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## ACS to Start '52 Fund Drive Soon

Several hundred letters will be mailed to Birmingham area residents next week soliciting funds for the American Cancer society. Mrs. W. L. Powers, 807 Chestnut, again will head the drive, assisted by Mrs. William Edwards, Mrs. John E. MacManus, Jr., and Mrs. Roy Anderson.

Volunteer workers are addressing envelopes this week to raise Birmingham's share of the \$104,000 quota assigned to southern Michigan.

"We have found that the letter campaign is as successful as the door-to-door canvass," Mrs. Powers said, "and is much easier for our workers."

THE REPORTED that last year 69,828 dressings were prepared by volunteer workers in this area, 55,888 of which were donated to cancer patients without charge. About 2800 area persons saw the educational films which were presented for men's clubs, women's clubs, church, PTA and school groups. Physicians spoke at many of these events, also.

"We are encouraged in our work this year by reports from the society which show that the number of cancer patients is dropping, slowly but steadily. We know that this is due entirely to the educational program and excellent research which public contributions have made possible," Mrs. Powers concluded.

## Resident Is Honored

J. S. O'Gorman, Jr., 147 Abbey road, former city commissioner, has been elected a director of the Johnson Service company, Milwaukee manufacturers of automatic temperature control systems. O'Gorman is manager of the company's Detroit branch.

## 4 HOUR SERVICE BIRMINGHAM CLEANERS

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## Call from Washington Praises BHS Seniors

A "telephone letter" came to The Birmingham Eccentric office Monday morning from Mrs. Thomas Navin, 452 Southfield.

Mrs. Navin, a former regent of Piety Hill chapter, DAR, is attending the national DAR convention in Washington, D.C., and wanted Birmingham to know of her experiences as a guest of the high school's seniors on Easter Sunday.

"I'm staying at the Lee House," she began, "the same hotel which I used at the Birmingham high school senior class when they were visitors at our national capital. It was my privilege to be their guest at the Sunrise Service and breakfast at the hotel Easter Sunday morning, an experience I'll always cherish."

"The impressions that these young people gave me were so great that I felt the urge to write home about it."

"I THINK Eugene Hubbard and the other advisors are to be complimented on the behavior of the students and I want the other people in Birmingham, besides the parents, to know how wonderful these young people are while away from home."

"I also want the people of Birmingham to be willing and anxious to help the next group of boys and girls when they say: We are working for funds for our Washington trip."

"It seems a shame that you people in Birmingham could not see a 'dress rehearsal' of that Sunrise Service, for I haven't words sufficient to tell you how beautiful it was."

"A chorus of twenty-four boys and girls lead the singing of 'Christ the Lord Is Risen Today' and 'Fairest Lord Jesus.' The Scripture was read by Sara Dunn followed by a prayer by Norma Johnson. A solo, 'Were You There?' was beautifully sung by Joyce Sauerbrun."

"THE EASTER message, told by Sandra Pika, was so well done and so inspiring that no student or adult hearing it need feel he missed any of the beauty of Easter by not being at home to attend the church of his choice."

"Mrs. Joslyn, group chairman, pronounced the benediction and introduced their guests, Sen. and Mrs. Homer Ferguson."

Mrs. Navin said she also was deeply impressed with the beautiful wreath which the group had purchased and was taking to Mt. Vernon to be placed on the graves of George and Martha Washington."

MRS. THOMAS NAVIN

## Police, Kiwanis Set Annual Bike Inspection Date

Three Saturdays, May 3, 10 and 17, have been selected for the annual bike inspection dates in Birmingham.

Under the sponsorship of the Birmingham Kiwanis club and police department, all youngsters are urged to present their bikes for inspection at this time. A careful check is planned of brakes, general stability of the bike, lights and horn or bell. All will be equipped with reflector tape for night riding.

Kiwanis and police expect about 2,000 youngsters will have bikes inspected this year. The work will be done at Birmingham high, Stuart, Pines, Barnum, Torry, Hill, Adams, and Holy Name schools; and the service station at the 14 Mile-Southfield intersection.

AGAIN THIS year prizes are being provided by the Kiwanis club in an effort to create more interest among children in getting their bikes inspected. Two new bicycles and many other awards will be made from the stage of the Birmingham theater following the close of the inspection.

Police Lieut. Henry Timm said that licenses would be available at inspection stations for those who had not yet obtained them. The Birmingham fee is \$1 for a permanent license.

"WE HOPE every unlicensed bike will be brought in for inspection and tags," he said. "Those tags are very useful to the police in returning lost or stolen bikes, and a reward far more than the cost to the boy or girl who owns the bike. It gives us a record that lasts just as long as the bike is in service."

Charles Savage, Kiwanis representative, said special trailers were being planned for local dealers and that announcements of the inspection would be made through all schools and other places where the children congregate.

"We have been lucky in Birmingham with our bicycle-safety program," he said, "because our youngsters have cooperated with us. We hope they will continue, so they may enjoy their bikes without injury to themselves or to others for a long time to come."

## City Vacates Streets, Alleys and Easements in Sheffield Estates

Vacation of streets and alleys in the Sheffield Estates has been approved by Birmingham city commissioners for the creation of park area in the section.

The vacation concerns Cheltenham, Sheffield to Lincoln; Torquay, Lincoln to the Eastgate limit; Sheffield, Cheltenham to Lincoln and Herford. Alleys adjacent to the area also have been vacated by the city.

At the same time, commissioners also approved the relocation of certain utility easements in the area.

General news deadline is 4:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

## School Children Plan Three-Day Clothing Drive

Elementary school children in Birmingham will open a three-day clothing drive on April 22. School Superintendent Dwight B. Ireland announced today.

The drive, part of the 10th National Children's Clothing Crusade, is sponsored by the Save-the-Children Federation and conducted under the direction of a national committee of school superintendents, he said.

Some of the clothing will be sent abroad for needy children in Austria, Finland, France, Greece, Germany and Italy. In this country it will be distributed in low-income rural areas of eight southern and mid-western states and on the Navajo Indian Reservation.

Ireland pointed out that many children in these areas come from families with cash incomes of less than \$400 a year, and without this aid would be unable to attend school during the colder months of the year.

HE ADDED that wearable used clothing for babies, children and adults, is badly needed along with all kinds of bedding and outdoor goods.

The goal this year is 2,000,000 pounds, Mrs. Gordon White, director of the Federation's New York workshop, informed Dr. Ireland. Special emphasis is placed on the need of warm clothes, heavy underwear, wool skirts, shirts, suits, sweaters and coats.

Children's shoes she said were next in importance. She told local drive leaders that in many cases adult sizes would be of use but warned that high-heeled shoes are useless in the areas served by the SCP.

IRELAND stressed that the drive is not limited to families having children in school.

"We are asking everyone to participate in this drive," Ireland said. "Any child your neighborhood will be glad to take your contribution of shoes, clothing or bedding to his school. It will help the child a great deal if you will have contributions wrapped and securely tied and shoes tied in pairs so they will not be separated."

Leaflets are being given to all children in the school system, stating the purpose of the drive and asking the cooperation of parents.

## April 28 Hearing Set On Pavement Program

Birmingham City commissioners have set April 28 as the date of a hearing to consider the necessity of constructing a concrete pavement on Bradford from Eton to Melton and Mandeville from Bradford to 14 Mile.

A petition was presented to commissioners by area residents on March 21 and referred to City Manager Donald Egbert for his recommendation.

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