

Behold the wonder of the Universe! Observe the complexity, the vastness of it all—and then lift up your eyes to the stars, and your fellow-men and women, and give thanks for all good things.

# Birmingham Twenty

PART ONE

## City Postal Routes Being Reorganized, Postmaster States

Birmingham's present 14 city postal routes will be reorganized within the next 10 weeks in an attempt to provide residents with twice-a-day deliveries, Postmaster Joseph A. Byrne declared Tuesday afternoon.

## Elect Florez President of Local C of C

## New Board Meets Feb. 9 to Plan Targets for Group

Birmingham's Chamber of Commerce, organized only a short time ago, became a definite part of the city last Thursday evening when a permanent board of directors was named at a dinner meeting at the Community House.

## What a Contrast!

It required 24 mounted guards and several armored trucks, directed by the Detroit Police Dept., to transport 24 million worth of money and valuables from a Detroit bank to its new offices one day last week.

## 94 Persons Register Monday Evening for School of Religion

Ninety-four registrations were filed with Mrs. Stewart Smith, secretary for the Birmingham School of Religion, as this six-week school got under way Monday evening at the First Baptist Church.

## Sunny Monday, So Ground Hog to Sleep 6 More Weeks

Well, he dood it Monday morning at 11 o'clock, that little creature yawned, stretched, flexed his muscles, and groped his way to the hole in the ground.

## Maple-Eton Area Housing Project Meets Objections

Property owners in the Maple Ave.-Eton road are not convinced that a 20-family terrace project is construction on four blocks.

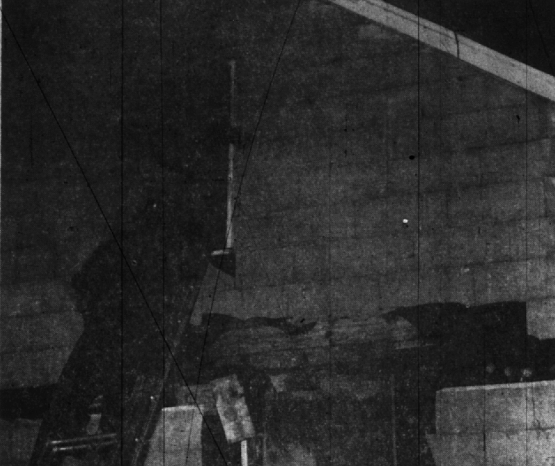
## Traffic Violations

Three Birmingham persons were arrested this week for violating traffic laws, according to police records.

## Banks Close Feb. 12

All three Birmingham banks will be closed next Thursday, Feb. 12—Lafayette's business anniversary—it was announced yesterday by representatives of the three institutions.

## Photo Shows Force of Gas Explosion Sunday Night



Firemen cut out the last traces of fire resulting from a gas explosion at the home of Malcolm G. Adams, 221 Hazel, Sunday evening. The explosion was caused by the kitchen window, which was blown from the side of the house, frame and all. The explosion and resultant fire completely wrecked the building.

## Four Hurt in Gas Blast; Fire Chief Criticizes Utility

Birmingham Fire Chief Verne W. Griffith indicated in an exclusive statement to The Eccentric yesterday morning that he will press for a complete evaluation of the Consumer Power Company's natural gas franchise in the City of Birmingham and will present several recommendations which he believes the City Commission should act upon immediately.

These recommendations come as the result of several years' investigation of present gas service difficulties which culminated in the tragic gas explosion Sunday night which totally destroyed a Birmingham home and injured four persons, one of them critically.

## Community House to Buy Adjacent Lot

Directors Elected at Annual Meeting; Reports Are Given

Information of the U. S. Secretary of the United Nations has an outline of the "Birmingham Blueprint" for World Trade Week, including copies of the special world trade edition of the Birmingham Eccentric.

## Institute Climaxes 'World Trade Week'

Unless the United States and most other nations can reach some agreement at the International Trade Organization conference at Havana concerning world trade relations, the U. S. may have to match quotas against quotas.

## Finance Chairman Talent, Truth and Time Govern Future Success, Graduates Are Instructed

"You have each been given three heritages," Dr. Frank Sluts of Dayton, Ohio, told members of the January class at commencement exercises of Baldwin High School last Thursday evening.

## Modern Pump House

An architecturally modern, concrete block pump house will be constructed at the Walker well site on East Maple avenue.

## \$6,000 Blaze Hits Dr. Gehman Home

An estimated \$6,000 damage to house and contents resulted early today from a fire which broke out in the home of Dr. Paul W. Gehman, 115 E. Lincoln.

## W. Carleton Scott

W. Carleton Scott, 111 Abbey road, today was named chairman of the committee of the Oakland County Republican Committee by Howard Huttenlocher of Pontiac, county chairman.

## Neighbors Come to Aid

Mrs. Dominic Cavalieri, 955 W. 12th, called a number of Birmingham residents having called her offering clothing and other personal articles to be received or returned.

All members of the following organizations are invited to attend the ROYAL MATRESS COMPANY FLOOR BLAZES 1-2788. Adm. 5c