

Good Deeds, Fun Newcomers Pattern

What with good deeds and having fun, Birmingham Newcomers are one of the busiest groups in town. Last week, as sponsors of the bloodmobile visit, they saw 153 pints of blood turned in for the Birmingham Community blood bank. Afternoon and evening bridge parties are attracting new resi-

dents in the area, with 52 meetings for afternoon play last Thursday. Couples will meet again at 8 p.m., Nov. 11. The group now has 10 teams bowling regularly each Tuesday morning on a local alley. Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all news—call the society editor about them.



SELLING FIRST Girl Scout calendar to the mayor's wife, Mrs. Charles Renfrew, are two members of Scout troop 349, Lois Eckstrom and Sally Garrison, at the Renfrews' new home on Arden lane.

Scout Calendar Sales Beginning

The 1955 Girl Scout Calendar Sale, with 8500 calendars to be sold, is now going on in the Southern Oakland Girl Scout Council's area.

Net profit from this sale as from the Cookie Sale in the spring provides camping facilities and equipment for the girls of Southern Oakland County including girls of the Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills school districts.

There will be no waiting while orders are filled this year as each Intermediate and Senior Scout camp is at Orionville and accommodates 400 girls a season on its 137 acres. A maintenance work shop and a bathhouse are under construction at Camp Narrin now.

The S.O.C.N.C. receives money from the Torch Drive for its general administrative expenses but none of it may be used for camping. Sales of the past have purchased and maintained two camps and provided tents and other equipment for troop overnights and canoe trips for older girls.

Next summer the Girl Scout National Round-Up of 5000 girls is to be held at the Highland Recreation Area and 24 girls from this Council will attend the two-week session from June 29 to July 11. In this is to be a primitive-type encampment, girls living in tents. This sale provides special equipment needed.

THE INCREASE in "girl population" in our area puts a greater burden on our funds every year. Birmingham's share in this sale of 40,000 calendars is 8500. Several troops will be selling in Birmingham stores this weekend, (Krogers, Big Bear and Jacobsons), or call the Birmingham Calendar chairman, Mrs. Edison Stevens, of 256 Cedar.

Polish Mother's Struggle Eased By Local Couple

No longer will the struggle be quite so grim for a Polish family living in the slums of London, for Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Dowles, 408 Baldwin, have become the "foster parents" of two-year-old Petro Szydorak. Foster Parents Plan for War Children in announcing the "adoption" said Petro's mother is trying to support him and his five-year-old sister on an income that never exceeds \$15.10 a week. The addi-

tional funds from the Dowles will make life much happier for those war victims and give the lad a chance at good health and a rosier future. Both his parents were displaced persons who had been in DP camps before the liberation and their transfer to England. The father died a year ago, leaving his family without income and Mrs. Szydorak unable to work and care for the children. Her main source of income has been assembling dolls, a task which paid her at the rate of \$2.53 per gross. Society deadline is 3 p.m. each Tuesday. November 10, 1955 THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC Page 5

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