

This Is a Real Laugh!

For the "real laugh of the month", ponder the White House words relating to the delayed appearance of influence peddler Donald S. Dawson before the Fulbright Committee...

That statement seeks to explain, said Dawson, that "He (Truman) has been reluctant to grant this permission because he feels that the interrogation of the President's personal staff by congressional committees tends to impair the constitutional separation of powers...

In the light of the history of the Truman administration's usurpation of legis-

lative powers, the White House statement, as relayed by Dawson, not only sounds hollow, but it's filled with hypocritical political double-talk.

When, oh when, has Truman, or his predecessor FDR, ever hesitated to trespass the boundaries of every constitutional barrier set up to keep all of us free?

THE REAL TRUTH, of course, as relates to Dawson's reluctance to appear before Fulbright's group, is the universal belief that Dawson peddled political patronage for a profit...

Then, in 1952, when the "atomic bomb of informed public opinion" is registered at election time, Little Harry and his coterie of cronies will be given one-way tickets to political hermitage!

Declining Britain

As this is written, it looks as though the British Labor Party may soon fall in a forthcoming general election over there.

To a student of history and human nature, this was inevitable. Britain, in less than six years of Labor government, has proved that Socialism, for free men, will not work.

Another phase of the same problem: even though Winston Churchill's Conservative Party may take over, it too, is bound to fall...

"So fleet the works of men, back to the earth again... ancient and holy things fade like a dream."

A Poor Labor Salesman

For an example of, we think, one of the poorest salesmen of the cause for organized labor, tune in on CKLW some early evening and listen to a chap named Guy Nunn.

Having tuned him in a score or more times in recent months, we have yet to hear him utter a single kindly word for management.

To us, Nunn appears to be an individual who, frustrated for some reason in his inner urge to ascend The Mountain, walks along the edges of the foothills and shouts his resentments.

At times, he reveals an expertness in phrasing words, even though they are dripping with venom.

For, as we said in our opening sentence, we believe Mr. Nunn is doing labor a dis-service via his venomous vituperations against ALL of management.

ONE THING OR ANOTHER By George Wm. Averill

This week I climb out on a limb in commenting on the Oakland county tax equalization committee's action in establishing a \$709,400,000 equalized valuation...

THIS BOY can give you what sound like reasonable arguments why his assessments are what they are, why his equalized valuations are much too high...

Old Hands at It--



Happenings of Long Ago

Bits of News Gleaned from Old Files of The Economist-- The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of The Birmingham of Today.

50 YEARS AGO May 17, 1901 It is possible that there are grownup women in Birmingham who do not know that they have no right to pick flowers from the park?

A new hardwood floor has been laid in the drug store of Whitehead & Mitchell and it is a decided improvement.

Mr. Zimmerman is willing that the overflow from his well be utilized by the village. The expense of putting the water into the reservoir would be small and the quantity would be enough for us to water our streets.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lee of Detroit on May 15, 1901, a fine large baby son. Everyone is doing nicely and Grandpa Lee is one of the happiest men in Birmingham.

Hubbards, if you must help your wife clean house--keep your mouth shut. This is not an admission of silent resignation on your part but a simple statement of fact that will save you much trouble.

20 YEARS AGO May 21, 1931 A special anniversary Sunday marked the 104th anniversary of the first Methodist Church of Birmingham.

Strong winds are blamed for the plane crash Monday which cost the life of John L. Beaubien, manager of the Birmingham Hotel.

Awards in every advancement to Scouting will be made at the

HORSE SENSE AND NONSENSE BY ALICE E. MORGAN

We heard, a short time ago, of a mother who refused to let her son enter a program of organized sports "because he is so emotionally upset when he loses a game."

As he grows into adulthood, he is going to be in constant touch with others, in work and play. He will have to learn how to make some adjustments to them, for all are not going to be his particular kind of person.

He will have to learn to look up to some, meet others on a level and will find still others to whom he must extend a helping hand.

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Court of Honor tomorrow night. Members of each of Birmingham's five troops will receive the largest number of awards ever presented here.

World War veterans will convene here June 11, between 400 and 500 strong, for the sixth district's annual convention.

No clues have been found to identify the man, or men, who last week stole tools valued at \$187 from an Abbey road shed.

5 YEARS AGO May 23, 1946 Marcia Ann Loomis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Loomis, faces 28 other contestants tomorrow morning in Washington, D. C., for the National Spelling title.

Ernest R. Breech, Manor road, has been elected a director for the Ford Motor Company and named executive vice-president.

Approval was given by the board of education Tuesday for the \$5,400, two-story, six room addition to the over-crowded Pierce school.

Small Fry around town are getting pets groomed for the annual St. James Pet Parade which, this year, will be held May 25.

Harriet Thompson and Robert E. Warner, Baldwin seniors, have been awarded University of Michigan scholarships for outstanding scholastic accomplishments.

SPRAYING Shade trees, Shrubs, Fruit Trees and Orchards.

Lawn spraying for weed control. Also spraying for mosquito control.

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Foreign Policy Assn. Sponsors Area Speech By Sen. Blair Moody

Local members of the Foreign Policy association announce the first public appearance of Blair Moody since his appointment to the U. S. Senate.

The former Washington correspondent of the Detroit News will speak at 8 p.m. May 18 in Lincoln high school, Ferndale, under the sponsorship of the association.

Sen. Moody was appointed by Gov. G. Mennen Williams to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg.

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