

### Economics Students Will Learn How to Write Bank Checks

A new motion picture will be presented by the Birmingham National Bank to economics students of Baldwin High School on April 3. "Pay to the Order Or" is the title of the film, produced by the American Bankers Association and Columbia University.

The film shows how to write a check, explains various types of endorsements, gives the reasons why checks are used, and explains what may happen to an individual check in completing a payment.

This program of films made available by The Birmingham National Bank as a visual education aid to acquaint students with business procedures which in later life they will use constantly.

Prior to the showing of the film, Herman E. Zerk, vice-president of the bank, will discuss the meaning to the community of the various functions of a bank—his topic being "Your Bank in the Community."

On the following day, the same group will make a tour of the several departments of the bank, where graphic explanations of the functions of each department will be presented.

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## FRANKLIN NEWS

By JO NICHOLS  
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### Mud! Mud!! Mud!!!

Practically every activity in the community for the past week was cancelled because of road conditions.

Family Night potluck scheduled for last Sunday was postponed a week and will be held Sunday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m.

The discussion group has also been postponed and a future date will be announced.

### Circle Square Dance

The Circle square dance will be held Friday, March 31, at the Community Hall, so put on your boots and wade in. It may be fun anyway.

### Bruise Derby

Franklin Church Youth group, consisting of several teenagers, tried their skill at roller skating last Thursday night. Franklin youth are rather inexperienced, due to lack of sidewalks, so of course there were some bruises.

### Bring Needle and Thread

The Evening circle sewing group will meet at the home of Mrs. C. R. Hansen on April 4. On the same day the afternoon group will meet at Mrs. K. E. Nichols at 12:30. Everyone is invited and

bring your sewing equipment.

### Easter Sale

Don't forget the Circle baby and flower sale on Saturday, April 8, at the Community Hall last year there was a variety of Easter goodies and they hope a repeat.

### Community Doings

Mr. and Mrs. George Stark, Jr. entertained Dr. and Mrs. John Sullivan and Mr. and Mrs. John Stark, Sr., at dinner last Monday.

### LEND AN EAR

By MADELEINE BRODIE

### THE MUSIC YOU WANT—WHEN YOU WANT IT

The phonograph, whether LP, RPM, or LS/MPT, is undoubtedly a boon to the beginner intent on enjoying classic music.

No more must one gasp at the end of a performance of a Brahms Symphony, trying to retain some idea of the impression made on him during a broadcast—indeed, trying to retain some idea of the mental note of the melody, the harmony, the orchestration

... a pretty tough job even for the seasoned musician.

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When listening to the radio, if a movement or section of the music is unintelligible on first hearing, one cannot tap the conductor on the shoulder and say—Mr. Metropolitan, if you please! But on records, hearing that music over and over, as many times as you like, is merely a matter of a switch of a switch.

As for diet, our embryonic Deems Taylor would do better to cut his musical teeth on Schubert, Rimsky-Korsakoff and Tchaikovsky, who all abound in irresistible melody. It is true that these composers are usually not snubbed on the radio symphonic broadcasts, but on records they may be had at the listener's beck and call.

Played It Over and Over

I became an addict of symphonic music at the age of eight, thanks to an album of Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony. I played it over and over until everyone in the house began to show signs of a breakdown.

But to me that music was the most wonderful thing in the world. It could make me feel happy and sad at the same time, and it is, to this day, one of my favorites. I think it was through this constant rehearsing of the theme (thanks to the phonograph) that I soon could hum through the entire symphony.

But, of course, Tchaikovsky was responsible for my complete enrapturement.

For a fuller perception, the music must be played loudly enough—and this is important—for then all the subtleties of the bass timbres will be heard. On third or fourth hearing, the listener will begin to be conscious not only of the melody, but also of the harmony, the rhythm and some of the orchestral effects.

Many people make the mistake of listening to a great work of music at half-volume. This is as rewarding as gazing at a magnificent scene in nature through dark glasses. Music must be perceived on many levels if it is to be truly appreciated and understood.

So hide yourself to a sanctuary in your home where you may pursue the music unannoyed and undisturbed (if your house is like mine—there's only one such room)—and settle yourself down to the music you want—when you want it!

### Marksmanship Instructor for Navy's Recruits

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