

## Babe Ruth League Officers Named

Dr. Edwin Deer was named president of the Babe Ruth League, Inc., Tuesday night at the annual election of officers for the league that has been formerly known as the Little Biggers League.

Other officers named at the first regular 1954 meeting of league officers were Bob Squitney, vice president; Dick Cloonan, secretary and George Dixon, treasurer.

Board of directors for the new season will be Max Hower, Jim O'Connor, Ed Leavenworth, Don Chaffee, Tom Ward, Al Stephenson, and Bill Busch.

League officials discussed the possibility of adding another team to the league this year if the turnout warranted. Troys are expected to be held on week day evenings in spring rather than on Saturdays as has previously been the case.

A meeting with league sponsors has been called for sometime next month.

## Maples to Try For Two Straight Over Port Huron

By MIKE GROVES

In an attempt to be the first Birmingham basketball team to beat Port Huron twice in one year, the third place Maples will go to the home of the Big Red tomorrow night.

Coach Reed Laughlin has experienced many disappointing factors this year with a team that is very small and most of the season hampered by injuries. The only commendable attributes of the squad are speed and determined scrapping.

In the first meeting of the teams Birmingham finally came to life in the fourth quarter to take a 55-30 victory.

John Thomas, diminutive guard, will lead the Big Red against the Maples in the hope of spoiling Birmingham's chances of climbing into second place in the League standings.

Probable starting lineups will be:

F. H. McDonald	G. Don Dorough
John Thomas	G. P. Chapman
Lyle McCanley	C. Dick Muller
Chris Smith	Chris Smith
Jack McDonald	F. Mike Groves

Post Office Has Five Listed in First Exam For Supervisory Post

Four clerks and one carrier employed at the Birmingham post office took the examination at Post Oak Saturday to fill two vacancies on the local staff.

The first examination ever held to fill two supervisory assignments in the Birmingham office saw Otto Leopold, carrier, and clerks Chester Stinson, Arthur Ellison, Alton Haack and Lucius Jackson, making their bids for selection.

One position, that of clerk in charge, is a new position.

The second opening is for a foreman of carriers.



IT LOOKS BAD FOR THE POOR LITTLE SWEEP as he is about to be driven up the chimney in the background for his first cleaning job. The audience will sympathize with the little fellow when they see the Kingswood school's presentation of "Let's Make an Opera" at the school auditorium February 19 and 20. Actually, the story of the "Little Sweep" is held for the third act as cast members discuss the plot during the first two acts. Standing, left to right, and hovering over Mary Jo McCoy (the little sweep) are Sue Barth, Annette Fogo, and Marianne Davidson.

## Election Contest Looms In Bloomfield Hills

A contest for seats on the Bloomfield Hills city commission may be in the offing in the city's forthcoming spring election.

There are some things we started during my last term that I would like to see through," said Beresford.

Eden reported Tuesday that he, too, intends to run for re-election. He chimed in with Beresford in stating he wished to see the outcome of certain matters pending before the city.

ACCORDING to Eden the matter is a telephone conversation last week, Beresford announced he intends to seek re-election.

Candidates for the city's commission in the past have generally been unopposed at the polls.

In addition to filling two vacancies resulting from the expiration of terms, voters will select a commissioner to serve out the unexpired term of Walter O. Briggs, who resigned from the commission in October. John S. Buzas has been serving on the commission in Briggs' place by special appointment.

UNDER THE city's charter, such an appointment can be made to fill a vacancy only until the next general election.

Buzas could not be reached for a statement on whether he will seek election to fill out Briggs' term.

Terms will expire in April for Commissioners James A. Beresford,

## Action Withheld By School Board On Condemnation

Further study will be made before the Birmingham board of education will initiate condemnation proceedings to acquire a 22 acre school site in the northeast section of the district, the board decided Tuesday night.

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## Announce Winners In Poster Contest

Winners in the Holy Name school poster contest were announced this week. The contest, sponsored to publicize the need for a new church building, was open to all grades at the school and winners were named at each grade level competing.

School winner was Steve Murphy, an eighth grader.

Prize winner in the first grade was Peter Foley with honorable mention given to Philip Laux, Barbara Hanson and Nancy Lyons. Grade three winner was Pam Beckley and honorable mention to Linda Ann Shevart in the fourth grade winner were Kathleen Kelly and Larry Robertson. Kathleen Quinlan was honorable mention.

Fifth grade winner was Susan Hausfeld with Michael Kelly, Priscilla Burnham and Sherylyn Schoenitz gaining honorable mention. Sixth grade honors went to Bob Garvy and honorable mention to John Robertson.

Mary Robertson won the prize for the eighth grade with Richard Bouchard winning honorable mention.

Nearly 100 posters were judged Saturday by Mrs. Constant Bouchard and Mrs. Edward F. Burnham.

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## Troy Breezes Past Fitzgerald, Holds League Leadership

Troy played host to Fitzgerald on February 12, for their seventh Oakland "B" conference game and came out victorious by the final score of 49-25.

Troy now leads the Oakland "B" league with a 7-0 record and holds an overall record of 10-2.

Troy led throughout the game and was ahead by the score of 9-1 in the first quarter, and continuing to pile up points, led at the half time with the score of 22-4.

Troy entered the third period ahead and was still leading at the start of the fourth period with a 37-13 score. Troy and Fitzgerald each hit for 12 points in the last quarter but it still wasn't enough for Fitzgerald.

Troy's offense was led by Mike Deane who made 17 points and Jim Murdoch who hit for 15 points. Troy's defense was outstanding during the first half, for the Colts held the Spartans to only four free throws and no field goals. Calpe was high point man for Fitzgerald with 12 points.

## City Owned House To be Torn Down

A city owned house located at 20220 Fourteen Mile will be torn down, the city commission decided at its Monday night meeting.

The house is being rented at the present time by the M. O. Middle-class family.

A fire marshal's recent inspection of the house revealed that repairs to the wiring and furnace should be made at an estimated cost of \$300.

City Manager D. C. Egbert said the building was in such poor condition that to repair it properly the city should spend from \$6,000 to \$7,000. He added that if the city should spend such repairs it is doubtful if it would recover the cost.

The house came into possession of the city along with its sewer disposal site.

## Bd. of Education Denies School Use For Sunday School

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Seabolt said the board's policy in allowing churches to use school facilities was to do so only in cases of emergency.

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## Berker Is Winner Of Weekly Contest

At its regular meeting Tuesday night of the YMCA at Birmingham Toastmasters Club chose Arthur Berker as this week's winner in the same manner as the club's speaker.

Berker's talk entitled, "A Blue Print for Survival," stressed the need for moral and spiritual training as an effective deterrent to atomic annihilation and measures taken on the side of the United Nations.

Richard Bizeman spoke on the subject, "The High Cost of Thoughtlessness," wherein he cited examples how seemingly insignificant incidents evolve unfetted circumstances in the future.

Robert D. Adams' speaker was pointing out that they develop fellowship, group association, and group activities are undemocratic.

Arthur Slemmons outlined a plan for subsidizing the automobile industry in the same manner as the butter producers in his humorously satirical speech, "The Slemmons Plan."

Winner of the weekly "Oratorator" trophy was Henry Morin, who presented a predecessor's story in the "Tales Topics" session, "Can You Top?"

Toastmaster of the evening was Vincent Kepler. The evaluation of the program was under the direction of Russ Haege.

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## Final Draft Of Parking Ordinance Being Readied

Birmingham city commissioners Monday night learned that the city plan board is still not satisfied with provisions of the parking ordinance that would enable street parking lot owners to charge a fee for parking.

According to City Manager Donald C. Egbert the matter has been turned back to Robert Boatman, planning technician, for further study.

City commissioner Dean G. Bieker expressed disappointment over the delay in the parking fee provision.

"Here we have people who want to give us additional parking space... I think it is a shame that the city is not doing everything possible to expedite this matter," Bieker stated.

## COMMISSIONERS also learned that the final draft of the off-street parking ordinance is being re-finalized for submission to the city.

Boatman revealed that final revisions in the ordinance were being drafted and the entire ordinance would probably be typed for the planning board next Tuesday night.

He said that the plan board hoped to submit the ordinance to the commission sometime in March.

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