

Oakland Ave. Closing Set for Hearing

By G. R. A.

Commission Opposes Putting \$25,000 into Temporary Solution

Why the Birmingham Board of Education thinks that the permanent closing of Oakland avenue will solve the traffic problem arising from children crossing the street after school hours, city commissioners couldn't quite figure out as they discussed it at Monday evening's commission meeting.

Reveal Members of Gifts Committee for Hospital Fund

A 12-man special gifts committee has been announced by Elmer L. Sylvester, executive director of the Birmingham Hospital Building fund campaign.

Alpena Senator to Speak to Local Merchants Group

State Senator Otto W. Bishop of the 29th Senatorial District, Alpena, will be the guest speaker of the evening at the first general meeting of the Birmingham Retail Merchants Association to be held at the Community House Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 7 p. m.

City Vacates Part of Davis Street to Board of Education

Vacation of the plotted portion of Davis street from Edgewood to Pierce street was approved by the city Commission Monday night in order to permit it to become officially a part of the Pierce school athletic area.

City May Be Given Additional Money to Finish Survey

To complete the survey of the City of Birmingham, the water supply, Donald C. Egbert, city manager, has requested that the city Commission Monday evening request negotiations with the State Department of Health in an effort to obtain some additional money which may be available in the future.


Egbert Elected to Veterans Council

City Manager Donald C. Egbert was elected chairman of the Birmingham Veterans Council at a meeting held Wednesday, Dec. 18, when former chairman Howard P. Fenn, also representative, asked that he not be re-elected for the position as his legislative duties were taking him away from Birmingham so often.

Southfield Election

A special school election, to decide whether or not to merge Township school districts, now numbering nine separate entities, will be held at all Township schools tomorrow, Jan. 3.

New Year Proclamation



Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

We hereby proclaim to every townsman and rural resident of this section—men, women and children alike—that it is our devout and earnest wish that the year A. D. 1947 bring unbounded health, happiness and prosperity to all.

Window Sash, Plumbing Hold Up Quonsets

City Manager Won't Even Hazard Guess on Completion Date

Little hope remains that any of the Quonset huts in the City will be completed by the first of the year, Augustus L. Carrier, housing manager, said Tuesday as he reviewed the city's quonset project.

Santa Brings Triple Load; Grandparents Surviving Very Well

Three out of four is never a bad percentage, but when it pertains to grandchildren, it's stupendous. Yes sir, Christmas was really a most joyous time for Mr. and Mrs. Rolf's (Simpson) Knox street, for in four days there were three newcomers to their family.

Knickerbocker Here Jan. 13 for Community Series

Judging from the career and experiences of H. R. Knickerbocker, reporter, his lecture "Report on Palestine and the Middle East," would be packed with adventure and teaching material when he comes to the Community House on January 13. His appearance is one of the events of the Birmingham Community Series this season.

\$100 Checks from Rotary Club Help Hungry Europeans

By Helen Bishop
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Christmas Day Fire Destroys Roof of Clay Johnson Home

Fire, which broke out at 11 a. m. Christmas morning partially destroyed the roof of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Johnson, 1171 Smith street.

Wesley E. Smith Becomes Manager of Wabek Branch

Wesley E. Smith, former assistant manager of the Ferndale branch of the Wabek State Bank of Detroit, has been appointed as manager of the Birmingham branch of the bank, it was announced this week by George B. Judson, Wabek State Bank president.

Driver Tries U-Turn; Car Hit from Behind

While making a U-turn on Woodward at Harmon Sunday night, a car driven by Jack E. Copenhaver, 264 Oakland, Pontiac, was hit from the rear by the car driven by George H. McPherson, 2083 Orpington avenue. The left rear of Copenhaver's car was damaged and the left front wheel of McPherson's car was washed in.

Holy Land Photos from 'Life' Go on Exhibition Here

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Maples Meet East Detroit to Open Basketball Season

Birmingham's 1947 edition basketball team will swing into action tomorrow evening, January 3, when they meet the East Detroit quintet in a game at Baldwin gymnasium. It will be the first game of the season for the local five.

2 Small Fires Caused by Yule Trimmings

Despite the many warnings issued by Fire Chief Vern Griffith concerning cars when hanging Christmas decorations, two small fires were reported in Birmingham on Christmas Day.

'Twas the Day After Christmas...

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And all through the house,
The children were silent—
Not even our mouse.

Youth Fined \$25 for Driving Recklessly

William R. Kramer, 21, son of Clarence F. Kramer, 3515 Broadway Boulevard, was fined \$50 on a reckless driving charge after A. J. Richardson of Oakland County, Friday night.

Gift Exchanges

January 4th—this Saturday—is the last day that most Birmingham merchants will accept Christmas presents for exchange, the Birmingham Retail Merchants Association reminds this week.

Community Institute Dinner Speaker Is Dr. Malcolm Dana

Dr. Malcolm Dana, president of Olivet College, will be the dinner speaker of the Eighth Annual Community Institute to be held January 16 at the Community House. It was announced this week.

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