

Red Cross Beats Record of 1938

Final returns for the 1939-40 Red Cross roll call in Birmingham indicate an outstanding gain over a year ago, it was announced today. The latest membership figures show a roll of 1502 names, and \$1,702.90 received from memberships and contributions.

Last year, members numbered 1,115 and \$1,501.15 was taken in. "This considerable gain is due not only to the untiring efforts of the Roll Call workers but to the sympathy and concern of the citizens for the sufferers in the European devastation," declared Mrs. H. L. Corson, roll call chairman. "I wish to thank all citizens who helped secure this splendid result."

Mrs. Corson also emphasized the fact that, production for relief work in Oakland County has not been diminished. The Red Cross assists in cases involving families of war veterans and some border-line relief cases.

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—Collect Your Dividend—

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"Meet Your Friends in the Lounge at Mortimer's"

Main and Baynes Elected by Engineers

New officers were elected at the Oakland County Engineers' society, which met Tuesday night at Royal Oak: President, J. E. Jones; first vice-president, Albert Haller; second vice-president, Ralph A. Main; third vice-president, E. H. Fuller; Pleasant Ridge junior director, J. B. Nicolls; Pontiac treasurer, Roy Goodspeed; Pontiac secretary, J. B. Baynes; Birmingham.

NEWSBOYS

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Salesmen this year their last, because an additional group will be needed to canvass the automobile traffic on Hunter boulevard. Most of the selling will take place at East Maple intersection as far as Hunter boulevard is concerned.

Headquarters for the day will be in the vacant store formerly occupied by the A. & P. on East Maple. Above the store, the weather is cold. Rice A. Howell, secretary-treasurer of the Goodfellows, and Commissioner Ray Palmer will be at the cashiers. Ted Sheridan, Ralph Moulthrop and Howard Johnson will keep Old Newsboys supplied with papers during the day.

On Christmas War Path

A trio of Indians just off the reservation, (otherwise Jim Taylor, Howard Wendorph and Ralph Moulthrop) will make a door-to-door selling expedition in the business district, seeking gifts of wampum.

Women's organizations have been busy, too. The Philomathean Club and the Edna Barnes sewing group are making children's winter apparel; and Mrs. Foster Toothaker's knitting group, under the leadership of Mrs. D. A. R. Birmingham Women's Club, keeps Alpha Theta society, the League of Catholic Women, school home rooms and others are aiding the cause. The list is still incomplete.

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Walnut Lake Couple Gets \$25

No one was more surprised Monday than Mr. and Mrs. Birdie Deary, 215 E. Kentucky, when they learned that they had won the \$25 trade certificate award in the Retail Merchants' Goodwill Campaign.

"My husband laughed about it when we put the coupons in the box," Mrs. Deary said. "I mentioned that it wouldn't do much good because we never get anything like that. So you can imagine how surprised we were this morning to learn that we actually had won."

"It certainly is swell. This will mean some nice things for the children at Christmas," Mrs. Deary declared.

They have two youngsters, a boy 7-1/2 years old, and a girl, 4 years old.

Second prize of \$10 in certificates went to Miss Jeanne Cadigan, daughter of the Rev. H. L. Cadigan, pastor of Christ Church, Cranbrook. Third prize of \$5 in certificates went to Mrs. Hazel Leflore, 1425 1/2 Hunter street.

H. T. Ellerby was the first customer at the Wabek Station Bank, Monday morning, and was the one who selected the winners. Mr. Ellerby is a former mayor of the city.

CHARTER

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may engage in, and prophesied that the new Birmingham Chapter will take its place here along with other groups now in existence.

Major John E. Martz was the first speaker at the program, which was presided over by Charles Lawler, treasurer and public chairman of the Club. The Mayor congratulated the new Club and said that "perhaps Birmingham should have such an organization as yours many years ago. I know that you will be eager to give the support to every good local cause that will benefit your home town."

George R. Averill, publisher of The Eccentric, briefly referred to the value of youth in a world that needs the fire and enthusiasm of youth to aid in making the earth a better place to which to live. He stressed the fact that youth by the very nature of its being, is destined to be an active and helpful part in the human machinery of improving personal, vocational, and community life.

Prior to the speaking portion of the program Miss Mary Gardner, accompanied by Gordon E. at the piano, sang two songs. She was followed by the singing of Herbert Fleming, who was accompanied by Miss Mildred Benscoter at the piano.

Junior Chamber representatives from Pontiac, Ann Arbor, Detroit, and one from Shanghai, China, were among the 45 persons present at the meeting.

The new Club will hold two meetings each month, the first and third Monday nights. At the first meeting a dinner will be scheduled, and at the second business matters will be on the program.

Besides Mr. Smith and Mr. Lawler, other officers and directors are: Ralph D. Smith, first vice-president; Cortland Cromwell, second vice-president; Robert L. Clark, secretary; John Thuber, national councilor; Robert Hatch, State director with president Smith. Other directors include Dr. Russell Stephens, Ralph Lynn, Dr. Ed Deer, Merritt Olson, and William Gunkleberg.

The remainder of the membership of 25 includes William W. Dean, Walter Forbes, Richard Smith, David MacAdam, Samuel J. Burns, Ernest Pettipiece, Jr., Ervin Townsend Jr., and Warren Mortimer and Jack Kershbaum.

When the Dove Goes

Magistrate (to woman involved in matrimonial dispute)—"Did you and your husband quarrel on Friday night?"

Wife—"And the next day payday. Certainly not!"

Glean in the East

"Have you noticed any signs of better business?"

"Yes, the people who couldn't pay their bills are starting to promise."

ZEPHYR SEDAN, 1937, \$475.00

PONTIAC STATION WAGON, 1937, \$375.00

TERRAPLANE PICK-UP, 1936, \$175.00

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Suprised at Luck

MRS. BIRDIE DEARY, Walnut Lake, and her son, 7 1/2 years old, were on hand to greet WALTER L. MORELAND, treasurer of the Retail Merchants' Association, who arrived in Birmingham on Monday with the \$25 trade certificate award in the Good Will Campaign.

(Arnold Photo.)

RECREATION

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week period. Children served begin in the nursery age; there is even music instruction.

A Hallows' program is also held every fall with the cooperation of the P. T. A.'s. Thirteen children were held this year.

Adult education is also a part of the Ferndale program, although there is no "night school" activity.

MOUNT CLEMENS

Mount Clemens has a year-around recreation development over a period of 15 years. The director, who is the sports editor of the Mount Clemens paper, is appointed by the City Commission and is paid \$840 a year for his services.

He is also a part-time basketball coach, and the department's budget totals \$3,364.55, exclusive of some labor furnished by the WPA.

In summer, six playgrounds are operated, with each supervisor being paid \$15 a week. Some of the larger fields have two supervisors. In addition there is a city-wide playground director who is paid \$25 a week, and a handicraft director, paid \$25 a week, both of whom work full-time during the seven-month period.

Also, during the summer are two senior softball leagues and a junior league. The senior leagues attract great interest and had a cumulative attendance of 124,000 people in 1938. Tennis courts are also supervised, with WPA aid. In the fall there is a Hallows' program, in which the city sponsors a basketball league, volleyball group, badminton group, women's gym and swimming class. Every spring a marbles tournament is held; a new departure is a model airplane contest.

Not included in the \$3,364.55 budget, which is paid entirely by the city, is operation of the municipal beach on Lake St. Clair, sustaining from admissions paid to residents. The beach, on the other hand, there are skating rinks maintained by the city streets and parks department. Every spring regular work. Supervisors are furnished by WPA.

ROYAL OAK

Royal Oak is trying to work out a year-around recreation board and the City Commission recently passed an ordinance setting up a City Recreation Board, composed of five members: a city commissioner and the parks superintendent, representing the city; a member of the Board of Education and two others nominated by the Board of Education. The city manager and superintendent of schools are ex-officio members of the Board. A budget has not yet been adopted.

Since 1927, John J. Baldwin, athletic coach, has been in charge of the summer playground program, operating for eight weeks. Baldwin is paid \$15 a week plus \$25.00 car allowance, while each of the 11 playground supervisors is paid \$17.50. (Most of them are faculty people). In addition, each playground has had a worker paid by the WPA. Besides a well-organized program of the usual playground activities, the high school pool is maintained, as is a swimming pool for the city children. The summer budget ranges from about \$13,000 to \$14,000, with the city contributing nearly half, and the Board of Education a somewhat larger share.

A winter program has been organized under the auspices of the Board of Education with the WPA furnishing supervisors. There are three women's classes; six gyms open for badminton; and two basketball leagues. The swimming pool also is in constant use, with a small fee charged to reimburse faculty members who furnish the pool.

Ten skating rinks are operated. An accomplishment in Royal Oak has been the construction of a floodlighted field for night football, costing \$627. (A 10-cent admission is charged.) There are several leagues, with teams' entry fees paying the small stipend given to the director of football. Coach Baldwin and for other expenses.

Many of the present arrangements will be altered when the new recreation board begins its duties. The total cost of the yearly program in the past has never been computed. Royal Oak's recreation is estimated to be \$50,000.

Stop Sign Removed By City Employee; Crash Is Result

A stop sign removed by a city employee and not immediately replaced was alleged to be the cause of an accident last Friday at Fifth and Brown streets.

John B. Ames, of 4200 Beach road, Birmingham, was driving south on Fifth street and failed to stop for Brown, a through street. His machine collided with the rear of a Buick sedan, owned by Ernest C. Kington, Mich. Ames said there was no stop sign on Fifth street at the time of the accident, and he believed that a city employee had removed the sign, presumably for repairs, without substituting a temporary one.

Mrs. John Pollard, of Marietta, and J. Cargill, 80 years old, of Kingston, riding with Mrs. Westery, were shaken up.

LIONS

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study hard, and thus prepare myself for my opportunity. I am a firm believer that the character of American leadership is formed upon the nation's playfields.

The meeting was opened with an invocation by the Rev. W. Glen Spruce, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, followed by group singing led by William Spencer, with Donald Perry at the piano.

An official welcome was delivered by Clarence W. Bierman, resident president of the Lions Club. Arthur N. Wingerden acted as toastmaster. Victor Ulrich, vocal director at Baldwin Hills, acted as solo the popular song, "God Bless America," joined by the entire group.

Coach George J. Wurster introduced the members of the team. The honorary captain, Lawrence Colgrove, elected at the end of the season, was presented with the Lions Trophy by Supt. Howard D. Crull.

George R. Averill introduced the closing feature of the program was movies of the Michigan State football team, coached by a representative of the U. of M.

The Forsyth club was totally wrecked. A mail box near the stop sign was also said to have partially obscured the device.

VOWS

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before coming to Birmingham in 1919.

Mr. and Mrs. Symons have one son, David M. of Milford, and six daughters: Mrs. Charles M. Jones who lives on Pierce street, Mrs. Loran O'Brien of Manton, Mrs. J. Howard Wendorph, Mrs. Sidney O'Brien and Mrs. O. H. Knox, all of Birmingham, and Mrs. Louis Clark of Dearborn. Another daughter, Alta, died in 1931. Mrs. Loran O'Brien, wife of the late Mr. Sidney O'Brien, of Birmingham, married brothers.

Mr. Symons, who is 71 years old, was born in Henry County, Ind., and his wife, 68, was born in Tinton County, Ind. Mrs. Symons is the former Sarah E. Applegate. Both have been active during their 20 years in Birmingham in K. P. work. Mr. Symons is a past chancellor of the local lodge and a member of the grand lodge of the Birmingham Pythian Sisters Temple and also a member of the grand temple.

The Symons will be hosts at a family gathering Sunday afternoon and will be assisted about the house by their granddaughters, Nora, Virginia and Doris Jones, Barbara Wendorph, Frances Symons and Fanny Symons.

On Monday afternoon—the actual day of their anniversary—they will hold an open house from 3 o'clock for their friends and neighbors. During the afternoon Mrs. George W. Foster and Mrs. Charles Colvig will be at a wedding cake—a gift from their grandchildren—will center the lace-covered table. Golden tapers will light the room.

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POLITE

The whole thing is discouraging, but the thought that we were doing something really nice for the neighborhood.

Defends Quality "These homes are all going to be good houses, each with three bedrooms, and designed by an architect for the appearance. I wouldn't put them in the shack class, certainly." Raymond continued. "There was absolutely nothing to prevent others from building cheap houses, and before the zoning ordinance there was even talk of an apartment house. Our lots are 60 feet wide and from 125 to 145 feet deep, considerably larger than the ordinance minimum."

Mrs. William F. Blake, whose house adjoins the entrance to Baldwin Court, protested the street being so near to her land, and said the development would cause a heavy loss in the value of her old residence.

Ten others who signed the petition are of the same opinion. The City Commission did not feel inclined to accept Raymond's theory that the ordinance barred more than one family on the land. The count shows a 2 judge majority in the city who would uphold that viewpoint.

Engineer-Treasurer Harold H. Corson declared: "If everyone in the whole block were to work on theory, development, should the City Commission stop it?" Mayor John E. Martz was asked: "What is his reply, echoed by several of the Commissioners?"

However, the discussion continued, with the Commission working on theory apparently that if every one had a chance to speak his piece, the letting off steam process would dampen the acrimony.

Perhaps it did. At least, as the Commissioners were asked: "What one of them was heard to remark: 'I think they know are right.'"

Christmas Trees

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Saarinan at Work On Finnish Relief

Ellet Saarinan, of Cranbrook, has been appointed chairman of the Finnish Relief Committee for the Detroit area, and is busy with details of its organization. Head Hoover is the national chairman.

Mrs. William A. Shaver, Cranbrook, has been active in Birmingham, and has an extensive wardrobe in local schools. A wintering apparel for the Finnish war veterans and their families will be collected and forwarded. Persons wishing to make contributions, or to see the check, should call on the committee, to Saarinan, at Bloomfield Hills, for the office has not yet been established in Detroit.

YMCA

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meeting a sponsor and it is hoped that one, will be secured before the end of the year.

On next Thursday, Dec. 21, the schedule will be as follows: 7:00 o'clock, Boys' Club, and 8:00 o'clock, Girls' Club, at the Y. M. Milla's vs. Freeman's at 9 p. m. Peck's vs. Miller's, at 9:30 p. m. The closing of the 28th session of the Y. M. C. A. schools during the holiday season, will be held on Thursday, Dec. 21, at 8 p. m. and games will be held each Thursday night thereafter.

The league is being financed by the sale of season tickets with team equipment being furnished by the sponsors. The league is governed by W. C. Morgan, "Hart" and D. A. Green acting as a board of control. Dick Forester will act as referee at the contests.

American business had to make 120,000 compulsory written reports to the Federal Government last year—more than one apiece for every man, woman and child in this country.

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