

Ability to speak was given us so that one can communicate his thoughts to others via the spoken word. A full and complete education, then, when a person fails to speak plainly, slowly enough to be understood by his hearer, is a failure. You ought to be impressed with the value of correct speech.

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# THE BIRMINGHAM TRIBUNE

PART ONE

## Annual Campaign for Local Schools

### Anniversary Dinner Honors Sixty Scouts

#### Area Commissioners Present at Annual Scouting Event

Birmingham Scouts climaxed a year of scouting and celebrated the 37th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America Tuesday night with a huge dinner at the Community House, attended by all scouts who had achieved the rank of first class or better during the year, scouts in this area, and scout personnel from the Detroit Area Council.

The program, keyed to honor all those scouts who were advanced, included an address by the Rev. James W. Wright, associate pastor of the First Methodist Church, "greetings" from Mayor Milton F. Malender, announcement and inducting of new scouts, and a presentation of the year's "Eagle Award" by Robert E. Fowler, Northern Commission Chairman. The presentation of the year's work done by Scout leaders in this community.

Receiving the coveted Eagle award with Bronze Palm was Richard Greer, while five scouts attained the rank of Eagle this year. They are Bill Reusch, Richard Gregory, Alfred Diebel, Jack Adams, and Bill Reusch.

Made Life Scouts during the year were Bill Reusch, John Nicholas, Donald Trainer, Peter Hartung and Finn Bergishagen. Achieving Star Scout rank were Peter Huntstodt, Glen Decker, Jr., James Buchanan, Jr., Gordon Wylie, Richard Helgeson, Grandfather, and again referred to as "almost perfect" by persons who use it.

Each Scout Introduced Thirty-one scouts made first class during the year. The list includes Callen Grant, Bob Hardy. (See ANNIVERSARY, Page 2)

### Governor Sigler Attends Christ Church Scout Service

Pictured at Christ Church Cranbrook last Sunday at the "Scouts Own Service" commemorating the 37th Anniversary of Scouting were (left to right) Eagle Scout Robert Fowler, 1240 Lake Park, Birmingham, Eagle Scout Gordon Dickie, of Pleasant Ridge, A. Douglas Jamieson, Scout Commissioner, Detroit Area Council, and Michigan Governor C. Sigler.

### Professor Tells Results of Other Community Groups

How community councils in other areas obtained the results was outlined to members of the Birmingham Community Council last week when they held a noon luncheon meeting at the Community House to hear Dr. Howard T. McClusky, professor of education at the University of Michigan.

Dr. McClusky told his audience that there were three phases to the work of a community council: information, planning and action. "Concepts and perhaps do a better job if a part-time or full-time community director were hired, McClusky stated that such a responsibility is too big for a community leader who already has a business job to attend to.

Several huge industrial enterprises have already become better acquainted with the city in order that they should take an active interest in local communities wherever their employees work or live, he indicated, and they welcome such opportunities to work along with well-coordinated community councils.

Well Agreed Upon The City Commission Monday evening granted the proper city officials permission to execute and deliver the agreement concerning the Peabody farm well site which the city expects to develop as an additional water supply.

Commitments and Power Must Be Kept in Balance, Reston Tells His Audience

Since the world now looks to the United States to lead out of its present problems, we must balance our national commitments with our resources, declared James B. Reston, Washington correspondent of the New York Times, to over 200 persons at the Village Playhouse last Thursday.

### Hospital Fund Will Explain School Financial Need at Meeting on Feb. 25

#### Now \$390,000 Reports Show

#### No Group Meetings Are Scheduled for Next Week

Subscriptions totaling \$36,167.50 were reported at the fourth Birmingham area report meeting Monday night at the Woodward General Hospital Building Fund campaign total-to-date to \$390,202.50.

Men's and women's teams of the County Division from Beverly Hills, Birmingham Hills, Birmingham and Latrup Township reported \$25,487.50 and the Advance Rifle, Industrial Corporation and Retail Corporation committees announced \$10,700.

Community reports Monday night were as follows: Beverly Hills women \$78; Birmingham women \$9,650; Birmingham men \$12,474; Bloomfield Hills women \$1,590; Latrup Township women \$968.50.

Community totals to date in the Birmingham area: Beverly Hills \$8,820; Birmingham women \$20,855; Birmingham men \$27,007; Bloomfield Hills women \$8,480; Franklin men \$2,168; Latrup Township women \$1,768.50; Magnolia women \$1,168.50.

Edward Werner, the conductor, is presenting Thingstad and John Soderberg, cellist, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in a program which will include the American premiere of the second appearance of the Scandinavian Symphony Orchestra, although he has appeared with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra and on two occasions with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Expect Completion of Two Huts Today

All materials for completion of the Cranbrook etc Quonset huts are now on hand, and two of the huts (four dwelling units) are expected to be handed over to the City within the next few days, according to Augustus Carrier, housing manager.

Blood Bank Returns to Birmingham for 2 Days, April 7-8

In order to help replenish the fast-diminishing supply of plasma to anyone who is in need of it, a newly organized Birmingham Blood Bank, in conjunction with the Red Cross, is now planning for the two period, April 7 and 8, when blood donations will be taken from any local residents who volunteer at the Community House.

### Professor Tells Results of Other Community Groups

#### Heavy Trucks Give Neighborhood Many Sleepless Nights

#### Symphony Concert Program Features Syver Thingstad

One of the greatest soloists when the studied voice both at the University of Michigan and at the University of Toronto, is presenting Thingstad and John Soderberg, cellist, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in a program which will include the American premiere of the second appearance of the Scandinavian Symphony Orchestra, although he has appeared with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra and on two occasions with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

By Hugh Quinn A rejuvenated Maple case squad rolled over Lincoln at Fernalde for the eighth time, for the eighth time of the season.

Defense Tightened In the next period the Maples tightened their defenses, keeping the Raisplitters from making a single field goal.

Valentine's Day Tomorrow, or "Lupercalia"? Plusius Kvindlog Still in Doubt

The Eccentric, eager as it is to print valuable findings on many topics, has been informed that it will be glad to hear from Plusius Kvindlog, head of the Valuable Old Industry Department.

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### Secret Society Problem Appears Close to Solution

Through the sincere cooperation of the Birmingham superintendent of schools, the Board of Education and several scores Baldwin high school boys and girls, the high school fraternity and sorority situation in Birmingham schools appeared on its way toward a settlement which would be agreeable to all concerned.

Acting as chairman of the Feb. 25 meeting will be father vice-president of the P.T.A. Council, Robert F. Conroy, 482 Westwood, Hill, will introduce Lee E. Joslyn, Board of Education president, who will lead off each meeting during the stated time, three of the meetings dates being April 15, 22 and 29, with the other two to be announced later.

Board Members Participate At each meeting, board members will cooperate in a series of short talks on phases of the school financial system, demonstrating the need for the additional levy.

Writtle Grove, treasurer of the Board, will review the current operating budget, pointing out the need for retaining the present two-and-a-half mills over the current school operating budget would be reduced 95, 953.34 if that additional millage were stopped. Figures to substitute his statement will be given. (See CAMPAIGN, Page 2)

Open Membership According to preliminary reports, officials and students agreed that: (1) Only Baldwin students should be eligible to club membership. (2) Each club constitution and by-laws would be approved by the Board. (See SOLUTION, Page 2)

Recreation Ordinance in Final Stages Under consideration for more than a year, Birmingham's proposed consolidation of city and school recreational activities appeared to be in the final stages. The ordinance was submitted to the Board of Education Monday night.

Don't Know How it All Happened; Switching an Old Roman Celebration to a Saint's Day, Plusius Kvindlog Still in Doubt

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Well Done, Good and Faithful Servants!

To offer one's personal time, with little or no monetary compensation, to some unit of government in this country is an act of citizenship. It is an act of citizenship in the truest sense of the word.

With rare exceptions, I believe it is correct in stating that on this subject of citizen service Birmingham has been very fortunate. For many years a have believed, as I have watched the development of this community, that most of the good and enduring growth processes of a community come about because of the activities of citizens who assume some place in public service—with compensation almost wholly that of the heart and the spirit, not for the pocketbook.

Practically every Monday night, plus many other special meetings, men and women of our city and other Commissioners and City officials to do what they could to help solve the problems that arise with the government.

So Sheltie Wright has been elected president of the Birmingham Community House. For a number of years Sheltie Wright has been one of the most active and honest, through the inviolate laws of God that operate for the woman family, will be taken care of.

Fred Hoffman, known to his many friends as "Cap," passed away at his home at 623 Wallace on Feb. 12, after a long illness.

Although he was born in LeRoy, N.Y., on Sept. 18, 1878, he has lived in Birmingham practically all of his life. After coming here in 1897, at the age of four years, he attended Hill and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Services were held February 8 at the First Baptist Church, officiating, the Methodist Church officiating. The burial followed at the Greenwood Cemetery.

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