

Perhaps one's greatest possible achievement is one's constant ability to control one's own self. Within many of us is the urge to "break through the traces" of tradition, of convention, returning to a sort of barbarism.

In Decommissioning

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Mayor and 12 Plan UN Day For Oct. 24

Mayor Charles Renfrew, as honorary chairman of the committee for Birmingham's Oct. 24 celebration of United Nations birthday, spoke informally to 12 members at the Community House last week. "Let's be honest," he said, "There is a great apathy toward the United Nations. There is a lack of understanding of what it has accomplished and is trying to accomplish."

WORKING THROUGH local organizations, the committee will seek to tell the community of UN's efforts. Such movies as "Workshop for Peace" and "World Without End" will be available to groups and a contest will be conducted for school children.

A booth at the high school and possibly in a local bank lobby also will disseminate information, the committee decided. Mrs. Eleanor W. Gaffill, named chairman by the mayor, said she had expected many more than the 12 delegates at the meeting, since everyone she had called had expressed interest in it. She blamed vacation trips for the low number.

REPRESENTATIVES of Junior League, Board of Education, Baldwin public library, Birmingham Woman's club, Zonta, the Birmingham Hills subdivision, Fairfield Property Owners, the Chamber of Commerce, Mothers of Men in Service and the American Association of University Women were present.

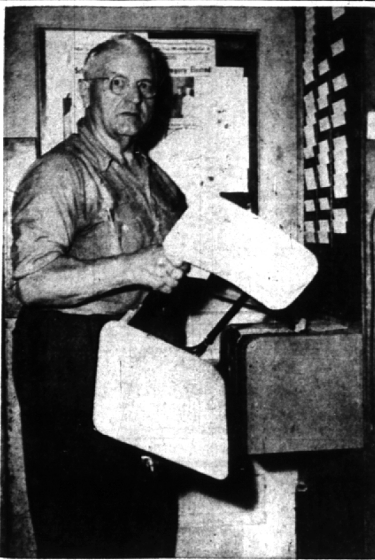
After details of the meet are taken back to the city's organizations, another planning session will be held in September, according to Mrs. Gaffill. A speaker will be engaged, to speak on UN day, with expenses being carried by small donations from each club and a small ticket fee, the committee decided.

We Heard It Said By:

JOHN WASON, 1748 Northlawn, newly-arrived from Cannes, France: "There's no leisure time left when you work in Europe. You take a two-hour lunch hour, always from 12 to 2. And then you work till seven, and go home for a late dinner. It leaves no time at all."

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HE'S GOING FISHING Clarence Abernethy has his boat fishing seat ready as he punches his time card for the last time. (Eccentric Photo)

For 50 Years a Printer, Now He's Going Fishing

By BRUNO KEARNES

Last Thursday was the long-awaited day for Clarence Abernethy, 65, a member of the composing room crew of The Birmingham Eccentric.

After 50 years in the printing trade, he hung up his compositor's apron for the last time, accepted the handshakes and well-wishes of his fellow workers and departed for his two-acre residence at 6745 Norton road, Troy township.

"Fishing are among his first plans in retirement. "Going up to Canada for a couple weeks of bass fishing, and I'm going to spend next winter just fishing at Bradenton, Florida," he said.

To make his rod and reel days comfortable, his fellow workers at The Eccentric gave him a cushioned swivel seat for his boat.

"I'VE TWO full acres of fruit trees, flowers and vegetables, which will keep me busy, and I sure hope to get in a lot of fishing," he said.

Abernethy, who reached 65 just two weeks ago, and has an unerring knack for remembering all the important dates in his life, started in the printing profession at the age of 15 on January 9, 1906 as a press feeder with a manufacturing company in Detroit which had its own advertising press.

"This was at a salary of \$4 a week," he commented.

DURING his half century in the printing trade, he has held practically every job which could be had in a composing room.

For a spell in the late thirties when opportunities were slow for a printer, Abernethy took to farming on 10 acres in Troy township. "I guess the printer's ink was in my blood," he said, because in 1945 he was back in a composing room, with a job at the Grosse Pointe Review.

A YEAR later, September 16, 1946, Abernethy came to The Eccentric as a compositor, and for the past nine years his age and

Attends ROTC Camp

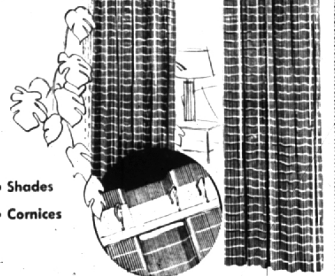
Carmen A. Caputo is at Fort George G. Meade, Md., participating in the ROTC six-weeks summer instruction camp which is taught

along the same lines as regular Army training.

A student at Pennsylvania Military college in Chester, Pa., he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dominick S. Caputo of 1803 Worthington drive.

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