

3 MEN'S CLUBS SERVE VILLAGE

Rotary, Lions, and Exchange
Groups Join Business
With Pleasure

Three men's service clubs—Rotary, Lions and Exchange—take an active part in Birmingham municipal affairs and afford recreation and business discussion for the members at weekly meetings. Each of the clubs conducts a major welfare activity. The Rotary Club is the official sponsor of the Oakland County Crippled Children's Association; the Lions Club maintains a Defective Vision Fund to aid children with poor eyesight; and the Exchanges promote safe flying.

The Lions Club, the youngest of the three, received its charter on April 11, 1928, with 37 charter members.

The club co-operates with the school and village nurse in seeking out cases of defective vision. The main function of the fund is to give treatments and provide glasses for worthy individuals. The activity is sponsored officially by Lions International.

Sponsor Concerts
Money for the fund is raised by club sponsorship of outside groups, such as glee clubs and players. Last winter the club sponsored the University of Michigan glee club in a public appearance to secure money for the fund.

Meetings are held by the Lions on Wednesday noon in the Birmingham Community house, the first meeting of each month being devoted to business procedure and the following Wednesdays to educational talks, civic topics or entertainment. Outside speakers are a regular feature of the meetings.

The Lions Club president is Raymond H. Peck. Other officers are Howard D. Crull, first vice-president; Dr. Paul H. Johnson, second vice-president; James Kelly, treasurer; B. J. Morrow, secretary; Dr. George E. Nathan, tall twister; Russell McBride, lion tamer; and J. D. Jordan, Arthur Wingerden and Walter Mateland, members of the board of trustees.

The club numbers between 35 and 45 active members.

The Birmingham Exchange Club, one of 75 in Michigan, received its charter Feb. 18, 1924, with 11 charter petitioners. At present there are about 40 active members in the group.

Work For Harmony
"Unity for Service" is the motto of the Exchange Club, which is a unit of the national association. Its prime purpose is to exemplify its everyday life motto, by acting together and promoting community co-operation and harmony.

The club also takes an active interest in humanitarian, civic, state and national affairs. The National Exchange Club fosters aviation and the individual units aid in promoting this interest by securing landing fields, sponsoring air-races and otherwise furthering the advance of the science of aviation.

The Birmingham Exchange Club is a unit of the Metropolitan Council of Exchange Clubs, composed of 35 organizations in Detroit, the Metropolitan area, at Bloomfield Park in July, 1930. About 255 Exchanges attended this gathering, the largest number that have ever attended such a meeting. The Metropolitan Council meets monthly.

The local Exchange Club meets every Tuesday noon at the Birmingham Community House. One meeting each month is devoted to business while the other weekly assemblies are given over to outside speakers or entertainment.

Osborne is Head
Officers of the club are as follows: E. W. Osborne, president; L. W. Martindale, treasurer, and H. Kenneth Bingham, secretary. Harry S. Starr, James W. Taylor, H. T. Ellerby, Melvin C. Hart, Charles A. Bingham, Ralph C. Moulthrop, Oscar Peterson and Arthur Peck form the Board of Directors.

The Birmingham Rotary Club was organized on March 19, 1924, with 16 charter members, receiving its charter on May 21 of that year. The prime objects of Rotary International, which is composed of 3,227 clubs with a membership of more than 150,000 operating in 54 countries, are: first, the ideal of service as a basis of all worthy enterprises; second, high ethical standards in business and professions with the development of acquaintances as an opportunity for service; the recognition of worthiness of all useful occupations and the advancement of understanding, good will and international peace.

The major activity of the Birmingham club since its organization has been work for crippled children. Its members canvass the rotary to locate needy crippled children, affording them clinical facilities for rehabilitation in an effort to make assets of human beings who otherwise would have been liabilities of the community.

Aid Scouts
The Rotary club has also aided in Boy Scout and Y. M. C. A. work.

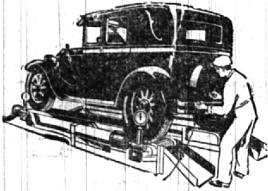
In accordance with its object of securing international friendship, Rotary International fosters correspondence between this and foreign countries. The Birmingham club has regular correspondence with the Rotary Club of Hertsford, Sussex County, England, a club of about the same size in a community similar to Birmingham.

The club holds weekly meetings every Monday noon at the Community House.
Its officers for the present year are: George B. Boutwell, president; Walter Connolly, vice-president; Charles Randall, treasurer, and J. B. Howarth, secretary.

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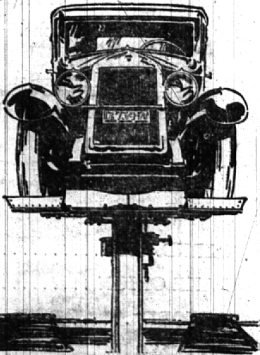
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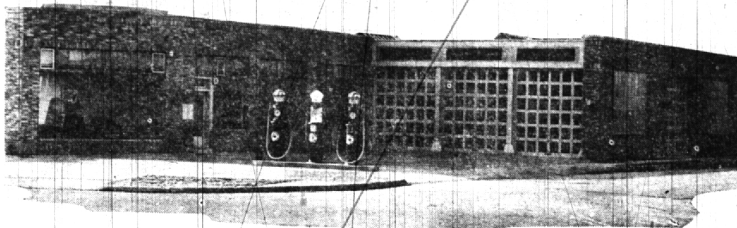
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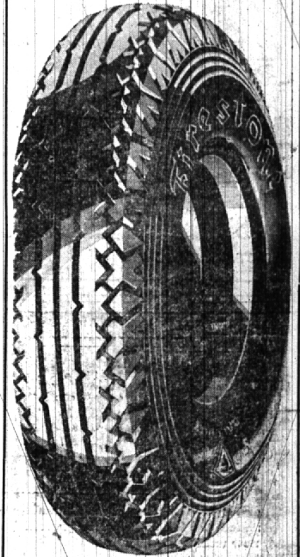
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