

### Capt. Don Fouracre Reports to Topeka for Army Course

Donald G. Fouracre, Captain Air Reserve, who resides at 507 Brown, Birmingham, has reported to the Topeka, Kansas, Army Air Field for a 15-day refresher course, according to an announcement by Colonel George F. Kinzie, who commands the Reserve Training Detachment at Topeka.

Approximately 250 officers and enlisted men are attending this

training camp of which a total of eight periods are planned between July 5, 1947, and Oct. 31, 1947.

Capt. Fouracre attended Baldwin High School from 1932 to 1935. He also attended the Detroit College of Applied Science. He entered the service April 6, 1942, and was relieved from active duty July 1, 1946.

Capt. Fouracre wears the American Theatre Victory Medal and the World War II Victory Medal for his services.

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### Football Kicking, Passing Champions Are Determined

Birmingham's first annual elementary school football kicking and throwing contest was held last Friday at Pierce Field, during which Norman Tracey of Pierce out-footed Jack Kollman by a yard to win the punting contest.

Normal booted the ball 25 yards. Jerry Wedge fought Thad Ketchum to a tie for first place in the punning event, each completing throws of 25 yards. The champion combination punning-and-receiving team was

Pason Chapman and Don Keener who represented Adams school. The fastest football carrier for 50 yards turned out to be a Pierce kid, Jimmy Bernard. Harold Mitchell of Quanton was second and Ed Hubbard of Adams was a very close third.

Goal Kicking Contest According to Frank Whitney, athletic director of Birmingham schools, "Vincent Scoringline, the football coach at Baldwin High School, has his eye on these winners as potential ball handlers when they reach the eligible stage."

Whitney also explained that an attempt to revive the old art of kicking points over touchdowns, the Birmingham Education Board, together with a goal-kicking contest to be held at Pierce Field immediately preceding the Birmingham-Port Huron game Thursday, Oct. 30.

"Any Birmingham boy—or girl, too, for that matter—below the 10th grade is eligible to participate in the program," Whitney said.

Preliminaries will be held during the week of Oct. 27 to eliminate all but the four final contestants, the Birmingham Education Board, a suitable reward, Whitney explained.

### Kappa Sigma Pledge

William Thomas Breesford has been pledged to Kappa Sigma fraternity at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn., according to L. B. Davis, president of the Student Pan Hellenic council.

Sewanee last year revamped its entire fraternity system and schedule in order that every eligible student might have a chance to become acquainted with the university chaplain, after each student has been entertained by each of the eight fraternities.

CLARENCE W. BLEASDALE, Atty. Gen. 2-14 Bldg., Birmingham, Mich.

### C. M. Welch Joins Local Dealership

Roy R. Carkner, president of Carkner Motor Sales, Inc., Birmingham's Chrysler and Plymouth dealership, announced this week that C. M. "Mike" Welch has joined his firm as general manager and vice-president.

Carkner stated that Welch was chosen for this position because of his proved general ability as an automobile executive and because he possesses the qualities which fit him for a dealership in this type of community. His experience covers a span of some 10 years spent in the various phases of the automobile industry.

Immediately prior to allying himself with Carkner's, Welch was a district manager for the Chrysler Division of the Chrysler Corporation, stationed in the Detroit region. The firm with which he is now connected was one of many he serviced in this vicinity.

"In returning to the retail branch of the automobile business," says Welch, "I consider myself fortunate in being able to locate in a community of the type of Birmingham. The residents of this city demand the best, but at the same time appreciate the best. This is a challenge that our concern is determined and prepared to meet."

Overcoming difficulties that for generations had stamped the Chinese themselves, an American manufacturer has developed a typewriter which reproduces the approximately 5,400 characters used in writing Chinese.

### David Raymond Is Press Club Officer

David Raymond, a senior at Princeton, has been elected vice-president of the Princeton Press Club, and was one of the upper classmen who served on the committee to welcome freshmen at the opening of the fall semester. He is a member of Cap and Gown, one of the leading social clubs on the campus and has recently been made a member of its entertainment committee. He is also serving the club as a "bicker," a committee of six who decide on prospective members.

Dave is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Raymond of Willis street.

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No. 51411 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

In the Matter of the Estate of Arda C. Bassett, deceased.

It is Ordered, that the 27th day of October A. D. 1947, at 9 o'clock, in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this notice to be served personally or by registered mail, return receipt demanded, to each of the known heirs at law; legatee and devisees at their last known place of address at least ten days prior to said day of hearing.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate, Oct. 2-14 Bldg., Birmingham, Mich.

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