

IMPACT

(Continued from Page 1) turned into an enduring and lasting pleasure.

Over Subscribe War Loans The Second and Third War Loans were conducted in April and September, respectively. Each time the City over-subscribed its quota and in general exceeded the average of other parts of the State in the sale of the "E" bonds (Michigan being the leading state in the Union in this respect.) Birmingham bought \$1,023,000 in the spring and over \$2,500,000 in the fall and is ready for the Fourth Loan drive, which will commence January 15.

In addition to these and regular bond sales throughout the year, the City contributed in March \$253,000, which was \$38,000 more than was asked for, for the purchase of an Army Air Force Bomber bearing its name under the auspices of the Lions Club; raised \$147,700 for the Community House in March, \$27,400 for the American Red Cross in April, \$21,000 for the War Chest in November and topped off with the comparatively small but highly significant sum of \$2550 asked for by the Plety Hill Chapter, D.A.R. for the purchase of blood bank equipment for the Red Cross Blood Plasma service in December.

Deaths to Three Birmingham lost three outstanding citizens during 1943. On

July 15 Henry P. Edwards, chairman of the board of the Birmingham National Bank, passed away. On October 2, Mrs. Moreno B. White, wife of Lee A. White, public relations director of the Detroit News, died after a two month illness. She had given nearly a quarter century of her life to the civic affairs of Birmingham and to advancing the welfare of young men and women. October 28, just after the sale of his insurance business, J. B. Howarth, 86, who had been a resident more than 20 years and secretary of the Rotary Club most of that period, died after a long illness.

The Community Council in 1943 was under the presidency of City Commissioner Howard F. Estes. Its annual legislative, the first week of November, was devoted to a consideration of the problems of youth welfare, and, coming as it did, just at the time that Gov. Kelly had appointed a state-wide committee on the same subject to deal with mounting juvenile delinquency, it was particularly timely.

On May 15, 1943 the Birmingham Ration Board, at 111 South Woodward, opened as an independent Board with a staff of thirteen paid clerks. The original Board members were: Harold W. Wedge, Chairman; Panel Members as follows: Kingsley Brown, Joseph Bustamante, Samuel Halsey, Norman Kuder, John Semmon, Clayton Stephens, Charles Lewis, Lawson Lockhart, Wm. Dymally, Ralph Cuyler, Paul Friedman, Elmer Larsen, Wm. Dow, Arthur Thompson.

Since that time Mr. Wedge resigned as Chairman and Mr.

Charles Lewis succeeded him in that position. Resignations were also received from Mr. Bustamante, Mr. Stephens, and Mr. Thompson. Their places on the Board were taken by Donald Fraser, S. James Durcan and Thomas Adams.

Late last year the emphasis placed upon Price Control made logical the creation of a Price Panel and Mr. H. Ross Mack was made Chairman of that Panel. The volume of work taken care of by the Board as a whole would indicate that the creation of the office has been a convenience and advantage to the people in the area.

Municipal H. H. Corson, who had been city treasurer and acting city engineer, assumed the City Management with the departure for Navy Service on Feb. 18 of Don C. Egbert. Russell Berger replaced Corson as acting city treasurer.

In the April elections, Milton M. Mallender, an attorney, was chosen by the voters as a new member of the seven man City Commission. Commissioner Harry E. Bissett failed of re-election. In November Mayor Martz announced the appointment of a city plan commission of five members, as follows: A. Fletcher Plant, Mr. F. H. McKelvey, Albert J. Shain, Harry G. Muehlman and A. O. McCrear. This group will shortly file its first report. The commission may amend the ordinance under which it operates to permit of addition of two more members.

The Commission also brought the Recreation Board onto an official status last Spring, although not all of its funds are derived from the city treasury as yet. In November the Mayor named James Tuttle chief of the local OGD office to succeed Russell Fisher, who entered a war plant.

Police and Fire Both departments maintained their full strength, 20 and 15 men respectively, under chiefs John Hackett and Verne Griffith. Throughout the year, although each department lost several members during the year.

The police department reported one fatal pedestrian death but no other traffic fatalities of any type, and the general accident rate was slightly under 1942. Breaking and entering cases showed a sharp upward curve and late in the year an army messenger was nabbed in Pleasant Ridge who had committed several robberies here. The Fire Department celebrated its thirtieth anniversary on August 26. There were only three serious fires in the City during the year, at the homes of A. S. Bedell, 1279 Villa, loss \$4500; Lucius Jackson, 612 East Lincoln, loss \$400; and William Rutledge, 823 Pierce, loss \$4250. Total fire loss was estimated at \$11,000, or less than \$1 per capita. There were a number of major fires outside the city limits last year, the principal one being the destruction of the Sherwood School on the former Champion Estate, on July 1. During the year there were 24 fires caused by children playing with matches, a great increase over 1942, and Chief Griffith laid this to absence of working parents, with a strenuous warning that this practice be stamped out before a serious tragedy occurs.

Board of Education The turn-over of teachers in the public schools at the outset of the year was the largest in the city's history, amounting to one third of the staff. Ross Wagner assumed the Baldwin high principalship. H. Ross Mack and Lloyd Jones were re-elected to the board in the June school election without opposition and with the smallest voter turnout in the city's history. At a special election on December 20 the voters approved annexation of Southfield School District No. 3, fractional, with 145 pupils already attending sessions here, to the Birmingham school district, which has now become a third class district under population provisions of state laws.

The Board of Education will be increased to seven members shortly by reason of this step. The board does not contemplate exercising its new powers of appropriation and annexation without full reference to the public, although its new status removes the requirement of an annual meeting open to the public.

Baldwin high school has two new coaches this year. Hal Helmer for football, under whom the team beat Royal Oak, 6-0, for the first time in 10 years, and Lloyd Cooper for basketball and baseball. In the June, 1943, graduating class of 180 members was the largest in the school's history.

City vs. Greyhound The City, aligned with all other Southern Oakland communities, was prepared to fight to the last ditch on the over-night fare boost the Great Lakes Greyhound Lines attempted to put over on August 9. In order to withdraw the increase, amounting to 19 cents, between here and Detroit, by the MSPSC after three days, the Company virtually abandoned the fare, when it crashed in history October, when 46 passengers in a south-bound Greyhound bus, seven of them from Birmingham, were injured, at Woodward and Parkhurst, in Detroit, as the bus and a DSR car collided. One passenger died and both bus driver and motorman are held under charges of "common law manslaughter."

For Speeding Police reports the arrest January 4 of Charles Hummel, 291 Wadlington, on a charge of driving his car 47 miles an hour in a 35 mile zone.

Store leftovers, when practical, together in one dish. A couple of carrots, a bit of corn, a dab of potatoes pushed back in the refrigerator are likely to be forgotten and use up unnecessary space.

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