

Couple

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task she tackled when she returned home.

The charming, observant traveler, who looks far too young to be the mother of a Yale university student, saw Moscow, Leningrad, and Kiev on her trip.

She also saw three southern cities which the Russians have opened only recently to tourists—Tbilisi, Alma-Ata and Samarkand.

She saw more than that. She was seeing with more than the usual tourist's eyes. She started reading about Russia two years ago, so that she had backgrounds to fit behind what she saw.

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American exhibition in Moscow, had told her: don't try to oversell—don't try to convert anybody—just let them see.

Just seeing is what Baldwin public library's Head Librarian Jeanne Lloyd hopes Americans will do.

"Everything possible should be done to get people Russian-conscious and thinking about the rapidly with which they are advancing," says Miss Lloyd, explaining why she is inaugurating the series at the library.

"Without Mrs. McCaughy's help," she added, "I couldn't have gotten this series off the ground."

As for Mrs. McCaughy, the trip to Russia was only the beginning. She's still reflecting on the huge, intricate national riddle she visited.

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A Monstrous Affair

Trick or treaters were led through a chamber of horrors before they got their treats Friday night at the B. C. Erickson home, 293 Berwyn, Birmingham. Showing "the monster" to horrified Sandy Voebel is 14-year-old Julie Erickson. The trick or treaters liked the monster, the bones and the weird effects so well that many came back with their parents. Before the evening was over about 100 people had been through.

It took three evenings of work for the Ericksons' 9-year-old son, Art, to convert the family living room into black tunnels of terrifying thrills. The monster walked via a sound tape and lights flashed off and on before the visitors were brought out into the kitchen and given their treats.

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Thanks, Man! That Pat Parking On the Head Felt Good!

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By A. HAPPY HOUND As Told to RUTH VOGT

To our friend (The Eccentric's Managing Editor, George Wm. Averill) who defended us in print in last week's paper: It should make you (zome) happy to know that every one of us who were squig up last Thursday night in a kennel, back-porch, fenced yard or basement growled grateful "arf-arfs" in appreciation.

It's not every week in the year that such nice things are said about us. Some weeks, especially during the summer, awful stuff circulates. About our habits.

If one of our breed forgets, may be just once, where all those flowers have been planted, look out! There we stay. Until we can remember better.

FLOWERS ARE a dog's worst enemies. They get under his feet before he realizes where he has run. Chasing a butterfly causes us to forget. And USUALLY those flowers belong to someone who harbors a cat but no dog.

As you pointed out, this week is for them. The cats. If it wasn't for your kind words our teeth would've been neglected all together these 'x' days.

"Sure. We have our days too. In August. "But it's a little different than what is showered on them prissy-footed feline things, cats.

"DURING OUR period of attention everyone walks on the other side of the street."

"Stay away from him, do you hear?" is what we hear constantly. And more than one youngster has been yanked out a yard's reach. Even when we're all tied up on a long leash.

"He's got teeth!" we hear so much of course we do. How'd we chew our meat if we didn't have 'em? When we grin, they (the Mommas) think we're MEAN. It's awful. Being a hound.

IF WE WANNE of you, too, to bring us up that subject about not being able to read our tags. Fish have schools. Even for their minnows. We don't. Instead, teachers use the facts of life. The way some get you'd think we were supposed to be capable of understanding when those signs say "Dogs, Keep Out."

About our collars itching. Brother, they really do. Especially when a couple of lice start chafing each other up and down our necks. If we drool one bit in discomfort what do we hear but:

"Looks out! He acts mighty funny. Too funny." No one says any thing like that to a man when he sneezes, do they?

ANOTHER ITEM which is a sore spot to us hounds, is the fact that we are not being treated with us. But don't you folks TALK? Whenever one of you begin to yank, dig, mess, or sell "Shut up, you Mutt!" That's what we hear. All the time. Especially at night.

Also, it is true we drop fur on clothes when we extend a welcome. What is worse? Lipsitck or fur? We've stood amazed after being

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This & That

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him is that he, like Minnesota's former Gov. Harold Stassen, "is in too much of a hurry to reach the White House."

It would be better, many believe, if every man who may appear secretly aspiring to be President of the United States would evidence sufficient ability and humility to cause the White House to come partly toward him, too.

Let us hope I'm singing out only Humphrey as the "victim" of wanting to reside in Washington's 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. I add that many observers in both major political parties, have succumbed to this state of mind.

In his formal speech at the banquet, the Senator offered his plan for meeting the challenge of today's nuclear weapons race with Soviet Russia. In brief it was to enter into an agreement with Khrushchev & Co. to cut down, even eliminate, the further production and use of these deadly bombs to provide for an inspection system that would guarantee the free world the absence of living up to its agreement.

THE SENATOR DID point out that, since Russia presently wants limited inspection of its missiles (times each year), the free world may have to compromise in its own program for unlimited annual inspections.

Just how he would effect such compromise, he argues with did not specify . . . other than via get-togethers by the proper officials of each government.

Sen. Humphrey made a tamping indictment of what he called this administration's (Eisenhower's) total lack of leadership in solving both foreign and domestic problems. He also let it be known that the Democratic party itself would not be politically successful unless it had its program include a strong, unequivocal stand on civil rights.

THE GOOD-LOOKING Senator refused to say "yes" when reporters asked him if he is a Presidential nominee candidate—although the advance press sheets of his speech which he handed out carried the words "From the Humphrey-for-President Committee" (How naive can a fellow get?)

Mister Humphrey, among his variety of talents, certainly is gregarious, he appears to like people—especially, I presume, if they are voters and favorable to him.

(And what politician isn't? And what private citizen, too, doesn't like to be approved, admired, supported?)

Senator Humphrey's Pontiac appearance did not harm during his 70-minute speech he was applauded frequently, and at the right places—his program in seemed built up to anticipate.

From some research I have done about the city, it is reported that he is a tireless worker in Washington; on numerous Senate committees, always ready to debate his side of a subject; possessed of a ready answer for almost any discussion.

I ALSO AM INFORMED that he is sponsor of many Senate bills which, if enacted into law, would mean the fed'l budget (and your taxes) to much greater heights. (Paradoxically, too, seldom are he attach revenue-producing features to the bills he offers.)

In any event, I'll wager that Sen. Humphrey is enjoying his political journeying—as perhaps who wouldn't, should they have the ability to fit words to the solving of so many human problems . . . for it is the part of the reformer to cry into his fellow-man's ears of the wrongs that afflict this world . . . to raise his voice in troubled demand that "something be done to right the wrongs" . . . even though it may not be part of the reformer to blue-print the means by which to accomplish the deed.

SO I SAY to Senator Hubert H. H. Humphrey: Four kind of some plays its part in rousing people to its problems . . . some of its needs far released. As a certain man-of-letters once said this name was William Shakespeare! This was said again and this a kind of good deed to say well; and yet words are not deeds.)

(Ed. Note: Next week I'll continue comment anti Sen. Humphrey in this space.)

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NEARLY OUT OF YOUR TEENS? CHECK THIS AT B'HAM YMCA

Young adults interested in participating in the activities of the YMCA young adults of Birmingham will have two opportunities during November.

All single adults, nineteen years of age or older are invited to attend a program based on the "YMCA Aboard" at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6 at the YMCA, 500 E. Lincoln.

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