



BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

A BIRMINGHAM resident, Miss Joan Frederick, 1985 Villa, is among the members of the Home Economists in Business who will be highlighted on a TV program (channel 4) at 8 p.m., Oct. 10, Doris Eton Travis, mistress-of-ceremonies, will interview some of the guests while others will take part in the dancing program.

IF YOU ASKED St. James Rector Harold Towne to describe world conditions today, chances are he'd repeat this story: A teacher asked little Jimmy to tell the class what the shape of the world was. "Well, teacher," little Jimmy responded, "according to my Daddy, it's in the worst shape it ever was."

AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING Oct. 23 at the Community House, the Pembroke Manor Assn., Inc., will decide whether to include in its membership the residents of the adjoining subdivision to the south, East Maple Gardens. If approved, it would comprise the 21-block area north of E. Maple, and east of Eton road.

Annually, at this time of year, Birmingham and vicinity become overrun by members of the scinturiger rufiventris family: These wandering forms of organic life appear to be aware of the fact that winter is on the way, and so they carry on their age-old economy in the best traditions of self-survival. No doubt you have seen them in scattering about your own premises. They are, we have been told, responsible in no small way for the extension of much forested land. More commonly, of course, they are known to us as squirrels.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE B'ham Rotary club's "Peace Memorial" is expected to get under way immediately. To be located near the main entrance to the new high school, work will be rushed in an attempt to have it completed by Armistice Day, Nov. 11.

THIS WANDERER'S faith in Mother Nature (incidentally one of long standing) was somewhat shaken Friday evening. We stepped outside just at dusk to draw a cover over the flower box to protect the geraniums from the frost, and, as it is our custom, paused a moment to glance skyward. Our astonished eyes saw a flock of ducks, winging their way north just about as fast as a duck can travel!

ONLY A FEW of the people who saw the new home of the Raymond Giffels last Sunday are aware of the whole story. Mr. and Mrs. Giffels have been planning their dream house for some time and the whole thing is strictly their idea. Mrs. Giffels said that actually the key feature, the Zakaloped room, isn't as startling as it sounds. "It's simply that the room is so 'flexible' through the use of doors," she said. "It serves many purposes and undergoes many changes simply by closing a door."

WHEN THE ordinary citizen sees queer animals in queer places, he is greeted with raised eyebrows. What happens when a police officer finds a snapping turtle wandering behind a wine shop? He calls the dog warden who finds himself stuck with the critter. Patrolman Anthony Steil, found the turtle, placed it in a barrel and sent out a call for Warden Ralph Riley. Riley took charge after successfully dodging several lunges from said turtle and carted it away to what he hoped was a more fitting location for its kind.

QUITE A BIT of attention this week is being given to the display in the window of a Birmingham drug store. Fire Prevention Week is its theme, with an excellent display of posters and fire fighting equipment. What the passerby wonders is how many bewildered little boys went to get their favorite fire truck for an hour's play, only to find daddy had borrowed it for a window display.

IT IS HOPED that the Oakland County GOP doesn't have too many of the following kind of contributors: One Birmingham Republican was approached by a solicitor for a campaign contribution. After some discussion, the man gave \$5. And only the weekend before, his contributor took 11 persons to a Big 10 football game, after which he treated his guests to a dinner at a country club.



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2 Pals Reunited By Friend with A Gov't Catalogue

By RUTH ANNE SILBAR
Special Writer for The Eccentric

Of all the horses Robert F. Sarver of Beach Road, Troy township, has ever owned, "Reno-Ordain", a thoroughbred bay mare, is the only one he has ever become sentimental about.

Sarver, whose father was a professional horseman, had been around horses ever since he was a youngster. Because of his knowledge of horses, when he entered the army as a private in 1941, he was stationed in the second cavalry division at Fort Clark, Tex.

Once in a while, Sarver said, the army did put men into the cavalry who knew something about horses.

THIS DIVISION received 44 horses from Fort Reno, Okla., the government's Remount Service, a division which bred cavalry horses from the early cavalry days until it was disbanded in 1946. From these horses, Sarver picked "Reno-Ordain", serial number 1-D2, and the mare was assigned to him.

"She was a young horse, only four years old and not even broken yet," Sarver reminisced. "I used her a year and a half for patrol duty on the Mexican border until the division was shipped to Africa in 1944 and Reno-Ordain was sent back to Fort Reno as a brood mare type. I lost track of her then."

SARVER SERVED in the European theater, but tanks had supplanted the horses. In January, 1946, he was home and out of the army, ending as a first lieutenant.

In October of that year, a friend came to see him with a catalogue of government surplus horses for sale. While casually looking through the catalogue, Sarver came across the serial number, "1-D2," and immediately went into action.

"It was on a Friday afternoon," Sarver said, "that my friend, in a quartermaster's post, I bought Reno-Ordain the next morning—Saturday—for \$300 and had her shipped home."

GOVERNMENT-BRED Reno-Ordain, by a sire named Donny and a dam Reno-Kneeling, has been entered by Sarver in six races—Point to Point and Timber races—and has won five of them. "She isn't against horses like Citation or Whirlaway," Sarver said, "just local horses and in amateur races. But we have a lot of fun."

Sarver has ridden the mare for six years for fox hunting, a sport of which he is particularly fond. She is a gentle horse, so gentle that Sarver puts his two children, Claudia, aged four, and Ellen, aged six, upon her back and she gives them a ride around the pasture. The serial number branded upon her neck is clearly visible.

"MY WIFE claims that if this mare could cook, she'd be out of luck," Sarver declared. "It's the only horse I've ever had any sentiments for. I've had several chances to sell her, but I never would."

Sarver is planning on breeding Reno-Ordain next year. He agrees with the army's classification of her as a "good brood mare prospect" because of her type. Her conformation (lines and proportions) are just right, he says.

Another one of Sarver's horses (he has four) is "Our Boswell," a four-year-old thoroughbred gelding.

THIS COLT, Sarver declared, is the best looking horse he has ever owned. He is deep through the chest, his eyes and ears are big and wide apart, he's long in the neck, is straight-legged and has well-rounded quarters.

"The good Lord just put him together" right," Sarver said. "With his looks, it's a shame that he's a gelding."

The sire of "Our Boswell" has sired winners of more than \$200,000. This horse is used by Sarver only for hunting.

A dapple grey half-bred horse, which belongs to Mrs. Sarver, is his most unusual horse because of his age.

"He is 21 years old and still going strong," Sarver said. "If you make the usual comparative ratio of 4 1/2 years of human life to 1 for a horse, this horse is between 30-100 years old. He should be dead, but he doesn't know it."

A RECENT acquisition to the Sarver stables is a half-bred mare purchased in September. Sarver is training her for the open classes in local horse shows.

"In an open class, a horse is judged purely on performance," Sarver said. "As long as a horse can jump, that's what counts. You don't have a judge to say that her neck isn't long enough!" Sarver, who is a Detroit manufacturer's agent with the Richard Wallace Sales organization, tends to his horses on his 16-acre home site. He works the horses every morning (starting in July) to get them fit and ready for the hunting season which starts the last part of August and runs up through December. A fox hunt on Christmas morning is not unusual, Sarver says.

HIS HORSES are stabled in a very well-built barn of cinder block with cedar clapboard gables. The barn, which took two years to complete, was constructed by Sarver during vacations a and weekends.

He would never build another one, he says, because it was too much work building this one. Besides, it would take too much time away from his horses.



SARVER STANDS BETWEEN HIS TWO FAVORITES

Former Army mount, "Reno-Ordain" is at left (Eccentric Staff Photo)

Suggests Stretchers For Police Vehicles

It would cost only about \$85 to equip a police car with stretchers and blankets to be used at accident scenes, City Commissioner Lance C. Minor told his colleagues Monday night.

Handing each a folder explaining the idea, Minor said, "The police could put the injured party on the stretcher, cover him up, and all the ambulance crew need do is lift the stretcher into the ambulance."

This would get the injured person off the cold pavement and save valuable minutes for the ambulance crew, he stated. The commission in the past has considered a type of municipal ambulance service, but has turned it down in favor of a private system as long as it continues to be efficient and fast.

NO HUNTING — NO TRIPPING signs may be purchased at the office of The Eccentric. (30)

* Smile A Minute ...

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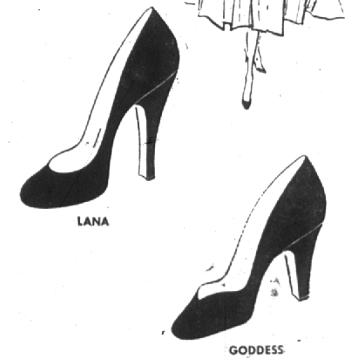
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