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One of our Miami correspondents (a local resident back from Florida vacation), tells this Birmingham Wanderer that this southern state has come up with another saying which probably will spread to the rest of the country. Says our reporter, whenever two people get into an argument in Florida and reach an impasse, one of them will demand, "Well, what do you want to do—make a federal case out of it?"

Each year sees many people moving into Birmingham. Some of them stay the rest of their lives, some of them for various reasons have to move on to other communities. Of those who leave, many of them come to regard our city and the friends they made here in a special light. And one way they keep in touch with Birmingham and these friends is through The Eccentric, which they have us send them at their new homes. This week, across the face of her subscription renewal statement, Mrs. Charles H. Betts, now in Des Moines, Iowa, wrote and returned to us (along with a check for another 52 copies) this information: "News from former Barnum and Baldwin high students. Our daughter Mary is a junior at Michigan State and our son Charles, Jr., will graduate from Roosevelt high school of Des Moines this June 8. He is president of the student congress at Roosevelt this year. He will enter as a freshman at the University of Michigan this fall. Still enjoying 'News From Home'—all most three years now."

Yknow, life's going to be awfully dull after the telephone switch-over is made. You'll just pick up the phone, dial your number and get your party. Now, it's different. You run into odd bits of conversation such as one this Wanderer heard on how to feed children. Another time we had one person trying to call outside while we were trying to get that party. Each of us had someone else talking, until finally the operator came into the picture and straightened it all out. Gosh. Those dial phones are going to be dull—the only way you'll get any excitement is to make a mistake in the hole you park your finger in!

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Laurence J. Hetselt, 816 Bates, has been the victim of vandals, a type which is hard to understand. He reports that during the past few days about 60 tulips in his garden have been destroyed. This sort of thing seems to go with the early spring months, and for the life of us we can't see why it is done. What pleasure can anyone possibly get out of destroying beauty?

Out at the W. A. P. John home on Tooting lane, quite a surprise awaited them one day last week. Mrs. John happened to step into the garden only to be confronted by a bright green parakeet which had apparently listened too well to the call of spring. The bird was flying about the yard with no one having the slightest idea where the little fellow came from.

It must have been quite a disappointment to whoever broke into the pump house out at Springdale a few days ago. Robert Patteck, park superintendent, in reporting the incident to the police, was surprised to find that the building but a few empty pop bottles.

When Dudley Hayes, brother of Mrs. Charles Plumstead, stopped the wedding week for a brief visit, he attended as guest, a meeting of the Fernside Rotary Club. Guest speaker was Clarence Vliet who was superintendent of schools when Hayes was attending the old Hill school here.

History repeats itself—Twenty years ago Shanley Rosso sang at the wedding of M. Robert Fawcett and William Spence of Greenfield road. Last Saturday he was soloist again for the Spence family. But this time it was for their daughter, Barbara, who became the bride of Walter V. Allison, Jr.

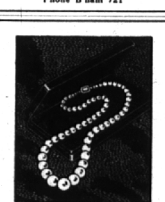
Three members of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce—Eugene A. Moore, Walter L. Moreland and John W. Knecht—spent considerable time looking over the city's proposed budget for recommendations to the C of C board of directors. They pointed out to Dick Patterson, president, that there really was too little time to go over and understand it by the time the city had to approve it. Patterson thinks perhaps another C of C committee ought to be appointed now to take the current budget, understand the reasons back of it, so that next year's budget can be more easily understood and interpreted at the time of its presentation.

The Bham Rotary club was within \$500 of its \$2,000 goal for a local war memorial. The last few dollars seemed to be coming in slowly. So Harvey Rosso, 644 Pierce, got to his feet and said, "Let's finish up this project. I'll start off right now with another \$50!" Within the next 10 minutes, the remaining amount was pledged by other club members. For his Rotary spirit, Harvey has been nominated "Birmingham Rotarian of the Year" by fellow members.

Buttons stole the show. Buttons is the black cocker who, along with her mistress, Joan Howell, Suzanne Moon and Mrs. Dean Coffin, appeared on a television show (WXYZ-TV) last week to advertise the St. James pet parade. Mrs. Coffin and the two girls were to advertise the show, but it was Buttons who really starred. The Howells have taught her to "say" one word—"Mama," which just happened to be a part of the name of the sponsoring product. According to all reports Buttons may become a member of that more or less exclusive circle, advertising models.

The nickel refinery at Port Colborne, Canada, is the second largest consumer of electric energy in all Canada.

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Southfield Twp. News

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Kiwanis Notes

Kiwanis of Southfield will meet Wednesday night at 8:30 with Strathmoor at the Strathmoor Club, 13980 Greenfield road. The speaker will be Gen. Bonner Fellers.

There will be a round table, regular time and place, for those who can't attend at the Strathmoor meeting. Last Wednesday the club was host to the Birmingham group. Capt. Johnson spoke on the history of Great Lakes shipping.

From the Lapeer country club comes an announcement of the 11th division golf tournament Wednesday June 7. Tickets include golf and dinner.

Republican Women

The Southfield Women Republican club will be represented at the State Republican Federation Women club at Lansing on June 7 by Mrs. Arthur Jayne, Mrs. William Donner, Mrs. Harry Hederson and Mrs. Emma MacDonald.

Outline Activities

Goodfellows of this district, at the May meeting, outlined extensive activities for next year. Lawrence Piferlik, chairman, announced plans for a benefit performance scheduled for early December to raise funds to fill Christmas stockings for underprivileged children.

Women will be asked to make children's dresses, shirts, blouses and other clothing. Mrs. Martha Siegmund, 20900 Lahser, chairman, will choose committeemen to secure data on articles for families.

The president of Goodfellows, announced appointment of Ed Combs, Carlton Everett, Mrs. Hazel Hart, Mrs. W. F. Piker and John Neuschwander as the family contact committee.

Local Men Assisting Alumni Fund Drive

Earl C. Kubicek, director of alumni relations for Illinois Institute of Technology, has announced that \$5,000 has been contributed during the first quarter of the alumni fund drive.

Among those active in this 1950 campaign are Reynold Steinet, 27469 Goldengate drive and Earl H. Smith, 216 West Lincoln.

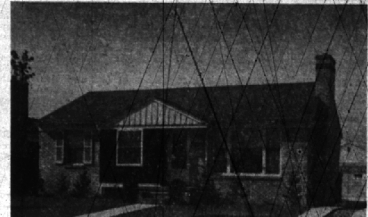
Local Library Plans Carnival of Reading

Miss Audrey Kennedy, children's librarian at the Baldwin public library, has announced plans for a "Vacation Reading Carnival" to be held this summer. All boys and girls of Birmingham are invited to take part in the program, which will be started immediately after the close of school.

The regular Saturday morning story hour is being discontinued until the summer vacation begins.

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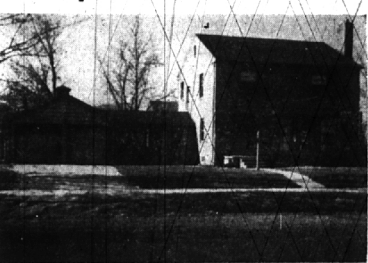
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