

#### 4 Municipalities' Rouge Pollution Hearing To Be Set

A court hearing date will be set soon in the case in which Birmingham area municipalities are accused of failing to halt pollution of the River Rouge. Judge H. Russell Holland last week referred the case to Oakland County assignment clerk C. Richard Smith, who will assign a court date for the hearing, expected to take at least one full day of lengthy testimony.

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## AAUW's Puppeteers, Community House Make Spring Festival Plans

Two more organizations, the AAUW puppeteers and Birmingham Community House, have announced plans for participation in the Bloomfield art association's gala spring festival May 17-25.

An Arabian Nights fantasy, "Jamaal and the Golden Dates," will be the AAUW puppeteers' festival offering.

The Community House, meanwhile, has scheduled its annual crafts and hobbies exhibit for the first two days of the festival. "Jamaal and the Golden Dates" was originally written for a Detroit Institute of Arts contest and won honorable mention. The story was inspired by the pottery camel belonging to the institute. (Jamaal is Arabic for camel), but the puppeteers themselves, their costumes, scenery and even their special portable stages are products of the imagination and skill of the puppeteers.

RESULTS of the puppeteers' efforts have been enjoyed by youngsters throughout the area. Plays given on the large stage with six-foot presentation arch, which will be used for the festival play, have brought, orphanage and institutional audiences of around 100. For very small audiences, at home birthday parties and in school classrooms, a smaller stage is used. Every age enjoys puppets, however, and the same play which has enthralled children has also held the delighted attention of the aged in the Pontiac infirmary.

Birmingham, at festival time, will be virtually an annex of Left Bank Paris, with art springing up on every side.

THE AAUW's art display will be shown against a background of the lovely old trees and sculpture of the W. A. P. Job's garden on Tustling lane, long famous among the gardens of the area which are occasionally opened to the public. The Community House, during its annual crafts and hobbies exhibit, will have rooms full of paintings, ceramics, jewelry, designs, enamels, sculpture, flower arrangements, photography and silverware displayed by the classes of the Community House.

These classes are a prominent part of the services of this educational and recreational center, whose activities cover all ages from kindergarten to 95 years. It has a highly qualified staff of 10 instructors, and its facilities for work in the arts and crafts, built up over the years, include kilns, blow torches, easels, and mobile clay carts.

MANY CLASSES are open to all ages and all levels of skill, but there are also special classes for children and beginners.

### B'ham Democrats Sponsoring Civil Rights Review

Current status of the civil rights program will be the public forum topic next Tuesday at 8 p.m. when the Birmingham Democratic club meets at the Birmingham Community House.

Speakers will be Detroit attorney Ernest Goodman, Wayne Circuit Judge Wade McCreary, and University of Michigan journalism professor Wesley Maurer.

### Student Collapses

After his sudden collapse in Cunningham's drug store at Maple and Woodward Friday afternoon, a Cranbrook Academy of Art student was rushed by ambulance to William Beaumont hospital. A hospital spokesman said Hollis McDonald, 29, was discharged after treatment of what Birmingham police reported was indigestion.

## Firemen Slate Theatre Party For Children

In cooperation with the Birmingham theatre, Birmingham firemen are offering free popcorn and an hour of cartoons as well as a chance to see their annual theatre party for children. Main features for the program Wednesday will be Dana Andrews in "Gentlemen" to be shown at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The annual program benefits the Uniformed Firemen's association, composed of Birmingham firemen. Said Lt. George Wallace, president of the UFA: "We appreciate the interest that has been shown in the past by Birmingham people, and hope we can continue to serve you for the betterment of our city."

WALLACE SAID anyone wishing to sponsor theatre party tickets for children's homes should send checks payable to the Uniformed Firemen's association to Thomas Fox, 1860 Maryland, Birmingham.

Great Lakes transit corporation is helping firemen transport occupants of several children's homes to the theatre.

Ticket price is 50 cents.

### \$31 Cash Stolen From Grocery Cart

While she shopped in a Birmingham supermarket, Mrs. Martin Reddy, 10076 Burswood, Westwood, momentarily left her purse unattended in a grocery cart. When she checked her purse later, she discovered \$31 in cash missing.

The incident prompted Birmingham police to issue another warning to women shoppers. Hang on to your purse while you're looking over the bacon, they said.

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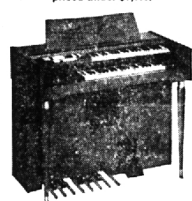
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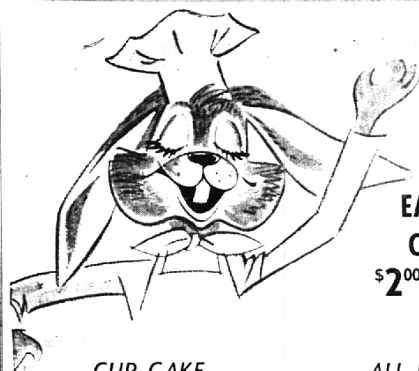
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