

Engineer Traces History of Gas, For Rotary Club

The story of the modern development of gasoline, so necessary to the operation of lighter, more powerful motor car engines, was told to Birmingham Rotarians Monday noon at the Community House by Charles R. Miller, of Highland Park, research engineer for the White Star division of the Sweeney Vacuum Oil Co. Mr. Miller, a recognized authority on petroleum, was introduced by Rotarian Bill Torrence.

Mr. Miller related the advancement of chemical and mechanical progress in obtaining greater volumes, at higher test, of gasoline from crude oil. Equipment installed ten years ago to extract gasoline from crude oil has now become almost obsolete, due to the discovery of better processes, he said.

He pointed out the fact that modern high-speed engines require gasoline that vaporizes so quickly that an engine revolving 3,000 times per minute may run at maximum efficiency. "While the automotive engineer is entitled to great credit for the advances he has made in his field, it should be understood that this progress would be impossible without the cooperation of the corollary advancement of the science of improving the gasoline supply," stated Mr. Miller.

V. F. W. Will Install New Officers, Friday

Officers to serve during the coming year will be installed at ceremonies on Friday evening, April 28, at eight o'clock, by the City of Birmingham Post 2515, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Those who will head the organization are as follows: Floyd C. Crouse, commander; Elford Smith, senior vice-commander; Edward Minks, junior vice-commander; John Willis, quartermaster; Clarence Fallow, post advocate; A. Traylor, chaplain; Sylvester Wilkinson, appointed post adjutant.

Comrade Arthur Thomas, Department Adjutant will be the installing officer. All members of the local post are urged to attend. One of the projects for the coming year will be a Boy Scout troop, which the post voted to sponsor.

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Mr. Gerald C. Brown, chairman of the Birmingham Citizens' orchestra committee. The Birmingham Citizens' Orchestra, 82 in all, wishes to thank the many individuals and groups that assisted in making the concert at Cranbrook auditorium April 20, such a satisfying one. The choir was organized primarily to take advantage of a very fine musical opportunity that could be promoted at popular prices. This is the first time there has been a symphony orchestra concert in this vicinity."

Events Listed For Annual Jamboree Of Local District

By Y. S. R.

Well here it is folks. Your Scout Reporter got his hands on the program for tomorrow night's big annual Scout rally. The time is set forth in last week's issue of The Eccentric, is 7:30 and the place, the Baldwin High School auditorium.

The rules have been drawn up by the Birmingham Scout District committee. All troops in good standing in the Birmingham district are allowed one team in each event unless otherwise specified. First place in each event receives 15 points, second place, 10, and third place five. An extra 15 points will be given to troops which have entries in three or more events. Prizes will be awarded winners in all events. A permanent award will go to the troop receiving the highest number of points.

In the drill, each troop which is competing is expected to get its squad of eight men on a leader on the floor and go through its maneuvers in one and one-half minutes. Precision and neatness of appearance and nature of exercise will constitute the points upon which this contest will be judged.

Ten boys line up for the pyramid building and at a given signal the first one to get his feet on the top of the pyramid, made of metal with a stone and blowing these into a blaze wins.

In the fire by flint and steel event, the first one to get fire by striking sparks from a piece of metal with a stone and blowing these into a blaze wins.

Each troop's first aid team shall consist of a patient, five Scouts and a captain. When they have received the signal to start they work out a problem which calls for a considerable amount of knowledge of this subject. This event is judged not on the speed or correct order of treatment, general neatness and all-around efficiency.

Each knot-tying team is composed of eight Scouts, and the members together will tie eight different knots. The first team to tie all its knots and have all its men in their original standing position wins, providing the knots are tied correctly. Time will be added for each knot improperly tied.

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What Your City Commission Is Doing

April 24, 1939

Bills were approved in an amount of \$11,284.58, including payroll for the two week period ending April 15th, in the amount of \$6,205.68.

The zoning ordinance was amended to include those lots fronting on Woodward Avenue between Humphrey and Emmons, in Business-B District.

A public hearing was held to consider the creation of a special assessment district consisting of Kennesaw Avenue and Mohagan Avenue from Adams to Oxford, and the City Recreation Ground, for the purpose of sewer construction. No objections were indicated, and the assessor was directed to proceed with this roll.

Monday, May 8th, was set as a

date to consider the creation of special assessment districts covering the cost of grading and graveling of Cambridge Road from Buckingham to a point 141.8 ft. north of Yorkshire, and the construction of sewers on Monnier Road.

Relative to the census of school children south of Maple, who attend Quanton School, the manager reported that he had been advised that 67 children cross Maple at these intersections.

\$200.00 was appropriated at the 1938 Summer Recreation Program, provided the accounts are approved by the School Board, Community House, P. T. A. and Y. M. C. A. respectively.

Irene E. Hanley
City Clerk

For a classified ad in this column of The Eccentric, try one when you want to buy or sell, locate a house or sell one or for hiring a maid. Telephone 11 before Wednesday noon each week. (Adv.)

Clever Magazine Is Project of Small Girls

Artists, authors and editors in "junior editions" are included in the group of small Birmingham girls who are publishing "Meens Murrur," a bi-monthly magazine. The name of the publication is made up of the first initials of the original group, which included: Sally Mock, Nancy Gilbreath, Jane Duddy, Eleanor Penfield, Dennis Murray, Elizabeth Horton and Margaret Kichey.

The Easter issue of the "Murrur" comes in an attractive rust and white cover, illustrated with a charming little rabbit, in a rust-colored jacket. The cover and other illustrations are the work of Sally Mock.

A vivid imagination is displayed

MacDowell Chorus Plans Annual Concert

The MacDowell Male Chorus of Pontiac will give its annual concert at 8:15 Wednesday evening, May 3, in the auditorium of the Pontiac High School. Frederick A. Protheroe of Hanna street is conductor of the group, assisted by Oscar W. Schmitt, associate conductor.

The organization will present Emily Mitter Adams of Ypsilanti, violinist, soloist. Miss Adams has, by reason of her ability and

personality, appeared as soloist with most of the musical organizations in this part of the country, with success. She is a member of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. The chorus will present a fine five-parted program of a variety of compositions, ranging from the stately choruses of the Russian church to the finale from Gilbert and Sullivan's opera, "The Gondoliers."

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