

To become great one need not build a great cathedral, invent something wonderful, rise to political heights, etc. The great majority of human beings are just common folk, many of whom do ordinary things, including acts that God would approve.

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NEW BLOOD IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

This paragraph is being written in the morning of July 3, before the Republican national convention... Up to ten days ago, I was on the side of Sen. Taft, though not... Indeed, the morning of Thursday, July 3, I telephoned Michigan's... Arthur Summerfield at Chicago... I was impressed by a wonderful and fine American citizen... It was the impression of a wonderful and fine American citizen... There was a tremendous fight on that... I might say too lengthy speech of the General.

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Rising Asks Again About Oak Paving

"When are we going to get Oak street paved?"

"I am now in my fourteenth year as a resident of Birmingham and my second year as a city commissioner in trying to have the remainder of Oak street paved."

City Manager D. C. Egbert replied that City Engineer L. Richard... Rising said that he just wanted to keep this problem before the commission and that he would let it "pass" this time.

THE horn of a vintage which might have been quite common during the early Hoover days...

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Delegate to GOP Convention Tells Of His Experiences

In a special account written at the Birmingham Eccentric's request, Dr. John P. Wood, Birmingham resident and a delegate-at-large in Michigan 46-member delegation to last week's Republican national convention in Chicago, describes his reactions and experiences in the five-day struggle with now General Eisenhower named as the GOP standardbearer.

By DR. JOHN P. WOOD Michigan Delegate-at-Large to the Republican Convention

You have asked my impression of the recent Republican convention in Chicago. The atmosphere of that convention certainly was one of excitement and tension, charged with uncertainty and electricity during the early period of the convention until it became obvious (and I might mention that the obviousness of that situation did not arise until the vote was in) on the final balloting that General Eisenhower had become the nominee for the presidency on the Republican ticket.

In the keynote speech, General MacArthur did a wonderful job and he was exceedingly impressive, but not to the extent that those various delegations... It was the impression of a wonderful and fine American citizen... There was a tremendous fight on that... I might say too lengthy speech of the General.

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Convention Hubbub Recalled by Hostess

By ALICE E. MORGAN

To many of us, through the magic of TV, the Republican national convention became a real, pulsing thing for a few hours every day. To two Birmingham girls, Miss Marjorie Gardner, 763 Ann, and Miss Barbara Gans, 950 Pilgrim, it was more than that—they were there.

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HER REACTIONS, following this news, showed little excitement... "Everyone there expected it would be that way," she smiled. She was not so calm, however, in telling of her experiences there...

ONCE at the convention life became more hectic. The girls found their white... "I'm happy about it. I think that the general is the man our party and the country needs. It's certainly true we have a better chance now than we had before."

City Commissioner Lance C. Mink... MARJORIE GARDNER in "like" uniform (Eccentric Staff Photo)

Removal of Angle Paving on Woodward to Be Studied

City Delays Water Action Another Week

The rains came to Birmingham Monday night while city commissioners sweated over the problem of the city's decreasing water supply. The city will hold off on any enforceable restrictions on water users for another week while it keeps its eyes on water pumping charts and cooperation of lawn sprinkling residents.

COMMISSIONER Frank Rising commented that a number of applicants were running in the Woodfield Village area and asked that the village be contacted for help in preserving the underground water level.

Troy Youth Hurt In Gun Accident

A 15-year-old Troy township boy remained in critical condition Wednesday at St. Joseph Mercy hospital, Pontiac, following a hospital accident, after undergoing surgery to remove a .22 caliber bullet from his chest.

District Democrat Delegates Leave

One Birmingham man will join delegates from 11 other district delegates as they leave this weekend for Chicago and the National Democratic Convention.

Expect to Open Maple Next Week

Detour-happy Birmingham residents may have some relief on Maple avenue early next week.

Citizens Like Ike's Nomination

What do Birmingham citizens think of Eisenhower's nomination? "Very good," appears the consensus of several who allowed themselves to be quoted by The Eccentric this week.

City Commissioner Lance C. Mink... Mrs. Margaret Machin, director of the First Presbyterian church... "They say Taft has had more experience. He has, politically, but"



THE SOUTHFIELD PARK CABIN will be a professional job if Warren Reid, president, John Mitchell, Larry Reid and Harry Anderson (left to right) have their way about it. These four members of the Southfield Kiwanis club are among the club volunteers who visit the park weekends, using to get it shipshape for the public. The club is currently engaged in building the log shelter, to add electric line poles and making like frontiersmen as they notch, raise, "butt" and chink the heavy logs into place. (Eccentric Staff Photo).

Officers Named in Troy

Troy township board members appointed a police chief and patrolman to the newly-created police department Monday night, but not without opposition.

Supervisor Norman Barnard, willing to go along with residents' wishes, could find no agreement as to how the committee or commission was to be named.

Rooftop Shelter Funds Sought

A local rule which prohibits women serving with the Ground Observers Corps to work above the second floor of the municipal building has put Birmingham on the spot, GOV. Supervisor Richard Dewey told city commissioners Monday.

Royal Oak Youth Fined

Lloyd Upton, 22, of 1031 Alexander, Royal Oak, was fined \$25 plus \$10 court costs and placed on six months probation Monday by Judge J. Gaffin for contributing to the delinquency of minors.

Strictly Fresh

NOW that our planes have knocked out those North Korean hydro-electric plants the Reds will probably claim that we've taken away their right to volt. For fall fashion it's the slim waistline and the tapering checkbook. Television coats for the two national bicyclists conditions run to about seven million dollars. A lot of hay for an elephant and a donkey. Now that the S. S. United States has the fastest ship afloat the Russians will probably invent it.