



WHEN OFFICERS of the Birmingham MOMS club were installed Monday at the First Baptist church, the new president, Mrs. Howard Estes (right), received the organization's first gavel. She is shown telling the first vice president, Mrs. Percy Burnett, the story of the gavel made by one of the men at the Oakland county infirmary. Other officers seated were Mrs. Hazel Ostrander, second vice president; Mrs. Norman Porter, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. Hillman, recording secretary; Mrs. J. Vici, treasurer; Mrs. E. Cunningham, chaplain; Mrs. E. Calenso, historian; Mrs. John Martz and Mrs. Ralf A. Crookston, directors. Installing officer was Mrs. Arthur Kirkwood, first vice president of the MOMS state board. She was accompanied by Mrs. A. W. Mack, state board president. (Eccentric Photo)

#### In California

She will spend some time in Glendora, Calif., visiting her prospective roommate, Patricia Gunn. The and Mrs. A. K. Toepfer, 839 Knox, two girls will begin their studies left Wednesday for California, at Scripps college on Sept. 20.

## California Trip Sets Ceramic Class Pattern

A teen-age girl usually returns from a vacation trip with a suitcase full of souvenirs and trinkets. But Gail Toepfer, a senior at Birmingham high school, is different. Last week Gail returned from a trip to California loaded down with cartons containing clay, glazes and other ceramic paraphernalia.

Gail, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Toepfer, 839 Knox, brought the materials for her pottery class for youngsters 7 to 13, which will begin next week.

With her sister, Adele, and her mother, Gail spent several weeks this summer at Laguna Beach, one of the centers of pottery activity on the west coast. They visited a number of large potteries in the area and obtained some of the newly-developed varieties of clay and glazes for use in their own studio.

At the Laguna Beach Festival of Arts Gail discovered many new ideas in the ceramics exhibits. The festival is the annual Laguna event which is famous for its "living pictures" when costumed models pose in huge picture frames presenting live reproductions of famous paintings and sculpture of the masters.

Along with the "Pageant of the Masters", the festival includes exhibitions of paintings, drawings, ceramics and handicrafts.

GAIL PREVIOUSLY taught classes in ceramics at the YMCA and for the past few years has assisted with pottery classes held by her mother. This year she will be in charge and her mother will act as assistant.

Children in Gail's class will make figures, masks, etc., and experiment with making plaster molds and casting. They will also have an opportunity to work on the potter's wheel in the basement studio at Gail's home.

Now in her ninth year of work in ceramics, Gail plans to specialize in the study of the potter's art when she enters college next year.

#### PTA Postponed

Because of the school auditorium being used as the site of all church services, the Sept. 20 meeting of Holy Name PTA has been postponed for one week. The group will meet in the school on Sept. 27.

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## '54 Antique Fair To Aid in Care Of Lost Animals

The Michigan Animal Rescue League, Inc., will hold its annual antique fair at Wild-O-Way on Sept. 23, 24 and 25, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., daily. Funds will again be used to support the animal shelter at Pontiac.

In announcing the affair, a group spokesman said the shelter is maintained for the care of lost and strayed animals, and as a clearing center for finding homes for pets. A special committee handles this detail and, although hampered by a lack of a central location, is having marked success in placing these animals.

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