

### Camp Mahn-go-tah-see Prepares for 20th Season; New Facilities Ready

The board of directors of the YMCA camp Mahn-go-tah-see at Loon Lake, approved the appointed staff members and camp plans for the 1949 season at their meeting last Thursday evening in the Community House.

Birmingham is again taking a prominent part in season's affairs, with Howard Sumera and Homer Roberts, both well known for their youth work here as staff members. A number of young men from Birmingham who are college stu-

dents, will spend their summer months as camp counselors. Several Birmingham residents are also serving on the board of directors which is composed of John D. Maynard, President, Ernest W. Seaborn, Dr. John K. Ormond, Charles J. Shain, Judge Arthur E. Moore, T. Edward Nelson, Maurice F. Cole, Samuel J. Lang, Conrad N. Church, Russell Bassett and James S. Covert.

Openings June 29  
The camp will open for eight-week period on June 29, continuing through August 24. Boys may register for two, four, six or the full eight weeks at camp. In the past, about 100 boys from Birmingham have attended for varying periods each season. The present enrollment of local boys in the YMCA indicates that as many, or more, will use the camp facilities already completed at Camp Mahn-go-tah-see, with others included in the overall planning under way. With the

recognition of the educational value of camping, this YMCA camp is rapidly becoming a major activity and service center of months, rather than just weeks in duration.

Further information regarding this 20th season of the camp may be obtained by writing camp director, S. N. Neal, 717 Community National Bank Bldg., Pontiac, 14, Mich.

### 'Know-How' Rally March 24 for A-Roll Call Workers

For the second successive year the Community House Roll Call, which opens offices on March 24, which is one week from today, is headed by an engineer who sets great store by "know-how" rallies. Charles B. Kaas is again starting the Roll Call with a "know-how" Rally of nearly 400 men and women workers. He has called them together for eight o'clock March 24 at the Community House.

Many fraternal parties, both private and organizational, are held at the Birmingham Community House and 10 Oakland County groups used the House 29 times during 1948.

Among miscellaneous events was a "Kroger Circle" benefit, a Democratic convention for Oakland county, training classes for Greyhound bus and Standard Oil employees and 25 meetings of local labor union groups.

Two Weddings  
The churches used the Community House as a social center for the most part, although the Council of Churches met there 10 times. The Altar Society-Holy Name met at the House seven times and the Presbyterian Men's Ministerial show used it seven times for the Ministerial and for practices preceding it. The Methodist Ministerial Show used it three times and the Methodist Men's Club of Detroit came to Birmingham for one meeting at the Community House.

Organizations Listed  
Kaas stoutly declared that no Roll Call worker who intends to get the most from the list of people he is to contact, can afford to miss the "know-how" Rally. Last year's rally drew close to 90 percent attendance of the workers.

Inserted in the written material for the Committee of 400 is a list of the 219 organizations and groups which last year used the Community House, totaling 2684 events there. The list was compiled from Community House bookings and includes only events for which rooms were reserved in advance. It shows that the heaviest users of the Community House are the men's service clubs, of which there are now eight, women's group school, groups, church organizations, improvement and reality organizations, civic and educational groups, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts and 14 different Oakland County Groups.

The service clubs which used the House regularly in 1948 include: Rotary, Hi-12, Exchange, Retail Merchants, Lions, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis. In all they held 277 meetings at the House and accounted for many thousands of the dinners and lunches served from the Community House kitchens which, in 1948, dished up 26,642 meals.

Women's Clubs  
Among women's clubs the American Association of University Women used the Community House most often with a total of 49 meetings there. The Musicale, with meetings, practices and board meetings at the Community House, came next among the organized women's groups, with a total of 37. The International Relations Class held 29 meetings, the League of Women Voters and Planned Parenthood each met 14 times at the House, while the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary held 21 meetings.

Junior League workers for Cancer Relief met for work 32 times and the Mom's Club used the Community House 11 times last year. Among civic and educational groups the Birmingham Community Council, with 13 general meetings and board meetings, was the chief user. Improvement Associations which used the House included those of Beverly Hills, Greenfield-Beverly Hills, and Royal Oak Beverly Hills as well as the Beverly Hills Association which met there 12 times.

School Groups  
School groups, both student, teacher and parent organizations, used the Community House often through the School Club and Baldwin Dramatics were the most frequent comers, each totaling 11 meetings. The Senior Class dinner was held at the House and so was the Junior Class Dinner the Basket Ball dance the Basket Ball-Tennis dinner the Teachers' breakfast and the Cranbrook-Kingswood school conference the football banquet and the New Year's Eve dance, probably the most important dance of the year for high school students. Quarterbacks and Side Line Howlers met at the House and when the Oakland county superintendent met at the House.

Colonial Teamroom  
Mrs. Hazel Watts  
Mrs. Hazel Watts, who operated the Valdora Teamroom here during the year, opened her new Colonial Teamroom at 216 N. Woodward Monday. She has remodeled the former private home into an attractive dining room, with a larger room on the second floor which will be available to small parties, such as bridge clubs.

2 Birmingham Men Will Take Part in Panel Discussion  
"UNESCO or Peace?" will be the subject of a panel discussion presented by the Foreign Policy Association of Detroit at the Wayne University Student Center on Wednesday, March 23 at 8:00 p.m.

Newcomers Will Hear Chief Ralph Moxley, Mrs. Stanley Cain  
A 12:30 o'clock luncheon is being held by the Newcomers Club today in the Community House. All newcomers are invited to attend and meet others who have moved to Birmingham from other states and foreign countries as well.

After a business meeting, Chief of Police Ralph Moxley will address the group using as his subject "Crime Detection," and Mrs. Stanley Cain will speak on "Dynamic Lake Success."

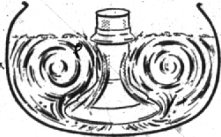
The president of the organization, Mrs. E. R. Wessels, and her board will be on hand to greet the guests.

Mrs. Philip H. Pretz of Wing Lake and Allan Lutz of Greenwood Avenue, Birmingham, are in charge of arrangements for the meeting, which will be open to the public.

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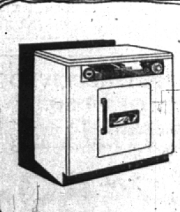


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