

Eccentric's Subscription Rates Going Up April 1

Increased newsprint and labor costs in the past five years necessitate a boost in The Birmingham Eccentric's newsstand and mail subscription rates effective April 1, Editor and Publisher George R. Averill announced today.

On that date, one-year subscriptions will become \$4.70, two years, \$7, and three years, \$10. Outside Oakland county, the rates will be \$5 for one year, \$8.75 for two years, and \$12.50 for three years.

NEWSSTAND COPIES, effective with the April 4 issue, will be 10 cents. Averill said that all present subscribers will be extended the opportunity to renew their current subscriptions—regardless of their expiration date—at rates presently in effect.

"We will simply add the length of the renewal period onto the end of the present subscription period," Averill explained.

While Mrs. Watt speaks in St. Louis, Howell, Grand Rapids and Pontiac before going to the upper peninsula March 19, she is reassured to know that Mr. Watt can depend on three of her children and their families living right in the area.

Robert F. Jr. and his wife, a Michigan alumna, and George and his wife, and the newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Glass all live in Birmingham. Royal Oak All five Watt children attended the university. Son James now is a medical college senior there.

During the campaign a friend of Mrs. Watt's, Mrs. J. W. J. Trappitt, has been acting as secretary. She is Mrs. John W. J. Trappitt, 600 Shephardsh. As a young mother with small children she is home to take calls and letters for Mrs. Watt's correspondence.

A MOTHER of four youngsters also is a right-hand maid to Mrs. Murphy. Mrs. Donald J. McCreary, 26 Woodland, as Mrs. Murphy's campaign manager for Wayne, Oakland, Genee and Macon counties. Mrs. McCreary has an extension of Mrs. Murphy's telephone wired into her home and takes or monitors all her political calls.

KATE KELLEY, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Earl C. Kelley, and Mrs. John Muligan (former Mrs. Suzanne Jones) have been serving Mrs. Murphy as volunteer drivers as they traverse the state.

Equipment used by the association includes 18 sketching stools made by Kendall Clark, 18 tables and four big tables, made by Peter Darnas, to be used for water-color classes. A model stand has been donated to the association by Mrs. Paul Averill.

President Thom named members to committees of Tuesday's meeting. Mrs. J. C. Roberts, Mrs. Lewis C. Roberts, and Henry Phillip, photographer, have been named to the publicity committee.

Schools Must Get 6-Mill Increase, Chairman Warns

Standards of education in the Birmingham school district can be maintained or improved only if the voters say "yes" to an increase of 2.5 mills in the special operating millage for the district which stretches from Troy to Franklin and Walnut Lake, the chairman of the Citizens Committee on Education warns.

Louis A. Bauer, 3140 Broadway, Bloomfield Village, pointed out that the 3.5-mill special levy in effect for the past five years expired Dec. 31.

"Consequently," Bauer said, "it is clear that it is impossible to continue operations of the school system at anywhere near the present standards without supplemental millage."

"The BIRMINGHAM district board of education has called a special election for Monday, March 25, asking approval of an increase of 6 mills in the operating levy for the next five years."

"The community," Bauer said, "should consider these dire possibilities that could result from an unfavorable vote March 25."

"GREATLY REDUCED" teaching efficiency would result, he said, not only to the district, but to the state as a whole.

Adoption by the school board of its recommendations, based on an exhaustive eight-month study, makes possible only maintaining present standards but improving teacher performance through increased supervision, Bauer said.

IN ADDITION, other recommendations deal with creating a much more favorable "climate" for teachers in the system to enhance their position in the community and to attract the number and kind of teachers the citizens want.

The committee's seven basic proposals for strengthening the personnel program of the district and its two recommendations for financing were made public when they were presented to the board and the PTA Council three weeks ago.

Herbert Burr Shoe Salon 255 N. Woodward, Birmingham



CHIEF PONTIAC, kidnapped Friday night from the M. E. Long home, 19315 Riverside, Beverly Hills, underwent some rough treatment by captives before they dumped him in a Bloomfield Hills ditch. Here Mr. and Mrs. Long (right) look over damage to the statue with Hills Police Chief Stanley Kevern. The Indian was a gift to Long when he worked for Pontiac Motors Division.

Beverly Hills Indian Kidnapped by Vandals

A plastered replica of Chief Pontiac, recovered by Bloomfield Hills police Monday in a ditch on Orchard Ridge road, 19315 Riverside, Beverly Hills.

Although the six-foot-plus statue now is battered and has lost much of its bright paint, many people and organizations would have been glad to adopt and restore it. Hills Police Chief Stanley Kevern received calls from interested groups Monday as word spread of the "road recovery" of the statue.

WEDNESDAY evenings from 7:30 to 10 p.m. life classes will be taught by Clifford West, art instructor at Cranbrook and Kingswood.

COMMISSIONER Monday Hulley, whose office is three blocks from the downtown area, said "I had to open the window to hear it."

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(Continued from Page 1-A) TO GRAVE, and blarney the road properly, he said. Other parents expressed concern about the school's having to be closed whenever the road was impassable.

Epaminondas Here The Japanese fairy tale, "The Terrible Lark" plus "Eminonides" and his Auntie," are the stories to be told by Dorothy O'Neill Saturday at Balfour public library.

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