JOHNSON TELLS RECREATION NEED OF BIRMINGHAM

Director Describes Growth Of Recreational Facilities In Village

URGES SWIMMING POOL

George Johnson, athletic director of Birmingham schools, and this summer supervisor of playground and recreational work in the village, was the principal speaker at the Birmingham Rotary club at Chateau Tea Room Monday noon.

Mr. Johnson gave a brief history of the growth of playground activitiy in the United States, and made a plea for an extension of this work for both the youth and adults of this district.

"Detroit has 125 playgrounds where its boys and girls may be given supervised play and recreation work," said Mr. Johnson. "Other cities have done much along this line, too. Birmingham, once a smaller community with lots of open space for boys and girls to play in, is growing so that few spaces are left for children, as well as grown-ups, to play in during the summer months.

"Birmingham needs a swimming pool; at present our citizens must go many miles to enjoy bathing facilities. This is the second year that Birmingham has tried to provide its youth with summer playgrounds; we ought to increase our efforts along this line, so that every boy and girl, and every adult who wants to, may enjoy outdoor recreation."

Mr. Johnson mentioned some of the activities so far this season, including the soft-ball leagues, tennis tournaments, track events, and a three-hole golf course on the Barnum Field. He is now making plans for the presentation of a silver cup to the best soft-ball team of this season, he said. Persons interested in making donations to this cup are requested to communicate with him.

During the meeting Monday Charles J. Shain was appointed to head a committee of Rotarians to investigate the ability of Farmington to organize a Rotary club. Several Rotarians from other states were present, including a former Detroiter, Jack Gould, of Alhambra, Cal.

New Arts Ass'n Acts To Save Trees

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the beauty and charm of the village," she declared.

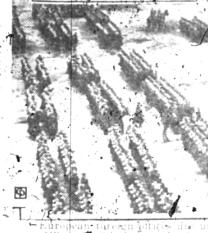
"The Community Arts organization is striving to anticipate the wholesome development of the village and to cope with its ever increasing needs. It wishes, among other things, to produce more of an interest in music and art in to the life of the school children.

"At present in Birmingham there is no organization to provide for school gardens. Next year the Community arts hope to arouse interest in gardening among the school children by offering them garden plots to cultivate and by sponsoring summer vegetable and flower shows. This work has in this branch in Santa Barbara been most successful."

"A recreational element in Birmingham is lacking, according to the Community Arts' founders. They hope to provide opportunities for skating, sledding and skiing in the coming season as well as public tennis courts for the next summer.

WAR THREATENS EUROPE!

Germans Fear Polish March on Lithuania Over Disputed Territory Would Be Followed by Attack on East Prussia



[illegible] Lithuania [illegible] Vilna, a city claimed by both Poland [illegible] has threatened to march on Kovno, the Lithuanian capital, [illegible] successful in their Lithuanian venture, would be precisely an invasion of Lithuania. Map [illegible] and Warsaw, and inset picture [illegible] Polish troops.

Europe they are merely propaganda sheets," he said.

Praises Harry Brooks

The greatest plane in the world is piloted by Henry Ford, Mr. Pelletier said. Next to this he lays the blue produced by Stinson. In telling of the most eminent pilots of the world he places Harry Brooks, Edward Stinson and James Doolittle first, the last perhaps being the best, having performed stupendous feats of [illegible]

Mr. Pelletier, a friend [illegible] who intends that he and [illegible] fly [illegible] with him [illegible] the credit [illegible] following the [illegible] Brooks [illegible] Mr. Pelletier concluded.

Woodward Turned Into Milky Way

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should be erected here in Birmingham," said Mr. Pelletier. The most characteristic portrayal possible for the man who Birmingham knew so well, would be in an airplane flying away, and looking back over his shoulder, smiling. I have seen him do this numerous times and he had a knack for guiding the ship while watching for [illegible] him," Mr. Pelletier concluded.

a previous stop to pick up passengers.

The horse which was drawing the wagon became disengaged from his harness and ran through Woodward avenue. He was stopped by passersby several blocks from the accident scene.

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POLICE SEEK ABDUCTORS OF THREE GIRLS

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ever, they drove into the country robber for at the point of a gun of $40 and a valuable [illegible] wearing apparel, and threw her from the automobile. She was able to furnish officers a description of the men and the car they drove.

Police of Birmingham and other communities in this vicinity are combining with deputies from the office of Sheriff Frank Schram in running down clues which they hope will lead to the arrest of the men involved in the atrocities.

BIRMINGHAM'S "WHO'S WHO"

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among their entering pupils. "Constantly it is being discovered that a pupil can not be taught higher mathematics because of a faulty knowledge of the fundamentals of arithmetic." This fall the masters of Cranbrook school are holding qualifying exams in arithmetic and English, as they believe them to be the most primary importance.

The college entrance board examinations are steadily raising the standard of the secondary schools by their annual examinations, Dr. Stevens pointed out. "Always, in the case of examinations, according to the old idea wherein an examination is given after the completion of each course throughout the high school curriculum, there is that objectionable element of grinding away at a subject with merely an examination as the objective." The comprehensive examination, he believes, is replacing the old type examination and seems preferable.

"In our school we intend to educate the students so that they will have an appropriate background that will enable them successfully to pass any comprehensive examinations," he said. "And in our method we wish to develop a formal taste and interest in the subject at hand which will more thoroughly equip the student for examination.

Cultivate Taste For Beauty

Dr. Stevens is of the opinion that there is an evident lack of appreciation for the beautiful in the lives of Americans.

"We have passed beyond the pioneer stage and it seems to me that our intellects should be sensitive to the beauty of the arts. Here in Cranbrook we have devoted six periods a week to a study of the arts and crafts by the students of the lower classes. Personally believe that a great deal of patience and strength of character can be built up while the pupil is toiling over the making of some simple article."

Dr. Stevens' sentiment is well expressed in the legend over an arch leading into the courtyard, at Cranbrook which reads: "A life without beauty is only one half lived."

In that they limit the number of our enrollment they are able to have small classes and give much personal supervision, Dr. Stevens stated. "We wish above all to arrange a balanced day and one of our chief aims is to make athletics normal. We have no desire to win championships in athletic contests, although we do occasionally contend with outside teams." At Cranbrook, he pointed out, the athletic activities are divided between two clubs each of which has three teams, which engage in competitions among themselves.

Everything possible is being done to keep life in the school simple, according to Dr. Stevens, the boys are restricted to small allowances, he said, and often they all help in doing "chores."

Ideal of Citizenship

"We try to establish an ideal of citizenship," Dr. Stevens stated, "an ideal foreign to this term of self-expression so prevalent in the world of today. We wish to teach the boys the suppression of self to the community."

He told of a system at Cranbrook which he believed to be unique. It is [illegible] termed the [illegible] in which [illegible] two weeks. The boys from A, B, C and D [illegible] sort and D [illegible] Stevens said, [illegible] make the [illegible] matter [illegible] holiday [illegible] day [illegible]

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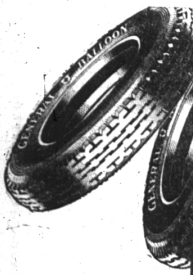

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