

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 \$1,769.50 received from memberships and contributions.

Last year, members numbered 1,116 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. H. Conson, roll call chairman. "I wish to thank all citizens who helped secure this splendid result."

Mrs. Conson 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 borderline relief cases.

**YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS**  
In a wide selection may be obtained at The Eccentric office. Ask to see the many samples.

**PECK'S CASH AND CARRY**  
Men's 3 Pc. Suits  
Ladies' Plain Dresses  
CLEANED AND PRESSED  
Woodward—near Maple

**DOGS Boarded and Trained**  
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Main and Baynes Elected by Engineers

New officers were elected at a meeting of the Oakland County Engineers' society, which met Tuesday night at Royal Oak. President, J. B. Jewell, Pontiac; first vice-president, Albert Haller, Ferndale; second vice-president, Ferndale; secretary, Roy Goodspeed, Pontiac; treasurer, Roy Goodspeed, Pontiac; and secretary, J. B. Baynes, Birmingham.

NEWSBOYS

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salesmen this year than last, because an additional group will be needed to canvass the automobile traffic on Hunter boulevard. Most of the selling will take place at the 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. A stove will be installed and hungry salesmen will be able to get a snack now and then, and thaw out, should the weather be cold. R. A. Howell, secretary-treasurer of the Goodfellows, and Commissioner Ray A. Palmer will act as 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 Wendrop and Ralph Moulthrop) will make a door-to-door canvassing expedition in the business district, seeking gifts of wampum.

Women's organizations have been busy, too. The Philomen Club and the Edna Barnes sewing group are making children's wear; the Ladies' Aid, the Y. W. C. A., the Goodwill Club, the D. A. R., Birmingham Women's Club, Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, the League of Catholic Women, school home rooms and others are aiding the cause. The list is still incomplete.

Walnut Lake Couple Gets \$25

No one was more surprised Monday than Mr. and Mrs. Birdie Deary, of 2168 Edgewood road, Walnut Lake, when it was announced they had won this week's \$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 us 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. C. H. Cadigan, pastor of the First Baptist Church, 1456 Humphrey street. T. T. Ellery was the third runner-up at the Wabek State Bank Monday morning, and it was he who selected the winners. Mr. Ellery is a former mayor of the City.

Friday, Dec. 15, will be double-coupon day. All purchases of 50 cents or more will get that day's worth of coupons to the customer. For a complete list of the Goodwill Merchants, turn to another page of The Eccentric.

CHARTER

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

Mayor John E. Martz was the first speaker on the program, which was presided over by Charles Lawler, treasurer and publicity chairman of the Club. He said that "perhaps Birmingham should have had such an organization long ago. I know that you will be eager to lend your support to every good 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 on 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 Eise at the piano, sang two songs. She was followed by the singing of Herbert Flemington, who was accompanied by Miss Mildred Benecott at the piano.

Junior Chamber representatives from Pontiac, Ann Arbor, Detroit, and 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.

Has 22 Members  
Besides Mr. and Mrs. Lawler, other officers and directors are Ralph D. Smith, first vice-president; Robert J. Clark, second vice-president; Robert J. Clark, secretary; John L. Tharber, national councilor; Robert Hatch, state director; William W. Smith, other directors include Dr. Russell Stephens, Ralph Lynn, Dr. E. C. Deere, Merrill Olson and William Guckler.

The remainder of the membership of 22 includes William W. Dean, Walter Forbes, Richard Smith, David MacAdam, Samuel J. Burns, Ernest Petteway, Jr., Murray Townsend Jr. and Warren Mortimer and Jack Kerschenbaum.

**When the Dove Coo**  
Magistrate (to woman involved in matrimonial dispute)—"Did you and your husband quarrel on Friday night?"  
Wife—"And the next day pay-day! 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**

**E. W. OSBORNE**  
FORD AND MERCURY SERVICE  
Phone 316

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, when he arrived to present them with this week's \$25 trade certificate award in the Good-Will Campaign. (Arnold Photo.)

Three Boys Driving To Game Involved In Auto Collision  
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Three Birmingham boys engaged in a game of football on Friday night at 11 Beaver road and Dequindre, while en route to the Rochester basketball game. They are Warner L. Forsyth, Jr., 17 years old, son of the St. James Church rectory; Norman James, Jr., 14 years old, 887 Wilmington; and Robert F. 16, of 888 Madison.

Some hurt to any extent, although the James boy spent the night at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

The Forsyth car was totally wrecked. A mail box near the stop sign was also damaged to a partially obscured device.

**B'ham Democrat Gets Census Job**  
One of Birmingham's new residents, Francis J. McElhane, Pontiac real estate man, will direct the taking of the census in the 17th Congressional district, which included all of Oakland County and the 22nd ward of Wayne County.

Mr. and Mrs. McElhane and their two children, a son, 14 years old, and their daughter, 19 years old, moved to Birmingham 12 months ago and are living at 212 Aspen road, although Mr. McElhane still maintains his Pontiac office.

A staunch Democrat, McElhane was appointed to his job by the enumerators' jobs. The winners will be sifted out through an examination.

**LABOR RELATIONS MEETING**  
The Rev. Fr. Sebastian Erbach, superior of the faculty of Dun Scotus monastery, and widely-known speaker on labor relations, will speak at 8 o'clock on Friday, April 2.

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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 Pierce and Brown streets.

John R. Ames, of 4200 Beach road, Birmingham, was driving south on Pierce street and failed to stop for Brown, a through street. His machine collided with one driven by Mrs. George West, who was driving north on Pierce, and according to police, a city employee had removed the sign, presumably for repairs, without substituting a temporary one.

Mrs. John Pollard, of Marlette, and J. Cargill, 80 years old, of Kingston, riding with Mrs. West, 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 up on the nation's playfields."

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

An official welcome was delivered by Clarence W. Blinn, retiring president of the Lions Club. Arthur N. Wingerd, acting as toastmaster, Victor Ulrich, vocal director at Baldwin High, sang as a solo the popular hymn, "God Bless America," joined by the entire group.

Jack George J. Wurster introduced the members of the team. The honorary captain, Lawrence Colgrove, of the end of the season, was presented with the Lion Trophy by Supt. Howard D. Clark.

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POLITE

"This whole thing is discouraging," he said. "We thought we had a really nice place for the neighborhood."

Defends Quality  
"These homes are all going to be good homes, each with three bedrooms, and designed by an architect for fine 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 149 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 place.

Ten others who signed the petition are of the same opinion. The City Commission did not feel inclined to accept Orman's theory that the ordinance barred more than one family on the land.

I doubt if there is a judge in the county who would sustain the viewpoint. Engineer-Treasurer Harold H. Corson declared.

Could's Stop It  
"If everyone in the whole block—49 people—and the City Commission all should be against this development, could the City Commission stop it?" Mayor John E. Martz was asked.

"No, I don't think so," was his reply, echoed by several of the Commissioners.

Following the discussion continued, with the Commission working on theory apparently, the meeting was adjourned to speak his piece, the "letting off steam" process would dampen the talk of the "rumor-mongers."

Perhaps it did. At least, as the protesters walked down the stairs, they then were heard to remark, "I think they know we are right."

**Splendid**  
A woman has written her first novel at the age of 80. What a splendid example of other novelists in the future.

**SOAP FIGURES**—10c  
Immortalizing the characters of Pinocchio.  
**Whitman's Chocolate Stars** 10c  
Glistening tree decorations.

**Christmas Folders** with Envelopes—35c  
25 different designs—Smartly styled.  
**Whitman's Toys**—25c  
With children's candy, airplanes, boats, wheelbarrows.

**Candy Cakes**—1c and 2 for 5c  
**Christmas Tree Lights** 69c—\$1.69  
For indoor or outdoor trees.

**New Eversharp Repeating Pencil**—\$1.00  
Feeds lead continuously.  
**Wahl Pen and Pencil Sets**—\$4.95  
With repeating pencil.

**Eaton's Christmas Note Paper** 50c  
Red Holiday edging.  
**Inkograph Pen**—\$1.00  
Writes as smoothly as a soft pencil.

**Sutton Keychains**—50c up  
Genuine leather, zipper or snap fasteners.  
**Coty Perfumes**—The Standard of perfume quality from \$1.00

**Manicure Kit**—Complete set of manicure requirements—\$2.98  
Ideal for travel or the boudoir.  
**Cutex Club Kit**—Genuine leather—Zipper closing—\$2.50

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Charles E. Lewis Off Library Board

Announcement was made this week of the resignation of Charles E. Lewis, of 272 Hawthorne road, from the board of directors of Baldwin Public Library, a position which he had held since 1933.

Mr. Lewis, an attorney in the Union Guardian Building in Detroit, explained this week that his professional duties have become so heavy that he felt his library board position should be turned over to one who would be able to devote more time to it. Mr. Lewis, whose library board directorship was to have expired in April, was a member of the village planning commission from 1925 to 1930 and served six years on the village commission from 1930 to 1932.

Merrill C. Adams, of 512 Kennebec street, has been appointed to fill the vacancy on the board of directors. He has been treasurer of the Community House for the past three years and has lived in Birmingham since 1932. Mr. Adams has offices in the Union Guardian Building, Detroit, and is connected with work in the reorganization of that city.

Mr. Lewis' resignation was announced at a meeting of the board on Nov. 13.

**Have You Met?**  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Crawford of 592 Lakeside drive! The Crawfords moved to Birmingham a short time ago but to Mr. Crawford it was like coming home again. He lived here about four years ago, he said Wednesday, and was anxious to return to Birmingham to renew acquaintances that he had made at that time.

Mr. Crawford is connected with the Detroit Trust company.

**Christmas Trees**  
Drive in and make your selection  
Rear of Masonic Temple  
Woodward at Forest



... and Santa Claus

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GIFTS FOR "HM"

- McGregor Sportswear
- Botany Robes
- B. V. D. Pajamas and Matching Robe Set
- Dobbs Hats
- Arrow Shirts
- Arrow Ties
- Arrow Handkerchiefs
- Hickok Belts
- Hickok Jewelry
- Holeproof Hosiery

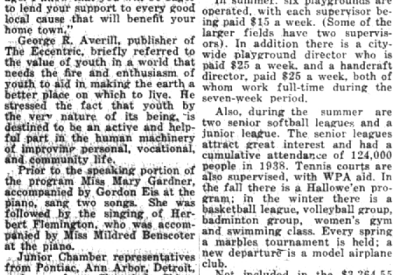
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**OPEN ALL NIGHT**  
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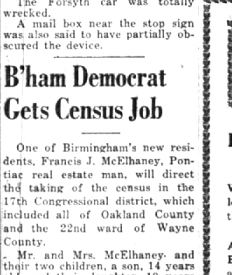
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