

### Zeder Explains Scope of Chrysler Engineering Dept.

Birmingham Rotarians were the first to learn that work on the nation's most modern automotive proving ground is underway at a 3,500-acre site near Chelsea, Mich. This was revealed Monday by James C. Zeder, Chrysler Corp. vice-president and director of engineering and research, as he spoke to the group on the corporation's engineering activities.

Formal announcement concerning this proving ground came Wednesday morning from Zeder. In his talk to the Rotarians, Zeder explained the magnitude and scope of an automobile engineering department.

It frequently involves split-second timing in order to keep pro-

duction lines flowing without interruption, he said.

"This engineering process also must be carefully controlled to make it come out on a paying basis," said Zeder, who lives on Orchard Ridge road in Bloomfield Hills.

He mentioned that Chrysler designs 10 buildings to engineering work which keeps 3,200 people busy, including about 600 graduate engineers.

"We use in a year enough blue print paper to stretch from here to Tampa, Fla.," he said.

He said car improvements result not only from engineering and research departments, but from suggestions made by dealers and customers.

### Maple-Chesterfield Alley Assessment District Rejected

A motion to create a special assessment district to cover costs of construction of the proposed Maple-Chesterfield alley failed to carry at Monday evening's city commission meeting.

Although the vote was 4-3 in favor of the motion, the proposal failed to pass because five "yes" votes were needed because abutting property owners objected to the improvement. Favoring the creation of the assessment district were Commissioners Milton Malender, Dick Patterson, Frank Rising and Ralph Main. Mayor Dean Beier, and Commissioners Lance Minor and Charles Renfrew opposed the motion.

In recommending approval of the proposal, City Manager Donald C. Egbert stated, "There has been considerable criticism of the condition at the rear of the stores. At certain times of the year it is difficult to collect garbage and rubbish. The city initiated the paving idea as the best way to clean it up."

Representatives of the Lutheran Church appeared at the meeting and objected to inclusion of its lot in the proposed special assessment district.

John W. Barnes pointed out that the church has developed its plans for the construction of driveways and parking facilities and wouldn't receive any benefits from the alley.



### Richard Baily Wins Speech Contest for Toastmasters

Richard Baily, president of the local Birmingham Toastmasters club, won the group's speech contest which has been going on for five weeks with a talk on "Benefactor or Monster."

Baily won weekly contest three weeks ago and appeared in the finals last week against John Neill, Houston Jones and Russell Haeger.

John Neill's talk on "These Men in Washington" brought second high score while Houston Jones took third place honors with a speech on "Economic Illiteracy."

Pete Stoffel won the "Shooting the Bull" trophy for the past week with his one-minute talk on "Why Eisenhower Would Make a Good President."

BAILY IS ASSOCIATED with the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. in the sales department and lives with his wife and two children at 1893 Maryland. He is a charter member of Birmingham Toastmasters.

The contest involved 28 different persons making speeches of seven minutes each. The local winner will appear in the district contest and if successful in Detroit will go to the state regional contest.

Birmingham Toastmasters club meets each Tuesday night and is open to men who would like to learn how to make a good speech and improve their technique in appearing before others.

There are several openings in the group and new prospects can make inquiries by contacting Ed Kirsh, local YMCA secretary, at 144 West Maple.

### James K. Lewis, 657 Halfmoon road has announced the opening of his new manufacturer's agency. To be known as the James K. Lewis Co., the new firm will be located at 750 South Woodward, Birmingham.

Lewis is resigning from the Douglas and Lomason Co., where he has been sales engineer since 1938. Previously he was planning superintendent for the Chrysler Corp. for 12 years.

### LEGAL NOTICES

**Donald McElroy, Attorney, Wilson Bldg., Birmingham, Mich.**  
STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

In Matter of the Estate of Edward R. Mason, Deceased.

It is Ordered, that the 24th day of March, A. D. 1952, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1952.

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

Arthur J. Isaacs, Administrator of said estate having filed in said Court his Final and Final Account and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof, the allowance of fees, and instructions from the Court; the objection of the heirs of said deceased; and the discharge of said administrator.

It is Ordered, that the 24th day of March, A. D. 1952, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court in the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, he and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in this county, and that notice be given to the heirs-at-law named in this case, and to creditors who claim to have been defrauded, but not fully paid, by personal service of a copy of this order, or by serving them with a registered mail with return receipt demanded, addressed as shown by the files and records in this cause.

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### Dangers of Red Activities Cited

In addressing the Birmingham Y's Men's club at the First Baptist Church Tuesday evening, Henry Postaway of the Detroit Loyalty Committee warned about the scourge of underground Communist activities that are prevalent in the metropolitan Detroit area.

His subject dealt with "Communist activities in America," and was not confined to local situations. He told about the work of his committee in investigating people connected in city, county and state government and gave several cases to bring out his points on subversive activities.

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At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1952.

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### Confirmation Hearings For Paving Districts Will Be Held March 10

Confirmation hearings on special assessment districts for the Melton-Sheffield and Yosemite-Villa pavements will be held by Birmingham commissioners Monday evening, March 10.

Necessity of the Melton-Sheffield pavement, from Elton to Highland pavements, from Elton to Highland, was recognized since new homes are being built in the area and no improved street has ever been constructed.

The Yosemite-Villa would im-

### Pastor on Eastern Trip

The Rev. W. Glen Harris, Ph.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, returns home this weekend from Buckhill Falls, Pa., where he attended the western section meeting of the World Alliance of Presbyterian churches. Dr. Harris also visited United Nations headquarters in New York.

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