

REVIEW

(Continued from Page 5, Part 2) resulted in an explosion and fire. The damages to the house and furnishings were estimated at \$1,000. Fourteen students of Baldwin High School have been elected to the National Honor Society. They were guests at a dinner served at the Community House immediately after the induction ceremonies. The annual Yuletide show of the Birmingham Garden Club was well attended this year when thousands visited the Community House to view the beautiful displays. It is reported to be one of the most successful shows of recent years. Schools, churches, families and

social organizations of Birmingham are busily making plans for Christmas, 1947, which promised to be everyone busy and be a gala event. Issue of December 18 Members of the Birmingham Lions Club this week presented a ceiling book projector to Baldwin Library. The projector will be used for use by any local person confined to bed, unable to read otherwise. In an effort to maintain the excellent safety record of Birmingham, Police Chief John Hackett has asked local motorists to use every precaution while driving this winter. "Quit skidding and kidding yourself," he warned motorists. Local youngsters, wanting to earn money for unfortunate children of Europe, banded together and built an Orange Crate theatre. They gave their first performance this week, showing "Slide Films" which they had made and written the script for. A refund of slightly less than \$6,000 will be made to the residents of the Birmingham Villa subdivision, it was announced. The sewer assessment, which they participated in during 1947, was completed at 48 per cent below the estimated cost. Bloomfield Hills teachers and parents met last week to discuss

the many problems which confront the school system here. The question of consolidation was discussed, with the many factors involved being thoroughly explained. Issue of December 24 Baldwin High School students, in a three-day campaign, collected 4,000 cans of food to be turned over to the Frenchish Food Store Caravan for shipment to France. Carol Howlett, who plunged through Quorton Lake, was saved by the timely action of Lester and Nickie Colbert and Paul Trichel Monday afternoon. The boys formed a human chain and pulled the little girl from the water to safety. City officials are investigating ways to close Springdale Park to outsiders, in order that residents of Birmingham may enjoy the park facilities themselves. Of recent years it has been so crowded by persons of nearby communities that local people have been practically barred from their own park. The sale of 1948 license plates was begun last week in the local office of the Secretary of State. Workers at the office urged local residents to purchase plates early and avoid the last minute rush at the expiration date, March 1. Members of the AAUW Children's Theatre group planned several entertainments this year for the children confined to the Oakland County Juvenile Detention Home. They will also have as their special guests for the marionette show, the children of the Contagious Hospital in Pontiac.



By Gene Alteman As viewed at the state capital, the 1948 Michigan parade of events and personalities should be especially interesting. Here are some highlights, impressions and observations, as we see them: The new year will bring a campaign year. That means politics. And politics plus more inflation may prove to be an explosive and confusing combination. Governor Kim Sigler, despite his bilious remark about the "crummies" job in the country, is expected to toss his hat, cowboy style, into the political ring for re-nomination and re-election. And so will Senator Homer Ferguson. Republican leaders are a bit cocky. The community property tax law, benefiting big taxpayers, should help to sweeten the kitty for party contributors. Democrats profess to be broke and are feuding and fussing. Leadership has waned considerably since Murray D. "Fur" Wagner left the highway department. It has never been quite the same! The state legislature will meet in special session next March. State budgets are on an annual basis now. Budget Director John Perkins is influencing many decisions of Governor Sigler with respect to proposed reforms. Inflation again will provide the fuel for the legislature's actions. State Treasurer D. Hale Brake still persists that new taxes are inevitable if Michigan is to stay

Sportsmen are still wondering what Governor Sigler had in mind when he referred to the conservation department as a kingdom unto itself, beyond control of the governor's office, and hence an illustration of why the governor is a mere "glorified clerk." Fears that the governor might attempt to appoint the department's director, whom he does not like, prompted a statement that the governor did not have this department in mind; he merely used it as an example. Reorganization of the department's administrative setup, however, may take some of the pressure off F. J. Hoffmaster, top man.

On Hockey Tour

Conley Adams, who is attending Houghton College of Mining and Technology, joined his team in Chicago Dec. 23. The team has opened its hockey season with several Western games. They played Colorado University Dec. 26, the University of California on Dec. 30, and will play the San Francisco Olympics on Jan. 3. Conley visited his parents, Mr.

and Mrs. Milton Adams of Telegraph road, briefly before joining his teammates for the tour. SUBURBAN WINDOW CLEANERS ARTHUR ZETTEL 1619 Cole Birmingham Phone 2104

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Ford Car Dealers Sponsor Allen Show Beginning Jan. 4 Harold Turner, Birmingham Ford dealer, announced this week that beginning next Sunday evening, Jan. 4, the Fred Allen show will be sponsored by the Ford dealers of the country. The show is a regular Sunday evening feature of the NBC network and is heard in the Detroit area from station WWJ at 8:30 p. m. Fred, celebrating his 15th anniversary on the air with the largest audience he has ever had, comes into the nation's homes through some 22,000,000 radio sets. At a recent survey it was noted that his program has the largest number of listeners per set of any show on the air. Program regulars include Portland Hoffa, Kenny Delmar, Miner Pious, Parker Fennelly, Peter Allen, the five DeMarco Sisters, and Al Goodman and his orchestra. Each week a guest star is in the form of an outstanding personality in the entertainment world. Like a few comedians, Fred writes his own script and slaves over the gags that have been informally born in the midst of his cluttered apartment. With the stimulus of a piece of spruce gum and an approaching deadline, he finds out last comedy on schedule with which to beguile his audience. Through the years from 1932 to 1947, Allen has developed to a high degree certain characteristics in his radio show. Allen's Alley is one of the most unusual and popular innovations on the air. A master antenna system has been perfected for television installations in apartment houses and other multiple dwellings.

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