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A Corner of the Thrift Shop

THE THRIFT SHOP

Reorganized in 1937 and placed under the direction of the Junior League girls, and operated by them since that time, the Thrift Shop has filled a definite place in the helpful work of the House.

Closed during three months in the Summer, it was operated for the nine months in 1938 under the direction of Mrs. P. B. Hoffman as chairman of the Thrift Shop Committee. The gross sales during that time amounted to \$854.01 with an over-all expense of \$24.16, providing a net contribution to the welfare fund of the House of \$829.85.

The Thrift Shop thus serves a double purpose—the supplying of clothing, toys, and miscellaneous household articles at a very nominal cost and at the same time, through its sales, furthering the welfare work which has brought solace to so many people.

The main problem of carrying on the work of the Thrift Shop has been the difficulty of obtaining usable clothing, shoes, toys and various small household necessities. Bundle teas have been given in the past and solicitations have been made by mail and through the Eccentric, but it is felt that if the citizens of Birmingham were more fully acquainted with the hundreds of people benefited through its work, the Thrift Shop would receive more contributions.

In addition to your financial support, the Committee requests that now, and throughout the year, you contribute such wearing apparel, toys, lamps, or other small household articles as you can to The Thrift Shop. The Spring housecleaning, now a part of the routine in every home, should produce a wealth of material that is still usable to someone, but has outgrown its usefulness in its present family. Won't you send such things to the Thrift Shop and let someone get added comfort out of them through the activities of the Shop?

This year the Shop is under the direction of Miss Barbara Traub, the new chairman, and with your cooperation and help its contribution to the welfare of the needy will be greatly increased.

WHEN YOU NEED

Directed by Mrs. Fred P. Rainey, the Employment Bureau of the House stands ready to be of service. The Bureau is open daily except Saturday and Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

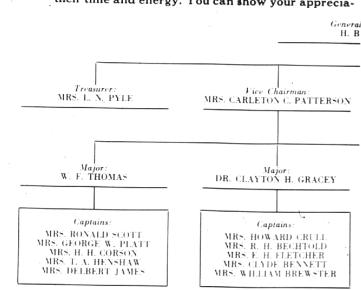
No charge is made either to the employer or employee for the placement service.

During 1938 the Employment Bureau gave 2,789 people work in a variety of capacities, this being more than 10% increase over 1937. It is interesting to note that 2,347 people came to the office and over 2400 telephone calls were handled.

The Bureau has placed men, women and boys in daywork, part-time employment and in permanent positions. The following tabulation of the placements during 1938 is a measure of the value of the service this office performs both to those needing the work and those needing their services.

WOMEN—DAY WORK	1319
MEN AND BOYS—DAYWORK	509
GENERAL MAIDS	346
TEMPORARY MAIDS	68
PART-TIME MAIDS	57
HOUSEKEEPERS	44
MOTHER'S HELPERS	
PRACTICAL NURSES	1.4
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These people, comprising the directing personnel of the 1939 Annual Roll Call, are giving generously of their time and energy. You can show your apprecia-



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