Gift to Child in 1909 Started National Event

By Alice E. Morgan

Birmingham, like most other communities in the nation, annually conducts a clean up, paint up, fix up week. In fact, Birmingham is in the midst of its 1950 campaign, which started Monday and ends tomorrow.

Few of us, though, are aware how this annual week got its start.

Back in 1909, the City of Cleveland had a district noted more for its run down condition than anything else. Teachers who came in contact with youngsters from this district found them to be problem children, almost one hundred per cent.

One teacher tried to do something about it, and thought that if a little pride were instilled in a child, it might have some results. Accordingly she bought a pretty, crisp pinafore and presented it to one of the little girls in her class.

DIRTY AND UNKEPT, the child carried the dress home and put it on. Her general shabbiness became more marked. Clean hands called for a clean face; a clean face demanded clean hair.

The final product, shiny and spruce, pointed up the filth and squalor around the child.

Her parents spruced themselves and the other children up a bit. The house looked terrible. They cleaned it, repairing broken chairs and windows, sagging porches, and the like.

The littered yard came in for raking and cleaning. Fences were straightened and painted. Flowers were planted. The whole picture took on a fresh, sparkling look, shaming every other home in the block.

Neighbors, somewhat astounded at the sight, looked twice at their own families, homes and yards, and followed suit. The idea spread from block to block and in 1913 was tried on a city-wide scale in Cincinnati.

HERE CIVIC groups, improvement associations and school children pitched in to sponsor the week-long event and contribute their talents and time in spreading the idea over the city. Residents backed the plan and set Cincinnati up as a national example.

Fire department heads, the National Board of Fire Underwriters and those interested in the health and welfare of the public, watched the results. They saw the immediate value of the drive and backed it at every turn.

Today most sections of the country observe a general clean-up, paint-up and fix-up week. Cities make special arrangements for extra pick-up of rubbish and the like. Over 10,000 cities took part in the drive last year.

Several years ago one eastern city, Utica, N. Y., went so far as to name two bear cubs, newly presented to their city zoo, "Clean-up" and "Paint-up" as a constant reminder to their citizens that, just as the bears came out in the spring, so did this annual campaign take place.

On UF Board

Franklin Fricker, business manager of the Rthyl Corporation research laboratories in Ferndale, has been named to the board of directors of the United Foundations Torch Drive for the Detroit area.

Plan Independent Theater Revival

Dana Elcar, young Birmingham actor and director, has returned here after a winter with the Brattle theatre in Boston. Elcar played in "King Lear" during its six-weeks' run in that city, and took part in several other productions.

Aided by Miss Patricia Newhall, Elcar plans to revive the Independent theatre during coming months. Miss Newhall, a Kingswood graduate, is interested in dramatics and recently played a leading role in "The Barretts of Wimpole Street".

They said the first production, early in June will be "Ethan Frome", which Elcar will direct. Randy Garrison will handle publicity, with Elizabeth Borne in charge of properties.

ELCAR SAID due to the size of the auditorium, central staging would be used in this particular production, a theatrical technic comparatively new to this area.

The group is planning other plays for the summer season, one of which may be "Cherry Orchard", in which Miss Newhall played. This was the last production of the Independent theatre about two years ago.

Bond and Pet Await Kindest Boy or Girl in Oakland County

Robert F. Connor, 482 Westwood, president of the Oakland county animal welfare society, and Mrs. Beulah Gilson, 315 Brown, secretary, announce the "Be Kind to Animals" contest, sponsored by the society.

A $25 U. S. Savings bond will be awarded at the end of the year to the boy or girl who performs the greatest animal protection act during the year, Mrs. Gilson said.

In addition, the winner will be given his or her choice of any pet at the shelter.

TO BE ELIGIBLE, the boy or girl must reside in the county and be under 18. Entry may be made by anyone who submits a 100-word report on the entrant's act to the shelter president, to Miss Olive Taylor, 31 Mathews street, Pontiac, by directly to the Animal shelter at 1200 East Walton boulevard, Pontiac.

All entries must be received by Jan. 1, 1951, but it is not necessary to be a member of the organization to submit a name.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN — The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 9th day of April, A. D. 1950.

Present: Hon. Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Anna S. Parks, Deceased.

F. Gladys Reinke, administratrix of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, That two months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the 16th day of July, 1950, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

ARTHUR E. MOORE,
Judge of Probate.
7-8-9

Oliver H. Kirk, Attorney, 207 Wabeek Building, Birmingham, Michigan. 35-622

STATE OF MICHIGAN — The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 8th day of May, A. D. 1950.

Present: Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Fannie R. MacKinnon, Deceased.

Oliver H. Kirk, Administrator of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, that two months from the date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the 7th day of August, 1950, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

ARTHUR E. MOORE,
Judge of Probate.
7-8-10

Oliver H. Kirk, Attorney-at-Law, Wabeek Building, Birmingham, Mich. 35-601

STATE OF MICHIGAN — The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 1st day of May A.D. 1950.

Present: Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Clarence H. Whitcraft, Deceased.

Olive J. Whitcraft, Executrix of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered that two months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the 10th day of July, 1950, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

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