

Editor Calls for Positive Asiatic Policy

"The assassination of the Prime Minister of Pakistan could be the fuse which may result in World War III," Norman Cousins, editor of the Saturday Review of Literature, told a large group of Friends of the Library Sunday afternoon at the Community House.

and Russia, it would mean war between India and Pakistan," he stated. "With these two armies fighting, Russia could use this war as a pretext to march in to maintain law and order."

COUSINS GAVE a background on the issues between India and Pakistan and stated that during

the early days of the partition of India, holy wars and rioting between the Hindus and Moslems killed at least a million people. The United Nations has not been able to disentangle the various issues and problems between these two states, he said, because they are so complicated. "I would like to see the United

States have a positive policy in Asia. We go on from day to day without such a policy and when a crisis comes up, we handle it the best way we can," he said.

HE BELIEVES that America has relied upon the atom bomb to preserve peace in much the same manner that the French relied upon the Maginot Line.

Cousins asked the question, "If our scientists were able to make the atom bomb, why couldn't scientists from other countries do the same?"

A stronger United Nations, he believes, with adequate powers to keep the peace and with compulsory instead of voluntary obligations is necessary, he declared.

James Tobin, vice-president and program chairman of the Friends of the Library, introduced the speaker.

New Licenses For Cab Firms O.K.'d by City

Applications from the Birmingham and Veteran Cab companies for two new licenses each were approved by the city commission Monday evening.

The firms have ordered new equipment and the cars are expected to be on the streets this week.

Birmingham Rotary Club Hears Report on Europe

Prather Hauser, executive secretary of the St. Antoine branch of the YMCA, was guest speaker at the Monday meeting of the Birmingham Rotary club.

Hauser was one of 15 persons in a study group to visit six European countries last summer under the sponsorship of the World Council of Churches. The tour included London, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Paris, Geneva, Venice and Rome.

Zoning Board Members Appointment Is Delayed

Due to the absence of Mayor Deat Reiser and Commissioner Frank Rising from Monday's city commission meeting, appointment of two members to the zoning board of appeals was delayed.

12 Mile Resurfacing Project Underway

The A & A Asphalt Paving Co. of Birmingham has started work on a \$95,244.65 county surfacing project on 12 Mile road.

Work includes 2.57 miles of bituminous concrete on 12 Mile road from Orchard Lake east to Northwestern highway and 2.21 miles of similar surface on 12 Mile from Telegraph road east to Evergreen. Completion date is Nov. 1.

We Heard It Said By—

H. H. Gardner, 172 Aspen: "What the United States needs is a complete change in the personnel of its high elective and appointive federal government office-holders. This would be like a change in the wind which, instead of blowing across a stockyard, now comes, cool and sweet, from the other direction. The entire atmosphere of public and private life in these United States would get a moral uplift if and when the American people determine to oust the leeches and other parasites who, like maggots, are consuming the carcass of our decaying national government."

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Barnum Ninth Graders Mothers Plan Last Meet

Final group meeting of Barnum junior high school mothers is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Oct. 25

In the gymnasium, Mrs. Hammond Baker will preside. Rose Wagner, principal of Baldwin high school, and Mrs. Carol Darling, girls' counselor, will tell mothers of ninth graders what scholastic changes their children

October 25, 1951 THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC Page 5 will face upon entering high school next fall. J. A. MacTavish, Barnum principal, will explain what is being done at that school to prepare them for the change. School staff members will join the group at the conclusion of the program for a social hour.

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