



PARTING TIME
Ann Lawlor says "goodbye"



PERFECT COMPANIONSHIP
Mark visits with Laddie (Eccentric Photo)

Some observing person recently said, "Every man is occasionally what he ought to be perpetually." Doesn't this simply mean that so much of one's time is spent in the role that portrays his better, better self—such a pity, isn't it?

Hills Family Restores Small Boy's Happiness

By ALICE E. MORGAN

Four-year-old Mark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erling Ollila, Dawson road, Warren, probably wondered last Friday how one little boy could be so happy—and so sad—in such a short time.

Four-year-old Mark was left heartbroken two days before Christmas when his favorite present of all—Prince, a big collie—disappeared.

Prince had been given into Mark's care after his own family at Walnut Lake had been broken up following the Dec. 15 fire which killed his mistress.

Continued search has failed to locate the big dog, but a story in last week's Birmingham Eccentric did arouse the sympathy of the Lawlor family in Bloomfield Hills.

THE FAMILY had two dogs (one a collie) and a cat. It was decided the collie should go to Mark, to be his dog and make this a real Merry Christmas.

Remembering Prince's short stay, Mark questioned everyone to assure himself Laddie was his dog. Off in a corner he knelt before the collie and related his Christmas experience, and asked Laddie to "please stay here to play with me and Nick."

Six, younger than his brother, by about two years, simply stared fixedly at the collie, eyes like saucers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollila smiled as they watched the boys and dog. They tried to express their thanks to the Lawlors, but failed.

"It's wonderful of them to do this," was about as far as they could get which, after all, seemed to express it very well.

Muscular Dystrophy Total Near \$2,000

Muscular dystrophy campaign headquarters in Lansing this week said \$1,934.27 had been contributed to the drive by Birmingham area residents. Fire Chief Vern W. Griffith, who headed the local drive, said firemen and postmen cooperated in making collections.

New Hearing Date

Hearing on vacation of Elm street for a short distance north of Webster has been changed to Jan. 17 by the Birmingham city commission. Abutting property owners say they need the area in order to properly develop the northeast corner of Hunter blvd. and Webster.

Just Making Sure

Nothing like making reservations well in advance, the Birmingham MOMS unit believes. This week it asked for—and received—the city commission's permission to hold its tag day on Friday, April 23, 1955. Proceeds of the tag sale assist hospitalized veterans and families.

We Heard It Said By:

MRS. KARL KOCHER, Secretary, Oakland county humane society: "Owners are missing a good safety measure for their pets when they permit them to go out without any type of identification tag on their collars. Right now we have a Labrador retriever, a really beautiful dog, and cannot find the owner. The animal has neither license nor identification tag. Any dog has some value to its owner, whether it be pedigreed or not. A metal tag with the owner's name and address would save the life of many a pet as well as time spent trying to locate the animal."



FOR HIS "outstanding work toward the advancement of science," Dr. Sereck H. Fox, 229 Linden, has been named a "Fellow of the Academy" by the New York Academy of Sciences. Dr. Fox is vice president in charge of product development and control for the K. F. Scherer corporation, in Detroit. He has been with the company since 1937.

Birmingham JA's Take Active Part In Convention

By TED DONAY

Four local members of Junior Achievement attended JAMCO (Junior Achievement Midwestern Conference) last week. They were Mary Collins, Kitty Wilson, Jeanette Munge, and Ted Donay.

JAMCO is an annual convention held in one of the large midwestern cities each year. This year, Detroit was picked as the host city. The teenagers stayed at the Fort Shelby Hotel.

At JAMCO, over 400 achievers from as far away as St. Louis and Chicago gathered to discuss business problems and sales techniques.

It was not all work and no play for the youthful group, however, but at the conclusion of each of the four days work (Dec. 27-30) the achievers gathered in one of the hotel's ballrooms for an informal dance.

Dec. 30, the final day of the conference, was devoted to tours of the auto plants or free time. Most of the out-of-town delegates chose the "free time" in order to have a chance to explore the world's motor capital.

THE BIRMINGHAM group was kept busy with newspaper reporters and television cameramen. JAD (Junior Advertising) sponsored by The Birmingham Eccentric, was considered so unusual and outstanding, that special mention of it was made in a Detroit newspaper on the "Bruce Mayer Show" (WWJ-TV, 1:30-2:30, Mon.-Fri.) to tell the public about Junior Achievement. Ted Donay and Dan Latcourse made a second appearance on the show to present some typical J.A. products.

A special treat for the Birmingham delegation and their guests was a tour of WWJ radio and TV, by WWJ-TV's chief announcer, George Billings.

Of the eight Junior Achievement firms in Birmingham, JAD was the best represented.

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