



LEARNING ABOUT FREE enterprise by organizing and running a business—that's the story of Junior Achievement in Birmingham. Some 50 high school students crowd into the JA Center each night to manufacture products, get sales assignments from the general sales managers of the eight JA companies.



EVEN THE PRESIDENT works in JA. Kitty Wilson, president of UNALCO, uses a razor blade for a clean cut on the material used in the lintless dust cloth. On the production line with her are Tom Laurencelle of Royal Oak, and Rich Ward of Birmingham.



MRS. CHARLES WILSON is supervisor of the girls' activities at the Church of the Nazarene. Here she lends a helping hand in a very seasonal project—making Valentines. Working with her are Kathleen Anne Fitzpatrick, Polly Germain, Sharon Richardson and Cheryl Elliott.



EVERY WEEK IS Youth Week for the Girl Scouts. Here Jane Bowie, Jill Sage, Mrs. W. M. Bullock, Barbara Warnock, Alice Wessels, and (standing) Marcy Bullock and Priscilla Holmes make plans for the annual cookie sale which opens on Feb. 14. Girl Scouts, with their projects, meetings and trips, are one of the most active groups of youngsters in Birmingham. (Eccentric Photos)

Photo Story:

Week-Long Programs Honor City's Youth

Birmingham joins the nation this week in the annual observance of Youth Week, a time set aside to honor young people and their many activities.

Here special programs have been planned wherein special tribute will be paid the community's young citizens.

Churches have been organized for numerous youth-participation programs, including the interdenominational service Sunday evening at the First Baptist church.

Representatives from the several protestant churches in the city are taking part. The sermon will be delivered by members of the youth group, with music by a special union chorus.

Others are serving as ushers and reading parts of the worship program.

FINAL EVENT of the evening and the closing observance of Youth Week will be the social hour with refreshments and a songfest.

Among the other groups honored will be Boy Scouts with several troops attending religious services together.

Junior Achievement members, noting their own special week, are reviewing the year's activities. They were honored at a dinner last Monday evening when they were the guests of individuals and businesses serving as their adult sponsors.

THIS IS the second year of the JA program in Birmingham. Eight firms have been operating under the sponsorship of local businesses.

Girl Scouts, fittingly enough, are launching another of their major projects of the year—the annual cookie sale.

Troops and their leaders are currently planning the sales campaign, preparing orders and setting up schedules of delivery at a future date.



FINAL ACTIVITIES of Youth Week in Birmingham will be the interdenominational service at the First Baptist church on Feb. 3. Young people from the city's several protestant churches have been working on plans since November for this union service which will involve several hundred of them. Dave Allen will make the Youth Week statement, while Sarah Hogan has been named to direct the candlelight service. A publicity program has been in charge of Cathie Crouch with Richard Kontz as one of the speakers.

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A great deal of the average conversation engaged in by millions of people is of such a trivial and gossipy nature that it may be, and often is, harmful. Have you ever tried to separate your day's words as between the important and the trivial?

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MEMBERS OF THE St. James church Girls Friendly Society, one of the most active organizations for junior girls in the church, meet for a craft. Among the activities they enjoy regularly are craft projects and mission work. They operate their own camp under the national group. Pictured here at the organ are, left to right, Ellen Walker, Judy Sinclair and Donna Stevens, seated; Barbara Gilbert and Leslie Ingraham, standing at the rear.



CHURCHES THIS WEEK will join in the observance of Boy Scout Week, an important part of Youth Week. Timely is the awarding of the God and Country honor pictured above. The Rev. Robert Dewey of the Birmingham Congregational church presents the award to David Lindley, age 15, Birmingham High school sophomore, while his mother, Mrs. Damon Lindley, watches. The God and Country citation is awarded for community and church participation. Lindley is a Senior Explorer Scout of a Detroit troop.



EMBURY CHURCH'S MYF group recently played host to contemporaries from 16 other Methodist churches. A job of housecleaning was handled by (front row) Nels Nelson, Jane St. Aubin, Beverly Heath, Mary McKee and Lloyd Grosseup; (back row) John Fall, Richard McKee and Neal Talbot. The meeting was a part of the general youth participation plan now being broadened in many churches throughout the area.



LIKE THE GIRLS' groups at Nazarene church—the boys meet for their workshop sessions each Friday evening. A brief study period precedes the workshop sessions. While working at their current project of sailboats, the young builders pause to admire the duck-barrow and flower in a wheelbarrow, already completed. Another project was the making of electric lamps fashioned after the old town pump.