's Patrolman George McCann from the Birmingham Police Force.

McCann is married and lives at 118 West Lincoln.

Robbery Victim Will Not Prosecute Youth

Bloomfield Hills police have recovered the zolf bag and clubs which were stolen from a guest of the Bloomfield Hills Country club on April 24. A 17-year-old Pontiac youth was found in possession of the equipment and arrested.

The owner of the clubs which he valued at \$165, and that in view of the boy's age, he did not care to prosecute. Authorities of Bloomfield Hills are working with the youth in an effort to help him readjust his life, according to Chief Irma Hanks.

Edward C. Lockett Sentenced, Fined

Edward C. Lockett, 22, of Pontiac, arrested for grand larceny from the Bloomfield Hills Country club, has been sentenced by a circuit court to 60 days in the Oakland County Jail, after which he will be on probation for a two-year period. Lockett was also ordered to pay \$100 costs.

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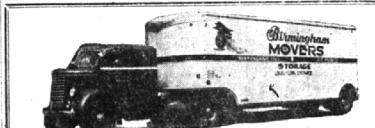
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WEST SIDE

Family home in Quanton-Parochial area. Large living room, fireplace. Dining room, modern kitchen, bedroom and lav. on 1st. Three bedrooms, bath on 2nd. Porch, Garage. Fine yard and garden. \$14,500.00

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