

B'ham Woman Gives Aid to Grecian Girl

The financial support of a four-year-old Greek girl is being aided by Mrs. James N. Hastings, 1022 Raynale Road, Birmingham through a foster parents' plan.

The plan, which promises to contribute \$15 a month toward the child's support, lasts for at least one year.

Mrs. Hastings is giving financial aid to Dimitra Lytsardou, an only child who lives with her parents in Salonica in northern Greece. Dimitra will receive a cash grant of \$8 every month, medical care, parcels of clothing and nourishing foods. When the time comes she will also be assured of her schooling.

HER FATHER is totally incapacitated and her mother, who works as a cleaning woman, is never able to earn more than \$6.67 a month.

The foster parents' plan, which has rehabilitated more than 75,000 children on a personal basis since its founding in 1937, is now helping more than 27,000 youngsters in Greece, Italy, Korea, France, Viet Nam, Hong Kong and the Philippines.

Over the past 24 years, more than 600,000 individuals and groups in America have helped needy children overseas through this Plan.

Go Hatch Own Eggs

The cowbird has been called "lazy"—and for good reason. It doesn't build nests of its own, but lays eggs in the nests of other birds.

Cowbird eggs have been found in the nests of about 200 different species of birds in the U.S. and Canada, says Andrew J. Berger, University of Michigan associate professor of ornithology.

However, says Berger, also a noted ornithologist, most of the species parasitized by the cowbird still flourish. "Some sort of balance seems to have been reached. After all, it's to the advantage of the cowbird to lay just one egg in a nest and let some of the host eggs fledge."

HOW DOES THE cowbird go about finding a likely nest? "It simply preens quietly and watches where other birds are building their nests, or it may spot a likely nest by searching through bushes and grasses," Berger says.

"The cowbird lays its eggs early in the morning, before dawn, and usually before the host species lays theirs. Most common species picked by the cowbird to rear its young are vireos, wood warblers, finches and flycatchers.

"Since the cowbird egg has one of the shortest incubation periods—about 11½ days—the young cowbird usually hatches before the other eggs. Being larger than the other young birds, it demands, and gets, more food.

DOWN TO EARTH

Tropicana Rose Wins International Raves

By ALICE WESSELS BURLINGAME
Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

Rose enthusiasts this year are enjoying the brilliant orange red hybrid tea called Tropicana.

It has received 13 international awards and its latest is the All American Rose Selection. This rose has the most disease resistant foliage yet developed by plant breeders.

One of its parents was the Peace rose.

Tropicana will maintain its color from the time it opens until it drops its petals, which is always a rigid test with fanciers. It also holds its petals up to two weeks.

When the rose is cut for indoor appreciation it holds its petals for one week. The canes are long and the blossoms sometimes as large as five inches in diameter.

IF ROSES have been grown in pots throughout the season, they can be planted any date, but this is not a good time of year to move a rose in your garden. You run the risk of losing secondary roots—those long, long hairs which travel underground to locate sources of water.

When we go through a long period with little rainfall all of the home owners begin to groan and panic. We know that water is a prime factor in all plant growth. An efficient supply of water will retard growth.

Even the most tender plants have hair roots going at least a foot into the ground. Therefore water to a depth of one foot and if you are favoring a tree water at least to saturate two feet.

THE TOTAL picture calls for "head use" when planting anything in your garden. If you have limited water use start right from the be-



TREES AFFLICTED with Dutch Elm disease are on the increase, and this sight, unfortunately, soon may be a too-familiar sight in Birmingham. The workman here is preparing to cut down a tree on Northaven, west of Southfield Road.

Gale Warns Residents Of Dutch Elm Disease

An increase in privately-owned trees with Dutch Elm disease has been reported by Charles Gale, superintendent of the Birmingham Department of Parks and Forestry. Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

Gale noted that city trees are sprayed once a year and said an increase of the disease on Birmingham-owned trees is "not anticipated."

CUTTING BACK of state funds has led to curtailment of spraying programs in areas surrounding Birmingham, the superintendent said. Thus, "the beetle population outside of the city has built up tremendously and they're coming here," according to Gale.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

Others feel the sprays are harmful to birds and wild life and gamble by failing to spray, Gale said.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

URING property owners to "evaluate the need to spray the trees on their land and to be aware that the disease can be epidemic," Gale said the disease has hit 80 trees on private property in 1962 as opposed to 30 to 35 trees in other years. He said it appears that the disease will at least triple this year.

The Birmingham Eccentric Features

NATURE NOW

By Lydia King Frehse
Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

Though Inedible, Clams Relate to Food Source

Wallon Lake: Life was cradled in water. Water dwelling plants and animals offer many practical gifts to man. Now with my chair drawn up on the dock, my eyes follow a shallow trail in the sand, left by a fresh water mussel or clam.

He is one of 80,000 mollusks, his position in turn being one of the principal groups of invertebrate animals. Though himself inedible, he is closely related to a valuable food source, comprising the sea mussel, oyster, scallop, and both the hard and soft shelled clams of the ocean.

OUR FRESH water clam is called a bivalve. His two shells open and close on an elastic hinge connected by ligaments. They are connected by two sets of powerful muscles and any inquisitive person whose finger has been caught in their open crack

knows the meaning of the phrase "to shut up like a clam."

The animal which makes its home within this shell is cold and moist and "lumpy."

However, its organ systems are already well defined. These may be divided into a kind of head, a visceral mass and a foot.

THE TRAIL which I follow in the sand is made by this foot, a muscular organ which can be extended at will from the anterior end of the shell. These are the breathing organs.

Two small fleshy siphons extend from the posterior end of the clam. One of these brings in oxygen and microscopic plant and animal food; the other expels waste. Two sets of gills hang downward the body cavity.

The life cycle of this lowly animal follows an interesting pattern. The female deposits the eggs in her own hollow gills where they develop into tiny bivalves.

HERE THEY live until spring

STRICTLY FRESH

Many used cars are O.K.—as far as they go, that is.

If you've given up on trying to get something open,

DON'T TOUCH

tell a four-year-old not to touch it.

Wouldn't you just love to get your hand on the guy who puts his cigarettes out on your best china?

District Chairman for Oakland County Republican's "Operation Coffee Cup" has been appointed by Mrs. Robert Lowry, 1420 Ashover, Birmingham, county chairman for the affairs.

Dates for the various "coffees" in each district have also been scheduled.

"Operation Coffee Cup, first organized in Oakland County during the 1960 campaign, has been found to be an effective way for candidates to meet voters and discuss the issues," Mrs. Lowry said.

District three chairman is Mrs. Edwin DeJongh, 3880 W. Lincoln Avenue, Birmingham, with the dates of Sept. 2 through 6 and Oct. 7 through 11.

The "coffee klatches" usually last about an hour and a half and are held sometime between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.

EACH DISTRICT chairman sets up the various "coffees" in her district and Mrs. Lowry schedules the candidates to fill the openings.

Assisting Mrs. Lowry in "Operation Coffee Cup" will be Mrs. Paul Matchette, 282 Wamilton Drive, Birmingham, who has been appointed Vice-Chairman.

Seaman in Pacific On Missile Cruiser

Charles D. Spier, radoman seaman, USS, of Mrs. and Mrs. John A. Spier, 1363 North Woodward, Birmingham, is serving on the staff of Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Flotilla Three, embarked in the guided missile cruiser USS Topeka, operating in the Western Pacific as a unit of the Seventh Fleet.

The ship visited Tokyo and Yokosuka, Japan, recently. The Seventh Fleet is America's first line of defense in the Far East.

CUSTOM FURNITURE

Stylish right—Proportioned right—so comfortable—to suit you decoratively

Custom Upholstery

Representatives will bring samples and frame catalog

Open Monday & Fridays 11:30 to 9 P.M.

Elliott's of Waterford

3400 Dixie Highway

OR 3-1225

The Southwest Corner Of Woodward & Maple

Is Your Guarantee Of Quality

Lakes' Jewelers

Woodward at Maple

MI 4-5315

You Can Have a Hawaiian Holiday with our

Hallmark Party-of-the-Month

Wave the magic wand of the South Seas over your summer party! Hawaiian leis for every guest set the atmosphere for fun, and this hula maiden with her matching accessories means less work for you, both in preparing before and in cleaning up after entertaining! Save time—take advantage of our one-stop shopping for party paperware and come in to select the items you need . . . and remember, when Hallmark Plans-a-Party, you receive the compliments!

Holiday Card Shop

150 W. Maple

Telephone 646-9328

Birmingham

Open 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, and Thurs. & Fri. 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

OUR FAMOUS ANNUAL Sale

FANTASTIC REDUCTIONS on Everything from Jewelry to Decorative Home Accessories

20% to 50% off

the inspiration shop

All Sales Final

Layaways Accepted Until August 31st

138 S. Woodward Ave.