

# City, Schools Observe Fire Prevention Week

Chief Vern W. Griffith as head of the Birmingham Fire Department and George Scott, fire marshal for the City of Birmingham, are jointly asking all citizens to work together in a coordinated effort to observe Fire Prevention Week, October 3-9.

"Let's grow up—not burn up" is this year's slogan for Fire Prevention Week, it was announced today by the fire department.

Birmingham will join with thousands of other communities across the nation in observing Fire Prevention Week which President Eisenhower has proclaimed for the week.

"Our aim during this week, Chief Griffith and Marshal Scott stated, 'will be to bring the attention of everyone the idea that fire prevention is a life and death matter; that each individual owes it to himself, to his family and his community to think and act in a safe and fire-free way of the day the year around.'

## WHY?

One year from today, perhaps sooner, you may meet one of the men who will see, and answer, and take advantage of the opportunity presented in this message.

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**BIRMINGHAM'S Fire Prevention Week** program according to the Fire Marshal, will feature a home inspection program in every home in which a school child lives. This is to be accomplished through the cooperation of the school officials, the press, local business men, teachers, parents and the children themselves.

Each child will be given a home inspection blank to be taken to the school, and filled out with the help of Dad or Mom, after going through the entire house and noting all possible fire hazards enumerated on the inspection form.

This form properly filled out, signed by the parent and returned to the teacher, will automatically entitle each student to receive a Junior Fire Marshal and become a certificate to that effect.

**FIRE PREVENTION Week** is the oldest and most widely observed of all special weeks. "Start now and make every week Fire Prevention Week in your home," Chief Griffith stated.

Ninety per cent of all fires are due to carelessness. For the sake of your home and loved ones, be careful, fire officials urge.

**School Children Ready to Assist In Week's Program**

Through the medium of the junior fire marshal program, emphasis will be placed on fire prevention as it pertains to the individual homes of youngsters who live in the Birmingham school district. Over 4,000 pupils in the district will prepare home reports concerning possible fire hazards in their homes and return the reports to the schools.

Certificates of merit will be prepared for the efforts of the boys and girls.

**THE JUNIOR fire marshal** program is sponsored by the Hartford Insurance Company and is being endorsed locally by Fire Chief Vern Griffith, Fire Marshal George Scott, Paul D. Carter, assistant superintendent of education, Dalton H. Lamb, owner of the McCallan Agency and Albert W. Bates, partner, Rosquist & Company.

Junior fire marshal material that will be used at the grade school level will be distributed to the various schools within the district by Scott. In addition to the home reports, the program will be augmented by five films which will be shown throughout the schools.

**Detroit Fined \$15 Plus Probation**

An attendant for National Garage, Inc., was pleaded guilty to a charge of entering the company's office without permission, was fined \$15 and court costs and put on six months probation, during which he must not use alcoholic beverages.

Robert J. Freckleton, 27, of Detroit was arrested Monday at 12:10 a.m. for entering a locked office of National Garage, Inc.

Detective Merle Holmquist said Freckleton admitted he had had a duplicate key made to the office located at the rear of the Wabek building.

**New Fire Truck Arrives; Being Put Thru Tests**

Birmingham Fire department is conducting acceptance tests of a brand new \$37,500 all purpose truck, delivered here Tuesday. It is a part of the department's expansion program authorized by the city commission a year ago.

Fire Chief Vern W. Griffith said: "The truck combines five separate fire-fighting units—hoist, carrier, hand ladders, a 75-foot power aerial ladder, a booster combination for small line, and a high-pressure fire line with a 750-gallon-per-minute capacity."

**4 B'ham Youths In Court Friday**

Four Birmingham youths who were arrested last Friday night on a charge of illegal possession of an alcoholic beverage were released to their parents until they appear in court Friday.

They are Michael O'Connor, 18, of 851 Oakland; John E. Bell, 19, of 502 Chester; John LaFrie, 19, of 645 Woodland; and David Power, 19, of 1235 East Maple.

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## Mothers of Pierce School Tots Meet at "Get-Acquainted" Tea

All mothers of children in the second grade at Pierce school and the teacher, Laura Lou Raymond, were invited to a tea at the home of Mrs. James Martin on Buckingham, Sept. 28, with Mrs. Joseph Cipola as co-hostess.

Getting acquainted were Mrs. Robert Altman, Mrs. Thomas Christiansen, Mrs. Joseph Thayer, Mrs. John Coyner, Mrs. Jerome Ellison, Mrs. Christopher Grodewald, Mrs. Richard Hamel, Mrs. Robert Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Edward Lilly.

Others were Mrs. William McDonnell, Mrs. Harry Marshall, Mrs. Hugh McHugh, Mrs. Sidney Miller, Mrs. Edward Moore, Mrs. Ralph Moxley, Mrs. Albert Peterson, Mrs. Martin Smanen, Mrs. Raymond Walker, Mrs. James Wilson and Mrs. Charles Pratt.

**BAPTISM HELD**

William Howard, two-and-a-half-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Mitzfeld of Arlington drive, was baptized Sunday, Sept. 29 by the Rev. Harold Towne at St. James Episcopal church.

For this important occasion, Billy was a dress of imported batiste, embroidered by his mother and sewn by hand by his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Harry Howard.

Godparents were the baby's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mitzfeld, of Rochester. Others attending the service were paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mitzfeld, maternal grandmother, Mrs. Harry Howard, great-aunt, Lucy Mitzfeld, and Mrs. Helen Mitzfeld.

After a great deal of picture taking to record this event, a family dinner was served in the Mitzfeld home.

**NEWCOMERS**

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Driscoll are new residents at 16187 Wetherby road. They moved here recently from Chicago with their two daughters, Kathleen, seven, and Colleen, three years old.

Driscoll is a service metallurgist with the U. S. Steel company. The family are members of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs church and Kathleen is attending the new Our Lady Queen of Martyrs school.

A neighborhood "coffee" was held in the Auburn drive home of Mrs. James Kelly, Monday morning, Sept. 27. While their children played and ate sugar cookies, mothers sipped coffee and watched a demonstration of household appliances.

Guests were Mrs. George Ladd, Mrs. Adolph Neume, Mrs. Gilbert Firth, Mrs. Carlos Danville, Mrs. Andy Anderson and Mrs. G. A. Brundrett.

Also present were Mrs. William Ward, Mrs. George Guidus, Mrs. John Dear, Mrs. William Sabo, Mrs. Don Hensick and Mrs. Robert Moss.

Also attending were Mrs. Paul Osterling, Mrs. Forest Smith, Mrs. Carl Pallas, Mrs. Howdy Brewer, Mrs. Robert Stapleton, Mrs. John Capinola, Mrs. Floyd Taggart, Mrs. Russell Riley and

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noon was spent in playing games.

## SLUMBER PARTY

Linda Osterling, daughter of the Paul Osterlings on Arlington drive, celebrated her 13th birthday with a slumber party. On Friday night, Sue McNeil, Janet Neuman and Jolly Lanier were her dinner guests and after dinner they attended the football game at Birmingham high school and the after-game school dance. Then back they came to the Osterling home for the evening, or night of chatter.

Four couples from Magnolia were dinner guests of Mrs. Mrs. John Capinola at her home on Verona Circle Saturday evening. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Spear, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sturman, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Urquhart and Mr. and Mrs. David Wirth.

## ALTAR SOCIETY

Heien Simpson, president of the Altar Society of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs church held the first fall meeting for the chairman of the nine church guilds in her home on Sheridan. Plans were made for several fall activities.

A church bazaar will be held in the church social hall on Friday, Oct. 22. The annual Christmas bazaar, "Holiday for Things" will be held in the church social hall on December 4. Bake sales will be held by several of the guilds during the next few weeks. The Altar Society will serve the men's breakfast following the service at Holy Name church on Sunday, Nov. 14.

Those present at the Simpson home were Mrs. William Brooks, Mrs. James T. Moore, Mrs. Frank Dombrowsky, Mrs. Charles Duffy, Mrs. Harry Angell, Mrs. Donald Custance, Mrs. Marvin Kauffman, Mrs. Gordon Wolfe and Mrs. Joseph Campton.

## ST. GERARD GUILD

Mrs. Larry Marchetti opened her home on Auburn drive to members of the St. Gerard guild. Those present were Mrs. Sam Bela, Mrs. Edward Duseberry, Mrs. Thomas Beterman, Mrs. Charles Brindley, Mrs. John Capinola, Mrs. Donald Custance, Mrs. Robert Sultz, Mrs. John Talpaz, Mrs. Roger Pace, Mrs. W. A. Eschrich, Mrs. Frank

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## ST. ANTHONY GUILD

The St. Anthony guild of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Altar Society met at the home of Mrs. Thomas Devine last Wednesday evening. Present to start the wheels rolling on the group's fall project, the toy sale, were 25 members.

Mrs. Devine, chairman of the night

## Subdivision

SOUTHFIELD—Final approval was given to a 19 lot subdivision known as Shagwood Estates located east of Birmingham road north of Thirteenth Mile by township board members Tuesday.

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## FALL VESPERS

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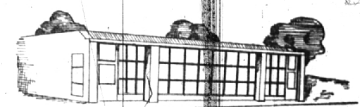
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