

# Birmingham Teachers Present Pay Request

Birmingham school teachers through their representatives in the Teachers club asked the board of education Tuesday night for an increase in pay, and an overhauling of the school district's present salary schedule.

The board will consider the salary request along with other budget matters at a special meeting scheduled for Monday night. Supt. of Schools Dwight B. Ireland said it is urgent that the board arrive at a decision on salaries soon in order that he may proceed with the hiring of 40 additional teachers for next fall. The board agreed that Ireland could go ahead in his interviews with new teachers on the basis of a \$2,500 minimum salary with adjustments to follow if the board decides Monday night that it wants to pay more for beginning teachers.

Preiminary estimates are that if the request were granted, it would increase the present bill for teachers' salaries by about \$350,000, counting the addition of 40 new teachers.

**THE REQUEST** stressed three points:

First, said the teachers, the minimum starting salary for a teacher with a bachelor's degree should be set at \$3,600 as against the present minimum of \$3,250.

Second, master degree teachers should be paid a differential of \$250, bringing their minimum starting pay to \$3,500.

Third, a \$200 annual increase in pay should be established that would move teachers up the pay scale in 11 steps to maximum salaries of \$6,100 for bachelor degree teachers and \$6,300 for master degree teachers.

**ON THE PRESENT** pay schedule, maximum salaries are \$4,800 and \$5,150, and are reached according to a 15-step program. Teachers want the time required to go from minimum pay to maximum pay reduced from 11 years to 10 years.

George Miller, spokesman for the Teachers club, said these increases are vital in the interests of "securing and preserving a qualified teaching staff for the education of the children of the school district of Birmingham."

Miller said the lure of outside occupations is making inroads on the teaching profession. Teachers are seeking employment in private industry because of the greater financial rewards.

He added that the one sure way to keep teachers on the job was to make their profession attractive through salaries in line with the amount of responsibility of the job, and commensurate with the skill and training required.

**MILLER SAID** that the teachers realize that if their request were granted it would require a heavy expenditure on the part of the district.

If the proposed maximum salaries were adopted, some teachers would be in line for a \$1,250 increase, Miller said teachers have indicated that they would be willing to work into the new schedule over a period of years, but that they wanted a minimum increase this year of \$400 with extra consideration to holders of master's degrees.

Ireland estimated that approval of the teachers' request, added to pay increases that are indicated for the custodial and administrative staff, would amount to a budget increase of roughly a half-million dollars.

"We don't have that kind of money," said Ireland.

## BOY SCOUTS

### Court of Honor Slated March 22 For Troop B-5

A celebration dinner and court of honor for Troop B-5 will be held in the Christ Church social hall Monday night, March 22.

The program will provide entertainment throughout the dinner and each patrol or unit will be seated at their own decorated group of tables.

The program has been planned entirely by B-5 Explorers and will consist of Tenderfoot candlelight services and presentation of merit badges.

Musical entertainment will be furnished by Dick Dybbig and his Five-the orchestra with John Aile and his accordian, Ken Ratcliff at guitar and Bob Paulette at the piano.

Opening color guard ceremonies consisting of entire unit of 15 Explorers with Scout leaders Tom Burgum, Tom Walton and Billy Brown will be followed by presentation of the troop charter by Commissioner Art Burchleigh to Christ Church Men's club officers and guests, heading the sponsoring institution.

**EXPLORER ALAN** Dybbig as master of ceremonies will direct the program which will start with investiture services by the Explorer unit for Tenderfooters Jim Tomlinson, Erik Nitschke, Billy Brown and Greg Witbeck.

MC Dybbig, assisted by Scoutmaster Dan Akers will present Second Class awards to John Dowd, Terry Leiphart, Dave Hunter, Jim McCracken, George Squibb and Richard Riley.

First class awards will go to Bob Brookman, Sandy Barr, Dan Reid, Bill Alcorn, Dennis Parks, Richard Ayers, George Squibb and Richard Riley.

Five merit badges will be presented to Life Scout Bill Muenchinger.

Tom Austin, new Explorer advisor, will introduce all Explorer applicants.

Finally, Commissioner Burchleigh and Scoutmaster Akers will present to Patrol Leaders Bill Brown and Carter Ratcliff with their Star Scout badges.

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Won	Lost
Forbes Printing	45
Allied Asphalt Pav.	45
Standard Oil	45
Wesley Drug	45
14 Mile Inn	50
Latin Supply	50
Johnston Pipe & Hig.	48 1/2
Sumner Building	47
Sumner Diner	47
Fisher's Market	49

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Hrm. Meyers	62
Hrm. Chevrolet	47 1/2
Hrm. Comm. Mkt.	60 1/2
Wesley Drug	50
Hrm. Ofc. Supply	46
Murphy's Service	42
Benjamin & Stephens	32

### LADIES SENIOR HOUSE LEAGUE

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Adams Shell Service	33
Hick's Bowling Co.	33
Birmingham Eccentric	39
Richard Jeweller	41
Peabody Market	55
Alco Wholesale	51 1/2
Summer Motor Sales	81
Old Spicelaries	42
Burns Shoes	48
Schles Supply Co.	44 1/2
No. 14 Cadillac	48
R.B. Shops	40
Shelby Supply Co.	44 1/2
Allied Steel Sales	32
The Venture Club	25

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Schles Engineering	50
Birmingham Eccentric	50
Murphy's Service	49
Two Pine	49
Richard Jeweller	49
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J. Casper	48
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