

Police Heads Meet in Detroit

Three Birmingham area police officials attended a meeting of some 40 township, village and city law-enforcement officials of south-eastern Michigan at the Detroit Police Academy yesterday to outline joint action in the battle against juvenile delinquency.

In attendance were Birmingham Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley and Lt. Henry Timm, head of the juvenile division, and Patrolman Norman Dehne of Bloomfield township.

The three answered a call put out last week by Birmingham Commissioner Edward S. Pigges to police departments of Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, Washtenaw and Monroe counties.

The co-operative metropolitan police authority would tie the five counties together for better joint control of crime, with the Detroit department as the hub.

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School Bus-Truck Crash Injures One

Over a dozen school children escaped injury Tuesday when their bus was struck from the rear by a panel truck after two trucks collided at Telegraph and Ward roads in Bloomfield township.

Police said a gasoline truck struck a panel truck and pushed it into the back of the school bus. One child boarding the bus, two waiting to enter, and several others inside the vehicle were uninjured.

John Unger Jr., 27, of Ponton, driver of the panel truck, was treated at Pontiac General Hospital for chest injuries, Edward A. Bain, 23, of Flint, fuel truck driver, and Mrs. Erma B. Walteri, 47, of Pontiac, bus driver, were not injured.

Pine St. Hearing

Assessment roll for construction of a drop on Pine street west of Chesterfield will be considered at a public hearing March 27 before the Birmingham city commission.

Vickers Asks Aid in Troy Building Plan

Vickers, Inc., which just a year ago announced intentions to build on the southwest corner of E. Main and Cooke roads, Troy township, is clearing water and sewer details preliminary to building.

The Troy building structure will house the firm's engineering, administrative, sales, and engineering experience and laboratories, in a 100,000 square-foot area.

ROYAL OAK is seeking to annex the 76-acre parcel so Vickers may work out a way to tap the city's water lines and disposal system. The Vickers property adjoins the city's limits.

The annexation move, which will require a special election, was initiated at a Monday city commissioners meeting. Then Vickers proposed to install a sewer at its own expense, for re-leasing to the city over a ten-year period.

Under the plan which the city approved, it would call for the installations reverting to the city after ten years.

THE BUILDING will be on the modern lines of the Dearborn Motors new plant, according to Thomas B. Doe, Jr., master mechanic for Vickers.

Vickers, a firm in the light manufacturing of hydraulic components, is a subsidiary of the Sperry corporation. Its manufacturing will continue in its Detroit plants, Doe said.

No contracts for the building have been let, he said, although the firm hopes to occupy it by early next year.

The firm has signed petitions being circulated by the city, needed for the annexation vote. A lease is being worked on between firm and city for the water and sewer taps.

Sidewalk Ordered

Birmingham city commission this week ordered construction of two hundred sixty feet of sidewalk on the east side of Woodward from Ravine road north to Park street.

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LAST WEEK A \$500 REWARD was offered for the return of Robert L. Perry, 50, of Detroit, an advertising executive whose car was found abandoned at the mouth of the Rouge River Feb. 2. To those who have been following accounts of Perry's disappearance, it may have appeared as though River Rouge Police detectives were offering the reward. Actually, detectives have been asked by an anonymous donor to judge who shall share the money in event of Perry's return.

BUSY WITH COOKIES is Mrs. Edson S. Stevens of Cedar street, who is in charge of Birmingham Girl Scout cookie sales. According to Mrs. Robert Spencer, publicity director for local troops, 15 calls to the Stevens home last week failed to reach the busy chairman for the Scouts' annual drive for camping trip funds. Shooting towards 50,000 orders for the 35-cent boxes of cookies, the Scouts have March 29 as deadline for money-turn-ins to Mrs. Stevens. Delivery on current orders will be on March 14, 15 and 16.

IN LAST WEEK'S "Photo Story" about Birmingham area couples who have "adopted" distressed children foreign victims, Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Tuttle, 1501 Mansfield, were listed as the "parents" of Korean youngster Kim Ee Soon. Mr. Tuttle this week informed The Eccentric that while he and his wife officially may be listed with Foster Parents plan as taking care of 13-year old Kim, it really is the Young Adults' group of Birmingham's First Methodist church which is providing the financial support. "In fact, our group is about ready to volunteer to aid a second foreign child," Tuttle revealed.

MONDAY'S FOG seemed to trap many a Birmingham motorist who decided to play it safe and drive with lights on. Curbs and parking lots were thick with cars whose owners had gone off leaving lights burning. While we didn't hear of too many whose batteries ran down, we're willing to wager that many a driver had a big deep question in mind as to just how much "juice" had been drawn from a winter-wary battery, especially those whose cars had been standing all day.

WHILE THE WINDS blew and the rains fell in those first hours of March 1, 1955, Birmingham police officers had a busy time. Cars patrolling the streets were stopped and started many times as officers stepped out into the rain to slip tickets under the wipers on a windy windshield. A very common sight Tuesday, these tickets warned drivers that these particular automobiles were "grounded" until such time as the new 1955 licenses were attached.

IT CAN HAPPEN, and it did—The Eccentric scooping Life magazine. In its Jan. 27 issue, The Eccentric ran a story and picture of Robert S. Swanson's home-made hi-fi cabinet. This week Life had a picture of the cabinet, in color. In the same issue of Life is a picture of Atomic Physicist, Ralph E. Lapp whose talk before Birmingham's Town Hall Feb. 11 was front page here, and Bloomfield Hills was represented in the same issue by the picture and story of Ernest R. Breech, chairman of the board of the Ford Motor Co.

NEXT MEETING of the chief executive officers in the North Oakland area will be Wednesday night with Royal Oak's Mayor Howard Kelly the host. Bham Mayor Charles Renfrew said the group expects to hear State Senator William Broomfield discuss two proposed legislative amendments. One concerns longer time to pay county drain assessments, and the enlargement of the assessment area to include area benefited. The other proposal is for a reallocation of supervisor representation to county.

Five Seeking Hills Offices

With the final filing date set date is Lyman J. Craig, retired, for March 12, four candidates also who lives in Orchard Ridge Road, ready have entered the race for city commission posts in Bloomfield Hills.

CITY Clerk Robert Stadler said Webb C. Craig, Detroit meat packing incumbents C. E. Otter, H. J. Brum, Craig for eight years was a Klugher and John S. Bugas, all members of the Bloomfield Hills ready have filed petitions for the board of education, election in the April 4 balloting. He is the father of five sons and Sole newcomer to the race to three daughters.

Obituaries

Veteran Educator, Earl Potter, Dies

For many years a teacher in Detroit schools, Earl G. Potter, 68, of 543 Baldwin, died at his residence Feb. 24.

Survivors include his widow, the former Leota Uptegrad, whom he married Aug. 24, 1916, in Birmingham; two daughters, Mrs. Abbott Gibney of Birmingham and Dr. Jean A. Potter of Columbia University, New York City, N. Y.; a sister, Mrs. A. L. Kimball of Sarasota, Fla.; and two grandchildren, Jean Ann and John Michael Gibney.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Manley Bailey funeral home with Dr. W. Glen Harris officiating. Burial was in Davison cemetery, Davison.

RECENTLY Mr. Potter had been serving in the commercial department of Pershing high school.

Previously he taught at Highland Park high school for 15 years. He was a member of the Birmingham school and library boards.

Mr. Potter was born June 13, 1886, in Davison. He was graduated from Hillsdale college and did graduate work at the University of Wisconsin and Michigan State college.

A member of the First Presbyterian church, at one time he served as elder and treasurer.

Mr. Potter formerly owned Potter's Travel Bureau of Detroit. He was a member of the Detroit Schoolman's club.

Bad Check Passer Awaiting Sentence

Roy Phifer, 24, of Kansas City, being held in Oakland County Jail Mo., pleaded guilty Monday in court for sentencing March 7. Oakland County Circuit Court to Phifer is accused of cashing the a charge of cashing \$185 worth of checks at the former C. P. Smith bad checks in Birmingham, and is Store at 499 S. Hunter Blvd.

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