

CRUSADE BEGINS IN CHURCH HERE

Plans Made For Religious Canvas Of Birmingham

The modern Evangelical Crusade, under the direction of J. Raymond Powers of Chicago, was launched in the First Methodist special service Tuesday evening with much enthusiasm and expectation on the part of the pastor and membership of the church.

The Evangelical Crusade is a special plan developed by the leader under the direction of the Department of Evangelism of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The plan combines all the values of the older forms of Evangelism with a unique plan of personal visitation. The church is first mobilized and organized for the purpose of surveying the entire community and carrying on a campaign of personal visitation to only people who prefer the Methodist Church as a spiritual home. Birmingham has been divided into districts under the organization and the entire membership in

teams of two each will visit every home in the community on Monday between 2 and 4 p. m. Following this survey the cards will be analyzed and classified in order to turn over to other churches all information concerning preferences as the Methodist Church will retain only cards indicating preferences for that particular church or no preference at all.

These campaigns have been conducted in various cities and communities for the last five years where all denominations are represented.

The Rev. Powers has come from Columbus, O., where 1,000 persons participated in the survey, and the plan covers a portion of the city that includes 25,000 persons.

Next Sunday afternoon about 400 members of the church will participate in the friendly visitation in which about 2,500 homes will be surveyed and 8,000 or 10,000 persons interviewed.

Thursday evening the subject of the sermon is "God's Road Speaker."

Friday evening, "The Lost Christ in a Lost World."

Sunday morning, Informal Installation Service for the Visitation organization. Sermon subject, "Call and Our Answer."

Sunday evening at five o'clock "Birmingham on the Auction Block."

Next week's program will be featured by four special services.

Monday evening, "The Acid Test of a Christian."

Tuesday evening, Special ladies night. Sermon subject, "The New World of America and Her New World."

Wednesday evening, Special Men's Night. Sermon, "The Price of a Modern Man."

Thursday evening, Youth's Special Night, "The Difference Tomorrow."

SEEK TO CLOSE WING LAKE ROAD

There will be a public hearing April 27 on a petition to the Blount Township board, asking that a portion of Wing Lake road be closed. The petition, signed by seven property owners, affected, alleges the road is dangerous to the traveling public.

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Royal Oak Club Decides On 150 Foot Woodward

Will Probably Agree Next To Tax Birmingham For Extra 50 Feet

By WALTER Y. STANLEY
The Royal Oak Exchange club at their Monday luncheon Monday, April 18, passed a resolution to widen Woodward avenue through Birmingham 150 feet. However, they failed to go on record to pay for the extra 50 feet. As the state has agreed to build a 100 foot road through Birmingham this summer and pay the whole bill, it seems that the Royal Oak boys would have provided some means to finance the other 50 feet. It may be that they will pass a resolution next Monday to have Birmingham finance the deal.

Being a citizen and taxpayer of Birmingham I was denied the privilege of voting—although they allowed me to congratulate them for the interest they are taking in our village.

G. Ross Thompson and Luther D. Allen, Oakland County road commissioners, were guests. They too, were denied a vote, but were given an opportunity to tell what they knew about building roads.

As for Ross that comes natural, and he can talk all day about building roads if necessary, but on Woodward avenue through Birmingham he only talked about two minutes. This is what he said: "The Oakland County road commission is not building this highway. It is a state job, and we expect to co-operate with the state in whatever decision they make or have already made relative to Woodward avenue through Birmingham. It is quite essential that we work in harmony with the state highway department, and they in turn work in harmony with us. By so doing we have accomplished much in Oakland County in the way of road building."

One of the Royal Oakers stated he had been informed that the state had decided to build nine foot sidewalks along Woodward avenue here, and that he did not see how he could stand for that.

Luther was content to content himself to a search for the "shot-horn" people tell us about. After he showed the various widths of the pavements in and about Birmingham the only conclusion was that the only "shot-horn" around here must be in someone's estimate, though.

Now that the Royal Oak Exchange club has decided the width they would have Woodward avenue through Birmingham, they might get the Royal Oak City commission to issue a permit to the state highway department to complete the road through Birmingham as soon as possible.

BUREAU MEMBERS HEAR CREDIT TALK

Detroit Credit Manager Explains Methods Of Collection to Village Merchants.

Howard Godfrey, from the credit department of the J. L. Hudson company, Detroit, spoke to 20 members of the Birmingham Credit Bureau at a banquet held Tuesday evening at the Chateau La Tourette.

The president of the bureau, R. C. Mouthrop, and E. W. Lachle, manager, both expressed their desire to develop the bureau here to a point reached in other cities.

Mr. Mouthrop stated that those present formed the largest turnout that had ever attended the meetings and he hoped the next meeting would be a greater success.

In expressing the value of a bureau, Mr. Godfrey said, "You will get out of the organization exactly what you put into it." He described credit business in Los Angeles where he formerly worked and told of increase of credit business in Detroit.

Mr. Godfrey explained to members methods used in conducting the bureau, the manner of collecting bills, the time allowed for accounts in stores before action was taken to the bureau and the value of the bureau in checking up the credit standing of customers in other stores.

"Persistence rather than force," said Mr. Godfrey, "is what the J. L. Hudson company uses in the collection of bills."

Mr. Godfrey answered many questions from merchant members of the bureau on different problems discussed.

200 "Y" MEMBERS PLAN SUPPER HIKE

Light Junior Groups To Be Represented In Trek; Leaders To Accompany Boys.

More than 200 members of the eight Junior Y. M. C. A. groups in Birmingham are expected at the hike to be held Tuesday evening.

Two of these groups are at the Pierce School, three at the Adams and three at the Hillman High School.

The boys expect to hike to Dodge Park and cook their supper there. After supper they will be entertained for their last indoor meet, a parents' meeting, May 7, at Hillman High School, where they will put on stunts.

Bell Is Re-elected Association Head

S. O. Wylie Bell was re-elected president of the Oakland County Funeral Directors' association at a meeting last Thursday at Northwood Inn. The other officers elected were Alfred Crosby, Ferndale, vice president; Orrin Hinton, Pontiac, secretary; and J. Rich- ardon, South Lyon, treasurer.

Sixteen members of the association attended the business meeting and dinner which preceded it.

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