Rotarians Study Problems of City

A few of the municipal problems that confront Birmingham in its post-war growth were discussed by local Rotarians at their Monday meeting in the Community House.

The discussion was led by Rotarian J. William Torrence.

Parking, a relief highway for east and west traffic, protection of the east side of Hunter Boulevard against the intrusion of undesirable types of business, were among the topics presented. Charles J. Shain, chairman of the Birmingham Planning Commission, emphasized the need for study of the relief highway project recently presented to the Birmingham City Commission by his group.

Cost Half Million

Rotarian Elmer W. Haack revealed that the cost of the relief highway project would run up to a half million dollars, but that state and federal aid might be obtained; he also said that in the special assessment to be created, if the project goes through, levies will be made upon the business and professional enterprises of the city, on the basis of parking costs.

C. V. Vliet, former Birmingham superintendent of public schools, now a resident of Birmingham after some years of residence in Bellevue, Michigan, was accepted back into membership, his classification being "trade organizations."

Marshall Fredericks, Randall Court, lately retired as a lieutenant-colonel in the India-South Pacific Air Forces Intelligence Division, became the 57th member of the Club Monday. His classification is "sculptor." For 11 years he was associated with Carl Milles, at Cranbrook. At present Rotarian Fredericks is working on a $100,000 project for Cleveland.

The Club also voted Monday to present a large motion picture screen to the Community House, to be used only within the House by various groups requiring it from time to time.

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COUNCIL

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field, to commemorate Birmingham World War II veterans.

Study Possible Growth

Amos F. Gregory will discuss the future school district for Birmingham, showing possible annexations and the advantages and disadvantages of a large district.

Mrs. Lewis B. Sappington and Mrs. Norman Lyle will go into the increasing problems concerning Birmingham's teaching staff. Mrs. Sappington will talk on living conditions and recreational facilities while Mrs. Lyle will discuss teachers' salaries, giving comparative figures in neighboring communities and showing need for adjustment.

The financial situation of the schools in Birmingham will be covered by Wylie E. Groves, who will speak on the bonded indebtedness, difficulties as well as aids for financing building, and the current operating budget.

To Answer Questions

Dr. Dwight B. Ireland will briefly summarize the salient points given by the various Board of Education members, touching also upon such subjects as training of teachers, reading, social studies, and others. He will also answer questions from the audience.

Birmingham citizens who do not comprehend fully the work, plans, and proposals of the Board of Education are invited by P.T.A. members to seize the opportunity to get first hand answers to questions which may puzzle them. The meeting will open at 8 o'clock.

FIRE

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given by the neighbors. Everyone was just fine," she admitted that it was rather a cold experience being taken from the home into the chill of night and snow and ice. "We plan to take up residence at the Oakland Hills Country club until our home can be rebuilt," Mr. Dostal said Tuesday evening.

Nothing was saved from the home. The grand piano tumbled into the basement, while silver melted and other furnishings were either burned or ruined by the intense heat, the smoke and water. Two dogs were suffocated by the smoke. The loss is believed mostly covered by insurance.

The fire departments from the Village, Bloomfield Township and Bloomfield Hills responded to the call.

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New Girl Scout Council Plan Is Adopted Locally

On Friday, January 11th the Birmingham Girl Scout Council changed over from the form of organization which has governed the Council since girl scouting started in Birmingham to the new Association Form, which is now recommended by the National Council of Girl Scouts.

New officers elected for the coming year are: president, Mrs. Robert F. Kohr; vice-president, Mrs. Edward S. Reid, Jr.; secretary, Mrs. E. J. Barney, and treasurer, Mrs. E. E. Schafer.

Board Members

The new Association includes all adults as members of the Council and this group elected the following Board Members:

Organization—Mrs. Edward Faulkner; out-of-door—Mrs. Maurice G. Bell; training chairman—Mrs. R. W. Reilly; program—Mrs. M. G. Huntington; public relations—Mrs. Charles B. Kass; finance—Mrs. A. W. Wilkinson; house—Mrs. A. N. Watson; staff and office—Mrs. George Finch; nominating membership—Mrs. Harry N. Gruber; registrar—Mrs. H. D. McLeese; members at large—Mrs. Carl V. Essery and Mrs. Frank D. Webb.

The nominating membership committee included Mrs. Gruber as chairman and Mrs. E. F. Brumbaum. Mrs. Miles Robinson, Mrs. Frank D. Webb and Mrs. Peter Loomis.

The report of the Registrar lists 604 girls in Birmingham and 119 adults registered in Scouting.

March of Dimes Is Underway In This And Other Cities

The annual March of Dimes in the county and in Birmingham was placed under way Monday, with Herbert H. Gardner as county chairman, and with indications of many splendid contributions to the fund. Money is used in the battle against infantile paralysis.

Governor Asks Help

This week Mr. Gardner received the following letter from Governor Harry F. Kelly expressing the hope that the campaign would find very liberal support:

"I have been informed that you are the campaign director for your county in the 1946 March of Dimes for the benefit of infantile paralysis victims, conducted by the National Foundation for Infantile paralysis. It is a privilege for me to express once again my esteem for this splendid cause, and to wish complete success to the campaign which supports it.

"You know, and I know, that Michigan has reason to be both proud of and grateful for the accomplishments within our state. Our chapters have spent large sums derived from the March of Dimes for the hospitalization and treatment of infantile paralysis victims and for the training of personnel in the modern methods of treating the disease. The Foundation itself has provided financial assistance to chapters unable to meet all their needs with local funds, and has appropriated large amounts to finance research which gives very promise of finding a means to end the menace of this dread disease in the future.

"I commend this cause to all who have the health and welfare of children at heart. May the March of Dimes, from January 14 to January 31, achieve, under your public-spirited leadership, the success it so richly deserves."

Where the Money Goes

Of the money raised in this county 50 per cent stays here to provide treatment, equipment, materials and personnel to care for the victims of infantile paralysis stricken in your area. The other 50 per cent is sent to the National Foundation and is used for education, epidemic control, and research. In the past summer and fall $1,600 has been sent by the National Foundation to Michigan chapters for emergency aid. At the present time, 92 universities, medical schools and laboratories are working under grants from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

In Michigan this year the University of Michigan School of Public Health in Ann Arbor received a 5-year grant of $325,000. The Michigan Department of Health at Lansing received $12,620 and the Wayne University College of Medicine in Detroit received a grant of $9,760.

Boy Scout Swimming Program Opened At Barnum School Pool

The Boy Scout swimming program got under way Tuesday evening at Barnum pool with an attendance of fifty-six Scouts. The first class met at 7 o'clock and was composed of boys who are able to swim less than seventy-five yards, also Scouts who wish to work toward the attainment of a Scout life saving merit badge.

The second class at 8 o'clock was well attended by Scouts whose ability exceeds the seventy-five-yard requirement and those wishing to qualify for the Scout Swimming Merit Badge.

These classes are conducted by Mark Smith and Bradford Kempton of the health and safety committee of the Boy Scout Council. Mr. Smith and Mr. Kempton are water safety instructors for the Oakland County Chapter of the American Red Cross, Merit Badge Counselors for the Detroit Area Council of Boy Scouts and members of Scoutleaders' Life Saving Corps No. 5 of Detroit.

Howard Sumera, a member of Barnum Junior High faculty, was on hand to see that things moved along smoothly. Mr. Sumera has just returned from some three years' service in the Navy.

AIRPORT

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saw the name 'Detroit' on automobiles, planes and other vehicles all over the world. In fact, it appeared there were more vehicles made in Detroit than in any other city. The name 'Detroit' has become world famous, but right now one cannot come to Detroit by plane from any of the large nations of the world. Big planes cannot now land in Detroit, or at the Wayne airport.

"It appears the area is really lucky to have here a site so level and easily prepared for a large airport. There are no hills to cut down, no rivers or harbors to fill in. The site is close to the heart of one of the world's great industrial and business areas. Closer than is the case for other cities."

Commissioner Wm. Coit Alles declared, "It certainly is a fine thing to have these two men here from the Army General Staff. I believe it is the first time that we have been so favored."

An Important Decision

In introducing the two airmen, Mr. Averill declared that this was an occasion when the City Commission, representing the residents of the city, was called upon to make an important decision, which would be of keen interest to the constantly increasing number of Birmingham residents interested in air travel, and development of aviation. He urged favorable action on the matter.

In closing the session Col. Lanphier explained that planes would land at and leave the proposed airfield on certain definitely defined lanes and would, at carefully prescribed and maintained heights, present no inconvenience or danger to existing homes in the area.

GRADUATES

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High School, will present the class for graduation. Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools, will present the diplomas.

List of Graduates

Nancy M. Allen, Nancy Annan, Eugene William Aske, Abigail Price Babbitt, Walter Cole Beers, Gloria May Berrington, Lois Jean Brown, Marilyn J. Brown, Mary Lu Brungraber, Gerald Edward Butler, Thomas Wesley Butters, Gwendolyn Sue Chapman, Susanne Collins, Robert V. Cox, Norma L. Crouse, Gene Ross Dalton, Lillian Dolin, Eunice J. Engel, Mary Jeanne Forsyth, Sallie Fortier, Elisabeth M. Gellatly, Charles Thomas Green, and Amos F. Gregory, Jr.

Helen Hagopian, James House, Francis Huft, Velma Keogh, John E. Kennedy, Robert L. Lancaster, Margaret Ellen MacDonald, Robert E. Marsh, Philip Arthur Martz, Gloria Jean Maxwell, Thomas H. Milldebrandt, Robert A. Morrow, William W. Olson, Lawrence H. Pomeroy, Jr., Carl W. Rennell, Mary Elizabeth Schooley, Barbara Ruth Smith, Gordon James Smith, Neil H. Saicer, Wesley Staples, L. David C. Stites, Robert A. Tyson, Edward VanDevelder, Jr., and Louis B. Vicario.

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East Detroit To Play Here Friday

By BUD GASSER

In what should be one of the fastest games to hit Birmingham this year, the Maple cagers will tangle with East Detroit High School at Baldwin gym Friday night at 8 o'clock.

Both teams are sporting a three-game winning streak and will present small fives with the emphasis on speed.

Coach M. R. Ewing of East Detroit will bring to Birmingham a squad containing two lettermen, and a vastly improving team that has won three out of six games played this season. Coach Lloyd A. Cooper's Maples are winners of their three starts thus far and are steadily improving also.

Comparative scores mean little, but both teams have defeated Van Dyke and Mt. Clemens. Birmingham defeated Van Dyke 34 to 17, while East Detroit won 37 to 28. East Detroit was victor over Mt. Clemens 34 to 26 and the Maples defeated the Bathers 30 to 22 last Friday night.

The Birmingham reserves, also with a three-game winning streak, will meet the East Detroit reserves in a preliminary at 7 o'clock.

Probable Starting Lineups:

E. Detroit		Birmingham
Allen	F	Sutton
Templeton	F	Thruston
Tallman	C	Murray
Marasco	G	Gasser
Stobough	G	Davey

Sea Scouts Visit Coast Guard Ship

Led by Skipper Moulton H. Farnham, nine members of the Birmingham Sea Scout Ship "Hunter" visited the USS "Acacia," Coast Guard ice-breaker, at the United States Coast Guard base in Detroit.

The group was welcomed on board by Lieutenant H. J. Beyschlag, USCGR, commander of the "Acacia," who gave a brief description of the 180-foot vessel, and of the duties she performs in winter and summer, maintaining channels and aids to navigation on the Great Lakes. Quartermaster (2-C1) Bruno Stolarz conducted the Sea Scouts on a two-hour tour of the "Acacia" from conning tower to engine room, and from stem to sternpost.

High spots of interest were the Radar equipment which "sees" through thick weather and fog; the emergency steering mechanism, and the "scullery" where the ship's meals are prepared. The Sea Scouts also found the many signalling devices and pieces of life-saving equipment, of great interest.

CLOTHING

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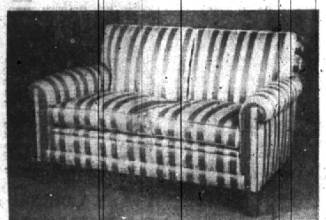

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