

Recreation Program Nears End of Winter Activities

The approaching spring season will see the close of the winter phase of the city recreation board's recreation program.

Although mild weather has caused the poorest activity season at Quanton Lake that the Board has ever experienced, some 2,311

boys and girls have participated in some part of the indoor program, said Frank Whitney, recreation director. "They were under the direction of seven trained adult leaders who were assisted by high school volunteers. Periods were devoted primarily to the development of elementary sport and swimming skills."

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(Continued from Page One) the region to grow rice, sea island cotton and indigo plants, said Whitney. "The coastal waters, these government experts believe, is more of this rich soil which can be used."

Charles B. Gay, a soil scientist of the Department of Agriculture, is supervising this project. According to Gay, there are three million to four million acres of "barren" land along the southeastern coast. There are one and one-half to two million acres of fresh water tidal marshlands, he believes.

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DR. WILLIAM HABER Dr. William Haber will be the second guest speaker in the series "Cross Currents in the American Scene" being the sixth Thursday in Baldwin high school.

Dr. Haber, a recognized authority in the field of social security and industrial relations, has had extensive experience in the field of public administration. He served as director of planning for the Manpower Commission during the war and labor relations to the Office of War Relocation and Reconstruction.

Local Service Clubs Hold Joint Meeting Tuesday night the Birmingham Kiwanis Club held its first inter-club Washington day dinner. The members present were Rotary, Lions, Exchange and Hi-Two.

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Annual Police Report Led by Traffic Cases

1949 Figures Show Two Fatalities, 193 Larcenies Here

According to the annual report released this week by Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley, the City of Birmingham has recorded another year in which none of the so-called major crimes were committed here.

Larceny or theft by articles under \$100 in value, led the "crime" report for the city, with 193 reported for 1949. Of these, 185 were larcenies, 100 of which were reported for 27 complaints, breaking and entering, 22 of which were cleared by arrest.

Two Fatalities This report of the traffic department shows two fatalities during the year. Both persons, men, were killed when the cars in which they were riding struck trees. Collisions of cars and fixed objects showed an increase of 10 per cent.

Passenger cars and daylight hours proved to be the greatest figures in the report. Of the 625 cars involved, and 225 accidents during the daylight hours, from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m., there were 189 collisions, 122 arrests.

Drivers between the ages of 25 and 34 years figured in 137 crashes, or 22 per cent of the total. Most of these were caused by violations of traffic ordinances, with failure to maintain lights the most predominant with 67.

Reassessment The contract in the amount of \$78,384, was awarded last August 1 to a Detroit sewer contractor. The manager said some payment and gravel road repair still is to be completed.

Maples Lose Last Hope to Win EML Basketball Title

A red hot Port Huron basketball team ended all Birmingham's hopes of winning the Eastern Michigan League championship by defeating the Maples 61-52 last Friday night on the Big Red's home floor.

The win broke a five weeks' deadlock between the two teams and gave the Maples sole possession of the lead position in the League with the final games for both teams to be played tomorrow night.

The score is not truly indicative of the quality of the game played. The Maples were so scrappy as to force, forcing the Big Red to play top ball at all times. Defensively, the team played about the same level.

While the Birmingham team was having great difficulty sinking shots, the Blue Water boys seemed to shoot with incredible accuracy. An interesting fact is that actually the Maples took more shots than their opponents making 59 attempts to Port Huron's 42. Big Red's shooting only a low percentage.

The game opened with each team feeling the other out. Soon, however, the Port Huron squad poured on the coal to amass seven

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh How to Get That Homeword Done Miss Gilbert, our grammar school principal, spoke the other night at the regular Parent-Teachers' meeting, on getting children to do their homework when they want to listen to the radio.

Work problem is a wonderful way to see to it that our youngsters acquire the sensible moderate habits they'll need later on. I've never believed in hard and fast rules—except where absolutely necessary. Let the other fellow do as he likes, as long as he's temperate and tolerant. Guess that's why I've never felt we should quarrel with the fellow who is partial to a glass of beer—the "Beverage of Moderation."

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