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This and That

Challenged to Save Your Own Earnings

When any unit of American government, from the smallest town-ship to the gigantic federal govern-ment, legally incurs a debt, it should be paid. Money for this payment is obtained from taxes and comes from the pay envelopes of all the taxpayers involved. In the case of the federal government, in one way or another, everyone pays. The largest payments are made in the form of income tax. If we can believe what we read and hear about this new 86th Con-gress, it certainly will pass legisla-tion which will take more and more money from the wages of Ameri-can people. Most Americans al-ready know that this new Con-gress will endeavor to spend more of their money, even though the President has submitted what he terms an economical budget.

1st Baptist Appoints Pastor

Members of the Birmingham First Baptist church have announced the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Homer J. Armstrong as their new pastor. Dr. Armstrong resigned his pastorate at the Jefferson Avenue Baptist church, Detroit, to accept the appointment. He will begin his ministry here April 1. He will fill the vacancy left by Dr. Emil Kottz, who resigned Nov. 15 to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist church, St. Albans, West Virginia. The Rev. Dr. Albert H. Gage, Dearborn, has been serving as interim pastor. Dr. and Mrs. Armstrong and their 11-year-old son, Peter, will move into the church parsonage, 501 Larches, sometime in late March. Another son, Richard, is married and resides in New Haven, Conn.

DR. HOMER J. ARMSTRONG

LISTED in the 1958 edition of "Who's Who in the Midwest" Dr. Armstrong is the author of a de- (See PASTOR, Page 2-A)

Are you weighted down with a personal burden ... be it lack of security ... sorrow over the loss of a loved one ... misunderstanding with a friend ... self-indicted because of some weakness ... or one of numerous other so-called "troubles"? Have you exhausted your human sources of help, and wonder "Oh, what's the use"? You might be helpfully surprised how your Bible can bring relief.

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Excited at having her picture taken is baby Deborah Jean Sellers—held by great-grandmother, Mrs. Benjamin R. Fox. Behind them are grandfather Gordon R. Fox and the baby's mother, Mrs. Boris Sellers.

Four Generations Celebrate Birthdays

Remember the days when sheep were driven from farms in the Romo area across Auburn and down Woodward to market in Detroit? Or when one took the interurban down to Palmer Park's log cabin and transferred to Detroit trolleys to get into town? Little Deborah Jean Sellers doesn't remember— but her great-grandmother recalls hearing her father tell about driving sheep as a lad—and she trav-

eled by interurban to take music lessons. BABY DEBORAH heard all about this Sunday when she starred as the youngest celebrant at a four-generation family birthday party. Debbie hit the one-year mark Feb. 4 and her mother, Mrs. Boris Sellers had a birthday Feb. 7. Maternal grandfather Gordon E. Fox was born on Feb. 17 and yesterday was the anniversary of great-grandmother Mrs. Benjamin I. Fox. Only Deborah revealed her age as the four gaily opened gifts and blew out candles at the Gordon Fox home, 636 Wimbledon. And she found the camera even more exciting than her new shiny bright push-around music box!

DR. HOMER J. ARMSTRONG

Famous French Magazine Looks at Suburbia USA

Packed with surprises about Suburbia is the March issue of Suburbia Today, the Birmingham Eccentric's new, exciting special supplement. It'll be coming to you with next week's Eccentric. The cover captures beautifully our longing for Spring. A small boy stands on his front lawn on a windy March day, looking up at the still-bare trees—and spies the first robin. Not long now! In "The Suburbs Are Making a Name For Themselves," REALITIES, reports on SUBURBIA U.S.A. in an extensive analysis of this "last great migration."

A CONNECTICUT suburban couple turn a cruise through the Caribbean into a dress rehearsal for spring in a fashion and travel feature called "South from Greenwich." Falling right in step with our Eccentric Cooking School, Suburbia includes for March a group of exotic recipes that transform chicken and shrimp into one-dish meals to brighten winter menus. "Think it is crazy to borrow?" "Borrowing Can Make Sense," Garrett Oppenheim shows how credit can be a valuable tool if you know how, when and how much to borrow to raise your standard of living. IF SPRING does come (the

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Adequate Library Addition Will Cost More Than \$75,000

Bob Maxwell In Race for City Commission

Radio Star Opposes Ingraham, Renfrew

Radio and TV personality Bob Maxwell disclosed yesterday he will be a candidate for a three-year term on the Birmingham city commission. He will face incumbent commissioners Carl F. Ingraham and Charles W. Renfrew in the April 6 city election. Renfrew seeks his third full term, while Ingraham is going for his second. Petitions for these incumbents have been filed with City Clerk Irene Hanley. To date, only incumbent William H. Burgum has filed for election to the one-year commission vacancy resulting when William Hutchin-son moved to Grand Rapids last July. Burgum was appointed to succeed Hutchinson until the coming election.

Collect \$14,000 Towards 1959 Roll Call Goal

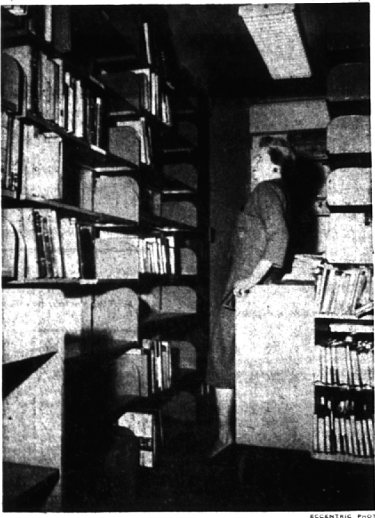
The Birmingham Community House has a "drumming start" on its 1959 budget goal, Ralph E. Hunt, chairman of the finance drive, said at a "kick-off" luncheon Tuesday. Hunt said almost one-fourth of the funds needed to maintain the operation of the Community House have already been pledged, and the mail is heavy with contributions. The year's goal is \$60,000 and the contributions to date total \$14,044. Attending the luncheon, held at the Community House, were approximately 100 volunteer captains, co-captains and supervisors for the hundreds of area residents who will assist in the drive. Calls on residents of the area will begin Monday.

Recreation Board Reviews Record-High Budget

A record-high budget for the recreation department was submitted to the recreation board Thursday by department director Robert Girardin. Although the figures are not which was closed Sunday, before submitting that request. The Eton rink budget will top \$20,000. Already requested is \$7,734 for the department's operation for the fiscal year of 1959-60. Recreation board members met yesterday morning to discuss the budget item by item and to see if the final figures from the rink.

STRICTLY FRESH

A committee is a device for sharing several ways the credit usually earned by one member. We never have a single argument at our house; three or four are always in progress. Our boss has to get along with. He's impossible. People who say they've never had an argument in the years they've been married are blessed with total forgetfulness. Some children are always quiet; others manage to stay out of mischief occasionally.

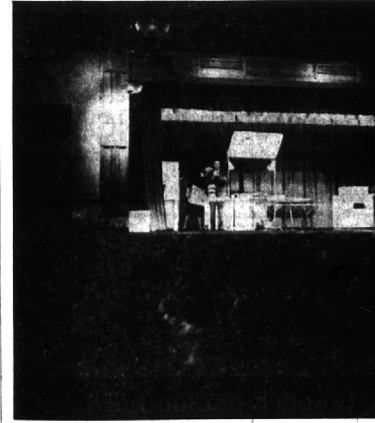


Crowded, Crowded

Miss Jeanne Lloyd, librarian at Baldwin public library, hunts for a book in a crowded hallway at the library. The hallway once served as an outside exit for the auditorium and joined the "stack area" with the children's department. For the past two years, the hallway has had to serve as a sorting area for books returned by borrowers.

To Disclose Details at Conference

At a special meeting Saturday morning, Birmingham public library board will present its recommendations to city commissioners regarding a proposed addition to the library building at Bates and Martin streets. Library board members met last night to finalize their recommendations. Their discussion centered on whether to recommend that better ventilation and quieter occupants be included in the remodeling at some additional expense. LIBRARY BOARD President Charles Kass said the board would be recommending a project that will exceed \$75,000. The proposed addition undoubtedly meet Birmingham's ultimate library needs, Kass believes. Architect Linn Smith of Smith, Tarapat & MacMahon, detailed his proposals to the board last night. His suggestions, he said, were based on the recommendations of Ralph A. Ulveling and Charles M. Mohrhardt, library building consultants, of Detroit. SMITH SAID the addition would be on the east (Bates street) side of the library. It would be a one-story structure that does not match the present building, but will harmonize with it. He said it would permit increasing the library book capacity to about 80,000. It now is about 60,000 volumes. Seating facilities would be increased to about 125 chairs, or just double present facilities. THE LIBRARY entrance would be moved to the Martin side of the new unit, Smith said, enabling a better arrangement of space in the present library's main room. The new unit would contain most of the work space, charge-out desk, and children's room. "The present building would become available more for adults," Smith explained. SOME MONTHS ago in author- (See LIBRARY, Page 2-A)



Eccentric Cooking School Draws Full Houses

Culinary expert Susan Lowe's delightful and instructive demonstrations drew enthusiastic comment from the audience. Con-census indicates that Birmingham's first cooking school in many years was most successful, and was gratefully received by local women. Both the Tuesday evening and Wednesday afternoon sessions of the Birmingham Eccentric's Cooking School played to "standing room only"—and then some. Fire department rules were enforced a n d eager late-comers turned away as more than 500 women packed the entire first floor of the Community House for each presentation.