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THIS and THAT

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Million-Dollar Construction Year Foreseen

Building Is Ahead Of 1940 Period By 2-to-1 Ratio

A million-dollar year in new buildings in Birmingham was foreseen this week by James B. Baynes, City engineer, reporting in June hit a new peak for the year, and during the six months, permits have totaled \$64,4710.

"If we continue at this rate, it is obvious that we will have a million-dollar year," Baynes declared.

Seventeen new homes were authorized during the month at \$1,600; and other new building and alterations brought the total for the year to \$39,450, compared to \$10,305 in 1940.

For the first six months of 1941, the \$64,4710 total is double that for the same period in 1940, when

the permits are as follows:

At 666 Lakeview, for G. C. Waggoner, Jr., Birmingham Court, brick veneer, 21,136 cubic feet.

At 519 Woodward, for Ralph Scheel, 847 Wadsworth, frame, brick and stone, 35,788 cubic feet.

At 326 Fairview drive, for Robert M. Ball, 640 Temple, Detroit, 1½-story, 28,942 cubic feet.

At 353 South Woodward, for Robert McElroy, addition at rear of building.

At 265 Hanover, for W. D. Russell, 1½-story, 1,600 square feet.

At 243 and 245 West Brown,

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General Alarm' Fire Is Fought

Birmingham's first "general alarm" fire since the blaze last year at the Oakdale riding stable in Springfield Township, exploded Sunday morning at the R. E. Keans residence, 54 Hazelwood. A loss of \$300 was estimated by Chief Tom Griffen.

When the paid crew arrived on the scene, the need for more men was evident and the sirens were being rung, calling off-duty regulars and volunteers, adding 15 to the crew.

Investigation has revealed that the blaze started from a candle which had been lit under the storage rooms in the 1½-story Kearns residence. Because there was no clear attic space, firemen had to go outside to extinguish the blaze. Griffin said and considerable water was necessary. Extreme heat and smoke in the upstairs rooms forced firemen to wear masks.

The sport originated in Ger-

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Resident Needed To Annex Land

Annotation of 10 more acres to the City of Birmingham is in prospect. Monday night, the City Commission authorized a contract with the Michigan Land Co., stipulating that City water and sewerage be extended to the company's new site, providing no steps are taken to annex the land to the city before the next election. The land faces East Maple and is just east of the Grand Trunk tracks.

Michigan Land Co. approval by Birmingham, by Tracy Township, and by "people living on the area to be annexed." No person may force the city to annex the land, it was stressed.

The Commission has opposed extending water and sewerage to persons not paying city taxes, even though double rates are paid.

Youth Appointed Naval Air Cadet

James Whitney Dure, of 34630 Goldendale drive, Lathrop High school, has completed his preliminary flight training in the Naval Air Academy at Grosser Isle, and now is in the second class of the next session. The land faces East Maple and is just east of the Grand Trunk tracks.

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New Plane Factory in Baltimore, Md., Supervised by Birmingham Engineer

Early this year Frank S. Park-

ard resigned his job as City Com-

missioner, and for an even longer

time he has been a stranger to Birmingham. His work, however,

has been busy at Baltimore, Md.,

working for national defense.

As supervising engineer for the aircraft plant, Alton L. Martin Company, an arm of the British

Government, Frank S. Park-

ard has coordinated the work of all

factories in a huge new airplane

factory at the Glenn L. Martin

Company. An article in the Bul-

more Sun for June 20 tells the

whole story.

"A new colossus in American

airplane factories is taking form

swiftly at the Glenn L. Martin

Company plant, with the old

factory still in use.

"Said something like the new plant

is being built in Luck

—others going up in various parts of the country."

"The strength of the manhood,

the fire of our Youth, should Despot's ear dare to impede

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They're 'Spindizzy' Fans



Here are Birmingham "spindizzy" fans and the midget cars which they race at speeds of 80 miles an hour and more with the aid of a circular track. In the foreground, on the left, is a boy who is a member of the team. From left to right, who are they? MARY TUTTLE, JOHN BUCKHORN, JULIAN GILBERT, RICHARD WALLACE, BILL COBB, JEP CROUCH, GENE RICHARDSON and JAMES NUNNEY.

Lieut. Dick Lawler Ill At Hospital

Lieut. Richard P. Lawler, veteran member of the Birmingham Police Force, in St. Joseph's Hospital, is ill with a cold and fever.

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