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Bits of Birmingham

In the Oct. 4 issue of The Eccentric appeared that United Foundation Torch Drive advertisement about the late Harry Hellman. Thought by many to be the best in the current UP promotional series, that ad was sponsored locally by the local Ford agency, Harold Turner, Inc. Last week Turner's received a letter from a former Birmingham woman, Mrs. Clay Zinser (Virginia Durant), now in Webster Groves, Mo., asking for a couple of copies of that particular ad. "I want to mail a copy to each of my children, who spent many happy hours during the 10 years we lived in Birmingham listening to Harry as he made each game 'come alive' for them. I would love to know who wrote this ad—it is sincere and beautiful copy." After seeing that Mrs. Zinser got her two copies of the ad, The Eccentric investigated, found that the ad copy was written by David V. Cleary of Young & Rubicam, Inc. Cleary used to live at 1250 Stanley Blvd. here until six weeks ago when he was transferred to the ad agency's New York City office.

If you see Walter Skinner or Allan Lutz apparently talking to themselves—with gestures—think nothing of it. They're just rehearsing their lines for the Village Players' Oct. 25-27 production of "Light up the Sky."

Just as happy today as the day they were married 40 years ago in Jackson, Ohio, their birthplace, are the Charles S. Kinnison, 1328 Latham. To commemorate Saturday's event, they gave a family dinner that evening at Devon Gables. Attending were Mrs. Kinnison's sister-in-law, Mrs. Lauretta Gahn, the Kinnison's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Werner, and their children, Mary Jo, Jack and Jimmy, the Kinnisons' son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Kinnison, and children, Cheryl, Martha, Nancy and Barbara. Only member of the "family" that couldn't attend was 1-year-old Billy Kinnison, who had to stay home with a baby sitter. The former Birmingham board of education president and his wife came to Birmingham 35 years ago, liked the village, stayed.

Clerks at Sire Bros. last Thursday were surprised to find several customers asking for what appeared to be a startling new item in the frozen food line. It was "French fried orange juice." When asked where they had heard of this item, the customers replied that it was in the store's advertisement presenting their tiny blunders. Sure enough, somewhere between the ad copy and the actual printing the extra line "French fried" got into the ad. French fried orange juice is still a thing of the future both The Eccentric and Sire Bros. insist.

While asters and other late summer flowers are making a last stand against the autumn chill, and mums are taking over the field in their own particular blaze of color, the spring flowers are not being out-done. Walking by the Community House one may glance at the space between walk and street, and see quite a few forget-me-nots presenting their tiny blunders. Over on Holland, the honeysuckle at the John Galeci home is blooming as merrily as it did in early summer.

In case the mothers of Barham school children had forgotten the feel of a fire drill, their memory was refreshed last week. Right in the middle of their meeting a fire drill was called. "Mother confessed that their conduct was nowhere near as good as that of the student body. "We got all flustered," one of them explained, "but the children were very orderly and knew just what to do. It was comforting experience to those of us who wonder and worry about

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Richard L. Reynolds, 31702 Auburn drive, Beverly Hills, is member of the University of Michigan band this fall. The band has 152 members with 135 in the unit, which takes the field and there are 17 alternates who fill in as substitutes, handle props required for a band show and take part in special numbers. This fall the group will appear in an RKO-Pathé movie short, "Here Comes the Band." It will also make the trip to Ithaca, N. Y. for the Michigan-Cornell game Nov. 10. Reynolds is a freshman in the college of literature, science and arts and plays the cornet.

Ed Felath of Detroit, who played baseball in Michigan over 50 years ago, dropped into The Eccentric office this week to look in to the newspaper's files of 1905. In that year, a Birmingham Merchants baseball team played several games with Detroit outfits. Felath, a retired Detroit police officer, has a hobby of collecting information concerning old-time baseball games. He stated that more than 50 former players frequently have him look up details of past games. He stated that he

played in Birmingham several times while a member of a Saginaw squad.

A bit of history of the Bloomfield Hills school was carried in the current issue of the Vaughan school paper. It mentioned that the original building was located in the structure now housing the Swanson architect building on West Long Lake road. When the enrollment became so large that the two-room building couldn't hold all the pupils, students were transferred to part of the building now used by the Kingsley Inn. However, 20 years ago in 1931, the present building was erected on Vaughan road and all the students were accommodated there.

Mothers and dads who were worried about their Small Fry and the Halloween bonfire near Hill school can now shed those fears. The bonfire, this year, is being replaced by a real, old-fashioned German band. The band will take part in the parade and then retired to the spot where previous bonfires have been, to provide music and entertainment while the food lines are being served.

Rollie Reese, chairman for the annual Halloween party has reported that more than 5,000 requests for tickets already have been received. "It's changing our plans a little," he said. "We have more kids right now than we expected and are having to increase our orders. It looks as though we'd use the same description again

this year about it being a bigger party than ever before. We say that every year."

Claiming the 1951 record for the most subscribers growing on a single stalk is George E. Martin, 713 Pierce. Martin says in his yard is one plant with 12 flowers on one stalk.

Delegates Named To City Employee Safety Committee

An employee safety program has recently been adopted for city personnel, to promote on-the-job safety among the various departments.

Safety training will be conducted during working hours, with the first problem being to reduce the number of accidents involving city equipment. Movies and panel discussions will be developed to make safe driving a habit with city employees.

Representatives from the various departments include Supt. N. T. Knapp, Asst. Foreman Richard Haskins and Charles Hill, Union president from the DPW; Chief Ralph W. Mosley and Lieut. Henry Timm, police department; Chief V. W. Griffith and Charles Reynolds, fire department; Earl Sanquist, municipal building employees.

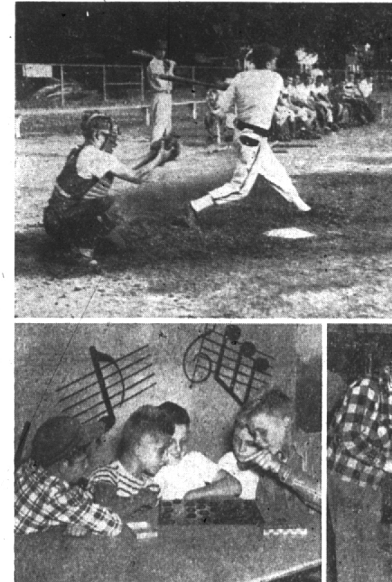
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minds by treating diseased bodies. (You'd be surprised how many juvenile delinquents have been found to be handicapped physically or in need of medical care of some sort.)

When you give to the United Foundation, a good part of your contribution goes to the services that give kids the chance they need. So when the United Foundation volunteer knocks at your door, remember Metropolitan Detroit gives once for all. Be sure you give enough!

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