

## Edgewood Course Is Reconditioned

Another of the six Fuller brothers who own Edgewood Country Club, on Commerce Road, is going to be active in its operation this season. George Fuller has joined Ernest at the course and between the two of them they will manage the dining room as well as the golf course. In other seasons the kitchen and dining room was operated as a leased concession.

League play on weekday evenings is another feature being instituted this season, according to the brothers.

There has been a minor remodeling program carried on in the clubhouse and the interior has been redecorated.

On the course, along with a general reconditioning program many tees have been resodded and traps have new sand. Some of them which heretofore have been only grass areas, have been transformed into sand traps.

John Stipek is green superintendent again this season.



**PAUL N. AVERILL, 867 Glenary court, has been named president of the South Oakland County United Community service, to succeed Franklin Fricker of Franklin, Averill, business manager of The Birmingham Eccentric, also is chairman of the Family Service association of Oakland county.**

AS USUAL, the course is exceptionally dry for early season play and the course and clubhouse will be officially opened this weekend.

Charlie Ross, former owner of the club and now operator of a driving range, restaurant and miniature golf course across the street from the Edgewood clubhouse, has his operation in full swing also.

Clarence Proper, for the past 10 months a captain in the U. S. Army, has returned to civilian life and will manage the range. Ross said he served for four and one-half months in Korea.

## Children Urged To Be Careful In Flying Kites

By ALICE E. MORGAN

With the coming of spring, little boys and girls (helped by their dads) start flying kites again.

Today kite-flying presents dangers which were non-existent not so long ago, when homes were lighted with kerosene lamps and heated with wood stoves. In those days there were no overhead high tension wires for kites to come in contact with.

"Flying a kite is a part of spring, and a pleasure no child should miss," Harold Hall, district manager of Detroit Edison's Birmingham area, said this week. "However, these dangers do exist

and children should be warned about them. Only last year a boy was badly burned when an electric line was shorted and brought down by a kite string.

"WE ARE thankful that this did not happen in Birmingham but we know that unless children are properly instructed, it can happen.

"There are five rules. No. 1, have been set up by R. P. Douglas, safety manager for our company, which every parent should read to their children. I hope they will."

The rules are:

Always fly kites in open fields, away from overhead wires and streets and roads where traffic is an additional hazard.

Use a wooden frame for the kite because wood is a non-conductor of electricity.

Use "plain" kite string and avoid tinsel wire or cord that has an appearance of being metallic. These can carry electricity to your hand and cause a painful burn or fatal shock.

WHEN YOU run to raise your kite or to keep it in the air, watch where you are going instead of looking at the kite. It may save you from stubbing your toe and getting hurt in a fall.

Hall added that all Detroit Edison offices have a supply of colorful "Captain Marvel" kite-safety comic books. Parents are invited to get copies of these books for their youngsters and help the company maintain its excellent kite-safety record in this area.

## Torry Second Graders Publish Weekly Paper

By ALICE E. MORGAN

Birmingham starts its journalists at an early age. Some of the local youngsters have started their own papers at about eight or nine, and now we have a whole group of Torry school second graders getting out a weekly journal.

The Eccentric last week received a copy of the TORRY SCHOOL PRESS, along with a few letters which might have gone into the People's Column if the Press carried one.

That's about the only editorial feature the paper does not have. There is a column of personals, science, art, sickness and one entitled "other news". The issue The Eccentric received even boasts a serial about The Easter Rabbit.

THAT ISSUE, March 13, carried two main stories: the explosion at Mrs. Christensen's new house in Royal Oak and the fact that Mr. (Joe) Wheeler and Mr. (Ray) Dennis of The Eccentric had called at the school to take pictures of the Press staff at work.

The science column deals mainly with what the children are doing in the school and with the pur-

suit of nature study by the youngsters after school hours. Following the tracks of a "possum, pheasant and rabbit" made up one item. The art column also deals with the actual work program of the school children themselves.

All in all, the work is very well done and well arranged. The Eccentric staff feels other area papers may find themselves facing some stiff competition for editorial honors when the Michigan Press association holds its meeting this summer.

## Local Kiwanis Club To Hear Baptist Pastor

H. A. Lichtwardt, noted traveler, was the guest speaker of the Birmingham Kiwanis club at the Tuesday evening meeting.

The club accepted into membership Alfred Lalla, transfer from the Berkeley club, and Kenneth Adkin, transfer from Sault Ste. Marie.

On April 8 the Rev. Emil Kontz, pastor of the First Baptist church, will deliver his Holy Week message, "The Faith of the Future."

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