

The Birmingham Eccentric

Many of us are required to fight, unceasingly, the tendency to worry. Perhaps these times aid in making so many people feel insecure. How can one fight back against this tendency? How other than to recall daily that most worries are unfounded.

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One Loses, One Wins in Tourney Play

St. James Episcopal church ran a croquet against First Methodist church of Dearborn in its play-off game in Detroit last Sunday and failed to maintain its slight advantage losing 29 to 27.

Birmingham's Intermediate 'A' entry was paced by Bud DeLoria and Bill Leckie whose early talks gave the locals a three point advantage at the quarter and the half. They were unable to hold or build upon in this lead the second half and lost in the closing minutes of play.

ST. JAMES' second game in the loser's bracket of the double elimination tournament was played last Tuesday. The score was unavailable at press time.

First Presbyterian church rolled over Grace Evangelical Reform church by a 40 to 39 score and advanced to the second round of the Metropolitan Detroit Intermediate 'B' Division. Dick Emery, Tom Stinson, Doug Colwell, Bill Nicholas, Andy Dennison, and Sam Stinson all looked good.

The Woodward Avenue boys jumped into a four point lead and held it throughout the game in their second round contest against Church of God last Tuesday night, the game was incomplete at press time.

Detroit Church Sponsors Special Presentation Of 'The King of Kings'

Cecil B. DeMille's immortal masterpiece, "The King of Kings" will be shown in Detroit March 31, April 1 and 4. The film is brought to Detroit under the sponsorship of Metropolitan Methodist church.

The film has been shown in 186 leading cities during the past 11 years, drawing large audiences at all times.

The simple Christian story is portrayed with reverence, beauty and great power. Filmed in 1927, the picture is now being made available through the efforts of a national committee of 125 ministers and laymen in 38 states.

It is estimated that more than 900,000,000 have seen the picture to date.

During recent years it has been carefully edited and a number of titles have been revised to bring it up to date. The showing at the Metropolitan Methodist church is open to the public, without charge.

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AMONG the several displays done by the adult education groups, sponsored by the Birmingham Community House during the past winter, the arrangement of silvercraft was one of the most popular. Here (left to right) Miss Ann Faulkner, Mrs. Robert F. Hawkins, Mrs. G. A. Hoffman and Mrs. John A. Foster stop for a more careful examination of some of the work. The exhibit also included work of the weaving, millinery, sewing, ceramics, gardening, painting and creative writing classes.

Tennis Club Makes Plans For Season

Members of the board of governors of the Birmingham Tennis club met Saturday to plan for the coming season. This will be the sixth year that the club will use the courts at Kingwood School, Cranbrook.

The club will take over the courts, as in previous years, following the close of the school year.

Much of the tennis activity in southern Oakland County centers around the Birmingham club. Opportunity to play will be provided daily throughout the season for beginners as well as advanced players, according to Ray C. Sackett, club president.

"OUR MEMBERSHIP is made up of first year players, as well as college team members, former collegiate players, members of high school teams in Southern Oakland County and many who are just ordinary players," Sackett reports.

A few new memberships will be

Highly Schooled Horse At MSC April 4, 5

When the fourth annual Block and Bridle show is held April 4-5, at Michigan State college, Bud Leach and his trick horse Fal will once more do their part on the program.

The show will include some of the most famous horses in the state, including the six-horse hitch of Clydesdales and the eight pony hitch of the Holland furnace company.

Gaited horses and numerous competitive events also are scheduled.

Activities for the 1952 season will include one or more clinics given by top ranking professional tennis coaches, matches with other clubs, weekly instruction for the younger junior players, the annual club championships and the annual Birmingham Invitational Tournament which closes the season in September.

THE INVITATIONAL has become one of the well known tournaments of the year in Michigan. Several top ranking men and women players in Southeastern Michigan participate.

The two permanent cups emblematic of the men's singles and women's singles championships will be awarded in the Club Tournament. The Averill Cup donated by George R. and Paul N. Averill is now held by Dick Gabori, while the Milbrand Cup given by the Otto Milbrand family is held by Katherine Smith for the second consecutive year.

Players interested in knowing more about the Birmingham Tennis Club can get information from Board Members Chas. N. Blunt, Edw. L. Dingler, Elizabeth Giles, R. C. Sackett, Mrs. F. C. (Katherine) Smith and Jack Watson.

Playoffs Continue On Baldwin Floor

St. James Episcopal church engages Embury Methodist church at 7 p.m. Monday at Baldwin School floor and First Methodist tackles Lathrup Township at 9 p.m. in the first round of the local play-off series.

At 8 p.m. F. J. Mutholland plays

North Chevrolet for the right to meet Auto Dealers in the championship play-off game.

All quintets were handicapped last week because of lack of gym space necessitating postponement of their games for one week.

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Lyle Groves, Jr., Draws 15-30 Years in Jackson For Detroit Robberies

Lyle Groves, Jr., 28, of 611 Watkins was sentenced to 15 to 30 years in Jackson state prison on Wednesday, March 19.

Groves, who successfully broke through a police trap set about his home last Aug. 9, was arrested in Miami, Fla., last January. Upon being returned to Detroit, he entered a plea of guilty to charges of armed robbery of several Detroit cleaning establishments.

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V. B. "Bud" Watkins

When a business man like me, who has plenty to do just making a living and taking care of his family, decides to run for City Commissioner—it is not surprising if his friends question his sanity. Maybe my friends do, too.

Perhaps one does have to be a little crazy to run for public office which is a voluntary contribution of time without financial compensation. But too many of us like to talk about what's wrong with government, and not enough of us are willing to try to improve it. At least that's the way I look at it, and being one of those who talk a good deal and criticize a good deal, my conscience traps me into admitting that I should put up or shut up.

Birmingham has had good management and judicious direction. It is run by the people, for the people. For the most part, it is the Commission's job to pass judgment on the activities and policies of the salaried management of the city.

It seems to me that business experience would qualify me to judge Birmingham's business problems. Business and administration has been my job for more than twenty-five years. If I can, through diligent effort and unprejudiced judgment, contribute something to my town, I am eager to do so. Having attended Commission meetings regularly as an interested citizen during the past few months, I believe that I understand the problems the city faces.

You may be the judge. If these are sound reasons, I would appreciate your vote on
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