The hour and the day that a parent devotes to the raising of his children when they were young will, more often than not, prevent that parent from weeks, months, even years, of great worry, maybe tragedy, in later life. Parenthood means much more than providing only physical comforts and pleasures for children.

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By George R. Averill

Dr. Bunche Admitted UN IS A Weak Body

Two weeks ago, at the annual meeting of the Michigan Press Association, I listened to a speech by a world-famous man. His name is Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, the Negro chap who, some years ago, was able to bring Israel and the Arabs together in an amiable armistice.

Dr. Bunche devoted most of his more than an hour-long talk to the United Nations organization, of which he is United States Under-Secretary.

He started out vigorously and interestingly, sprinkling his introductory comments with good humor. He is a Detroiter, originally.

In about a half hour he got into numerous chronological UN technicalities. Before many more minutes he "lost" most of his audience . . . and I thought this too bad, for he really has a message he wants to put over.

AT THE conclusion of his speech he allowed his audience to ask questions. During a short lull I asked: "Dr. Bunche, the average man has been told that the United Nation stands for world peace, that it exists to prevent war.

"A few years ago North Koreans marched on South Koreans, and the United Nations, sworn to defend South Korea, declared this an act of aggression. The UN then passed a resolution and declared itself a defender of South Korea.

"In short, it determined that its members must come to South Korea's defense. Well, the United States did. Our country sent most of the men and money. Why did not other UN nations do more to defend South Korea?"

DR. BUNCHE recited a variety of reasons. He wanted to defend the UN, yet found it difficult to answer me so as to prove that the UN really could, or can today, be depended upon to defend freedom. But he failed, as everybody in that audience observed.

"Perhaps," said Dr. Bunche, "more other UN member nations would have sent in men and weapons had they not been committed to the defense of some of their colonial possessions, also their own countries, especially in Europe.

"To be sure, the United States did most of the fighting, provided most of the money. But all the freedom-loving UN nations would have done more if they could at the time. That's the way it is."

What a pity!

IF OTHER freedom-loving UN nations could not do more to carry out their UN responsibilities in Korea, how will they be able to carry them out in other places where "a police action", as Harry Truman called it, is necessary?

Do you not know that the Kremlin knows this military weakness exists within the UN? That the alleged "united strength" of free nations is little stronger than that supported by the United States alone?

Yet there are those who argue for giving the United Nations organization military control of all nations. They would surrender the sovereignty of the United States to the fictitious Utopia of a World Government.

MY OWN opposition to One Worldism is simply that it won't work because it doesn't work with in the current illustration of the UN pattern.

The UN can do many good things . . . but why don't its ardent supporters (including Dr. Bunche) admit that it has limitations? It cannot guarantee, today, world peace!

STRICTLY FRESH

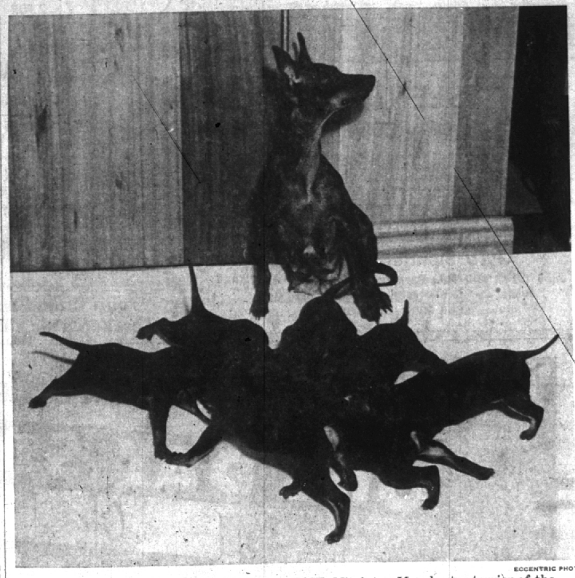
Until world leaders learn that "peace" isn't spelled "piece", as in "a piece of a neighboring nation," there can be but little hope of even a small slice being hacked from the world's military potential.

Wondering how to get some seemingly impossible task accomplished? Leave several small boys in the vicinity of the job and tell them "don't touch" before you walk out of sight.

Fellow across the desk from us says that the hardest part of his

day's work is convincing his wife that he's put in a hard day's work.

Wife of the man who runs the lunch counter near the office makes the coffee he sells. There's a fellow who has sample grounds for



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WITH TYPICAL MOTHERLY INSTINCT, Mitzi, toy Manchester terrier of the B. C. Ericksons, 293 Berwyn, sits back while her 6-week-old puppies eat first. Mitzi's litter of seven far surpasses the usual three or four pups common to her breed. The young mother thereby did a nice favor for 15-year-old Art Erickson, Birmingham high school freshman, who is raising the litter to finance a New Mexico camp stay this summer. Art pays for expenses such as hamburger and vitamins, and helps Mitzi take care of the pups.

Roll Call Message Goes on TV

Birmingham Community House is going big-time when its activities will be featured over three Detroit television stations, WWJ, WJBK and WXYZ, during the weeks of the Roll Call drive, Feb. 20 to March 5.

Through Norman Terry of Dover road Bloomfield township, Wilding Pictures, Inc. have worked out (gratis) a film on activities that go on in the House—from the dancing of five-year-old ballerinas to the knitting of Senior Workshop members.

The film also will appear in the Birmingham and Bloomfield theaters during the two-week drive, through the courtesy of managers Jack Cataldo and Lee Fraser.

HAROLD T. HAGAN, Community House president, announced last week the annual roll call drive for the Community House this year is $50,000 and over 14,000 letters were sent to homes in Birmingham and its surrounding area.

Enclosed in each letter is a pledge card and folder, "Affairs of the Heart of Birmingham," authored in his spare time by Norman Stanton, Oxford road, and illustrated by fellow worker at Jam Handy, Otto Simonech of Farmington.

Heading the Community House drive this year and the organization of 850 volunteers is Mrs. George Weinhold, a Community House board member for the past three years.

Helping Mrs. Weinhold are Mrs. Harry N. Gruber, head of home solicitors, Ed Kurth, head of business solicitations and William Torrence.

FROM THREE to eight women have volunteered daily in the roll call office, sending out pamphlets, mimeographing instructions, sorting cards and recording donations which already have begun to roll in.

Appearing yesterday at the Captains' luncheon at the Community House, 105 captains and their 9 supervisors launched the 1956 roll call drive.

"It breaks some kind of record," said Mrs. Gruber who, as head of home solicitations, arranged the luncheon and welcomed the guests.

Seated with their supervisors and a board member, captains found their places with dual-purpose place cards, decorated with a miniature House, which with the addition of a pin became name tags and made by Senior Workshoppers.

MRS. WEINHOLD thanked captains for "doing what so many others have done throughout the years to support our Community House."

Mrs. Anthony Daley told them, "You are the public relations agents for the House" and suggested they ask their workers to approach donors with a smile.

Captains left the luncheon with mimeographed kits and lists of names and will have their workers ready for door-to-door solicitations on Feb. 20, opening of the Roll Call.

Two More Enter Commission Race

Two more candidates this week entered the race for one of the two Birmingham city commission vacancies to be voted upon April 2.

Mayor Charles Renfrew said he would seek re-election to his second three-year term. He was appointed in September 1951 to fill a commission vacancy.

The second entrant this week is Donald K. Fill, 44, of 1693 Banbury.

First to announce was Omar Hansen, 56, of 523 E. Southlawn.

HANSEN and Fill ran 5-6 in a six-man commission contest last year.

Commissioner Dean G. Beier, completing his second full term, has declined to go for another one.

Nominating petitions must be filed with the city clerk by 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25. Each must have between 25 and 50 signatures of qualified voters.

Three Offices Up In Hills Election

Petitions have been taken out for incumbents in the April 2 Bloomfield Hills Municipal election in which two city commissioners and a constable will be elected.

Commission seats at stake now belong to Mayor James A. Beresford and C. G. Eden and petitions are being circulated for the re-election of both men along with Homer J. Murphy, present constable whose term also expires.

Nominees have one week after the Feb. 25 filing deadline to accept or reject the nominations.

N'east Lot Necessity Declared

By GEORGE WM. AVERILL

Shoppers in downtown Birmingham gained 176 parking spaces in the northeast business quadrant, but lost 52 in the southwest area, for a net gain of 124 spaces.

The 176 gain in the northeast (Lot 3-A) has been a foregone conclusion for weeks. It was formalized Tuesday night as commissioners approved necessity of the lot, to go between Park and Ferndale streets, north of the Hamilton business frontage.

But the loss of 52 spots in the southwest, already deemed a necessity at a formal hearing last Aug. 8, came only a week after the commission had reaffirmed its stand on need for Lot 2.

TUESDAY night commissioners rescinded their Aug. 8 action, thus abandoning Lot 2. If future studies show it is needed (at the north half of the block at Merrill-Bates-Henrietta), proceedings will have to start over from scratch.

At their Feb. 6 meeting, the commission established a "priority list" of parking lots as a guide for development plans. Financing limits necessitated this priority, the commission decided.

So it said Lot 3-A was to be developed first, then 4-B (at the northwest corner of Forest and Brownell), then Lot 2.

A FOURTH lot (H-H) near the southwest corner of Hamilton and Hunter, which businessmen there

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An Editorial

Busy-ness Impacts Upon Business of Governing

Birmingham is a beautiful place.

All about us are the tree-lined streets, the well-kept houses, the manicured grounds, the pretty parks.

Birmingham is an intelligent town.

There is not a day goes by that not one—but several—residents are contributing to Detroit metropolitan safety, health and welfare by leading or chairmaning some important committee, campaign, or council.

Birmingham is a leader.

From automobiles and advertising to zincology, business and industry of the midwest and the nation look to Birmingham for leadership.

But Birmingham also is a busy place.

'Twas not always so. There was the time when a goodly number of its residents had a little time left over from their pursuits of other things to give to Birmingham itself.

That gift was in the form of service to the community through service on its publicly elected bodies, the groups empowered to tax, and to spend those taxes in ways they thought would best promote Birmingham's safety, health and welfare.

But Birmingham today is a busy place.

Its residents work so hard at their various pursuits that they have no time left to give to Birmingham's body politic. These tired residents drive down their tree-lined streets, past their pretty parks, onto their manicured grounds and walk wearily into their well-

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Second Injections Of Salk Vaccine Now Available

Second injections of Salk polio vaccine are available for children who received first injections after Oct. 1, it was announced today by Dr. John D. Monroe, medical director, Oakland county health department.

Private physicians have vaccine on hand for children to whom they gave first injections.

Children who received first shots at the health department may obtain second injections at Royal Oak health center from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays, except Feb. 22, or 9 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, or at Pontiac city hall from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 9 to 11:30 a.m. Fridays.

ALL INJECTIONS in the Pontiac area will be given only at the city hall.

Children who received first vaccine prior to Sept. 1, 1955, should begin a new series when vaccine is available to assure more complete immunity, Dr. Monroe said.

Deadline Near For '56 Auto License Plates

Automobile license plates sales are lagging in Birmingham, according to Delbert Ayles, secretary of state branch manager.

"I'm afraid there is going to be an awful rush the last week," Ayles said. "Sales are picking up daily but the volume is not what it should be."

Deadline for purchasing 1956 plates is Feb. 29. The Birmingham branch, located at the corner of Brownell and Forest between Hunter blvd. and Woodward, will be open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Homemade Bomb Destroys Mailbox

Police believe a homemade bomb caused the Saturday night explosion which wrecked the William P. Whittmore's mailbox at 1135 Southlawn.

The family heard the explosion, but darkness prevented them from determining its origin that night. Sunday morning Whittmore called police when he discovered the mailbox's twisted remains.

No explanation has been discovered for the vandalism.

Local High Twelve To Hear Founder Of National Group

At next Monday night's 6:30 dinner of the Birmingham High Twelve club at the Birmingham Community House, "Wolcott Foundation Nite" will be held.

A large attendance is expected to hear E. C. Wolcott, founder of High Twelve in this country, who will speak.

Over 30 years ago, Wolcott, a successful Sioux City, Iowa businessman, conceived the idea of an organization of men keenly interested in their community's welfare and progress.

HIGH TWELVE was christened in Sioux City in May, 1921. Wolcott since has devoted a great deal of, time, effort and money to High Twelve, dropping his business connections in 1941 to devote full time to the organization, now nationwide.

International High Twelve has established a scholarship fund in Wolcott's honor.

Birmingham High Twelve club was chartered in 1942, with Norman W. Berry its first president. Harold H. Gasser is current president.

Thomas E. Campbell, past president, is Monday night's program chairman.

Sees $60,000 This Year from Parking Meters

A continued rise in total parking meter revenue has been evidenced in collections the past six months, City Manager D. C. Egbert reported this week.

Revenue should be up about $7,000 this year, or $1,000 more than last year's increase, the manager said.

His report showed annual revenues went up an average of $3,000 from 1948 to 1953. From 1953 to 1955, they averaged $6,000 per year.

EXPLAINED Egbert: "Tabulation for the six months prior to Dec. 31 last shows a gross revenue of $29,248.21. This indicates there will be a current year's gross revenue of approximately $60,000.

"It appears that parking meter revenues will continue to increase substantially, particularly in light of presently planned business developments in our business section."

8-Year-Old Admits Vandalism to Home

An eight-year-old boy Tuesday admitted to Birmingham police he was responsible for fire damage to a neighborhood home.

Police discovered a book of matches bearing the boy's father's name under the damaged window at the Andrew TenEyck home, 928 Chesterfield.

When questioned, the boy told police and Fire Marshal George Scott he had slipped burning oil-soaked newspapers between the storm window and sash.

One-Act Plays to Give Family Living Facts

Playlets are going to be used to present discussion facts on wholesome family living to several Birmingham parent-teacher groups.

In the net six weeks, four performances of one-act plays will be presented, cast from PTA members and students of Pembroke, Torry and Quarton schools.

Part of a cooperative community program inspired and sponsored by Youth Committee of the Birmingham-Bloomfield-Franklin Council of Community Services, the plays will be directed by Mrs. Treesa Way Merrill of Will-O-Way Playhouse.

PROGRAM planning and coordination was done last spring by Mrs. Robert V. Baxley and Paul Carter of the Youth Committee. Through cooperation of Mrs. John Vander Roest, PTA Council president, Youth Committee's plan was presented to the various Birmingham school PTA program chairmen.

Mrs. Merrill, reading of Youth Committee in The Eccentric, offered her professional skill as a play director. American Theater Wing plays were obtained from the Michigan Society for Mental Health.

The various PTA program committees chose plays which they felt would suitably augment discussion among members.

ON MONDAY Pembroke school PTA will present "Fresh Variable Winds", the story of two frustrated parents, two disturbed children and how they all achieve a satisfactory relationship leading to the solution of their problems.

Mrs. L. A. Gilley will assist with direction. Cast includes Mrs. J. E. O'Brien, Mrs. Trayton Burke, Mrs. Gilley, William Schweitzer is Pembroke school PTA program chairman.

THE CAST is making many trips out to Will-O-Way to receive their direction under the skillful hand of Mrs. Merrill.

"Working with a professional director is a fascinating experience", said Mrs. Gilley. "Our cast of parents and children hadn't thought of themselves as actors but everyone is working very hard, having a lot of fun and the whole program is certain to be most rewarding."

March 14 the Torry pre-school mothers' group will perform "Scattered Showers", a playlet concerned with younger children. Cast is Mrs. Earl Bacon, Mrs. Lawrence Toutant and Donald Fill. Mrs. James Robb is program chairman.

TORRY SCHOOL PTA also will present "Fresh Variable Winds" at its March 27 meeting, and Quarton School PTA will present it March 14 under program chairmanship of Mrs. Jean Greene.

"Within Youth Committee we have agreed", said Mrs. Harvey Greene, chairman, "that prevention of youth problems is the most ef-

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All makes of inner spring mattresses repaired. One-day service. ROYAL MAT-

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Hills Appeals Circuit Decision

City of Bloomfield Hills has applied to the state supreme court for leave to appeal a recent Oakland county circuit court decision against the city in a zoning fight with the Brae Burn Convalescent Home on North Woodward avenue.

Brae Burn initially went to court when the city refused to permit construction of a three-story office building on property presently zoned for single residence dwellings.

Circuit court recently ruled in favor of Brae Burn, contending that the property was not suitable for single residence.

Brae Burn also wishes to expand the convalescent facilities to other building on the grounds. At present the convalescent home is housed in a large building in the multiple dwelling zone.

Eton Rink Open Again

A compressor breakdown in the freezing plant closed Eton park artificial ice rink Tuesday, but things were back to normal Wednesday.

"It takes a while to get the 'bugs' out of these outfits," explained Dale Rolph, park superintendent.

Eton rink has been doing a near-capacity business since opening

Move Over and Make Room for Some More

By JULIE CANDLER

The way a community lives is determined largely by its population. Each individual sees his area's population affect such vital matters as schools, traffic on its roads, churches and business conditions.

Few changes are necessary when populations remain constant.

But an increasing population creates the need for more schools, stores and churches. It brings with it the demand for improved streets and roads, enlarged recreational facilities, plus greatly expanded community services such as police and fire protection, water and sewage, and disposal of rubbish.

And if population forecasts are right, urbanizing changes will continue to be made in the Birmingham area's way of living.

PROOF LIES IN the figures recently released by the population committee of the Detroit regional planning commission, headed by Albert Moellmann, market analyst for the Detroit News, and composed of business and civic statisticians and analysts.

In its announcement, the commission revealed the startling fact that the Detroit metropolitan area, composed of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties would house 3,960,000 persons by 1960.

Breaking the figures down to separate governmental units, the release predicted Oakland county's population will increase to 685,000 in the next five years.

GREATEST GROWTH in the immediate area will be in Southfield township, with 14,100 new citizens expected. Bloomfield township is expected to increase by 8,600, with Troy City adding 7,300 by 1960.

During 1955 over three thousand new residents arrived in the Southfield township area which includes Franklin and Lathrup.

Migration to the suburbs and a high birth rate combine to continue the upward population trend. Oakland County Clerk Lynn D. Allen last year reported 9,447 recorded births, compared to only 7,604 in 1954. The Oakland county death rate, meanwhile, remains constant.

ANALYZING POPULATION figures, present and future, leaves one certainty for the community's future life. It certainly is going to be hard to find a parking place!

	Census 1950 Federal	Estimated 1955*	Projected 1960*	Prediction (Det. Edison 1970**
Birmingham	15,467	22,400	27,800	32,000
Bloomfield Hills	1,468	2,050	2,900	—
Bloomfield Township	3,851	10,400	19,000	28,500
Franklin	1,400	1,700	2,400	—
Lathrup	2,000	2,900	3,800	—
Southfield Township	15,009	27,900	42,000	85,000
Troy	10,087	14,200	21,500	—

Above figures demonstrate the rapid growth from 1950 to 1955 in areas listed. *Estimates for 1955 and 1960 projected figures were made by the population committee of the Detroit Regional Planning Commission. **Predictions for 1970 are working figures used by Detroit Edison company in anticipating future demand.