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Each of us knows many people, some of them are relatives, some close friends, most of them acquaintances. We meet some of them daily, perhaps exchange greetings, or at best "Hi", "Guh-mirrin", "Nice day", etc. etc. They perhaps remain on our mind. Pretty meaningless, isn't it? Let's try to say something nice, cheerful. Let's praise them for something nice we know about them. . . . let's be of good cheer!

For Blood: 'Thanks!'

The Birmingham Area has done it again! On Feb. 29, the woman's society of Christian service of the First Methodist church, as the sponsoring group, collected 156 pints of blood for the American Red Cross.

On March 2 the American Association of University Women sponsored another collection at the community house and received 171 pints of blood.

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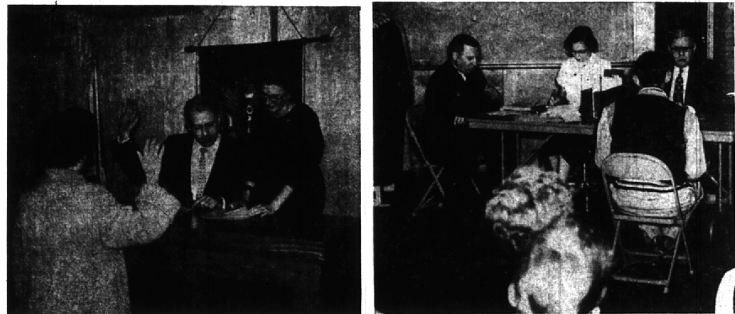
said Mrs. Earl Cannon, 1049 Suffolk, area chairman of the American Red Cross collecting program.

The following citizens received Gallon Pins at the two collections: Richard Chambers, 882 Cole; Lyman Craig, 32745 Lahser; Richard R. Despard, 1550 Washington; Mrs. Margaret deBeaubien, 559 Madison; Lamar Gilchrist, 1592 Lincoln; J. E. Gillette, 571 Hickory Heights; Mrs. James Hinkamp, 1444 S. Bates;

JOHN HINKLEY, 2960 Bradford; Donald Gould, 424 Bonnaville; Vernon Isenhart, 723 Oakland; Dean E. Leffler, 6745 Colby; Harris Machus, 1176 N. Glenhurst; E. C. Monhan, 6239 Thorncrest; N. W. Neff, 625 Gilbert Lake; Howard R. Norman, 19124 Locherbo; George S. Scott, 787 Hazelwood; Allen A. Strom, 1130 Wakefield; Ralph Thraen, 16260 Beverly; William B. Williams, 1608 Crawford Road; James Wilson, 1627 Maryland.

William Bond, 757 Westview, Bloomfield, would be eligible for a Four gallon pin if they were available.

"These results are proof that our community is conscious of the fact that the medicine, "blood", is available if and when our loved ones need it. This medicine is only obtained by our fellow citizens bearing their arms," Mrs. Cannon emphasized.



JSOUTHFIELD—It happens every Monday and Friday—Judge Clarence Reid swears in a defendant while Margaret Chixby, court clerk looks on. (If anyone recognizes the defendant in this case, it was a re-enactment).

TROY—Justice Charles H. Losey gives a defendant a chance to "tell his own story." He and Associate Justice Ceville Mason believe that clemency, at least on the first offense, accompanied by stiff warnings will keep offenders, especially young ones, from coming back.

Your Court Report

Look to County For Guidance

Southfield and Troy Judges Show Wide Field of Vision

By DOROTHY ZATELL and AL SANDNER

To Birmingham's northeast and southwest, preside a pair of judges—one an old hand at his job, the other comparatively new.

Both Judge Clarence Reid, Jr. of Southfield, and Justice Charles H. Losey of Troy—have county-wide scope in their view of the local court system and its task.

REID FAVORS Oakland County Probate Court Judge Arthur E. Moore's Parent-Youth Guidance committee.

Losey is looking to the county to help co-ordinate the local justice courts.

A day in court for Reid might turn up pleas that go something like:

"I couldn't have been exceeding the speed limit, my wife was riding right beside me and whenever I go too fast, she yells at me."

"I WAS DRIVING, but my husband grabbed the wheel and made the prohibited turn—gave him the ticket."

"Excuses, excuses, and fancy ones too, they all come before Reid to decide, and he thinks he has heard them all."

Court in Southfield is held every Monday and Friday. Judge Reid says his philosophy is to treat each case on its own, trying to be fair and lenient.

THE 32-YEAR-OLD, tall, blond judge believes in maintaining the proper decorum and respect for the court. He realizes that many who appear before him have never been in a court before, and with proper handling of each case, he hopes to make it their last.

Reid lives at 21641 Fairway drive with his wife Marian and two children, a girl 9 and a boy 8. A graduate of Troy—have county-wide scope in their view of the local court system and its task.

Reid, who brings his parents to court may receive a smaller fine if it is his first offense. He is lectured, and with parental cooperation, Reid believes most of these won't make another appearance in court. Older juveniles who are repeat offenders, are given heavier fines.

REID FAVORS Southfield's disputed Ordinance No. 29 establishing a Parent Youth Guidance committee, but admits it may have to be rewritten to please the people.

According to Reid, the general attitude in the Southfield court is 90 percent cooperative. Most drivers run afraid of the law, speeding, running red lights and making prohibited left turns.

Reid has been judge of the Southfield court since April 1958, and previous to that he was Justice of the Peace. He estimates he has performed 50 or 60 marriages in that time. He's not sure how they all turned out, but hopes for the best.

Court in Southfield is held in the basement of the Nelson Realty building at Southfield road and Ten Mile.

TROY'S JUSTICE of the Peace, Charles H. Losey has been at his job for a long time—long enough to appreciate the recent changes and improved co-ordination in the county's justice of the peace system.

Next step, Losey said, should be the supervision of justice courts by Oakland county circuit courts.

Sharing the bench is Associate Justice Ceville Mason, a Chevrolet Gear and Axle Trovost man, now serving his second term under Troy's city charter, after a long career as Troy township justice.

The justice, 60, grey-haired, soft-spoken, started his local bench

career as Troy township justice in 1938. He held this seat until he took over as township attorney in 1957 a position he held until 1949.

LOSEY BECAME Clawson's city attorney in 1939, and still holds the position.

(Only one man in Oakland county has held a similar position longer—Ferndale's Oph Holmes—

TROY ELECTED him its first (See JUDGES, Page 5-D)

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